

LITTER REGISTRATION

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The Cat Fanciers' Association Litter Registration is fourfold in its purpose as it offers protection, accuracy, simplicity and economy. I have used Litter Registration for several years and I appreciate the protection and convenience it has offered. It is important to remember that once a breeder has enrolled in the plan, **ALL LITTERS**, regardless of quality or number, **MUST** be registered as a unit. *Protection.* Cats and kittens bred by a participating breeder after date of enrollment cannot be registered without the correct forms, giving the registration number of the litter as a unit. Kittens sold as pets without pedigree cannot be registered without the special forms, and the breeder is protected from misuse of pedigrees of valuable stock.

Accuracy. Only one litter application is submitted. When individual registration for the kittens in the litter is not completed at the time the litter is registered as a unit, special forms (one for each unregistered kitten in the litter) will be sent to the breeder. The special forms will give the litter number, sire, dam, and the date of birth. The breeder must fill in only the sex and color of the kitten to be registered. Copying errors are eliminated.

Simplicity. As only one litter application form giving ancestry is submitted, and as the forms for registration of a kitten of a registered litter are short and simple, considerable paper work is eliminated.

Economy. A breeder may register the entire litter of kittens (under the age of 4 months) at the time the litter is registered as a unit for \$1.00 per kitten: or a breeder may register a litter as a unit only and the new owners may register the individual kittens using the special forms provided.

Enrollment. Registration of a litter is considered "enrollment" by a breeder, and the date of birth of the first litter registered is the "enrollment date". All litters born after the enrollment date **MUST**

be registered as a unit before individual kitten registration can be completed. Application for registration of cats and kittens born after enrollment date will be refused unless the litter has been registered as a unit and the correct forms are submitted.

Forms. The litter form must not be used unless the breeder has enrolled under the litter plan or wishes to enroll under the litter plan. Participating breeders must use the CFA Litter Application Forms which may be obtained from the Central Office without charge.

As stated in the above rules, a special form is used to register a litter as a unit. The breeder gives the following information: breed, date of birth, number of living males and females, color and eye color of each. The name, registration number and color of sire and dam must be filled in. Signatures of both the owner of sire and the owner of dam (breeder) are required. This is the only time and the only way a litter of kittens, under the age of four months, can be registered for \$1.00 each. Thus a litter of four would cost \$5.00 including the cost of registering the litter as a unit. It is possible for a breeder to register only a part of a litter at the time the litter as a unit is registered. In this case the fee is \$2.00 for each kitten registered. Thus to register two of a litter of three or more would cost \$5.00 including the \$1.00 for registering the litter as a unit. The other kittens in the litter need never be registered but the breeder will receive a special form for each kitten. Any one of these kittens can be registered at a later date for \$2.00 if the form is submitted. In the event a breeder does not want to register any of the kittens in a litter, the litter must still be registered as a unit. For the \$1.00 fee the breeder will receive a certificate giving litter number and a special form for each kitten. Possibly these forms may never be used but they offer valuable protection as no one can register any of these kittens without first submitting the forms. The fee for registration in this case remains \$2.00 regardless of the age of kitten or the lapse of time.

Surely your valuable pedigrees deserve the utmost protection—protection obtained only by CFA Litter Registration. Free forms for enrolling may be obtained by writing the Central Office. (Address See Pg. 5)



A real estate man who was always bragging about his big deals and talking in terms of thousands of dollars was greeted one evening by his 10-year-old son, who announced: "Well, Dad, I've sold the dog."

"You've sold the dog?" questioned the father. "What did you get for him?"

"Five thousand dollars," answered the boy proudly.

"What are you talking about?" exclaimed the unbelieving father. "Where is the money?"

"Oh, I didn't get any money," said the boy. "I got two \$2,500 cats for him."