



ChatsCanadaCats

Administrative Directive – 2020-04

Committee referred to: None

Clubs targeted: None

Target population: Anyone wishing to import Khao Manee into Canada
Chats Canada Cats Registrar

Whereas the Chats Canada Cats considers that a diversification of the breeds of cat produced in the country is important and that it makes efforts to support the importation, the establishment and the development of new breeds on the Canadian market.

Whereas the Chats Canada Cats adopted a policy concerning the reproduction of deaf cats (2017-01) on September 12th, 2017.

Whereas the Chats Canada Cats modified this policy in order to adapt to the reality of the Khao Manee, August 11th, 2019

Whereas Chats Canada Cats understands that some Khao Manee imported into Canada come from countries where the Brainstem Auditory Evoked Response (BAER) is not available or difficult to obtain.

On March 12th, 2020, the Board of Directors of Chats Canada Cats adopted the following directive concerning Khao Manee imported into Canada and constituting a first generation of this breed in Canada.

Registrations :

1 - All Khao Manee can obtain the registration of Chats Canada Cats, if it is shown that they are purebred;

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2 - For a Khao Manee imported for reproduction (first generation) from a country where the BAER test is not available or difficult to obtain, the registration request must be accompanied by the result of the BAER test done in Canada **as well** as a genetic test for the dominant W gene, both stating the microchip number.

Reproduction :

- 1 - No cat with bilateral deafness will be allowed to breed;
- 2 - A first generation Khao Manee with unilateral deafness will be accepted for reproduction, but only with a conform bilateral hearing;
- 3 -A Khao Manee presenting a unilateral deafness having 2 copies of the dominant W gene must be reproduced with a cat having only one copy of the dominant W gene;

This exemption applies only to cats imported into the country and cannot in any case apply to cats born in Canada.

This policy is temporary and ends on March 31, 2023. It will be revised.

The Board of directors, by this decision, clarifies the registration rules and encourages the diversification of breeds.