



Felis Belgica Pedigree rules

Definitions:

FBe:	Felis Belgica
FIFe:	Fédération Internationale Féline
AV:	General Assembly of Members of Felis Belgica
Board:	Governing body of Felis Belgica
RIEX:	Initial and Experimental Register – for incomplete or experimental pedigree registration
LO:	Livre d'Origine – for full pedigrees
Studbook:	The complete register of all cats. RIEX and LO together constitute the studbook.

1. General

Art. 1.1.

Every breeder, both members and non-members, may participate in the FBe breeding programmes. Pedigree applications from members and non-members are treated equally.

All legal obligations and the FIFe Breeding & Registration Rules are fully applicable. The breeder has full responsibility to stay in order with all applicable legal obligations in his / her country.

Art. 1.2.

The fees for pedigrees and other administrative services are determined by the general assembly or by the board, which is mandated to take daily decisions in the interest of the association.

Art. 1.3

Felis Belgica regularly organizes training sessions to support responsible breeding and to explain the breeding programmes. Both members and non-members can participate.

2. The commission

Art. 2.1:

The commission is composed as follows:

- President
- Secretary
- Assistant title registration
- Assistant(s) pedigree registration

The number of members is not limited.



3. Procedure of registration

Art. 3.1:

To request pedigrees, the application form is to be used (annex 1). The request is done in 2 steps:

- Part 1: to be sent to the pedigree secretariat within 8 days after birth of the kittens;
- Part 2: to be sent to the pedigree secretariat with the actual pedigree request

Obligated tests depend on the breed. To see all required tests, we refer to the breeding programmes and the FIFe breeding & registration rules.

In case of an external mating, the mating form has to be signed by the owner of the male (annex 2).

Art. 3.2:

Registration of titles has to be done in accordance with the FIFe rules. The application form is to be kept up to date and send in with every title registration request (annex 3)

Art. 3.3:

Both members and non-members can register a cattery name. This is a requirement for registering kittens as a breeder.

4. Import of pedigrees

Art. 4.1:

The import of pedigrees will be done in accordance with the FIFe rules.

Pedigrees from other studbook associations that are part of the World Cat Congress, as well as from recognized associations within Flanders, are generally accepted for import. Any errors that are identified are discussed with the relevant association and corrected where necessary.

Pedigrees of independent associations, other than the ones mentioned above, are always imported in the RIEEX, unless the president of the pedigree commission considers the pedigree as trustworthy (complete and genetically correct). In that case he may decide to import the cat in the LO.

Art. 4.2:

The transfer document (annex 4) is to be filled out by the breeder when transferring a cat to a new owner. A copy of the filled out form has to be send in to the pedigree secretariat.

5. Composition of the pedigree numbers

Art. 5.1:

Livre d'origine (LO):

New pedigree: (BE) FBE LO XX.EMS.YYY.Z
Import: (BE) FBE LO XX.EMS.CC.YYY.Z

Registre Initial et expérimental (RIEX):

New pedigree: (BE) FBE RX XX.EMS.YYY.Z
Import: (BE) FBE RX XX.EMS.CC.YYY.Z
Novice : (BE) FBE RX XX.EMS.REG.YYY



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In which:

XX: Year of the entry in 2 digits
EMS: description of the breed in EMS code
YYY: serial number of the litter / import
Z: serial number of the cat per litter
CC: landcode where the cat was imported from

6. Controls en Penalty's

Art. 6.1.

The commission has the right to perform controls of the registered litter, in order to establish the accuracy of the request, in accordance with the internal rules.

Art. 6.2.

Not obliging the request procedure or the applicable FIFe rules, may result in a refusal of the pedigree commission to register the kittens in the studbook and/or to deliver the related documents.

In case of repetitive violations, a breeding prohibition can be imposed for a maximum period up to 24 months or a definite deletion of the registered cattery.

Any complaints or disputes regarding this are handled in accordance with the provisions in the statutes and the internal rules.

7. Changes

Art 7.1.

Any changes to these rules can be done by the general assembly by a simple majority of the members present who are entitled to vote.

* This document is translated from the Dutch version. In case of discrepancies or contradictions, the Dutch version is the document which will be followed.