

Regulations for the European Cavy Standard

1. Definition of the European Cavy Standard

- a) The national standards of all members form the basis of the European Cavy Standard called "main standard" hereafter.
- b) The main standard and the list called "European Breeds and Colours" (appendix) together form the European Standard.
- c) Only those breeds and colours that are standardised in at least three EE-affiliated countries will be included in the European standard.
- d) Only those new or unstandardised breeds and colours that are standardised in at least three affiliated countries will be considered for standardisation in the European standard
- e) The list "European Breeds and Colours" will be issued annually to all affiliated countries.
- f) Every effort will be made in english version to present the European Cavy Standard and all affiliated countries can translate it with holding the copyright.

2. Validity

- a) The European Cavy Standard will be implemented at all EE shows.
- b) Every effort will be made to persuade all affiliated countries to the EE to adopt the European Cavy standard in favour or as complement of their own national standard.

3. Standardisation of Breeds and Colours proposed by the affiliated countries

- a) The ultimate standardisation or removing of breeds and colours in the European Cavy Standard is decided by the delegates of the Cavy section meeting, after being proposed by the ESKC.
- b) The breeds and colours to be standardised must have a full standard and be popular and well distributed in their respective countries of origin.
- c) The ESKC must be notified of all breeds and colours that have recently been standardised and will then in turn decide on standardisation in the European Cavy Standard.

The following criteria must be borne in mind at all times:

- Ethics
- Animal Welfare
- Protections of existing breeds and colours
- Respecting the requirements of the country of origin
- Promoting responsibility in breeding with respect to genetics etc.

4. Judging System

- a) The delegates of the cavy section meeting decide on the format of the judging card, as proposed by the ESKC.
- b) Exhibits at EE-Shows will be awarded with a combination of marks and points.
- c) If a minimum of 10% of points are deducted per position, this decision has to be clarified with written comments.
- d) In the event of two or more exhibits scoring equal points have to be compared.
- e) At least one head judge on ee shows
- f) head judge has to approve 0 or 97 and over points by other judge.
- g) Judge needs 3 seminars and one ee show to become an ee judging badge.

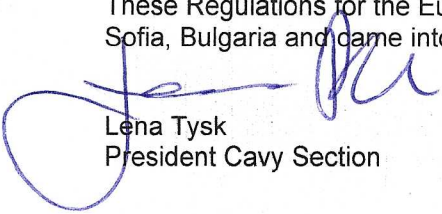
5. Definition of Country of Origin

- a) The country of origin of non-standardised breeds and colours is listed in the appendix of the Euro-pean Cavy Standard.
- b) The country of origin of a breed remains, even if new colours are standardised in other countries.
- c) If a certain colour is rejected, an entry will be made in the main standard (list of non-standardised breeds and colours).

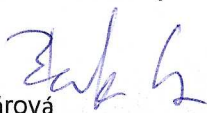
6. Rare Breeds

- a) Rare breeds should be promoted through additional measures across all affiliated countries.

These Regulations for the European Cavy Standard were completed on the 19th. day of May 2023 in Sofia, Bulgaria and came into effect immediately.



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