

## Cat Show Video: Shooting or Recording Your Video

Things to think about for recording your cat video for fair entry.

1. Camera, tablet or smart phone mounted on tripod, monopod or stable surface.
  2. Cats can be recorded on the ground/floor but may be placed on grooming table or other stable structure to assist shooting the video at higher height. **\*\*Please don't leave your cat unattended on a grooming table or other stable structure- the cat should be monitored the whole time while on the elevated surface.\*\***
  3. Record your video with your sound on so you can explain the breed, age, gender, temperament (shy, friendly) and any other information about your cat. Include other info such as:
    - a. Female with kittens
    - b. Getting over an infection checked by veterinarian
    - c. Recent injury checked by veterinarian
  3. Please record your video landscape (or horizontal). Experiment with a good camera angle to show all of your cat (front, profile (side) and back views) so don't get too close or too far away.
  4. Make sure it is bright enough in the camera viewfinders so we can see your cat. If filming indoors, turn on all the lights in the room and not with a window or light source directly behind you. If filming outdoors, film at an angle where the sun is not directly behind you or in front of you.
- \*\*If you have a dark coated cat please don't stand the cat in front of a dark inside or outside background surface and light coated cats in front of light colored background surface.\*\***
4. Test and troubleshoot: Play your video back to make sure you can see your cat and you plus hear yourself too. Check your lighting, background and angles.
  5. If needed, feel free to use a feather or other toy to occupy the attention of the cat!

## Cat Care Rating Components for Online Video Judging

**Close up filming of cat:** these are the parts of the cat that can be shown as **close up view** on the video:

- Paws: close up of the paws and toe pad
- Eyes: clear and cleaned of discharge
- Ears: Inside of ears - cleaned clear of dirt or inflammation
- Teeth/Gums: Lift up the cat's lips to show the cat's bit or teeth on both sides of mouth. Gums should be pink and healthy. Teeth are cleaned no large areas of tartar. {It is common for old cats to have some staining and minimal tartar or chipped/broken teeth.}

**General filming of cat:** filming the whole cat by showing the right and left sides plus the front (head).

- Condition of Coat: cats must be groomed to the condition of their fur type. No matting, etc.
- Temperament: {friendly, shy or aggressive} You can briefly explain the breed, age, gender, temperament (shy, friendly) and any other information about your cat.