



CODE OF ETHICS

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The purpose of this document is to remind and clarify the key-points of our optics of breeding. Every applicant to the status of "A.I.M.E.-approved breeder, as well as any A.I.M.E. member registered as "Mau owner" willing to breed occasionally, must sign it, thus committing oneself to fulfill all its clauses.

Any dispute concerning its interpretation is within the competence of the Board of Directors.

1. SKILLS

Account for a minimum experience of two years in the breeding of Egyptian Mau or another feline breed. Otherwise, accept a trial period of one year.

2. SHARING INFORMATION

Communicate to AIME any information concerning:

- The registration of my cattery studbook number, Company Registration number if applicable, Veterinarian Services registration number and for France, my number of Feline Capacity certificate.
- Number of owned cats (breed(s), breeding stock, sterilized cats) and possible changes
- The identification of all my Egyptian Maus : pedigrees, tattoo or microchips numbers
- The identification of my litters : pedigrees, tattoo or microchips numbers
- The history of the cats before my membership in particular the possible health problems encountered

3. LEGISLATION

Me conformer à la réglementation en matière d'élevage et d'expositions.

Comply with the legislation of the country where I live and breed as regards breeding and exhibitions.

4. BREEDING CONDITIONS

- Offer my cat(s) a human and emotional presence that will ensure their welfare.



- Offer my cats a sufficient surface for a good quality of life and good sanitary conditions.
- Maintain no cat caged, except for health reasons or in case of force majeure.
- Never let my cat(s) wander. In case of uncontrolled escapade, it's recommended to have FelV and FiV tests performed on the return of the cat to and, if I have another cat, quarantine the absconder. In case these precautions were not applied, it's compulsory to have all the cats tested before putting them in contact with other cats (breeding, shows, boarding...).
- Try not to give a female oral or injectable contraception more than three consecutive months.
- Avoid premature or repetitive pregnancies in order to protect the health of my breeding female cats.
- Give or sell no kitten under the age of three months.
- Allow any representative of the AIME Board to visit my breeding premises upon request.
- Never declaw any cat.

5. ACQUISITION OF MAUS

- Inquire about the breeding conditions and, if possible, visit the cattery
- If possible, acquire only a fully inoculated cat having undergone the FelV and FiV tests. If not, have the tests and inoculations made at the soonest and, in any case, before putting the animal in contact with other cats.
- Systematically have the cat examined by a veterinarian.
- If I have other cats, subject the newly arrived cat to an acclimatization period

6. BREEDING

- Do no mating nor give stud services without the advice of AIME as regards the inbreed coefficients and the lines.
- When pregnancy is confirmed, inform AIME.
- In case of failed mating, inform AIME in order to contribute to list the possible reproduction problems. For the same purpose, inform AIME of any problem that might occur during pregnancy.

7. QUALITY



- Allow every potential buyer to visit the totality of my breeding premises.
- Inform every potential buyer of the official standard and of the behavioral characteristics of the breed.
- Inform any potential buyer of any possible defect on a cat which is proposed to him for sale, and clearly explain the importance of this defect (e.g. in shows : penalties, disqualification).
- Guarantee to every buyer a cat corresponding to the quality he asked for, that being of course subject to some possible characteristics that could appear later.
- Give to all buyers a hints note and stay at their disposal for any information or additional advice.

8. PRICES AND OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS

- Guarantee to every buyer a firm and definitive price, including if need be the transport.
- Reduce the selling price in case a defect which was not visible at the time of the reservation would pop up.
- Consult the A.I.M.E. for any advice concerning the righteous price of a cat.
- France : never withhold pedigree nor transfer of ownership until sterilization certificate was provided by the new owner. This is illegal.

9. GUARANTEES

Offer to every buyer of an Egyptian Mau cat from my cattery the following guarantees, without additional cost:

French breeders:

- Besides the legal guarantees provided for by the Code of Agriculture : FelV and FiV tests.
- Comply with the European legislation as regards documentation, rabies injections and delays when selling to foreign owners.

Breeder outside France:

- The legal guarantees provided for by the sanitary regulation of the country of origin of the kitten, as well as FelV and FiV tests.

Besides, tests of genetic filiation will be practised on all kittens and will be given to the buyers.



10. EARLY STERILIZATION (FRANCE)

- Sell a neutered kitten (male or female) aged less than six months only with the written consent of the new owner or at his specific request. This sterilisation is made without additional cost.

11. SHOWING

- Never show a female recently mated, even if pregnancy is not proved
- Never show a kitten already reserved without the future owner's explicit agreement.
- Never sell during shows to unknown individuals.
- Do not deliver during a show an already reserved cat if the person has never visited the cattery and is not already favorably known.

12. DEONTOLOGY

- Forward to A.I.M.E. headoffice and/or to the other breeders the inquiries I could not satisfy.
- Forward to AIME any information concerning the Egyptian Mau breed I could learn, in order to improve the knowledge.

Handwritten mention " read and approved ".

Location

date

Full name

Signature