Add Show Rules 22.1.2.3 (Pet Expos)

Rationale:

The Pet Expo determines the date of the Expo and the club has no control over the date. It is financially advantageous for the club to have the pet expo cover the cost of the show hall. Additionally, the Expo company frequently pays the cost of the caging service as well. Pet Expos also provide considerable publicity for TICA.

Limiting the show to a maximum of 125 entries will prevent the show from drawing too many entries from adjoining regions which may be having their own shows within 500 miles.

PROS:

Pet expos attract large audiences which give much needed additional exposure and publicity for TICA

The scheduling flexibility allows clubs to maintain financially advantageous relationships with Pet Expos (helping to lower the cost of the show) and maintain the Pet Expo relationships with TICA clubs - rather than forcing the Pet Expo to seek relationships with other registries

The 125 cat limit (plus not every exhibitor wishes to attend a Pet Expo) will help to reduce the possibility that the Pet Expo show will draw too many entries away from nearby shows

CONS:

Possibility that the Pet Expo show may draw entries from other shows within 500 miles

Add Show Rule 22.1.2.3

22.1.2 Show Dates. When a club desires a show date from the Regional Director, they may request that date in writing. After 30 days, there being no response from the Regional Director, the club may proceed with the show date, scheduling it through the Executive Office by providing the Executive Office with a copy of the written request.

22.1.2.1 The Regional Director may deny a club a specific show date if there is a previously scheduled TICA show within 500 miles (805 kilometers) or in the same region on the requested weekend.

22.1.2.2 If there are multiple show requests for the same show weekend, shows may be held within 500 miles (805 kilometers) of each other only with both A and B below:

A. Written permission from the show managers, and
B. Written permission of the regional director or regional directors if the show requests are from multiple regions. The first club that requests a show date is authorized to have the show.

22.1.2.3 The provisions and restrictions of 22.1.2.1 and 22.1.2.2 shall not apply when one or both of the scheduled shows for the same date is part of a Pet Expo in which the Pet Expo determines the date of the expo, and when the show is limited to a maximum of 125 entries within a region.