

Visiting a Cat Show? What to Expect.

What type of payment is available for admission to show? We do not have electronic capabilities for payment at the door. Please bring cash. Also please be aware that some vendors may not accept credit cards. There is an ATM machine in the show hall lobby.

Discount on Admission? An admission discount coupon is available on the club website www.hamiltoncatshow.ca. We accept printed coupons or digital proof of coupon.

Can visitors touch the cats? Some of the cats in the show may be petted. Always ask for the owner's permission first, and always sanitize between cats. There is an aisle of Pet-Me-Cats at the show which can be petted and you can ask questions about the cats and the cat show. *Please be aware that visitors are not allowed behind the judges' tables. Chairs are available for you to sit and watch the judge handle the cats.*

Can I bring my cat (or any pet) to the show? No, only cats pre-registered may enter the show hall.

What happens at a cat show? The show has 4 judges each day evaluating the cats in a continuous cycle. All judges evaluate all of the cats entered. Think of it like an individual cat show in each ring and opinions of the judges may differ. The highest scoring entries for each day receive awards called Best of the Best. A presentation of the Best of the Best awards happens at noon on Sunday.

Can I take photographs or videos of the cats or judging? Photography or video recording is permitted. Please ask permission first if using a flash as it may scare some cats. If a cat appears to be stressed or nervous please do not take photos.

Are there items for sale at the show? We will have several cat item vendors, health specialists, nutrition experts, grooming products, as well as some non-cat vendors with jewellery, gems, soaps, teas, and more!

Can I buy a kitten or cat at the show? Some exhibitors may have kittens or adults for sale. Sometimes breeders will bring them to the show, but others may leave their cats at home. Look for signs that read Cats or Kittens for sale. Please note that all kittens must be 3 months old to be in the show hall.

What else is at the show? Each paid admission receives a chance to win the door prize. Our show has raffles throughout both days. On Saturday some exhibitors will be wearing costumes and have decorated cages for a chance to win prizes. On Sunday morning there is an educational presentation about cats at 10:30 am by a veterinarian who specializes in cats. At noon the winners from Saturday's show are presented. Later on Sunday at 2 pm there is a costumed cat contest which is decided by our spectators.

When is the best time to visit the cat show? Doors open both days at 9:00 am. The show closes at 4:30 pm. We recommend planning to arrive at least two hours before the end of the show so you can have time to see everything.

Is there food available for visitors? Yes, people food is available at the show.

Anything else? Have fun! If you have questions, please ask the exhibitors. Some judges will explain what they're looking for throughout their process so find one you enjoy best from a handling or speaking perspective and have a seat.

Adults \$10 • Kids (3yr - 12yr) and Seniors \$5 • Family \$25 (4) • Kids 0 - 2 — Free
Tickets at the door, cash ONLY. Discount coupon on website \$1 off adult and \$2 off family

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