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Rules for Affiliation of Shows

The Pyramid of ECAHO affiliated shows

World Championship
Title Shows
A Shows, GCAT Shows
B Int./Nat. Shows
National Championships
C International Shows
European Shows, EAHGC
C National Shows
Specific Origin Shows
Breeders' Show
D Regional Shows
Amateur Shows

Show Category	Procedures for Approval of Shows				
1. The ECAHO Exthe dates of the 2. No late affiliation be a 50% surch 3. Any show that if except in case of	Procedure for affiliation of shows: 1. The ECAHO Exec Sec. will schedule affiliation procedures and deadlines for shows in accordance with the dates of the EAHSC Meeting. 2. No late affiliations are accepted if they coincide with any existing show date in the same area. There will be a 50% surcharge for late affiliations (i.e. received after deadline, see 1.) 3. Any show that is cancelled at any time after approval of EAHSC remains liable to pay full affiliation fee, except in case of force majeure.				
World Championship	Only one World Championship per year shall be approved by the EAHSC within ECAHO Full Member countries. The show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.				
Title Show	Only eight Title shows shall be approved within ECAHO Full Member Countries and only the EAHSC can decide upon a new application from a Member Country. The number of Title shows shall remain limited: 3 in Europe, 5 in countries outside Europe, in order to maintain the value of these events. A maximum of 1 Title show per country shall be approved. A new Title show shall only be approved in replacement of another Title show which ceases to exist for any reason. Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given. Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10 % foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may not get the approval for the future.				
A	In Europe (as defined by the Constitution of ECAHO), up to 5 A shows shall be approved by the EAHSC, according to their geographic distribution (North, South, East, West, UK). Outside Europe, up to 10 A shows will be approved by the EAHSC. A maximum of 2 A shows per country shall be approved. Any application for a new A show shall only be approved when: a) The proposed new A show replaces an existing A show (in the same geographic area) which ceases to exist for any reason. b) The proposed new A show was previously a B show of very high standard, having successfully proven its organisational capacities and application of ECAHO rules over at least three consecutive years.				



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	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.		
Global Champions Arabian Tour (GCAT)	Each show organiser shall make a written application to the GCAT board. If accepted, the GCAT board will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. The approval of the National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) of the country where the show will be organized is required. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.		
B International	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given. The organiser of B International show shall have previously successfully organised (i.e. applied all ECAHO rules) two C International/ European shows.		
B National Shows	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given. The organiser of B National show shall have previously successfully organised (i.e. applied all ECAHO rules) two C National shows.		
National Championships	Only one National Championship per country per year shall be approved. The National Organisation (Full member organization) of each country shall nominate the organiser and the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval.		
C International	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given. A new organiser must have previously successfully organised (i.e. applied all ECAHO rules) at least one C national show.		
European	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given. A new organiser must have previously successfully organised (i.e. applied all ECAHO rules) at least one C national show.		
Emirates Arabian Horse Global Cup (EAHGC)	Each show organiser shall make a written application to the Emirates Arabian Horse Organization (EAHS). If accepted, the National organization will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. The approval of the National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) of the country where the show is organized is required. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.		
C National	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.		
Specific Origin Shows	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.		



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Breeders' Shows	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.
D	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.
Amateur	Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given.

Date of Registration

The "Date of Registration" is defined as the date at which the relevant national registry declares that the horse has been accepted for registration. National Registries will be responsible for confirming the date of registration. Entries must either present the relevant registration certificate or enclose, with the entry form, a letter by the registrar confirming that registration will be completed before the first day of the show.

• General Classes

Classes of the following categories are recognized by EAHSC:

- foals (males and females, or combined; see also "Foal Classes" below),
- colts (junior males, 1-3 years old),
- fillies (junior females, 1-3 years old),
- stallions (senior males, 4 years+),
- mares (senior females, 4 years +),
- geldings (junior (1-3 years old) and senior (4 years+), or combined (1year+)).

The Show Organizers may arrange the age groups within these categories to best suit their entries and to avoid any imbalance in the size of the classes.

The maximum number of horses shown shall not exceed 100 per day.

No horse under 6 months of age may be shown without its Dam.

No pregnant mare will be shown more than 40 weeks after the last date of covering. It is recommended to bring a valid breeding certificate to the show. The Handler must produce a valid breeding certificate upon request of the DC.

All open classes, with the exception of foals, are qualifiers for the World Championship, A and Title shows.

Foal Classes

In those shows where foal classes are held:

- a) Foals may not compete in EAHSC Championships, nor will they qualify for any future Title or A Show.
- b) When foal classes are organized at EAHSC affiliated shows, the EAHSC Rules will apply.
- c) Foals must have a minimum age of four weeks at the date of the show and must be shown at foot (with the dam) up to 6 months of age. Orphaned or rejected foals under six months cannot be shown.
- d) The use of metal halters and halters with metal chains is forbidden.
- e) A comparative judging system is recommended.
- f) All the rules pertaining to foal classes must be clearly indicated in the schedule and the catalogue.
- g) With regards to stricter rules for the welfare of foals, organisers may introduce their own rules as long as these are presented to ECAHO for approval prior to sending out the schedule and are clearly stated in the show schedule and catalogue.



Foals - for identification purposes:

Foals under six months shown in foal classes with their own mother need no special documentation, but the mother must have all necessary documents.

Foals over six months shown without their dam, foals from Embryo Transplant or foals with foster mothers which are shown in foal classes and do not yet have a passport, must be micro-chipped and in possession of a copy of the official Stud Book Registration form, showing the micro-chip number and the graphic description of the foal.

Championship Titles

There will be three prize winners in each category - Junior Males, Junior Females, Senior Males, Senior Females and Geldings (junior and senior or combined):

Champion Gold Medal, Silver Medal, Bronze Medal.

If there are sufficient yearling entries and the Show Organizer wishes to hold separate Yearling male and/or Yearling female Championships, there will be three prize winners in each of these categories.

The Rules for Championships must be clearly explained in the Schedule and the Show catalogue.

If a category is represented by only one class, the ranking in that class may be used as a Championship ranking for that category.

If a category is represented by more than one class, these are considered qualifying classes for the respective championship of that category. If the top 5 system is not used, then at the discretion of the organizer, the top 2 or the top 3 of each class qualifies for the championship. This choice may vary per category, but it must be stated clearly in the schedule and the catalogue.

Top Five System

This system is optional for any show, provided there are a sufficient number of horses present:

The top 50 % of each class minus one, but not more than 5 horses, qualify.

e.g.:	5-6 starters →	places 1 - 2 qualify
	7-8 starters →	places 1 - 3 qualify
	9-10 starters →	places 1 - 4 qualify
	11 and more starters →	places 1 - 5 qualify

All qualified horses of a category - Yearling Males, Yearling Females (where appropriate), Junior Males, Junior Females, Senior Males, Senior Females or Geldings - come into the ring. All first placed horses stand in the front row, all second placed horses in the second row, all other horses (places 3.-5.) in the third row.

The judges select their Champion Gold medal, Silver and Bronze medal winners according to the rules for Championships. The judges will then select two more from all the remaining horses which together with the three medal winners form the Top Five.



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

World Championship Show

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries.

Qualification: All horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place at the World Championship, an A Show, a GCAT show or B Show
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title, an A Show or GCAT show
- 1st to 3rd place at a National Championship, C National, C International, European Shows or EAHGC shows
- 1st to 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows

Horses registered in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or "TOP TEN" at the US Nationals
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place at the US Scottsdale Competition
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US "Regional" competitions
- 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup (former US Las Vegas show)
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an Egyptian Event US
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show

Yearlings do not need to qualify for these shows.

Only open halter classes will be considered.

Class age division: calendar year (starting on 1 January, ending on 31 December)

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 10000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half-points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of eight judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges (see page 34).

Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of five members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A or B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

All Nations Cup

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries.

Qualification: All horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place at an A, a GCAT show or B Show
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title, an A Show or a GCAT show
- 1st to 3rd place at a National Championship, C National, C International, European Shows or EAHGC shows
- 1st to 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows

Horses registered in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or "TOP TEN" at the US Nationals
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place at the US Scottsdale Competition
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US "Regional" competitions
- 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup (former US Las Vegas show)
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an Egyptian Event US
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show

Yearlings do not need to qualify for these shows.

Only open halter classes will be considered.

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 5000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half-points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of five judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.



Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may have their status withdrawn.





European Championships

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses that are registered at birth in a WAHO recognised studbook of a European Country (as defined in Art. 3.2 of the Constitution of ECAHO), and

- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be person(s) with a European country nationality and a European country citizenship
- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be a company exclusively owned by person(s) with a European country nationality and a European country citizenship
- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be a Stud farm exclusively owned by person(s) with a European country nationality and a European country citizenship
- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be a Stud farm exclusively owned by a European country government (state stud)
- breeder does not need to be owner of the horse
- no co-ownership is allowed with a person without a European country nationality or a European country citizenship or a company or a Stud farm that is owned by a person or entity without a European nationality or a European country citizenship
- studbook registration of ownership or lease between a Non-European person or Breeding entity and a European person or Breeding entity, fulfilling the conditions mentioned above, must be at least 6 months before the date of the show.
- anybody entering a horse not fulfilling the entry conditions will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Qualification: All horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place at an A, a GCAT show, B show or National Championship Show
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title, an A Show or a GCAT show
- 1st to 3rd place at a C National, C International, European Show or EAHGC shows
- 1st to 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows

Horses that at any time are or were registered in countries which are not Members of ECAHO may also qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or "TOP TEN" at the US Nationals
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place at the US Scottsdale Competition
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US "Regional" competitions
- 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup (former US Las Vegas show)
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an Egyptian Event US
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show

Yearlings do not need to qualify for these shows.

Only open halter classes will be considered.

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 5000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half points are allowed

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of five judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.



Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34). Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.

National Anthems: In the case of the champions, the Owners National Anthem should be played.

Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may have their status withdrawn.



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

Middle East Championships

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook of a Middle East or North African ECAHO Member Country by the closing date of entries.

Qualification: All horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place at an A, a GCAT show or B Show
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title, an A Show or a GCAT show
- 1st to 5th place at a National Championship, C National, C International, European shows or EAHGC shows
- 1st and 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows

Horses that have qualified in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or "TOP TEN" at the US Nationals
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place at the US Scottsdale Competition
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US "Regional" competitions
- 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup (former US Las Vegas show)
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an Egyptian Event US

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Yearlings do not need to qualify for these shows.

Only open halter classes will be considered.

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 5000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of five judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.



Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may have their status withdrawn.



Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Arabian Horse Festival (PSAIAHF)

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized Studbook by the closing date of entries.

Qualification:

All horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- Gold, Silver or Bronze medal winner or 1st place to 5th place in class at the World Championship, Title Show, an A show, a GCAT show, B International show or National Championship show.
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title show. an A Show or a GCAT show Horses that have qualified before 2009 should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:
 - Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st Place to 5th Place in class at a "Title" Show, International "A" show, International "B" show or National Championship "N" show.

Horses registered in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

 Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 5th Place in class at: US National Championships, US Regional Championships, Scottsdale Show, Arabian Breeders World Cup (former Las Vegas Show), official National Championship show

No qualifications are necessary for Yearlings. Yearlings must be weaned and they may not be shown with less than 6 months of age.

Championships: Yearling males, Yearling females, Junior males, Junior females, Senior males and Senior females. Classes: Age groups are determined by date of birth, the year starting on 1st January and ending on 31st December. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the total number of Entries per exhibitor and per class. (Details will be specified in the Show Schedule).

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 5000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half-points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Any divergence from this judging system must be clearly indicated in the show schedule.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of five judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34). Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.



Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may have their status withdrawn.



Katara International Arabian Horse Festival (KIAHF)

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized Studbook by the closing date of entries.

Qualification: All horses should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place at the World Championship, a Title, an A show, a GCAT show or B Show
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title, an A Show or a GCAT show
- 1st to 3rd place at a National Championship, C International, European shows or EAHGC shows
- 1st place at Specific Origin or C National shows

Horses that have qualified in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or "Top 3" at the US Nationals
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a "Top 3" at the US Scottsdale Competition
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US "Regional" competitions
- 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup (former US Las Vegas show)
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an Egyptian Event US
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show

Yearlings do not need to qualify for these shows.

Only open halter classes will be considered.

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 5000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of five judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.

Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may have their status withdrawn.



Abu Dhabi International Arabian Horse Championship

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized Studbook by the closing date of entries.

Qualification: All horses (including Yearlings) should have qualification at any ECAHO affiliated shows in one of the following ways (qualifications must be achieved after 01/01/2022):

- 1st to 5th place at World Championship or Title Shows
- 1st to 3rd place at A Shows, GCAT shows or B International Shows
- 1st to 3rd place at the National Championships or EAHGC shows
- 1st to 2nd place at B National Shows, C National Shows, C International Shows, European Shows or Specific Origin Shows

Horses registered in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or "TOP FIVE" at the US Nationals
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place at the US Scottsdale Competition
- 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup (former US Las Vegas show)
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US "Regional" competitions
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show

The organizing committee reserves the right to limit the total number of entries per show. Only open halter classes will be considered.

A list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 5000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of five judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members Included in the Committee will be two Veterinarians. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.



Title shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may have their status withdrawn.



A Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries.

Qualification: Organizers may decide if they require qualification for participating horses; if they do, all horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place in the World Championship, a Title, an A show, a GCAT show or B show
- 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title show, and A show or a GCAT show
- 1st to 5th place in a National Championship Show or
- 1st to 3rd place in a C International, C National, European Shows or EAHGC shows
- 1st and 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows

Yearlings do not need to qualify for these shows.

Entry Restrictions: None

If qualifications are required, a list of horses entered in the show must be sent to the Executive Secretary **immediately** after the closing date of entries, but no later than 7 days before the start of the Show, to check the qualifications of the horses.

Affiliation fee: € 3000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 20 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of four judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Probationer judges will not be admitted.

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of four members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be at least one Veterinarian (although two are recommended). One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication control: The medication testing of all Champion Gold Medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.

A shows that have had less than 70 horses shown and less than 10% foreign horses shown for two consecutive years may be changed to B Show by EAHSC. After two years the show organizer may again apply for A Show affiliation.



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

B International Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries.

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a B show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior **or** from junior to a senior category.
- Gold medal winners in two B International Shows in the same year are not allowed to take part in a B International Show for the rest of that calendar year.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show or an A show cannot be shown at B shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.
- Show organizers should consult with their National Association / Registry in case there are any additional restrictions.

Affiliation fee: € 550,-

Judging system: recommended

5 topics - 20 points or 5 topics - 10 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of three judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of three members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be at least one Veterinarian although two are recommended. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for a ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.

B shows that have had less than 50 horses shown and/or less than 10% foreign entries for two consecutive years may be changed to C International category by the EAHSC. After two years the show organizer may again apply for B Show affiliation.



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

B National Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in the WAHO recognized studbook of the country in which the show is held, by the closing date of entries.

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a B show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior **or** from junior to a senior category.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show or an A show cannot be shown at B shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.
- Show organizers should consult with their National Association / Registry in case there are any additional restrictions.

Affiliation fee: € 550,-

Judging system: recommended

5 topics - 20 points or 5 topics - 10 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: There shall be a minimum of three judges, of which the majority must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of three members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of DC members. Included in the Committee will be at least one Veterinarian although two are recommended. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman. At least one member must be able to speak the local language as well as English.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

A person must be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.

B shows that have had less than 50 horses shown for two consecutive years may be changed to C National category by the EAHSC. After two years the show organizer may again apply for B Show affiliation.



National Championship Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in the WAHO recognized studbook of the country in which the show is held. Any further conditions of entry may be added at the discretion of the National Association or Registry. These conditions must be clearly stated in the Show schedule and the catalogue.

Entry restrictions:

• The National Organisation may decide whether to impose any entry restrictions. These restrictions must be clearly stated in the Show schedule and the catalogue.

Affiliation fee: € 360,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue. If a points system is used, half points are permitted, but not obligatory.

Judges: Judges must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges or National judges' list of the ECAHO Member organisation. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: There will be a minimum of three members, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A, B and ECAHO approved National DC lists. Included in the Committee will be one Veterinarian. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50-100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. **Ringmaster:** At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).



C International Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries.

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a C International show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior **or** from junior to a senior category.
- Gold medal winners in two B international or two C International or one B International and one C International Shows in the same year are not allowed to take part in a C International Show for the rest of that calendar year.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A show or GCAT show cannot be shown at C shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Affiliation fee: € 215,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue.

The English or Comparative judging system may be used, with one judge judging the horses by comparing and ranking them.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

5 topics - 10 points, half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: At least one judge must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation. Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of two members is required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the EAHSC lists of DC members, at least one member being able to speak the local language as well as English. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 -100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC lists of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

European Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses that are registered at birth in a WAHO recognised studbook of a European Country (as defined in Art. 3.2 of the Constitution of ECAHO), and

- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be person(s) with a European country nationality and a European country citizenship
- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be a company exclusively owned by person(s) with a European country nationality and a European country citizenship
- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be a Stud farm exclusively owned by person(s) with a European country nationality and a European country citizenship
- breeder and owner (or lessee) must be a Stud farm exclusively owned by a European country government (state stud)
- breeder does not need to be owner of the horse
- no co-ownership is allowed with a person without a European country nationality or a European country citizenship or a company or a Stud farm that is owned by a person or entity without a European nationality or a European country citizenship
- studbook registration of ownership or lease between a Non-European person or Breeding entity and a European person or Breeding entity, fulfilling the conditions mentioned above, must be at least 6 months before the date of the show
- anybody entering a horse not fulfilling the entry conditions will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a European show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior, **or** from junior to a senior category.
- <u>Gold medal winners in two European Shows in the same year</u> are not allowed to take part in a European Show for the rest of that calendar year.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A show or GCAT show cannot be shown at C shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Affiliation fee: € 215,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue.

The English or Comparative judging system may be used, with one judge judging the horses by comparing and ranking them.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

5 topics - 10 points, half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: At least one judge must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.



Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of two members is required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the EAHSC lists of DC members, at least one member being able to speak the local language as well as English. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 -100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC lists of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

Emirates Arabian Horse Global Cup (EAHGC)

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses that are registered at birth in a WAHO recognized studbook of a continent (or geographical area) where the particular show is organized.

- breeder and owner must be person(s) with a nationality and a citizenship of one of the countries of the continent or geographical area where the particular show is organized
- breeder and owner must be a company exclusively owned by person(s) with a nationality and a citizenship of one of the countries of the continent or geographical area where the particular show is organized
- breeder and owner must be a Stud farm exclusively owned by person(s) with a nationality and a citizenship of one of the countries of the continent or geographical area where the particular show is organized
- breeder and owner must be a Stud farm exclusively owned by a government (state stud) of one of the countries of the continent or geographical area where the particular show is organized
- breeder does not need to be the owner of the horse
- no co-ownership is allowed except the immediate family members
- entries of leased horses will not be accepted
- studbook registration of ownership must be at least 6 months before the date of the show

Entry restrictions:

- owners, who produce more than 15 foals a year, during the preceding three years, are not allowed to enter their horses in the show. A declaration, confirming the number of foals produced (bred) and registered during the last three years, must be signed by the horse owner and sent together with the entry form
- individual horses are allowed to participate only at one of the EAHGC show per season, except the EAHGC Final
- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Champion Gold and Silver medal winners (or winners
 of similar category of show in the region/continent) are not allowed to take part in any of the EAHGC
 shows for the rest of that calendar year and the two calendar years following, unless the horse has passed
 from a yearling to junior or from junior to a senior category.
- anybody entering a horse which is not fulfilling entry conditions/restrictions or an overqualified horse, will be liable to a fine of €600. The horse will be disqualified and will not be eligible for any prize money rewards

Affiliation fee & contribution from the prize money: € 15000,-

Judging system: compulsory

5 topics - 10 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-10 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck will be judged as individual criteria. Points for head and for neck will be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot will be judged as individual criteria. Points for walk and for trot will be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: At least one judge must be chosen from the ECAHO A or B list of judges. Those judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation and has to be familiar with ECAHO points system. Any judge who is not on the ECAHO list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO A or B list of judges. The list of judges for any EAHGC show should be accepted by EAHGC Committee.

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of two members are required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the ECAHO lists of DC members, at least one member being able to speak the local language as well as English. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. One member from the ECAHO lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.



Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control.

C National Shows



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in the WAHO recognized studbook of the country in which the show is held, by the closing date of entries.

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver winners are not allowed to take part in a C National show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior **or** from junior to a senior category.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A show or GCAT show cannot be shown at C shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Show organizers should consult with their National Association / Registry in case there are any additional restrictions.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Affiliation fee: € 215,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue.

The English or Comparative judging system may be used, with one judge judging the horses by comparing and ranking them.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

5 topics - 10 points, half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) bod, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: Judges must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges or National judges' list of an ECAHO Member organisation. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of two members is required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the EAHSC A, B and ECAHO approved National DC lists. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 -100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC lists of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of four Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

Specific Origin Shows

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries, however, these shows are open only to horses of specific origin (e.g. Straight Egyptian, Egyptian related, Desert bred, Pure Polish, Pure Russian, Crabbet, Pure Spanish, etc.) as defined by the show Organiser in the Show Schedule.

The Show Organizers (Or National Association) are responsible for defining the criteria of the Specific origin, which must be made clear in the Show Schedule. The Show Organizers are responsible for confirming the eligibility of the entries.

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a Specific Origin show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior **or** from junior to a senior category.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A show or GCAT show cannot be shown at S shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Affiliation fee: € 215,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue. The English or Comparative judging system may be used, with one judge judging the horses by comparing and ranking them.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

5 topics - 10 points, half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: At least one judge must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges. Those judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation. Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of two members is required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the EAHSC lists of DC members, at least one member being able to speak the local language as well as English. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 -100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC lists of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

Qualification: horses placed 1st and 2nd in each class of this show category are qualified for A and Title shows.



ECAHO Breeders' Show

Conditions of Entry: Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries. The organizers may set their own conditions of entry or further restrictions. The conditions must indicate that the concept of the show is to encourage the breeding of Arabian horses.

Entry restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show <u>or GCAT Show</u> Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a Breeders' show for the rest of that calendar year and the **two** calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior **or** from junior to a senior category.
- **Geldings** that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A show or GCAT show cannot be shown at Breeders' shows for the rest of that calendar year and **one** calendar year following.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Affiliation fee: € 215,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

5 topics - 10 points, half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: There must be a minimum of 2 judges. These Judges may be **Breeders** selected from the EAHSC A and B list of judges or National judges' list of an ECAHO Member organisation or from among Breeders who are not on the ECAHO Judges lists or on the Judges' list of any National organization. A **Breeder** is anybody who has bred, as owner or Stud manager, at least one Arabian foal each year for the three years prior to the year of the show. Trainers and Handlers are not allowed to judge.

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of two members is required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the EAHSC lists of DC members, at least one member being able to speak the local language as well as English. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 -100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC lists of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

Medication Control: Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. The organizers of the show should arrange for an ECAHO approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control (page 56).

Qualification: Horses participating in a Breeders' shows do not qualify for the World Championship, Title shows, A shows or GCAT shows.

D Regional Shows



Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook of the country in which the show is held by the closing date of entries.

Entry restrictions:

- To be decided by the National Association of the country in which the show is to be held. All entry restrictions must be clearly stated in the schedule and the show catalogue.
- Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Affiliation fee: € 100,-

Judging system: Any judging system may be used, provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue.

The English or Comparative judging system may be used, with one judge judging the horses by comparing and ranking them.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

5 topics - 10 points, half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Head and neck can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for head and for neck must be averaged to give one score for b) head & neck.

Walk and trot can be judged as individual criteria. In such case points for walk and for trot must be averaged to give one score for e) movement.

Judges: Judges must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges or National judges' list of an ECAHO Member organisation. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of one member is required, to be chosen from the EAHSC lists of DC member, and being able to speak the local language. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 - 100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC list of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.

D Shows are to be held preferably over one day.

Qualification: Horses participating in a D show do not qualify for the World Championship, Title shows, A shows or GCAT shows.



Amateur Classes/ Shows

Amateur classes may be held at any show affiliated to EAHSC <u>or</u> the whole show may be a dedicated Amateur Show. Classes must be of the categories recognised by EAHSC.

Conditions of Entry: Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognised stud book by the closing date of entries.

Entry Restrictions:

- World Championship, Title Show, A Show, GCAT Show, B Show or C International Show Gold, Silver and
 Bronze winners are not allowed to take part in an Amateur Show for the rest of that calendar year and two
 calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior or from junior to a senior
 category.
- Geldings that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A
 show or GCAT show cannot be shown at Amateur shows/classes for the rest of that calendar year and one
 calendar year following.
- The Handler of the horse must not have been paid for showing, training or producing any horse for a third party. This includes any remuneration either as employment, casual showing, or any in-kind benefits whatsoever.
- Horse not to have resided on a professional yard on show or training livery in the current year.
- Horse not to have been shown by a professional handler in the current year.
- Horse not to have received regular training from a professional in the current year.
- Overqualified horses or handlers taking part in a class will be disqualified and liable to pay a fine of €300.
- National organizations can use and/or add their own rules and restrictions as appropriate.

Affiliation fee: None

Judging system: Any judging system may be used provided that it is indicated in detail in the schedule and the show catalogue.

The Comparative judging system may be used, with one judge judging the horses by comparing and ranking them.

If a point system is used, the following system is recommended:

7 topics – 10 points

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

Points for b) head and c) neck must be averaged to give one score for head and neck.

Points for f) walk and g) trot must be averaged to give one score for movement.

Full points are recommended.

Judges: Judges must be chosen from the EAHSC A and B list of judges or National judges' list of an ECAHO Member organisation. Those Judges chosen from non-ECAHO Member country must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation.

Any judge who is not on the EAHSC list of judges must produce a signed and validated Contract for judges not listed on ECAHO EAHSC A or B list of judges. (see page 34).

Disciplinary Committee: A minimum of one member is required, to be chosen from the EAHSC lists of members of the Disciplinary Committee and being able to speak the local language. If, based on previous years' entries, the show Organizer expects a large number of entries, the number of DCs present must be increased proportionately. E.g. between 50 -100 horses a minimum of 3 DCs, between 100-150 a minimum of 4 DCs. If there are more than two DCs, the majority should be from the EAHSC list of DCs. One member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed Chairman.

Ringmaster: At shows with more than 100 entries two Ringmasters are recommended.



Qualification: Horses participating in an Amateur show do not qualify for the World Championship, Title shows, A shows or GCAT shows



Rules for Affiliation of Shows

- 1. Each show organiser shall make a written application to his National Organisation (Full Member of ECAHO) which has the right to approve or reject the show. If approved, the National Organisation will forward the application to the EAHSC for approval. If rejected, the reason for the rejection must be given. Each show organizer must accept without restriction the statutes, regulations and jurisdiction of ECAHO. If a show is disaffiliated for any infringement of these rules no affiliation fees or associated costs will be refunded or waived.
- 2. EAHSC will decide on affiliation of the show if the conditions laid down in these rules are met. EAHSC may, at its discretion, affiliate a show even if not all the conditions are met, giving the organizer a time limit within which the unfulfilled conditions will have to be complied with. If after that time limit the condition is still not met, disaffiliation of the show may follow in which case no affiliation fees or associated costs will be refunded.

The show organizer agrees to provide event insurance coverage, covering any and all indemnity and/or liability in connection with the conduct of the event. (ECAHO assumes no indemnity and/or liability in connection with the event).

- 3. Affiliation fees are payable to ECAHO not later than 30 days after the receipt of the invoice. If after that time limit the affiliation fee has not been received, EAHSC may refuse affiliation or disaffiliate the show.
- 4. For Breeders' shows, Specific Origin shows, B shows and higher categories, show organisers will send a draft of the show schedule to the Executive Secretary of ECAHO for approval by EAHSC at least three months prior to the show. The draft of the show schedule for National Championships, C shows (national, international and European) and D shows should be sent to the National Association for approval at least three months prior to the show and before the schedule is made public.
- 5. The approved show schedule shall be published with the public announcement that a show is being organised. Once it has been published, the approved schedule will be posted on the ECAHO website. After its publication, it may not be changed by the show organiser without prior notice to the exhibitors and to EAHSC.
 - The show schedule shall contain the following information:
- a) Conditions of Entry
- b) The qualifications and restrictions for the entry of horses.
- c) Indication that the "Rules for Conduct of Shows" and "Rules for Conduct of ECAHO Sport Competitions" (if applicable) will be applied in their entirety. Copies of the rules must be included, in full, in the show schedule.
- d) In the show catalogue, the rules must be either i) printed in full or, ii) the official ECAHO approved QR code inserted.
 - Only ECAHO approved QR codes are allowed as they guarantee the latest version of the regulations and usage statistics. These QR codes can be downloaded from the ECAHO website.



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- e) In the event that prize money is to be awarded, the total amounts as well as their distribution must be published in the schedule.
 - Where the total value of prizes at any show exceeds €5,000, there will be no fee charged on the first €5,000 but 3% of the value of all prizes above €5,000 will be submitted to ECAHO as a fee.
 - The value of free breedings awarded as prizes at the shows will not be included in the total value of prizes and no 3 % contribution will be deducted.
- f) The judging system to be used, including the rules for ties and the rules for championships. Any variation on the usual judging systems or rules for championships must be clearly stated.
- g) The judges, who may not be changed without prior notice to the exhibitors (except in the event of a judge's illness or accident occurring too late for this to be done).
- h) The members of the Disciplinary Committee and Ringmaster(s).
- i) For World Championship, Title, A, GCAT show and B Shows, a person has to be indicated who is responsible for the correct handling and announcement of the points given by each judge.
- j) A statement of the age group definition, as follows:
 - Foals horses born in the current calendar year,
 - Yearlings horses born in the calendar year before the current year,
 - Two-year-olds horses born in the calendar before the one indicated for the yearlings,
 - Three-year-olds horses born in in the calendar before the one indicated for the two-year-olds.
 - For shows held in the Middle East, the age of entries may be determined according to the year starting on October 1st of the previous calendar year and ending on September 30th of the current calendar year.
- k) Rules for foal classes (where applicable)
- 6. Any judge who is not listed in the ECAHO A-, B- list must produce a signed and ECAHO validated contract for National-, Guest or Breeders' show judges; the show organisers shall be responsible for this. The Contract is available for download at www.ecaho.org (Download section). The Contract must be signed by the judge and sent to the Exec. Sec. of ECAHO at least 3 months prior to the show.
 - i) Judges from ECAHO Member countries listed on National Judges' panel are only allowed to judge at "Amateur", "D Regional", "Breeders", "C National", "C International", "European", "Specific Origin" shows and "National Championships".
 - ii) Judges from non-ECAHO Member countries must be on the judges' panel of their National Arab Horse Organisation.
 - iii) Professional trainers/handlers are not allowed to judge any ECAHO shows.
 - iv) Non-ECAHO judges not listed on the National lists of ECAHO Member Organisations (students) may participate as trainees at the following ECAHO show categories: Amateur, D, C National, European, C International, Specific Origin, National Championships. Approval from the National organization and the Show organizer is needed.
- 7. The entry form, together with the show schedule is a contract between the show organiser and the person who signs the entry form. That person will be held responsible for the horse in case any sanctions are imposed. The entry form must be accompanied by a copy of the identification document of the person who signs it.
- 8. Show organisers using entry forms other than the official EAHSC entry forms, will send the draft of their entry form to the Executive Secretary of ECAHO, for approval by EAHSC together with the show schedule. Entry forms other than the official EAHSC entry forms must contain at least the same information. The entry form should contain a space for the billing address as well as for show results of the horse that may be relevant for its entitlement to participate, to be completed by the responsible person. The entry form should also contain the information that horses must be accompanied at the show by a horse passport to facilitate verifying the identity of the horse. Those horses coming from a country which does not issue a passport must be accompanied by an official Registration document which includes a graphic description.



A description of the show ground and facilities will be sent to the ECAHO Executive Secretary for easy verification by the EAHSC.

Requirements after the Show

- 9. The show organizer will communicate the results of the show immediately after the show to the EAHSC (p/o ECAHO Executive Secretary) in one of the following ways:
- Using any scoring system that is compatible with the ECAHO online database through JSON format.
- Using the compatible, stand-alone direct scoring system available supported and approved by ECAHO against a fixed fee.

In any case, a printout of the show results as well as the show catalogue and show the schedule have to be sent to the Executive Secretary by e-mail or normal mail within one month after the show. A list of all Officials (DCs, Judges, Ringmaster and any probationers) present at the show must be sent to the ECAHO Office together with the results.

- 10. Failure to comply with article 9 above may lead to a penalty equivalent to the amount of the affiliation fee of the show concerned.
- 11. The DC will write a report on the show. It will be sent to the EAHSC (p/o ECAHO Executive Secretary) as soon as possible, but not later than one week after the show. It should contain a general description of events of the show, as well as detailed reports on any complaints having been made. It may also contain criticism on any element regarding the show as well as suggestions for improvement.



Rules for Conduct of Shows

1. By participating at a show, show organisers, judges, exhibitors, owners and handlers agree that they will unconditionally submit themselves and the persons assisting and accompanying them to the "Rules for Conduct of Shows" and, as regards veterinary matters and drug misuse, to the relevant ECAHO Veterinary Regulations and ECAHO Rules for Medication Control. The accompanying persons include e.g. trainers or persons representing the show organizer as well as assistants of any of those persons. They will accept the jurisdiction of the Disciplinary Committee (DC), the Standing Disciplinary Committee (SDC) and the ECAHO Appeals Committee (EAC).

The person responsible for the horse is the registered owner or the lessee, but the person who signs the entry form, the handler, and other support personnel including but not limited to grooms and veterinarians may be regarded as additional persons responsible if they are present at the event or have made a relevant decision about the horse. Should the person responsible designate someone to represent them (e.g. a lawyer) any correspondence sent to this representative will be deemed to have been communicated to the person responsible.

These Rules will be interpreted when necessary under the provisions of the laws of Switzerland.

Show organisers are not permitted to introduce rules which are in conflict with the EAHSC "Rules for Conduct of Shows".

2. Horses must be accompanied at the show by a horse passport issued by a WAHO recognized Stud Book containing all vaccination records. Those horses coming from a country that does not issue a passport, must be accompanied by an official Registration document, issued by a Stud Book, which includes a graphic description and all vaccination records. If, when a horse attends a show, its passport is at the Registry for any reason, then a letter from the registrar attesting to this must be provided along with a photocopy of the passport, including the description and the vaccination records.

The show organizer

- 3. The show organiser reserves the right to refuse an entry, but must give the reason for refusal in writing.
- 4. The show organizer will issue a printed show catalogue. The name of every horse must be printed in the show catalogue, as well as the names of sire and dam, (and maternal grandsire if possible), date of birth, colour, the names of the breeder and the owner. Should a horse's name not be mentioned in the catalogue, its participation at the show will be allowed only if the exhibitor cannot be blamed for the omission; it will be for the DC to decide.

The show catalogue shall furthermore contain:

- The names of all the Officials,
- The Rules for Conduct of Shows the respective ECAHO generated QR Code,
- The Rules for Conduct of ECAHO Sport Competitions or the respective ECAHO generated QR Code if ECAHO affiliated Sport Classes are scheduled,
- The judging system (i.e. how many topics, 10 or 20 point system and whether halfpoints and deleting highest/lowest point system are used), the rules for ties and championships, the type of championship chosen by the organizer and rules for foal classes (if applicable). For Shows where prize money is awarded the total amount and distribution of the prize money.
- 5. No class may be split unless there are more than 15 horses entered (Yearling and Gelding classes 10 horses entered). Combination of a class with the next age group of the same sex is permitted if the number of entries for the class is below three. If the number of entries exceeds 20 horses, the class must be split.
- 6. a) No announcement indicating the identity, breeding or past performance of exhibits, or the identity of their owners will be made during judging. It is, however, permissible for this information to be given out after the judges score sheets have been collected for each exhibit.



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- b) Show organisers will not release details of competitors or their exhibits to the press at any time prior to the catalogue being put on sale at the showground. Catalogues will not be offered for sale more than one day before the commencement of the show. Digital publishing, sharing or posting on internet or any other public media of details regarding participating horses in a show in catalogue format, is not allowed until the start of the respective class.
- c) If two ECAHO affiliated In Hand shows (e.g. a B Int and a C Nat) are held at the same venue on the same or consecutive days, in which some of the same horses will be competing, two separate panels of judges must be invited, one panel for each show. The judges of the second event cannot be present at the showground during any part of the first event.

This restriction does not include ECAHO Sports events, Amateur In Hand classes/shows or non-affiliated events. In these cases, the ECAHO In Hand show(s) must be judged before the others.

- 7. a) No member of the show organising team may judge or officiate as member of the Disciplinary Committee.
 - b) If an ECAHO Official or a member of their family is a part of the Organizing Committee of an independent A, GCAT show, Title show or World Championship, which is not organized by the National Association of the country where the show is held, then that Official cannot officiate at any other A, GCAT show, Title shows or the World Championship.
 - c) Members of the Organizing Committees of A, GCAT shows, Title shows or the World Championship may not enter their own horses in a Show which they organize.
 - d) No Judge may judge more than one Title Show and one GCAT show within Europe and one Title show and one GCAT show outside Europe during the same calendar year.
 - e) No Judge may judge more than 15 Arabian horse halter shows in ECAHO Member countries in the calendar year.

No Judge from non-ECAHO Member countries (Guest Judge) may judge more than five Arabian horse In Hand shows in ECAHO Member countries during the same calendar year; of the five shows, only one may be a Title Show, one may be a GCAT show and one an A Show.

- f) No Member of the DC / Ringmaster may officiate at more than 15 Arabian horse shows in ECAHO Member countries in the calendar year.
- 8. The show organizers will ensure a proper rotation of judges.
- 9. The show organiser will provide appropriate transport, accommodation and meals during the show, for the judges, DC members, ring master and any other ECAHO show officials. If a judge, DC member or ring master cancels the invitation after the travel arrangements have been made, he will pay all the costs arising out of this booking.
- 10. The following minimum daily fees are mandatory and to be paid by the organizer to judges, DC members and ringmasters per working day regardless of the actual hours:

Organizers of **B International, C International, European, EAHGC and Specific Origin Shows** without prize money or prizes valued less than Euro 100.000,- shall pay a daily fee of Euro 150,-

Organizers of **A Shows** without prize money or prizes valued less than Euro 100.000,- shall pay a daily fee of Euro 200,-

Organizers of **Title Shows, as well as of the World Championship** without prize money or prizes valued less than Euro 100.000,- shall pay a daily fee of Euro 300.-

Organizers of GCAT shows shall pay a daily fee of Euro 500,-

Organizers of **all shows with prize money or prizes worth Euro 100.000**,- or more shall pay a daily fee of Euro 500,- plus a fee of Euro 150.- per traveling day from home to the final destination and return to compensate the working day loss.



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These fees shall be reviewed regularly.

For all other shows a daily fee is optional and at the discretion of the show organization. Material gifts are always allowed, regardless of the category of the show.

Judges, DC Members, Ringmasters and respective probationers, hereafter referred to as 'Official(s)'

- 11. Officials invited to officiate at ECAHO affiliated shows agree to do so with integrity and honesty and to carry out their duties solely with the objects of ECAHO and the welfare of the horses in mind.
- 12. a) Officials appointed at a show will not knowingly officiate in a class in which horses are entered concerning which there may be an actual or apparent conflict of interest. No official appointed at the show may exhibit, ride, drive or handle an entered horse or pursue any other activity not consistent with his duties at the show in which he is officiating.
- b) Exhibitors will declare on the entry form any actual or apparent conflict of interest with any of the officials invited for the show. Any exhibitor not declaring an existing conflict of interest, of which he is aware, will forfeit all entry fees and will be prevented from showing the horse.
- c) Organizers will not accept any entries for which any actual or apparent conflict of interest with one of the appointed officials has been indicated by the exhibitor, unless a reserve official is available.
- d) Officials will not visit exhibitors' premises or accept exhibitors' hospitality during a 30 day period before or during the show concerned.
- e) Officials will not accept benefits or gifts that could bring into question the Official's integrity or honesty.
- f) Any actual or apparent conflict of interest that arises before or during the show shall be immediately reported to the DC. The DC shall consult all parties involved and use all sources to their disposal to decide as necessary. The DC must include all information in their report and forward to ECAHO after the show. At no time may the organizer take any decision that is in conflict with the jurisdiction of ECAHO and its' rules and regulations.
 g) Any actual or apparent conflict of interest that arises after the show shall be reported immediately to ECAHO for
- g) Any actual or apparent conflict of interest that arises after the show shall be reported immediately to ECAHO for consideration by the SDC.
- 13. a) An actual or apparent conflict of interest may occur if a horse is exhibited that:
 - Is being trained or handled by a member of the official's family
 - has been bought or sold by an official either as owner or agent
 - has been bred or is owned in whole or part by the official or by a member of the official's family, or business partner in an Arab horse business venture
 - has been leased by the official, at any time
 - has been bred by or is the property of a breeding organization in which the official is or was an employee
 - has been regularly trained, examined or treated by the official in a professional capacity
 - is the subject of an on-going negotiation to buy or lease, or a provisional purchase condition to which the official is a party.

An actual or apparent conflict of interest may further occur, amongst others, if the Official, irrespective of the payment or receipt of a remuneration or any other consideration, during the period of one year (365 days) before a show at which the Official officiates:

- has entered into any business relationship with an exhibitor at that show,
- Has received, whilst being involved with the organization of any show or event, sponsorship from an exhibitor at that show or event.
 - This does not apply to those events organized on behalf of a National Association which is a Full Member of ECAHO, as long as the Official has no financial benefit from the sponsorship.
- has performed consulting for an exhibitor at that show,
- has purchased or sold a horse from or to an exhibitor at that show,
- was involved with the breeding of a horse of an exhibitor at that show,
- was involved in similar activities with an exhibitor at that show.
- is employed in any way by the Show organizers.



In case of doubt, the DC's decision will prevail.

Any Official must decline to officiate if they consider themselves to have a conflict of interests concerning a horse, its' handler or its' owner(s).

- 13. b) If, during the show a conflict of interests of which the exhibitor was un-aware becomes apparent, the following options are available:
- i) if the official with the conflict of interests is a judge or probationer judge,
 - the judge or probationer judge will suspend his/her duties for the duration of the class and the championship where the conflict exists
 - a published reserve judge or another judge from the judges' panel may be used for the class and the championship where the conflict exists
 - if the above mentioned (i) is not applicable and if no reserve judge is available or there are no more members of the judges' panel, the total points in the class will be multiplied by the factor of planned number of judges divided by the actual number of judges, to calculate a comparable score in case of ties in championships
- ii) if the official with the conflict of interests is a DC member, this DC member will not check the horses concerned either in the stables before the show or in the collecting ring or issue any yellow or red cards for the duration of the class and respective championship.

If the DC member is an employee of the Show Organizer, this DC member must not write the DC Report. Another member of the DC from the ECAHO list of DCs, who has no connection to the Show Organizers, will write the Report.

- iii) if the official with the conflict of interests is a Ringmaster, this Ringmaster may be replaced for the duration of the conflict by:
 - a reserve Ringmaster
 - a member of the acting DC

All aspects concerning actual conflicts of interests and their consequences will be recorded in the DC report.

- 14. All officials will receive a list of exhibitors and breeders from the organizer immediately after the official closing date of entries. Any later entries will be communicated without delay.
 - Judges will not consult the show catalogue before or during the show at which they are judging.
- 15. In the show ring, all communication between judges and handlers prior to the presentation of prizes will be through the Ringmaster.
- 16. Judges may withhold any award if in their opinion the exhibit does not merit such an award.
- 17. The judge, or if more than one, the panel of judges may request that the ring master show a handler a yellow or red card if they consider that there is abuse to a horse or that there is misconduct.

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- 18. All handlers at A shows, GCAT shows, Title Shows and the World Championship must be in possession of a valid handlers permit which they must present to the DC in order to participate in the Show.
- 19. Handlers will be neatly dressed. They may wear any costume normally worn in their country of origin. Handlers will not wear clothes carrying any form of advertising which discloses the connection of the horse they are handling.



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- 20. The judge(s) may request that the ringmaster order any horse that is not under control and/or displays dangerous behaviours to be withdrawn and the horse shall be disqualified.
- 21. The judge(s) may request that the ringmaster ask a handler to open a horse's mouth or pick up its feet for inspection.
- 22. Exhibits are to be judged standing, walking and trotting. No more than three circles will be permitted in each individual presentation. Handlers who do not comply with the ring master's instructions regarding the above may be given a Yellow/Red card by the ring master.
- 23. a) Horses will appear in the collecting ring no less than 10 minutes before the start of the class.
 - b) Exhibits that appear late (missing the walk around the ring) will be excluded from the class.
 - c) Procedure in the Collecting ring

No more than 2 persons are allowed to assist the handler in the collecting ring. These persons as well as the handler should wear the number of the horse, to identify them clearly. Anybody not wearing a number relevant to a horse in the respective class will not have access to the collecting ring. The show organizer must provide three sets of numbers per horse to all exhibitors.

Only one person is permitted to assist the handler during the warm-up, using only a standard schooling whip with an attachment of plastic of max. 10 cm.

All other support or aggravation from inside or outside the collecting ring is prohibited.

Horses may be warmed up in the collecting ring, but to avoid injuries and overstressing the horses, they may only be lunged in big circles at a modest pace. Any chasing, hunting, or scaring of the horse is forbidden.

- 24. a) Stallions and colts aged three years and over may be shown wearing bridles and bits that are both secure and comfortable for the horse. All bridles without bits are equally to be both secure and comfortable for the horse.
 - b) The lead reins for all horses must be no longer than 3 m.
 - c) Any horse that is not under control and/or displays dangerous behaviour anywhere on the showground will be disqualified.
 - d) Any horse that is disqualified for dangerous behaviour will be reported to ECAHO without delay and will be sanctioned by the SDC as appropriate to the severity and the recidivity.
- 25. a) Any horse becoming loose in the collecting ring is subject to a penalty (of a fine not exceeding $100 \, \text{\ensuremath{\mathfrak{e}}}$) at the discretion of the DC.
 - b) Any horse becoming loose in the show ring will immediately continue to be shown and is subject to a penalty (of a fine not exceeding 100€) at the discretion of the DC. Should the horse become loose a second time it will be disqualified.
- 26. All horses that are awarded a ranking in their respective class must take part in the Class prize giving ceremony. Unless the DC decides otherwise in which case any representative of the horse may accept the medal without the horse being present. Absence of the horse or any representative to appear in the prize giving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show, with its record of score in the Class being deleted and it will be sanctioned according to Rules for Disciplinary Committees article 16.

In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Class ranking.

During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the Ringmaster/DC.



Soundness

27. Exhibits that appear to be lame may be assessed and placed by the judges. Judges may exclude any horse so lame that assessment will inflict pain.

Rules for adapting score sheets

28. Judges may record their scores using paper score sheets or electronic devices. If paper score sheets are used, organizers are expected to provide scoresheets with pre-printed score-options which judges can circle to indicate their scores. Judges are not allowed to write scores.

Electronic devices, for example tablet systems, may be used but can be subject to audit by ECAHO appointed experts to confirm proper functionality and logging at any time.

Regardless of the scoring system used, once the judge has submitted a score, either by handing off a scoresheet or by sending the data from an electronic device, the Judge cannot amend or change the score. Only technical omissions such as missing scores and/or missing signatures may be corrected upon request of the scorekeeper.

Disguising of Exhibits

- 29. No alteration of the basic colour of the skin, coat or hooves is permitted. Hoof paints, colourless varnishes, coat dyes, glitter spray and cosmetic operations including skin grafts are forbidden. Tail and mane hair extensions are forbidden.
 - Colourless hoof oils, Vaseline or oil and white chalk used on white legs will be accepted.
- 30. Artificial methods of dilating the eyes or affecting the natural action of the horse or otherwise influencing its action or behaviour by oxygenating the bloodstream or by the use of weights or artificially weighted shoes, or by electrical or chemical treatment of any kind at any time before or during exhibition are forbidden. Burns, cuts or other marks on the body of any exhibit in such places or positions as to indicate that prohibited methods have been used will be regarded as full and adequate grounds for exclusion of any exhibit from competition, at the discretion of the DC with veterinary advice.
- 31. a) In halter classes horses may be fully or partly body-clipped, subject to eyelashes being left uncut, hair inside the ears left unshaved and tactile hair left intact around the nose, muzzle and the eyes. Horses not fulfilling these criteria will not be allowed to participate. "Balding" is not encouraged.
 - b) No equipment intended to alter the natural appearance of the horse is permitted in the stables, including but not limited to necksweats, neck collars, tailracks, hobbles or weights. Anyone using such equipment on the showground will be sanctioned according to Rules for Disciplinary Committees article 16.

32. Hereditary disorders

a) Overbite/underbite

Overbite/underbite of more than depth of 1 tooth is not permitted. Horses 12 months old and older cannot compete unless they have a veterinary certificate to verify that they do not have overbite/underbite.

Geldings do not need a veterinary certificate of hereditary disorders in order to compete.

b) Cryptorchidism

Colts 24 months old and older or stallions cannot compete unless they have a veterinary certificate to verify that they do not have cryptorchidism. If the colt's condition changes, and upon a completed veterinary certificate, the horse is then eligible to compete.

In case of doubt, the DC is allowed to carry out spot checks.

Anybody submitting an incorrect declaration not corresponding to the true condition of the horse will receive a fine of 500€. The original of the declaration of such horse will be kept by the DC.



Cruelty

33. Excessive whipping, excessive stimulation by noise, excessive circling of the horse, intimidation, use of electric shock devices and infliction of pain by any means are forbidden in all parts of the showground or stable areas, at all times.

Abusive shanking is not permitted.

34. The above actions will be sanctioned.

Enforcement

- 35. **Verbal warnings:** DC members, Ringmasters, stewards or show officials may issue verbal warnings. These are not recorded in the DC report.
- 36. **Yellow and red cards** may be issued by DCs and Ringmaster in the collecting ring and the main ring. They are issued to a handler and are a visible and public indication of an offence having been committed. The date and offence will be recorded in the DC report and must be made public by announcement at the show and/or on the ECAHO website and/or other usual means of communication of ECAHO.
- 37. **A yellow Card** may be issued if there is a further offence after a warning or it may be issued without such warning.
- 38. A red Card will be issued if the handler receives a second yellow card for having committed a further handling offense during the same show. The offender will then be banned from handling any horses for the rest of the show in which he receives the red card. The horse being shown by a handler when he receives a red card may be shown by another handler at the end of the class. In the event of a serious offence involving mistreatment or dangerous behaviour, DCs may issue a red card without prior warning.
- 39. a) Any handler disobeying the instructions of any DC member, judge or the ringmaster will be sanctioned. Such sanction can be visibly and publicly indicated with yellow and red cards.
 - b) Any handler who receives two yellow cards or a direct red card at a show will be fined 1000€.
 - c) Any handler who accumulates five yellow cards at different shows during the calendar year will receive a fine of 1000€
 - In both cases the fine must be received in full by ECAHO before handler can present horses again in any ECAHO affiliated show.

Veterinary Matters

- 40. Horses with apparent clinical signs of a disease may not participate at the show at the discretion of the DC Veterinarian. If the DC Veterinarian diagnoses apparent clinical signs of a contagious disease, the horse must be immediately put into quarantine and may not participate at the show.
- 41. Vaccination regulations for shows will require 12 months intervals normally, or shorter where local/national authorities mandate it. Such shorter intervals to be shown on the entry form (see Addendum Equine Influenza Vaccination page 59).
- 42. All Veterinary treatment necessary at the show ground must be carried out according to ECAHO Veterinary regulations. The person responsible for the horse will ask the vet who treats the horse to complete a treatment form and present it to the DC-vet at the show. Any treatment given to a horse immediately prior to a show should be recorded on a treatment form by the treating vet and presented to the DC upon arrival at the show.
- 43. a) The administration of any substance not a normal nutrient (including irritants applied to the skin or mucous membranes or mydriatic drugs in the eyes), whether intentionally or unintentionally which may affect the performance, temperament or soundness of an exhibit is forbidden.
 - b) The DC may order chemical tests on any exhibit.



c) Judges may request the DC to test any horse. (See the section on "Medication Control" page 47).

Complaints

- 44. A show organiser, appointed judge, ring master, exhibitor, owner or handler of a horse entered at the show may lodge a complaint alleging infringement of the rules of the EAHSC, contained in the "Blue Book". Any complaint, except concerning a complaint about a judge or any other official including show organisers, is to be made in writing before the end of the show. A deposit of € 200,- or equivalent in local currency will be lodged with the DC and may be retained at the DCs discretion, if the complaint is considered frivolous. Such forfeiture belongs to ECAHO.
- 45. Any complaint about a judge or any other official including the show organisers is to be made in writing and signed by two individuals. Such complaint must contain any evidence and be sent to the ECAHO executive Secretary with full name and postal address of the complainant within 3 days of the show. A deposit of € 300 must be paid in accordance with the instructions and deadline given by the Executive Secretary. The investigation of the complaint will be conducted in accordance with the Rules for Disciplinary Committees, articles 19 et seq.

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Rules for Ties in Qualifying Places

In the event of a tie in the qualifying places of a class, the higher place will be given to the horse with the most points for type. If there is still a tie, the higher place will be given to the horse with the most points for movement. If the highest and lowest points are eliminated, only the remaining points for type and movement are considered in the tie break. Failing a decision on either of these, one judge will be chosen by ballot whose class scores will be used to break the tie.

Rules for ties in Championships

In the event of a tie in the championships, the higher place will be given to the horse with the highest total points in the qualifying classes. If the highest and lowest points are eliminated, only the remaining points for total, type and movement are considered in the tie break. If there is still a tie, the rules for ties in qualifying places will be applied.

Rules for Championships

The organizers may decide which method to apply in their Show:

- a) Standard ECAHO method
- b) Standard ECAHO method with a modification
- c) Open method



Rules for Ties and Championships

a) Standard ECAHO method

- 1. Championships will be judged as follows:
 - a) The horses placed first in their class line up ordered according to age. The horses placed second in their class line up behind them in the same order.
 - b) The first placed horses will be judged individually, standing and trotting.
 - c) The Champion Gold medal winner is selected from amongst the horses placed first in their class by individual written votes from each judge. The horse with the highest number of votes will be Champion Gold medal winner. In the event of a tie, the horse that received the highest number of points in its class will be declared Champion Gold medal winner. In the event of a further tie, the "Rules for Ties in Qualifying Places" will apply.

The judges will not discuss the horses.

- 2. The Silver medal winner will be selected in the same way as the Gold medallist from all other horses that have qualified for the Championship.
- 3. The Bronze medal winner will be selected using the same system used to select the Silver medallist.

The votes of the judges in the Championships will be announced and will be published at the show office immediately after the judging has finished.

- 4. A fourth horse will be selected, which will become the Bronze medal winner should one of the three medal winners be disqualified. If this exhibit is not apparent from the voting papers, the judges will be asked to nominate one. This horse will not be announced. In the event that two or more of the medal winners are disqualified, no further substitution will be made.
- 5. If a horse placed first in its class is not able to take part in the Championship, the horse placed second in the class will move forward and be judged with the other horses placed first. Should a horse placed first be sent out of the ring by the judges or taken out by the handler for any reason, it will be deemed to have taken part in the championship and, therefore, the second placed horse will not be judged with the other first placed horses. Substitutions for absent first-placed or second-placed horses by third-placed or lower-ranked horses will not be permitted.
- 6. All horses that qualify for their respective Championships must take part in the Championship. Unless a certificate from the DC veterinarian is produced, failure to compete will disqualify the horse from the show, with its record of score and class placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from showing for the period of one year as from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up a place in the class but third or lower placed horses will not be entitled to enter the Championship.
- 7. All horses that are awarded a medal in their respective Championships must take part in the Championship prizegiving ceremony.
 - Unless the DC decides otherwise in which case any representative of the horse may accept the medal without the horse being present, absence of the horse or any representative to appear in the prizegiving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show with its record of score in the class and championship placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from the showing for the period of one year from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Championship.

During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the ringmaster/DC.



Rules for Ties and Championships

8. In Title show, A shows, GCAT show and the World Championship all horses that qualified for their respective Championship must remain at the showground until after their championships. Any horse leaving the showground before their Championship will be disqualified.

b) Standard ECAHO method with a modification

Each judge nominates his choice for gold silver and bronze medals together at the same time using points.

- 1. The Championships will be judged as follows:
 - a. The horses placed first in their class line up ordered according to age. The horses placed second in their class line up behind them in the same order.
 - b. The horses will be judged individually, standing and trotting.
 - c. The Champion Gold medal winner is selected from amongst the horses placed first in their class.
 - d. The Silver and Bronze medal winners will be selected at the same time from all other horses that have qualified for the Championship.

Points will be given to the nominated horses as follows:

- A horse nominated by a judge for Gold Medal will receive 4 points
- A horse nominated by a judge for Silver Medal will receive 2 points
- A horse nominated by a judge for Bronze Medal will receive 1 point

The Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the most votes for Gold Medal Champion. In case of an equal amount of vote for Gold Medal Champion, the Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championships points.

From the remaining horses:

The Silver Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championship points.

The Bronze Medal will be awarded to the horse with the 2nd highest number of championship points.

In the case of a tie, the Rules for Ties in championships will be followed.

The judges will not discuss the horses.

- 2. A fourth horse will be selected, which will become the Bronze medal winner should one of the three medal winners be disqualified. If this exhibit is not apparent from the voting papers, the judges will be asked to nominate one. This horse will not be announced. In the event that two or more of the medal winners are disqualified, no further substitution will be made.
- 3. If a horse placed first in its class is not able to take part in the Championship, the horse placed second in the class will move forward and be judged with the other horses placed first. Should a horse placed first be sent out of the ring by the judges or taken out by the handler for any reason, it will be deemed to have taken part in the championship and, therefore, the second placed horse will not be judged with the other first placed horses. Substitutions for absent first-placed or second-placed horses by third-placed or lower-ranked horses will not be permitted.
- 4. All horses that qualify for their respective Championships must take part in the Championship. Unless a certificate from the DC veterinarian is produced, failure to compete will disqualify the horse from the show, with its record of score and class placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from showing for the period of one year as from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up a place in the class but third or lower placed horses will not be entitled to enter the Championship.



Rules for Ties and Championships

5. All horses that are awarded a medal in their respective Championships must take part in the Championship prizegiving ceremony.

Unless the DC decides otherwise in which case any representative of the horse may accept the medal without the horse being present, absence of the horse or any representative to appear in the prizegiving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show with its record of score in the class and championship placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from the showing for the period of one year from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Championship.

During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the ringmaster/DC.

6. In Title show, A shows, GCAT shows and the World Championship all horses that qualified for their respective Championship must remain at the showground until after their championships. Any horse leaving the showground before their Championship will be disqualified.



Rules for Ties and Championships

Standard ECAHO Method with a modification - Championships with Top 5

Art. 1. a - d apply.

4th and 5th place will be selected at the same time from all other horses that have qualified for the Championship.

Points will be given to the nominated horses as follows:

- A horse nominated by a judge for Gold Medal will receive 6 points
- A horse nominated by a judge for Silver Medal will receive 4 points
- A horse nominated by a judge for Bronze Medal will receive 3 points
- A horse nominated for 4th place at Top 5 will receive 2 points
- A horse nominated for 5th place at Top 5 will receive 1 point

The Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the most votes for Gold Medal Champion. In case of an equal amount of vote for Gold Medal Champion, the Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championships points.

From the remaining horses:

The Silver Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championship points.

The Bronze Medal will be awarded to the horse with the 2nd highest number of championship points.

The 4th place at Top 5 will be awarded to the horse with the 3rd highest number of championship points.

The 5th place at Top 5 will be awarded to the horse with the 4th highest number of championship points.

In the case of a tie, the Rules for Ties in championships will be followed.

All horses that are awarded a medal in their respective Championships must take part in the Championship prizegiving ceremony.

Unless the DC decides otherwise in which case any representative of the horse may accept the medal without the horse being present, absence of the horse or any representative to appear in the prizegiving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show with its record of score in the class and championship placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from the showing for the period of one year from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Championship.

During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the ringmaster/DC.



Rules for Ties and Championships

c) Open method

The Gold, Silver and Bronze medal winners will be selected from amongst all the horses which have qualified in their respective classes for each championship.

The number of horses qualified from each class will be officially announced by the show organizer in the schedule and the show catalogue.

- 1. The Championships will be judged as follows:
 - a. All the horses qualified for the championship will enter the ring and line up according to the numerical order of their catalogue numbers.
 - b. The horses will be judged individually, standing and trotting.
 - c. Each judge will nominate his choice for gold silver and bronze medals together at the same time, from amongst all the horses qualified for the championship.

Points will be given to the nominated horses as follows:

- A horse nominated by a judge for Gold Medal will receive 4 points.
- A horse nominated by a judge for Silver Medal will receive 2 points.
- A horse nominated by a judge for Bronze Medal will receive 1 point.

The Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the most votes for Gold Medal Champion. In case of an equal amount of vote for Gold Medal Champion, the Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championships points.

From the remaining horses:

The Silver Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championship points.

The Bronze Medal will be awarded to the horse with the 2nd highest number of championship points.

In the case of a tie, the Rules for Ties in championships will be followed.

The judges will not discuss the horses.

- 2. A fourth horse will be selected, which will become the Bronze medal winner should one of the three medal winners be disqualified. If this exhibit is not apparent from the voting papers, the judges will be asked to nominate one. This horse will not be announced. In the event that two or more of the medal winners are disqualified, no further substitution will be made.
- 3. All horses that qualify for their respective Championships must take part in the Championship. Unless a certificate from the DC veterinarian is produced, failure to compete will disqualify the horse from the show, with its record of score and class placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from showing for the period of one year as from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up a place in the class. Should a horse be sent out of the ring by the judges or taken out by the handler for any reason, it will be deemed to have taken part in the championship.
- 4. All horses that are awarded a medal in their respective Championships must take part in the Championship prizegiving ceremony.
 - Unless the DC decides otherwise in which case any representative of the horse may accept the medal without the horse being present, absence of the horse or any representative to appear in the prizegiving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show with its record of score in the class and championship placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from the showing for the period of one year from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Championship.



Rules for Ties and Championships

During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the ringmaster/DC.

5. In Title show, A shows, GCAT shows, and the World Championship all horses that qualified for their respective Championship must remain at the showground until after their championships. Any horse leaving the showground before their Championship will be disqualified.

Open method - Championships with Top 5

Art. 1. a - c apply.

4th and 5th place will be selected at the same time from amongst all horses that have qualified for the Championship.

Points will be given to the nominated horses as follows:

- A horse nominated by a judge for Gold Medal will receive 6 points
- A horse nominated by a judge for Silver Medal will receive 4 points
- A horse nominated by a judge for Bronze Medal will receive 3 points
- A horse nominated for 4th place at Top 5 will receive 2 points
- A horse nominated for 5th place at Top 5 will receive 1 point

The Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the most votes for Gold Medal Champion. In case of an equal amount of vote for Gold Medal Champion, the Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championships points.

From the remaining horses:

The Silver Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championship points.

The Bronze Medal will be awarded to the horse with the 2nd highest number of championship points.

The 4th place at Top 5 will be awarded to the horse with the 3rd highest number of championship points.

The 5th place at Top 5 will be awarded to the horse with the 4th highest number of championship points.

In the case of a tie, the Rules for Ties in championships will be followed.

All horses that are awarded a medal in their respective Championships must take part in the Championship prizegiving ceremony.

Unless the DC decides otherwise in which case any representative of the horse may accept the medal without the horse being present, absence of the horse or any representative to appear in the prizegiving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show with its record of score in the class and championship placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from the showing for the period of one year from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Championship.

During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the ringmaster/DC.



Rules for Disciplinary Committees

Rules for Disciplinary Committees

- 1. The show organiser will appoint a Disciplinary Committee (DC). The number of DCs and their qualifications will be as specified in the Rules for Affiliation, according to the category of the show. Their names will be printed in the show schedule and in the catalogue. The DC Chairman will be appointed by the show organizer.
- 2. No member of a DC shall judge or exhibit or pursue any other activity not consistent with his DC duties, at the show at which he is a DC member.

No Member of the DC / Ringmaster may officiate at more than 15 Arabian horse halter shows in ECAHO Member countries in the calendar year.

Duties and powers of DCs during the show

- 3. It shall be the overriding duty of the DC to ensure the welfare of the horses at the show at which they are acting and to see that the show is conducted in accordance with the EAHSC Rules. The DC will also keep under supervision the stables area, the horse-van parking area, the collecting ring, the show ring, all of the show ground and all horses throughout the show.
- 4. EAHSC listed DC members appointed to act at ECAHO affiliated shows will, before, during and after a show, behave in such a way that their integrity and honesty cannot be questioned, and will act with firmness and politeness at all times.
- 5. When any infringement of the Rules is observed by them or reported to them in accordance with the provisions of Rule 9 below, they will conduct an enquiry into such infringement. The DC will maintain a written record of any such enquiry, their decision upon it and any penalty imposed as a result of it.
- 6. The appointed members of a DC shall have control over and free access to all places used for the purposes of the show, but may only enter a horse's box in the presence of the horse's owner or handler, trainer or other person responsible for the horse.
- 7. The appointed members of a DC have full power:
 - a) To verify the identity of entries and to fine and/or exclude any entries with incomplete or faulty identification documents.
 - b) To verify the appropriate vaccination of the entries and to fine and/or exclude any entries with incomplete or faulty vaccination documents.
 - c) To determine all questions arising in connection with the conduct of the show during the course of the show.
 - d) If necessary for the purpose of c) above, to overrule any decision of show officials and/or judges.
 - e) To order the removal of any person or persons from any or all places under their supervision.
 - f) To exclude any horse from any class or from the show, before or after such horse has competed at the show.
 - g) To order the examination by such person or persons as they think fit of any horse entered for any class at the show.
- 8. The decisions of the appointed DC shall be binding on all parties: exhibitors, show organizers officials and judges, subject always to the right of appeal.

Investigations during the show

- 9. The DC will investigate any infringement of EAHSC Rules observed by themselves or any alleged infringement reported to them before the end of the show by:
 - a) The show organiser,
 - b) An appointed judge or ring master;
 - c) The exhibitor, the owner or the handler of a horse entered in a class at the show.



Rules for Disciplinary Committees



- 10. When an infringement is reported as in Rule 9 c) above, the complainant will report in writing addressed to the DC, signed and accompanied by a deposit of €200.- or equivalent in local currency which will be forfeited, if the report is decided by the DC to be unfounded. Such report must name witnesses and enclose any relevant documentary evidence.
- 11. When an infringement is reported, the DC shall by investigation establish the facts, decide whether an infringement has been committed and, if it decides there has, impose on the responsible person one or more of the penalties at its disposal (see Rule 16 below).
- 12. When during the show no decision can be taken, the DC will report the matter to the ECAHO Executive Secretary who will forward this report to the Standing Disciplinary Committee (SDC).
- 13. When an infringement concerns the show organiser, the DC will, after investigation, report the facts to the show organiser, who will take appropriate action as the DC may direct. If the DC finds that an infringement occurred, it and the actions taken will be reported to EAHSC.
- 14. The members of the DC may conduct any necessary investigation by all possible means (witnesses, testimonies, photographs, hearings etc.).
- 15. Immediately after the show, the DC will write a report about the show. The report will be sent as soon as possible, but not later than one week after the show to the EAHSC (c/o ECAHO Executive Secretary). Any DC who does not send the report within 2 weeks after the show for 3 or more times, will be suspended from the DC list for one year, starting from 1st of January of the following year.

If an investigation has taken place, the report must contain the names of every person involved, full details of any infringement of EAHSC Rules, all the evidence obtained by the DC, such as testimonies, photographs, etc. as well as any action taken by the DC.

Penalties and Measures

16. a) Red and Yellow Cards may be shown as an immediate, visible and public warning of an offence having been committed.

When as a result of an investigation the DC is satisfied that any person has committed an infringement, it has the power at its discretion to impose any one or more of the following penalties or measures:

- b) A verbal warning;
- c) A written warning;
- d) A fine not exceeding €300.- or its equivalent in local currency;
- e) Disqualification of the horse;
- f) Suspension of the person responsible and all his horses from taking part in the current show.
- g) Spare;
- h) A ban from the showground and/or the stables and/or other respective premises for a period of two months;
- i) Any equipment intended to alter the natural appearance of the horse, and any equipment being used to inflict pain, intimidation or noise may be confiscated.

If a fine is imposed by a DC, this must be paid by the implicated party or the horse cannot be shown. If the fine is imposed after the horse has been shown and it is not paid, the horse will be disqualified.

If the fine is not paid before the end of the show it must be received in full by ECAHO before that horse or any other horse owned by the person responsible, stud farm or breeding entity concerned can be shown in an ECAHO affiliated show.

Should the horse /horses be sold to another person/stud farm/breeding entity, the amount of the fine must be received in full by ECAHO before the horse/horses can be shown in an ECAHO affiliated show.



Rules for Disciplinary Committees

It is the responsibility of the DC to transfer any imposed fine to the bank account of ECAHO (transfer costs to be paid by ECAHO).

17. When in the opinion of the DC some fine or penalty greater than those permitted to them by Rule 16 above ought to be imposed, it will report the matter to the SDC.

Investigations after the show

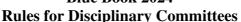
The Standing Disciplinary Committee

- 18. A Standing Disciplinary Committee (SDC) shall be appointed in accordance with Article 21.6 of the Constitution of ECAHO.
- 19. a) The show organizer, an appointed judge, ring master or an exhibitor, owner or handler of a horse entered at the show may report an infringement in writing to ECAHO Executive Secretary within 3 days of the show. The report must contain any evidence and it must be signed. A deposit of € 300 must be paid in accordance with the instructions and deadlines given by the Executive Secretary, which will be forfeited if the report is considered by the SDC to be unfounded.
 - b) The Executive Secretary will forward the DC report according to Rule 12 above as well as reports received after the show, to the members of the SDC who will investigate the accusations.
- 20. The Executive Secretary in conjunction with the Executive Committee is empowered to investigate any infringement of rules that may have occurred within the last 12 months. When sufficient evidence has been gathered, the case will be forwarded to the SDC.
- 21. When an infringement by a show organiser is reported, the EAHSC shall consider whether the infringement is one of administrative detail or one of principle. If it considers the infringement to be one of administrative detail it will ask the show organiser to amend his procedures in the future. If it considers the infringement to be one of principle, it shall report to the SDC for further consideration.

Procedure of Investigation by the SDC

- 22. The members of the SDC may conduct any necessary investigation by all possible means (witnesses, testimonies, photographs, hearings etc.)
- 23. a) The SDC will decide if there is a case to answer and without undue delay inform the person(s) accused of any charge made against them and allow them a period of not less than 14 days to make any statement in their defence. With the reply, the accused person(s) may request a hearing at which the SDC will meet and the accused person(s) or their representative may be heard.
 - b) The SDC may investigate by inviting any person they find necessary to submit evidence in writing within a period of not less than 14 days. The SDC may hold a hearing if it deems it necessary for a correct appraisal of a case.
 - c) After the period for answering is complete, the SDC will consider all the evidence and decide on the case. If the decision is "guilty", the accused person's previous record may be taken into account when deciding on the penalty. The decision will be notified immediately.
 - d) The written reasons for the decision will be communicated to the accused person(s) by registered mail within one month after the decision has been taken. Other parties involved or having an interest in the case may also be informed, but not before the accused person(s) has been informed.

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Penalties and measures

- 24. The SDC has the power to apply disciplinary measures as listed below:
 - a) a warning;
 - b) a reprimand;
 - c) a fine not exceeding 4000€;
 - d) the suspension of an individual from taking part in any EAHSC affiliated show for a period of up to two months;
 - e) the suspension of a horse from taking part in any EAHSC affiliated show for a period of up to one year, regardless of any subsequent change of ownership;
 - f) for horses that have been disqualified for dangerous and/or aggressive behaviour, the suspension from taking part in any EAHSC affiliated event, for a period of up to five years, regardless of any change of ownership;
 - g) a disqualification;
 - h) a ban from the showground and/or the stables and/or other respective premises for a period of two months;
 - i) a ban on taking part in any ECAHO and/or ECAHO-related activity for a period of two months;
 - j) the return of awards and/or prize money;

The SDC may provisionally suspend a horse or a person from participating in any show, or apply such other interim relief or conservatory measures as it sees fit, prior and pending its final determination of the matter. If such measures (suspension, interim relief, conservatory measures, and like) are imposed, the person responsible or concerned may submit to the SDC a short statement in writing in order to show cause why a measure should be lifted. A measure shall be maintained unless the person responsible or concerned establishes to the satisfaction of the SDC that exceptional circumstances exist that make it clearly unfair, taking into account all of the circumstances of the case, to impose a measure prior to the SDC's final determination of the matter.

If a fine is imposed by the SDC, this must be received in full by ECAHO before that horse or any other horse owned by the person responsible, stud farm or breeding entity concerned can be shown in an ECAHO Affiliated show.

Should the horse /horses be sold to another person/stud farm/ breeding entity, the amount of the fine must be received in full by ECAHO before the horse/horses can be shown in an ECAHO Affiliated show.

Misuse of Drugs

25. The misuse of drugs and the procedures to be followed are detailed in the section titled Rules for Medication Control (page 47).

The ECAHO Appeals Committee

- 26. An ECAHO Appeals Committee (EAC) shall be appointed in accordance with Article 21.8 of the Constitution of ECAHO.
- 27. Any person upon whom a penalty has been imposed in accordance with articles 16 or 25 above may appeal to the EAC (c/o ECAHO Executive Secretary) in writing within 30 days from the date of notification of the decision of the SDC (registered mail, date of post mark), stating the grounds of the appeal and submitting the full evidence for the EAC to consider. A deposit of €500 shall be made at the same time, which shall be forfeited unless the EAC decides there were good and reasonable grounds for the appeal.
- 28. a) The EAC may investigate by inviting any person they find necessary to submit evidence in writing within a period of not less than 14 days. The EAC may hold a hearing if it deems it necessary for a correct appraisal of the case.
 - b) After the period for answering is complete, the EAC will consider all the evidence and decide on the case. If the decision is "guilty", the accused person's previous record may be taken into account when deciding on the penalty. The decision will be notified immediately.
- 29. The EAC will communicate in writing the result of the appeal to the appellant within three months of receipt of the appeal. The written reasons for the decision will be communicated to the accused by registered mail within



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one month after the decision has been taken. Other parties involved or having an interest in the case may also be informed, but not before the appellant has been informed.

30. The EAC may at its discretion order any person to pay such reasonable costs and expenses relating to the appeal as they may determine.

In all matters arising from "Rules of Conduct of Shows" the decision of the EAC will be final and binding on all parties.

General Provisions for Investigations after the Show

Costs and Expenses

- 31. The SDC or the EAC may at their discretion order any person to pay such reasonable costs and/or expenses relating to proceedings as they may determine.
- 32. The costs of proceedings include, among others, all costs and expenses of the bodies representing the jurisdiction within ECAHO for carrying out investigations, for taking evidence, for the conduct of hearings, for the decision making, for getting legal advice, for translations, for costs of travel, food and accommodation, for infrastructure, and for any and all other costs arising out of a case.
- 33. The SDC and EAC may demand advance payments up to the amount of the estimated costs of proceedings to be paid to ECAHO.
- 34. When a request for an advance payment on costs has not been complied with, the SDC and EAC may suspend their work and set a time limit of not more than 15 days, on the expiry of which the relevant submission shall be considered as withdrawn.
- 35. The SDC and EAC may take into account such circumstances as they consider relevant, including the extent to which a party has conducted the proceedings in an expeditious and cost-effective manner.

Payment of Fines, Costs and Expenses

36. If a fine and/or the payment of costs and/or expenses is imposed by the SDC or the EAC, the respective amounts must be received in full by ECAHO before that horse or any other horse owned by the person responsible or breeding entity concerned can be shown in an ECAHO affiliated show.



Rules for Medication Control

Rules for Medication Control

Preface

For the ECAHO Rules for Medication Control the following definitions shall apply:

- a) The term "sampling veterinarians" refers to any FEI approved veterinarians and those veterinarians included in the List of ECAHO approved sampling veterinarians as available at www.ecaho.org.
- b) The term **"ECAHO approved testing laboratory"** defines the Laboratoire des Courses Hippiques, 15 rue de Paradis, ZAC Pompidou, 91370 Verrieres le Buisson, France.
- c) The term **"Prohibited substances"** defines zero tolerance for those substances which are listed in the FEI "Equine Prohibited Substances List" as valid at the time of sample taking;
- d) The **testing procedures** will follow the current "Manual for sampling veterinarians" as issued by LCH laboratory.
- e) The **person responsible** for the horse is the registered owner or the lessee, but the person who signs the entry form, the handler, and other support personnel including but not limited to grooms and veterinarians may be regarded as additional persons responsible if they are present at the event or have made a relevant decision about the horse. Should the person responsible designate someone to represent them (e.g. a lawyer) any correspondence sent to this representative will be deemed to have been communicated to the person responsible.

Rules

- 1. The administration of any substance not a normal nutrient (including irritants applied to the skin and mucous membranes), whether intentionally or unintentionally, which may affect the performance, temperament or soundness of an exhibit is forbidden. Such substances are listed in the list of prohibited substances.
- 2. a) At all ECAHO affiliated shows medication testing may be carried out at the discretion of the DC or the judges.
 - b) At all Title Shows, GCAT shows, A shows and the World Championship the medication testing of all Gold Medal champions is compulsory.
 - c) Any horse at any show may be tested at the discretion of the DC or judges.
- 3. Both urine- and blood samples must be taken according to the "Manual for sampling veterinarians" which is enclosed with the sampling kits. If, after a prolonged wait (no less than 30 minutes), no urine sample can be obtained, blood collection only is acceptable. Only sampling veterinarians may collect the samples and they may not act in any other capacity at a show in which they have been appointed sampling veterinarians.
- 4. The organizer will provide fresh bedding and a clean box for each horse to be tested. These boxes will be marked as sampling boxes and will be used exclusively for this purpose. They should be located in a quiet environment with no public access.
- 5. All samples taken at a show must only be sent to the ECAHO approved testing laboratory which is the Laboratoire des Courses Hippiques, 15 rue de Paradis, ZAC Pompidou, 91370 Verrieres le Buisson, France.
 - The sampling kits, their transport from and to the ECAHO approved testing laboratory, analyses and honoraria of sampling veterinarians will be paid by the show organizer or by the National Registry/Association.
- 6. Any exhibit for which the sampling veterinarian certifies that in his opinion the collection of blood, urine or other substances may endanger the exhibit concerned or the persons handling such exhibit, will inform the DC's who will disqualify the horse and forward the case to the SDC. Any horse so disqualified will not receive



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any prize or title and will not compete further at the show concerned.

- 7. Horses withdrawn from such test by the person responsible will not receive any prize or title, will not compete further at the show concerned and will be treated as if positive. The case will be forwarded to the SDC.
- 8. The ECAHO approved testing laboratory will send the results of the tests to the ECAHO Executive Secretary and the organizer of the show.
- 9. All offences of the Medication Control rules will be dealt with by the Standing Disciplinary Committee (SDC).
- 10. In the event that an exhibit is tested positive, the person responsible will be held fully responsible for the horse unless such person can provide full and proper evidence implicating some other person.
- 11. When a notification is received that a horse tested positive for prohibited substances, the Executive Secretary will forward the test results to the SDC, together with the details of horse and show concerned and will ask the show organizer for copies of the entry forms to be sent to the SDC. The SDC will consider all evidence available.
- 12. a) When a horse has been tested positive for prohibited substances, the person responsible will be informed and be offered the option of having the B sample tested. The request for testing the B sample, together with the election of the laboratory to be used for the analysis must be directed to the Executive Secretary in writing within 30 days after the receipt of notification is confirmed. The person responsible may elect to have the B sample analyzed at one of the following approved laboratories for B tests:
 - i) Laboratoire des Courses Hippiques LCH, 13 Rue de Paradis, 91370, Verrières le Buisson, France ii) LGC Ltd, Newmarket Road, Fordham, Cambridgeshire, CB7 5WW, United Kingdom iii) The Hong Kong Jockey Club Racing Laboratory, Shatin Racecourse, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong

In the event there is no specific confirmation of receipt, receipt shall be assumed to have occurred after ten (10) days from dispatch of the notice.

- b) With such request, the person responsible may request a hearing at which the SDC will meet and the person responsible or his representative may be heard. Such hearing may be held not less than 42 days after the person responsible or his representative has been informed. The SDC will decide what form the hearing will take physical presence, via telecommunication or written and communicate the estimated costs of the hearing to the person responsible who must advance the cost of said hearing within ten (10) days of receiving the estimate. Should ECAHO not receive the full amount of the estimated costs within the time stipulated these proceedings will be terminated. The request for a hearing will have no suspensory effect on any penalty imposed by the SDC.
- c) The SDC shall provisionally suspend a horse from participating in any show prior to the opportunity of a full hearing if that horse was tested positive for prohibited substances (A sample or B sample). If a provisional suspension is imposed by the SDC the person responsible may submit to the SDC a short statement in writing in order to show cause why the provisional suspension should be lifted. The provisional suspension shall be maintained unless the person responsible establishes to the satisfaction of the SDC that exceptional circumstances exist that make it clearly unfair, taking into account all of the circumstances of the case, to impose a provisional suspension prior to the hearing.
- 13. a) Horses in whose body fluids a forbidden substance is discovered are automatically disqualified from the competition concerned if no second test (B sample) is requested. Should a second test (B sample) be requested by the person responsible and found positive, the disqualification shall become effective after this second result has been communicated to the person responsible or his representative.
 - b) If the person responsible requested the B sample to be analyzed, but did not elect a laboratory in time, ECAHO shall solely determine which one of the following laboratories shall analyze the B sample: Laboratoire



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des Course Hippiques (L.C.H), France; LGC Ltd, United Kingdom; The Hong Kong Jockey Club, Sha Tin, Hong Kong.

- c) Should the B sample result be negative all proceedings will be terminated.
- 14. a) The penalty for the use of prohibited medication will be a fine of 4000 Euro, and the loss of place, title, qualification and the return of any trophies and/or prize money, and the horse will be suspended from participating in any ECAHO affiliated show for a period of one (1) year after the day the sanctions were imposed by the SDC, and the duration of a provisional suspension shall not be taken into account. If the fine is not paid within one year, the horse will continue to be banned for a longer period of time until the full amount of the fine is received by ECAHO. Any other horses owned by the person responsible, stud farm or breeding entity will also be banned from participating in any ECAHO affiliated shows until the full amount of the fine is received by ECAHO.
 - b) The penalty for the use of irritants will be a fine of up to 1000 Euro per horse, and the loss of place, title and qualification and the return of any trophies and/or prize money. The horse will be banned from participating in any ECAHO affiliated show until the full amount of the fine is received by ECAHO. Any other horses owned by the person responsible, stud farm or breeding entity will also be banned from participating in any ECAHO affiliated shows until the full amount of the fine is received by ECAHO.
- 15. The person responsible will be liable for all costs of medication testing and subsequent costs of investigation, possible legal proceedings and all other follow-up costs arising out of this case (See articles 33 and 34 RDC). With regards to further sanctions against the person responsible and the horse concerned, rule 24 of RDC is applicable. All horses owned by the person responsible, stud farm or breeding entity will be banned from participating in any ECAHO affiliated shows until the full amount of the costs is received by ECAHO.
- 16. Decisions may be made public at the conclusion of the proceedings.

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I. ADDENDUM

Technical guidelines for all Shows

Introduction

A complete description of the following topics should be presented by the committee of any proposed new show to the EAHSC for affiliation, together with the schedule. Information on the same topics must reach all exhibitors prior to the show with entry and parking cards if needed (this may be included with the Schedule).

Access and parking

Access to the show grounds should be clearly signed and from a certain distance, depending on the location of the show (open country or city). Ample parking space should be provided sufficiently close to the stabling area. Stewards must be appointed to regulate proper parking of horse vans.

Stabling The stables should be grouped in one (max. two) areas. The horses must be housed in box stalls (covered if out of doors), made of resistant material providing the best possible conditions of security of the minimum dimension of 2,8 m by 2,8 m and minimum height all around of 2,7 m, for all foreign entrants. Proper bedding should be available on the show ground free of cost. A notice will be posted to the effect that "Training of horses will not be permitted in the stable area between the hours of 20.00 hrs and 06.00 hrs".

Feed and water

Running water must be available at the stables as well as a feed store where oats and hay can be purchased at current prices.

Show ring

Must be of proper size, at least 1'200 square meters (with the longer side at least 60 metres), of square or rectangular shape and of the least slippery ground as possible. It must be fenced all around with one or two entry-exit gateways manipulated by stewards. The layout of the show grounds must be attractively decorated as suitable for an international event.

The jury should be placed with their backs to the main spectator area. The show staff and/or officials should stand at a distance behind the judges and communicate only when indispensable.

Sufficiently large covered stands should allow the spectators to be seated while attending the show. The public address system must be clearly audible from the grandstands, the ring, the paddock and the stables.

Paddock (collecting ring)

should be of sufficient dimensions to allow all the horses of the biggest class to wait safely.

It must be located close to the show ring in order to allow the horses to pass easily from one to the other without having to walk over a long distance. The passage from paddock to show ring must be kept free from the public. The precise schedule of the day's classes must be marked on a large signboard at the entrance to the paddock. Stewards must control both the entries and the exits to the paddock and the ring according to the proceedings of the show.

First aid

The presence of personnel trained in emergency medical care must be ensured throughout the event. The minimum standard for medical cover should be a person trained in first aid and holding a relevant and officially recognised certification. All venues must have first aid equipment available, at the minimum to a level which complies with local legislation. The location of the venue and proximity to emergency medical facilities such as hospitals and ambulance services must be taken into account.

Portable privacy screen must be available to cover the scene in case a person or animal is injured.

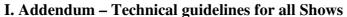
Staff

The number of staff members of an International Show will depend on the importance of the show, size of the grounds, number of entries foreseen and/or other technical considerations.

a) Officials

- Jury
- Disciplinary Committee (DC)

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- Ringmaster(s)
- Show Veterinarian

b) Show Staff

- Organising Committee and/or Show Director or Secretary
- Show Secretariat, with one or two persons at the show secretariat, a fixed desk throughout the show, where the secretaries are to take notes, messages and answer any questions or enquiries.
- An announcer presenting the classes and horses, whose role is to keep the audience informed throughout the proceedings. Announcements should be made in both the host country's language and in English.
- One or two persons recording scores and calculating totals and placings
- Steward to collect the Judges' papers
- Stewards-

The stewards should either be in uniform or wearing a distinctive badge. Their number and attribution is decided by the show organiser, it should be nevertheless recommended to have them placed at least at:

- the horse van parking space
- the stables (one or two should patrol the stable area all times, day and night)
- the paddock
- the entrance to the show ring
 - A chauffeur and bi-lingual hostesses should be appointed for the proper reception of Officials and other VIP's.

Show catalogue

An attractive show catalogue should be available, at a reasonable price, on the show grounds. The catalogue should include:

- Rules for Conduct of Shows or the respective ECAHO generated QR code, Rules for Championships and ties, also Show Timetable.
- The Rules for Conduct of ECAHO Sport Competitions or the respective ECAHO generated QR code, if ECAHO affiliated Sport Classes are scheduled.
- Complete information on the show including the names of the Officials, the classes and competitions and amount and distribution of prize money (if applicable)
- The list of horses with their date of birth, colour, name of sire, dam, maternal grandsire, breeder and owner, entered in each class.
- The overall plan of the show grounds should appear in the catalogue as well as a list of exhibitors with addresses.
- The sponsors of the show and the advertisers will have their publicity in the show catalogue, which will help finance its publication and add to its interest. A complete list of advertisers with their addresses will also appear.

Guidelines for ECAHO Officials and Show Organisers

Reimbursement and hospitality

The show organiser is requested to provide judges and other officials (DCs, Ringmasters, etc.) with transport, accommodation and meals during the show. He may book transport, such as flights, himself or ask the officials to do so. The show organizer shall book flights with the shortest possible travel time. In case the travel time from initial flight departure to final arrival time exceeds 5 hours, Show Organizers may offer business class tickets. If the officials book their own flights the show organiser is requested to reimburse economy flight tickets or business class if this has previously been agreed between the show organizer and the official, second class for trains or $0.50 \, \text{\ensuremath{\coloredref{E}}}$ per kilometre by car (but not more than the average economy flight ticket). The rate per kilometres will be regularly reviewed and updated to a level which reflects the actual costs and is in line with other organizations, like FEI or national equine sport associations.

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If an official cancels the invitation after the travel arrangements have been made, he will pay all the costs arising out of this booking. If the Show is cancelled after the official has booked his flight, the show organizer will pay all the costs arising out of this booking. Any infringement should be reported by the show organizer or the ECAHO official, respectively, in writing to the EAHSC.

Hosting of Officials

The Officials should be invited well in advance of the show, as their replies must be received in time to have their names printed in the schedule. Accommodation should be booked for them near the showground. Organisers are responsible for the hotel charges for room and food. Reasonable travelling expenses must be paid. Transport from and to the airport and between hotel and showground should be arranged and the Officials have to be informed about the times of pick-up. No catalogues giving the names of exhibitors or horses should be available for the judges in advance of the show. Any unpaid expenses with the Officials will be settled before they return home.

Post-Show-Requirements

The results of the show must be mailed to the EAHSC within one month of the show.

A DC Report on the show must be sent to EAHSC Executive Secretary and to the Show Organiser within one week after the show.

PROBATIONS

A Probationer should be national Official with experience.

Probations are an evaluation of current knowledge and experience.

Procedure before the show

- The Probationer must apply through their National Association and/or ECAHO Office for permission from both the organizer and the A list Official.
- The Probationer must pay for all their own expenses, i.e. transport, hotel, food and drinks. He may have lunch/dinner with the Officials but only upon invitation by the show organizer.

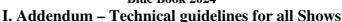
Guidelines for accepting Judge Probationers

- A Probationer-Judge must have passed the ECAHO Judges Level I course. A copy of the official Level I letter from ECAHO must be included in any probation request to confirm that the Probationer has completed all prerequisites.
- At least during the last probation, the Probationer-Judges' marks must be visible and/or audible to the audience. It is the duty of the student to inform the Show organizer when this applies and to get confirmation that this is possible to avoid unnecessary disappointments at the show.
- Only one Probationer Judge is allowed per show.
- Judge Probationers *are not* allowed at the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows.

Guidelines for accepting DC and Ringmaster Probationers

- A Probationer DC must have successfully completed an International DC course organized by ECAHO.
- Only two Probationer DCs are allowed per show each with a different A list DC.
- DC Probationers are allowed at the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows if the Show Organizer agrees.
- A Probationer Ringmaster must be on his National list of RMs and to have officiated as Ringmaster at a minimum of 5 ECAHO affiliated shows.
- Only one Probationer Ringmaster is allowed per show.
- Ringmaster Probationers *are not* allowed at the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows.

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Procedure during the Show:

- The responsible A List Official should inform his Probationer about the procedure before the show starts.
- A list Judges and their Probationers should minimize conversation during their time in the ring, preferably
 restricted to the introduction walk-around of the class. Notes can be compared in silence or be discussed when
 outside of the main ring after the class. Any discussions with a Probationer-Judge and "pointing at horses" in
 the main ring are prohibited.
- During championships A-Judge should mainly concentrate on his/her own judgement. Probationers will note, reveal and discuss their personal choice in the championship with the A-Judge afterwards, when outside of the main ring.
- DC Probationer must be present from the beginning of the DC work prior to the show.
- DC's and Ringmaster and their Probationers may communicate discretely anywhere before and during the show.

Procedure after the Show

- Shortly after the show the A-Judge shall prepare a "Probationer report of the Senior Judge".
- The report is an objective description of the A-Judges' impression of the Probationer.
- The report is sent as soon as possible to ECAHO Office, not to the Probationer or National organization or any other person or body. It is a confidential document that will be a part of the Probationers' training file regarding the Level II course and a B list recommendation.
- The DC Probationer will write a DC report which must be given to the A-DC at the end of the show.
- The A-DC will write a Probation report shortly after the show detailing the knowledge, character and ability of the probationer. This report will be sent to ECAHO Office and DCIC for evaluation.
- The Senior Ringmaster will write a Probation report shortly after the show detailing the knowledge and ability of the probationer. This report will be sent to ECAHO Office and the Ringmaster Instructors Group for evaluation



II. Addendum - Training and Promotion of Judges

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The initial body to contact, for anyone who wants to become a judge for ECAHO affiliated Arab horse shows, is the national ECAHO member organization (Arab Horse Society) of his country.

Training of Judges

- The Executive Committee will nominate a certain number of senior `A` Judges as instructors to prepare and hold the ECAHO International Judges training workshops, seminars, tests and assessments.
- Judges' workshops, seminars, tests and assessments will follow the same procedure and the same assessment system of theoretical and practical exams, whatever the level of the course.
- Announcement of Judges' training workshops, seminars, tests and assessments: The annual programme of workshops, seminars, tests and assessments year will be announced by the EAHSC online each year with the names of instructors for the different courses and updated as necessary.
- The same assessment principles will be applied at all Judges Courses and Assessments, including documentation, and supporting the topics. The official ECAHO Judges Manual will be available online including a list of other suitable reference sources which will be updated as necessary.
- On the Agenda of the International ECAHO Judges Assessments Level I there will be education plus examination of students, to assess their basic knowledge in horsemanship, conformation, type of the Arabian horse and knowledge and use of English.
- On the Agenda of the International ECAHO Judges Assessments Level II for National Judges to become B-Judges, there will be one theoretical (multiple choice) test in addition to the four practical tests to be taken by all candidates. There will also be an individual interview for each candidate with the panel of Instructors.
- English is the mandatory language for all ECAHO Assessments and Tests.

SUMMARY of the TRAINING STEPS to become an ECAHO JUDGE:

How to become a NATIONAL JUDGE

You have to pass a National Judges Training organized by your National Organization*).

- For National progress evaluation and judging experience development, National Judges may conduct training probations with any ECAHO judge recommended by their National Organization at any ECAHO show, excluding B shows and higher.
- As National Judge you are entitled to judge ECAHO "Amateur", "D regional", "C National", "C International", "European", "Specific Origin" Shows and "National Championships" in your country.

^{*)} A "National Organization" is the Arabian Horse Breeding Association in your country, which is a Member of ECAHO.



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How to become an ECAHO NATIONAL JUDGE

PLEASE NOTE THE TRANSITION PERIOD WHICH WILL BE APPLIED FOR THE AMENDED RULES:

Judges who have been added to their National Judges' lists prior to 30.4.2023 will have until 1.1.2025 to fulfil the new requirements.

Judges (students) who are added to their National Judges' lists after 30.4.2023 will be subject to the new requirements with immediate effect.

A National Judge may become an ECAHO National Judge by passing a Level I assessment.

- 1) You are not a Professional trainer or handler.
- 2) A National Judge should apply to attend the first available ECAHO Level I Assessment with the written recommendation of their National Organization*).
- 3) National judges who pass the level I assessment, retired ECAHO Judges and other former ECAHO B and A Judges will be placed automatically on the ECAHO National Judges list and remain there as long as they are compliant with their applicable national- and ECAHO rules.
- 4) As an ECAHO National Judge you are entitled to judge all ECAHO "Amateur", "D regional", "C National", "C International", "European", "Specific Origin" Shows and "National Championships".

Attendance at 1 Level I in the calendar year is permitted.

Candidates who fail the Judges' Assessments Level I on three occasions must wait five years before retaking the test. During this time, they should attend further educational seminars. Any Candidate who fails this final assessment will not be permitted to repeat.

How to become an International ECAHO B JUDGE

To become eligible for ECAHO judge (Level II) assessment the following prerequisites must be fulfilled:

- 5) You are not a professional trainer or handler.
- 6) You must have passed the ECAHO National Judges / Level I assessment and placed on the ECAHO National judges list.
- 7) As an ECAHO National judge, a minimum of three probations, all with different A Judges, at ECAHO affiliated shows, in foreign countries, must be completed, with satisfactory reports.
 - Probations are not allowed at the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows.
 - You must have permission from both the Show organizer and the A-Judge.
 - You must pay all your own expenses, i.e., transportation, hotel, food, and drinks.
 - Only one probationer per show is allowed.
 - For Judging progress evaluation, reports of the probations and all score sheets must be sent to the ECAHO secretary. Reports are not sent to the trainees, but trainees are entitled to a verbal progress report from the trainee's respective A judge.
 - Additional probations may be recommended if considered necessary.
 - For additional requirements consult:
 - i. I. Addendum Technical guidelines for all Shows
 - ii. Guidelines for ECAHO Officials and Show Organizers, section Probations.

To apply for ECAHO judges level II course (B-Judge assessment):

- 8) You may only apply to attend an ECAHO Level II assessment after you have completed the mandatory three-year experience period starting from the date your Level I Assessment pass was recorded with the ECAHO secretary.
- 9) You are not a professional trainer or handler.
- 10) You must have completed the requirements stated in articles 6 thru 7 above.
- 11) You must have a written recommendation from your National Organization allowing you to apply to the ECAHO judges training program for Level B assessment, sent to the ECAHO Secretary.



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Candidates who fail the Judges' Assessments Level II on three occasions must wait five years before retaking the test. During this time, they should attend further educational seminars. Any Candidate who fails this final assessment will not be permitted to repeat.

To be put on the ECAHO B Judges list:

- 12) You must have passed the ECAHO Judges Level II course.
- 13) You must be proposed by your National Organization at an EAHSC meeting.
- 14) You must be accepted by the EAHSC for the B-list of ECAHO Judges.

As **ECAHO B Judge** you may judge any level of ECAHO shows.

You may lose your title of ECAHO B Judge if you have not judged for three consecutive years or not attended an ECAHO Judges Course Level II as refresher.

The Executive Committee may freely assess if a B Judge not complying with the Constitution, all applicable rules, codes, regulations, and decisions of ECAHO, as well as with his duties and obligations under the Judges Contract, may lose his title of ECAHO Judge, or shall be prevented from being appointed as a recognised Judge, or shall be suspended or expelled.

How to become an International ECAHO A JUDGE

- You must have been on the ECAHO B-list for a minimum of five years.
- You must have judged a minimum of 25 ECAHO international shows
- You must be approved by the ECAHO Judges Instructors Group and the Executive Committee
- You must be proposed by your National Organization at an EAHSC meeting
- You must be accepted by EAHSC for the A-list of ECAHO judges.

As **ECAHO** A **Judge** you may judge any level of ECAHO shows.

As **ECAHO** A **Judge** it is your duty to take probationers and to write the corresponding report.

Any Judge who has not judged for 10 years or more loses his title of ECAHO A and B judge automatically and must start again at Level I.

The Executive Committee may freely assess if an A Judge not complying with the Constitution, all applicable rules, codes, regulations, and decisions of ECAHO, as well as with his duties and obligations under the Judges Contract, may lose his title of ECAHO Judge, or shall be prevented from being appointed as a recognised Judge, or shall be suspended or expelled.

Any B list Judge may lose his/her title of B Judge if he/she has not judged for three years or not attended a refresher assessment (International ECAHO Judges Assessment Level II). In such case the Judge may be automatically withdrawn from B list but may remain on their National list after confirmation from his/her National organization.

Any A or B list Judge who has not judged for 10 years or more will automatically lose the title of ECAHO A or B judge and must start again at Level I.

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III. ADDENDUM

Guidelines for the training and promotion of Disciplinary Committee Members

The initial body to contact, for anyone who wishes to become a Disciplinary committee member for ECAHO affiliated Arab horse shows, is the National ECAHO member organization (Arab Horse society) of his country.

I. Procedure to qualify for the "B" list of DCs

The national Arab Horse breeders association will be responsible for the selection of applicants. The following steps must be taken before the final application with the EAHSC can be made.

- 1. To apply officially to his National Association (ECAHO member).
- 2. To have extensive practical experience with horses.
- 3. To have successfully completed one Workshop organized by the National association or assisted a DC from the ECAHO list in at least two shows.
- 4. To have successfully completed an ECAHO "B" International DC course (under two ECAHO Instructors designated by the DC Instructors Sub-Commission (DCIC) one of which must be a Veterinarian Instructor).
- 5. To have successfully completed at least two probations with different A list DCs at different ECAHO affiliated shows in different venues, after having passed the International DC course. If the probations are not completed within the three years following the course, the Candidate must take and pass another DC course and complete the required probations.
- 6. Probationers must pay all their expenses, unless these are covered by their National association.

Once these conditions have been fulfilled, the DC Instructors Sub-Commission will evaluate all the reports and propose the recommended applicants to the EAHSC.

The EAHSC will decide, by majority vote, to accept the applicant for the "B" DC list or not, regardless of the fulfilment of the above pre-conditions.

A "B" list DC may act at any level of ECAHO shows and will have an individual presentation on the ECAHO web page with his /her contact details and stating his/her experience and qualifications (updated every year). ECAHO DCs are particularly encouraged to officiate abroad and pick up experience. Speaking **English** is an indispensable factor for most countries.

If a "B" DC has not officiated for three years, he is required to attend an ECAHO international DC Workshop.

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II. Procedures to qualify for the "A" list of DCs

A "B" list DC may apply to his/her National Arab horse breeding association to be upgraded to the "A" list of ECAHO DCs and must have fulfilled the following conditions:

- 1. To have been on the ECAHO "B" list for a minimum of five years.
- 2. To have **acted at a minimum of fifteen shows** during these five years, at least five of which as Chairman of the DC at International shows.
- 3. To have successfully completed and passed an **ECAHO International "A" DC assessment.** (under at least two ECAHO Instructors designated by DCIC.

Once these conditions have been fulfilled, the DC Instructors Sub-Commission will evaluate all the results and propose the recommended applicants to the EAHSC.

The EAHSC will decide, by majority vote, to accept the applicant for the "A" DC list or not, regardless of the fulfilment of the above pre-conditions.

An "A" list DC may act at any level of ECAHO shows and will have an individual presentation on the ECAHO web page with his/her contact details and stating his/her experience and qualifications (updated every year). A good knowledge of **English** is necessary at this stage.

If an "A" DC has not officiated for three years, he is required to attend an ECAHO international DC Workshop.

III. Training of DCs

EAHSC will nominate a certain number of senior "A" DCs to become "Instructors" at the ECAHO International DC training workshops and courses.

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DC instructor courses will be organized regularly to ensure the training of applicants.

<u>DC workshops and courses</u> will follow the same procedure and the same assessment system of theoretical and practical exams, whatever the level of the course.

- 1. **Announcement** of courses: The courses for a whole year will be announced by EAHSC at the same time with the names of the Instructors of the different courses.
- 2. The **documentation**, supporting the topics, that is handed out to the participants will be the same on all courses and it will be updated regularly. The reference book will be the latest edition of the ECAHO "DC Course Syllabus Booklet" (first published in 2008).
- 3. Examination documents used will be the standard DCIC documents.
- 4. The **timetable** of the courses should be approximately similar with a mix of theory and practical exercise.
- 5. Ethics will be of paramount importance with emphasis on the welfare of horses.

IV. ECAHO Trained National DCs

This list is open to Candidates who:

- 1. have **passed a National DC course given by ECAHO DC Instructors**, using an ECAHO syllabus (with or without probations, at the discretion of the Instructors).
- 2. have **taken an ECAHO International DC course given by ECAHO DC Instructors** and have sufficient technical and practical knowledge to pass **but insufficient knowledge of English** (with or without probations, at the discretion of the Instructors).

These candidates will be proposed to the EAHSC at the autumn SC meeting for inclusion in the following year's ECAHO Approved National DC list if they are accepted by EAHSC.



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Guidelines for the training and promotion of Ringmasters

The initial body to contact, for anyone who wishes to become an approved Ringmaster for ECAHO affiliated Arab horse shows, is the National ECAHO Member organization (Arab Horse Society) of his country.

I. Procedure to qualify for the list of ECAHO recommended Ringmasters

The national Arab Horse breeders association will be responsible for the selection of applicants. The following steps must be taken before the final application with the EAHSC can be made.

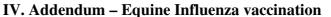
- 1. To apply officially to his National Association (ECAHO Member).
- 2. To have practical experience with horses.
- 3. To have officiated as Ringmaster at minimum of 5 ECAHO shows.
- 4. To have extensive knowledge of the Blue Book rules.

Once these conditions have been fulfilled, the National organization shall send the request to the EAHSC.

The EAHSC will decide, by majority vote, to accept the applicant for list of ECAHO recommended Ringmasters or not, regardless of the fulfilment of the above pre-conditions.

An ECAHO recommended Ringmaster may act at any level of ECAHO shows and will have an individual presentation on the ECAHO web page with his /her contact details and stating his/her experience and qualifications (updated every year). ECAHO recommended Ringmasters are particularly encouraged to officiate abroad and pick up experience. Speaking **English** is mandatory.

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IV. ADDENDUM

Equine Influenza vaccination for all horses competing in ECAHO competitions

All horses (except foals at foot of the dam and/or foals less than 9 months old) must have received an
initial <u>Primary Course</u> of two vaccination doses administered a minimum of 21 and a maximum of 92 days
apart.

Foals should begin the primary course of vaccination at 6 months of age. It is under the owners' responsibility if they are shown before the primary course of vaccination is complete.

Any horse receiving a new Primary Course as of 1st January 2024 must receive the second vaccination a minimum of 21 days and a maximum of 60 days after the first vaccination.

- 2. The <u>First Booster</u> must be given within 7 calendar months following the date of administration of the second vaccination of the primary course.
 - Horses which have received a correct primary course of vaccinations may arrive at an ECAHO event up to 6 months + 21 days months after the second dose of the primary course.
- 3. Horses that were correctly certified as receiving the primary course prior to 2009 are not required to fulfil the requirement of the first booster, providing there has been no lapse in their vaccination regime.
- 4. Further booster vaccinations must be given within 12 months of the last dose, or shorter intervals where local or national authorities require it. However, horses that are competing must have been vaccinated within 6 months +21 days of arriving at the Show an ECAHO event.
- 5. No vaccination may be given within 7 days of the day of arrival at the ECAHO event.
- 6. Vaccines must be administered by a veterinarian. The details of the vaccine, serial/batch number and the date of administration must be recorded in the passport, signed and stamped by the veterinarian who administered the vaccination.
- 7. The entering of vaccination details in a new passport or a duplicate: if the vaccination history of a horse is very long, the veterinarian may use the following statement "The vaccination history of this horse is correct to date (enter the last vaccination date)", signed and stamped by a veterinarian.
- 8. Sanctions for vaccination irregularities:
 - a) regarding the 6 months + 21 days from last vaccination date:
 - Up to 1 week late:
 - o a fine of €130. The horse will be allowed to compete.
 - Between 1 and 2 weeks late:
 - o a fine of \in 200. The horse will be allowed to compete.
 - More than 2 weeks late or Last vaccination within the last 7 days of arrival:
 - o a fine of € 280, the horse will not be allowed to compete and must leave the show ground as soon as possible.
 - b) regarding incorrect, incomplete or missing Primary course, Incorrect or missing First booster vaccination and/or Overdue yearly booster:
 - where required: a fine of € 280, the horse will not be allowed to compete and must leave the show ground as soon as possible. (The vaccinations must be restarted as in articles 1 and 2).
- 9. Repeat offenders of any minimum vaccination requirement contravention will be reported to the SDC for consideration of higher sanctions.



VI. Addendum - Additional Judging system

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Judging system with highest and lowest marks excluded

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The Show organizer is allowed to use the judging system where the highest and the lowest mark for each horse is excluded and the total score is counted from the remaining marks.

The conditions to use this Judging system:

- at least 7 Judges must be in the ring,
- the system must be clearly described in the schedule
- the schedule must be approved by ECAHO (schedule to be sent to ECAHO Office at latest 3 months prior to the date of the show)

Before the start of the show, if the Show organizer sees that there will be insufficient judges present to allow for 7 judges in the ring for every class (owing to accident, illness, Conflict of interest or problems with the travel arrangements of the Judge(s)), then this method cannot be used.

Once the Show has started if a judge is unable to continue (owing to an unforeseen Conflict of Interest, accident, or illness) leaving less than 7 Judges in any class, then the average of the Total score must be used in all classes going forward to the championships.

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VII. ADDENDUM

Procedure of Affiliation priorities of ECAHO Shows

Stage A preliminary calendar (until the 31st of January)

World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows only

The Organizers of the World Championship and all Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows shall declare their planned date and send their affiliation form for the following year before the 31st of January, so the dates can be discussed and confirmed during the SC meeting at the yearly AGM, usually held in February. After completion of the <u>Stage A preliminary calendar</u> at the AGM, the Executive Secretary will publish it on the ECAHO website, visible for all show organizers. The dates of the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows will be blocked for all other international shows on the same continent (European or non-European).

Rules for selection of Judges for the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows

- No more than 2 judges who are currently members of the Executive Committee shall be selected.
- No more than 1 judge from each-country in the show ring during the class/Championship shall be permitted.
- If the judge, due to conflict of interest, is not able to judge more than 50 % of the classes, this judge must be replaced by a different judge from the approved list of judges.

Timing – selection and approval of Judges for the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows

The show organizers are obliged to send the proposed list of Judges for approval by the Executive Committee no later than 40 days before the date of the show. If not sent, the EC has the right to appoint the Judges. Any changes to a list approved by the EC requires renewed screening and approval by the EC.

Show Organizers must not invite the Judges until the list of Judges has been approved by the Executive Committee.

Rules for selection of DC responsible for the DC report for the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows

The Show organizers proposes the DC members. The EC selects the DC members from the proposed list who shall be responsible for the DC report.

The EC reserves the right to **not approve** any Official from the proposed team (Judge, member of DC, Ringmaster)

Stage B preliminary calendar (1st of February – 30th of April)

B International shows only

After publication of the **Stage A preliminary calendar**, all International B Show organizers and organizers wishing to upgrade to International B Show requests can send their planned date and affiliation form to ECAHO until 30th April, respecting all blocked dates by higher level shows, so the dates can be discussed and confirmed during the next SC meeting, usually held in May.

After completion of **Stage B preliminary calendar** in May, the Executive Secretary will publish it on the ECAHO website, visible for all show organizers. The dates of the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows will be blocked for all other international shows on the same continent (European or non-European) and the dates of B International shows will be blocked for all other international C and European shows and late affiliations of any level which may be in conflict in the opinion of the Show Commission.

If any International B Show is not affiliated by the 30th of April, it may be affiliated in **the late affiliation window** of Stage D 1st of September till 31st of Oct



VII. Addendum - Procedure of Affiliation

Stage C preliminary calendar (1st of May- 31st of August) B National, National Championships, C International, European, EAHGC and S shows only

After publication of the **Stage B preliminary calendar**, all B National Show, National Championship show, International C Show, European Show and Specific Origin Show organizers and organizers wishing to upgrade to International or European Show requests can send their planned date and affiliation form to ECAHO until 31st August, respecting all blocked dates by higher level shows, so the dates can be discussed and confirmed during the next SC meeting, usually held in September.

After completion of the **Stage C preliminary calendar** in September, the Executive Secretary will publish it on the ECAHO website, visible for all show organizers. The dates of the World Championship, Title shows, A shows and GCAT shows will be blocked for all other international shows on the same continent (European or non-European) and the dates of all other International/European/Specific Origin shows will be blocked for all other National-, D shows and late affiliations of any level who may be conflicting by judgment of the Show Commission. If any International C Show/European Show is not affiliated by the 31st of August, it may be affiliated in the **late affiliation window of Stage C** (1st of September till 31st of October)

Stage D preliminary calendar (1st of September- 31st of October)

D Shows, Breeder's Shows, Amateur Shows and late affiliations

After publication of the **Stage C preliminary calendar**, all D Show, Breeders' Show and Amateur Show organizers and late affiliation requests can send their planned date and affiliation form to ECAHO until 31st October, respecting all blocked dates by higher level shows, so the dates can be discussed and confirmed during the next SC meeting, usually held in November.

After completion of the **Stage D preliminary calendar** November, the Executive Secretary will publish it as the **Final Show Calendar** on the ECAHO website, visible for all show organizers. **Any changes, upgrades or late** affiliations to the show calendar submitted after 31st of October may be accepted only in special circumstances.

Principles of affiliation priority

- 1) Category of show World Championship > Title > A > GCAT > B Int > C Int > Eur> EAHGC> S, ...
- 2) History of show tradition, cooperation with ECAHO, no. of horses, incidents, ...
- 3) Other influences, geographic, background, ...
- 4) With extreme exception a non-affiliated show can be recognized and therefore tolerated by ECAHO as if affiliated.
- 5) Any show, which is not affiliated before the 1st of November may not be affiliated for the following year.
- 6) Shows that are not affiliated or recognized **may be black-listed**.
- 7) No ECAHO officials may officiate at a show declared as black-listed. Those who do will be subject to suspension.
- 8) Horses exhibited at a black-listed shows will not be allowed to participate at any ECAHO show for 1 year from the date of the black-listed show.

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VIII. Addendum - GCAT - Global Champions Arabian Tour

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GCAT – Global Champions Arabian Tour – Rules for Affiliation of Shows

1. World Championship, Title and A shows included in the GCAT

- already existing World Championship, Title and A shows, included in the GCAT, follow their own BB rules and procedures for affiliation of shows
- affiliation fees of already existing World Championship, Title and A shows, included in the GCAT, are set by the Rules for Affiliation of Shows

2. Other shows included in the GCAT

- affiliation of other GCAT shows has to follow Procedure of Affiliation priorities of ECAHO Shows / Stage A preliminary calendar (until the 31st of January)
- other shows, being included in the GCAT by the SC approval, should receive the status of GCAT Show
- other show, being approved as GCAT Shows should follow the Rules for Affiliation of Shows / A Shows
- affiliation fee for other GCAT Shows: € 3000,-

3. Qualifications for GCAT Shows:

All horses except yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

- 1) ECAHO affiliated Shows:
 - 1st to 5th place at the World Championship, Title, A, GCAT or B Show
 - 1st to 3rd place at National Championship, C International or European Show
 - 1st place at a Specific Origin or C National Show

2) non-ECAHO countries:

- Champion or Reserve Champion or top 10 at the US Nationals
- Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place in class at the Scottsdale Show (US)
- Champion or Reserve Champion in Regional Shows (US)
- 1st 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup show (US)
- Champion or Reserve Champion, or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show

4. 4. Prize-money percentage

3% contribution from the total prize money rewards, paid out at GCAT Shows, is counted only from individual shows. The GCAT Overall Ranking rewards and Bonuses are not subject to 3 % contribution from the prize money.

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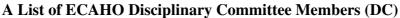
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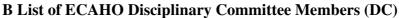
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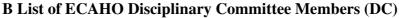
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Championships

Show Name:	Date:	
Show Venue:		
Category (Male/Female; Junior/Senior):		
Name of the Judge:		
My choice for Champion / Gold medal is N°:		
The Champion / Gold medal is N°:		
My choice for Silver Medal is N°:		
The Silver medal is N°:		
My choice for Bronze Medal is N°:		
The Bronze medal is N°:		
My choice for the "Fourth runner up " is N°:		
Signature of the Judge:		



Championships with Top Five

Show Name:	Date:	
Show Venue:		
Category (Male/Female; Junior/Senior):		
Name of the Judge:		
My choice for Champion / Gold medal is N°:		
The Champion / Gold medal is N°:		
My choice for Silver Medal is N°:		
The Silver medal is N°:		
My choice for Bronze Medal is N°:		
The Bronze medal is N°:		
My choice for the Top Five are Nos.:		
The Top Five are:		
Signature of the Judge:		



Championships – Open Method

Show Name:	Date:	
Show Venue:		
Category (Male/Female; Junior/Senior):		
Name of the Judge:		

	Horse no.	Points
GOLD		4
SILVER		2
BRONZE		1
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Signature of the Judge:



Championships – Open method with Top 5

Show Name:	Date:	
Show Venue:		
Category (Male/Female; Junior/Senior):		
Name of the Judge:		

	Horse no.	Points
GOLD		6
SILVER		4
BRONZE		3
My choice to complete the Top 5 are Nos.		2
My choice to complete the Top 5 are Nos.		1

Signature of the Judge:_____