

# EUROPEAN ARAB HORSE SHOW COMMISSION BLUE BOOK 2022 RULES FOR CONDUCT OF SHOW



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## **AFFILIATION No. 158 – 2022 / UAE – ECAHO “B” National**

- Classes will be Judged by a panel of 6 judges, rotated in groups of 5 throughout the classes.
- In the classes, the number of points will be divided by the number of judges to give a score out of 100 for the horse.
- No class may be split unless there are more than 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.
- Points from 1 to 20 will be awarded by each Judge for 5 topics. Half Points are allowed. Type, Head and Neck, Body, Legs, Movement.
- iPad system will be used for judging.
- The presentation will be for the top 7 horses, in each class.

### Judging of Championships

- Championships will be judged by the panel of all Judges.
- The First, Second and Third placed horses in each class will qualify for Championships leading to the selection of the Gold, Silver and Bronze Medalists.
- Point of 4, 2 & 1 will be given to Gold, Silver & Bronze respectively.
- Championships will be judged according to the Rules for Ties and Championships listed in the “Show Schedule”.
- Open Method will be followed.
- Doping tests may be carried out for Champions : Gold, Silver & Bronze Medalists.



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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 containing all vaccination records. Those horses coming from a country that does not issue a passport, must be accompanied by an official Registration document 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 halfpoinis 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 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.

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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.
- 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 the same horses participate in multiple events on the same day or consecutive days at the same venue, the following restrictions apply for the judging of these events:

<b>ECAHO Affiliated</b>	<b>Non amateur halter</b>	<b>Amateur halter</b>	<b>Sport</b>
Non amateur halter	2	1	1
Amateur halter	1	2	1
Sport	1	1	1

- 1- Combination is allowed to be judged by the same judge(s)  
2 - Combination is not allowed to be judged by the same judge(s).

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 or Title show, 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 or Title shows.
- c) Members of the Organizing Committees of A and Title shows may not enter their own horses in a Show which they organize.
- d) No Judge may judge more than one Title Show within Europe and one Title 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 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.

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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 ring masters per working day regardless of the actual hours: B International, C International, European and Specific Origin shows: € 100,- / A shows: € 150,- / Title shows: € 200,-.

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 consideration by the SDC.

13. n 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

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- 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.

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 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.



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14. All officials will receive a list of exhibitors and sponsors 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.

### **Conduct of Halter Classes**

18. All handlers at A and Title Shows 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.

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.

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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.

Any horse that is not under control and/or displays dangerous behaviour anywhere on the showground will be disqualified.

b) The lead reins for all horses must be no longer than 3 m.

25. a) Any horse becoming loose in the collecting ring is subject to a penalty (of a fine not exceeding 100 €) 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.



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### 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. spare

### 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 offence 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.

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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” page47).

#### **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 AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### **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 chosen by ballot will name his preference.

#### **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

#### **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.

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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 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 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 prize giving 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 and A shows all horses that qualified for their respective Championship must remain at the showground until after their championships.

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### 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](http://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.

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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 and A-shows 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.

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

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.



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c) The SDC may 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 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 up to 4000 Euro per horse, 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. 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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### Supervising Committees

#### Higher Organizing Committee

SHK. Abdullah Bin Majid Al Qassimi  
SHK. Mohammed Bin Abdullah Al Thani  
Dr. Ghanim Mohammed Obaid Al Hajri  
Mr. Sultan Mohammed Khalifa Al Yahyaie  
Mr. Mohammed Al Harbi  
Mr. Sultan Mohammed Khalifa Al Yahyaie  
Mr. Ashraf Gaber El Laithy  
Mr. Eidha Almenhali  
Dr. Abdelwahab Ben Ali Amira  
Mrs. Linda Ismail  
Mr. Mohammed Al Nabulsi  
Mr. Ahmed Arafat  
Dr. Naresh Vijay Nagdeote  
Dr. Jagadish Adhikari  
Dr. Ayisha Abdul Khadar  
Mr. Hani Fahmy  
Mr. Dawood Salman Hamad  
Mrs. Nabilah AlAli  
Mr. Biju Peter  
Mr. Waleed Al Sayed  
Mr. Pradeep Rajamany  
Mr. Noorullah Sadhulla

Chairman  
Vice Chairman  
Member  
Member  
Member  
Show Director  
Assistant Show Director  
Ring Master  
Ring Master  
Show Secretary  
Media Coordinator  
General Superintendent  
Official Veterinarian  
Assistant Veterinarian  
Assistant Veterinarian  
IT Director/official scorer  
IT Assistant  
Commentator  
Show Assistant  
Public relation officer  
Ring Steward  
Ring Steward

#### Judging Committee

A- Mr. Ahmed Adel Abdulrazik  
B- Mr. Klaus G. Beste  
C- Ms. Pilar Caverro Pino  
D- Mr. Tamas Rombauer  
E- Ms. Irina Stigler  
F- Mr. Mark Veray

Egypt  
Germany  
Spain  
Hungary  
France

#### Disciplinary Committee

- Dr. Sujeet Bhaskar Suryawanshi  
- Dr. Kaies Ben Hadi Ouelhazi  
- Dr. Haitham Babiker Tayfour  
- Dr. Umar Raza Gill

UAE (Head of DC)  
UAE  
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#### Judging System

Horses will be judged by a panel of 5 judges depending on 5 topics (1 – 20) points system is giving by each judge for the following criteria: (half – points are applicable).

Mark from (1 – 20) For Type  
Mark from (1 – 20) For Head & Neck  
Mark from (1 – 20) For Body  
Mark from (1 – 20) For Legs  
Mark from (1 – 20) For Movement



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### SHOW PROGRAM



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#### First Day: Thursday 03. November. 2022

03:00 Pm

Class 1: Yearling Fillies Section A	(01/10/2021 - 30/09/2022)
Class 1: Yearling Fillies Section B	(01/10/2021 - 30/09/2022)
Class 2: Fillies In 2 Years Old Section A	(01/10/2020 - 30/09/2021)
Class 2: Fillies In 2 Years Old Section B	(01/10/2020 - 30/09/2021)

#### Second Day: Friday 04. November. 2022

03:00 Pm

Class 3: Fillies in 3 Years Old Section A	(01/10/2019 - 30/09/2020)
Class 3: Fillies in 3 Years Old Section B	(01/10/2019 - 30/09/2020)
Class 4: Mares in 4 - 5 Years Old	(01/10/2017 - 30/09/2019)
Class 5: Mares in 6-7 Years Old	(01/10/2015 - 30/09/2017)
Class 6: Mares 8 Years & Older	(Born before 30/09/2015)

#### Third Day: Saturday 05. November. 2022

03:00 Pm

Class 7: Yearling Colts Section A	(01/10/2021 - 30/09/2022)
Class 7: Yearling Colts Section B	(01/10/2021 - 30/09/2022)
Class 8: Colts in 2 Years Old Section A	(01/10/2020 - 30/09/2021)
Class 8: Colts in 2 Years Old Section B	(01/10/2020 - 30/09/2021)
Class 9: Colts in 3 Years Old	(01/10/2019 - 30/09/2020)

#### Fourth Day: Sunday 06. November .2022

03:00 Pm

Class 10: Stallions 4-5 Years Old	(01/10/2017 - 30/09/2019)
Class 11: Stallions 6-7 Years Old	(01/10/2015 - 30/09/2017)
Class 12: Stallions 8 Years & Older	(Born before 30/09/2015)

#### The Championships:

1. Yearling Fillies Championship
2. Fillies Championship
3. Mares Championship
4. Yearling Colts Championship
5. Colts Championship
6. Stallions Championship



**The Prize Money of Sharjah Arabian  
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The prize money of Sharjah Arabian Horse Festival - UAE Bred, will be distributed as follows:  
Prize money for Classes:

- First place 5000 AED
- Second place 5000 AED
- Third place 5000 AED
- Fourth place 5000 AED
- Fifth place 5000 AED
- Sixth place 5000 AED
- Seventh place 5000 AED

**Prize money of Championships Classes:**

- Mares and Stallions Championship: Golden 30.000 AED  
Silver 25.000 AED  
Bronze 20.000 AED
- Fillies & Colts (2- 3) years Championship: Golden 30.000 AED  
Silver 20,000 AED  
Bronze 15,000 AED
- Yearling (Fillies & Colts) championship: Golden 25.000 AED  
Silver 15.000 AED  
Bronze 10,000 AED