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EMIRATES ARABIAN HORSE GLOBAL CUP

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1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 **AABC** | the Australasian Arabian Breeders Coalition
- 1.2 **AHSA** | the Arabian Horse Society of Australia
- 1.3 **Australasian Breeding Season** | a breeding season in both Australia & New Zealand commences on 01 September and concludes on 31 August the following calendar year. All foals born in the subsequent season, between 01 August and 31 July are all classified as the same age and from the same foal crop when all horses officially turn one year older on 01 August each year.
 - 1.3.1 **2021 Breeding Season** | commenced 01 September 2021 and concluded 31 August 2022.
 - 1.3.1.1 Foals produced from this breeding season should be registered with birth dates between 01 August 2022 and 31 July 2023.
 - 1.3.2 **2022 Breeding Season** | commenced 01 September 2022 and concluded 31 August 2023.
 - 1.3.2.1 Foals produced from this breeding season should be registered with birth dates between 01 August 2023 and 31 July 2024.
 - 1.3.3 **2023 Breeding Season** | commenced 01 September 2023 and concluded 31 August 2024.
 - 1.3.3.1 Foals produced from this breeding season should be registered with birth dates between 01 August 2025 and 31 July 2025.
- 1.4 **Breeder** | the person(s), company or stud farm listed on the official registration documents and within the AHSA or NZAHS studbook as breeder of the exhibit/horse entered to compete in EAHGC.
- 1.5 **EAHGC** | the Emirates Arabian Horse Global Cup
- 1.6 **NZAHS** | the New Zealand Arabian Horse Society
- 1.7 **Owner** | the person(s), company or stud farm listed on the official registration documents and within the AHSA or NZAHS studbook as current owner of the exhibit/horse entered to compete in EAHGC.
- 1.8 **Qualification Period** | the three-year period during which the number of foals produced/bred by each individual owner determines their eligibility to participate in the EAHGC. The qualification period will always encompass three (3) consecutive Australasian breeding seasons and will progress forward one year annually.
- 1.9 **Small/Medium-Sized Breeder** | a person(s), company or stud farm that has bred twenty (20) or less purebred Arabian foals in each year of the qualification period as defined for each annual event.

2. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 2.1. open ONLY to horses that are registered at birth in either the Australian (AHSA) or New Zealand (NZAHS) studbook.
 - 2.1.1. imported horses born and bred outside of Australasia are ineligible to compete.
- 2.2. both breeder and owner must qualify as one of the following:
 - 2.2.1. person(s) who are citizens or permanent residents of either Australia or New Zealand.
 - 2.2.2. a company exclusively owned by person(s) who are citizens or permanent residents of either Australia or New Zealand.
 - 2.2.3. a Stud farm exclusively owned by person(s) who are citizens or permanent residents of either Australia or New Zealand.
 - 2.2.4. a Stud farm exclusively owned by a government (state stud) located in either Australia or New Zealand.
- 2.3. breeder of the horse and the owner of the horse do not need to be same person(s), company, or stud farm.
- 2.4. current **owner**, as officially listed with the either the AHSA or NZAHS, **must be a small/medium-sized breeder**
 - 2.4.1. the definition of a small/medium-sized breeder is a person(s), company or stud farm that has bred twenty (20) or less purebred Arabian foals during the qualification period (the Australasian breeding seasons of 2021, 2022 and 2023).
 - 2.4.2. an official declaration, confirming the number of horses produced/bred by the **owner** during 2021-2023 Australasian breeding seasons, must be signed returned together with the Entry form or completed in the online EAHGC entry system.
 - 2.4.3. verification of the number of foals produced/bred by each **owner** participating in the EAHGC will be confirmed with both the AHSA and NZAHS.
- 2.5. co-ownership is allowed as long as this form of ownership complies with the above rules of citizenship and residency and the current registration regulations of the AHSA and NZAHS.
- 2.6. leased horses may be accepted for entry as long as both the breeder and owner comply with the above rules of citizenship and residency and the official lease arrangement is recognised according to the current registration regulations of the AHSA and NZAHS.
- 2.7. studbook registration of ownership must be officially listed with either the ASHA or NZAHS at least six (6) weeks before the date of the show.

3. ENTRY RESTRICTIONS

- 3.1. Owners whose yearly total of foals produced/bred exceeds twenty (20) in any of the Australasian foaling/breeding seasons encompassed by the current Qualification Period are ineligible to compete.
- 3.2. Eligibility as a small/medium sized breeder will be determined annually according to the annual number of foals produced/bred by each owner as defined by the current Qualification Period
- 3.3. Individual horses are allowed to participate only at one of the EAHGC show per season, with the exception the international EAHGC Final.



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- 3.4.** World Championship, Title Show or A Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners (or winners of similar category of shows 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, from junior to a senior category.
- 3.5.** Anybody entering a horse which does not fulfill entry conditions/restrictions or an overqualified horse, will be liable to a fine of €600. The horse owner will be banned for 3 years from any EAHGC show, the horse will be automatically disqualified and will not be eligible for any prize-money rewards. All trophies will be withdrawn if any received.

4. QUALIFYING CLASSES & CHAMPIONSHIPS

4.1. Qualifying classes

4.1.1. Ten (10) EAHGC classes will be offered annually:

- 4.1.1.1. Class 1A | Yearling Fillies (older exhibits)**
- 4.1.1.2. Class 1B | Yearling Fillies (younger exhibits)**
- 4.1.1.3. Class 2 | Two Year Old Fillies**
- 4.1.1.4. Class 3 | Three Year Old Fillies**
- 4.1.1.5. Class 4A | Senior Mares Four to Six Years Of Age**
- 4.1.1.6. Class 4B | Senior Mares Seven Years & Older**
- 4.1.1.7. Class 5A | Yearling Colts (older exhibits)**
- 4.1.1.8. Class 5B | Yearling Colts (younger exhibits)**
- 4.1.1.9. Class 6 | Two Year Old Colts**
- 4.1.1.10. Class 7 | Three Year Old Colts**
- 4.1.1.11. Class 8A | Senior Stallions Four to Six Years Of Age**
- 4.1.1.12. Class 8B | Senior Stallions Seven Years & Older**

4.1.2. First through fifth place will be awarded in all EAHGC qualifying classes.

4.1.3. All horses placed first through fifth will be awarded prize money according to current annual payout.

4.2. Championship Finals

4.2.1. Six (6) EAHGC championship finals will be offered annually:

- 4.2.1.1. Yearling Filly Championship |** for qualified exhibits from classes 1A&B
- 4.2.1.2. Junior Filly Championship |** for qualified exhibits from classes 2-3
- 4.2.1.3. Senior Mare Championship |** for qualified exhibits from classes 4A-B
- 4.2.1.4. Yearling Colt Championship |** for qualified exhibits from classes 5A&B
- 4.2.1.5. Junior Colt Championship |** for qualified exhibits from classes 6-7
- 4.2.1.6. Senior Stallion Championship |** for qualified exhibits from classes 8A-B

4.2.2. Only Gold, Silver & Bronze Champions will be awarded in all EAHGC championship finals.

4.2.3. Gold, Silver & Bronze Champions will receive special trophies provided by the EAHGC Organisers.

4.3. EAHGC reserves the right to change the number and age designation of classes/championships offered each year.

5. EXHIBIT ADJUDICATION

5.1. Handling of Exhibits: please refer to current AABC Rule Book Section 6.1.

5.2. Class Procedure: please refer to current AABC Rule Book Section 6.2.

5.3. Rules for Breaking Ties

5.3.1. 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. Failing a decision on either of these, one judge chosen by ballot will name his preference.

5.4. Championship Qualification

5.4.1. Yearling Championships shall be comprised of six (6) exhibits

- 5.4.1.1.** the three highest scoring exhibits from the yearling (filly or colt) class – Section A (older exhibits)
- 5.4.1.2.** the three highest scoring exhibits from the yearling (filly or colt) class – Section B (younger exhibits)

5.4.2. Junior Championships shall be comprised of six (6) exhibits:

- 5.4.2.1.** the three highest scoring exhibits from the two year old (filly or colt) class
- 5.4.2.2.** the three highest scoring exhibits from the three year old (filly or colt) class

5.4.3. Senior Championships shall be comprised of six (6) exhibits:

- 5.4.3.1.** the three highest scoring exhibits from the senior exhibit A (mare or stallion) class (younger exhibits)
- 5.4.3.2.** the three highest scoring exhibits from the senior exhibit B (mare or stallion) class (older exhibits)

5.5. Championship Final Procedure

5.5.1. All exhibits will be judged comparatively by the full panel of judges in a Championship Final.

5.5.2. Prior to commencement of judging, a random selection will be made to allocate judges as 'Judge 1', through 'Judge 3' in each event for the purpose of resolving ties.

5.5.3. All qualified horses for the Championship Final will return to the ring in back number order according to age and stand in two lines as designated by the Ring Steward



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5.5.3.1. Yearling Championships

5.5.3.1.1. First line shall be comprised of three (3) yearling fillies or colts with the lowest back numbers

5.5.3.1.2. Second line shall be comprised of three (3) yearling fillies or colts with the highest back numbers

5.5.3.2. Junior Championships

5.5.3.2.1. First line shall be comprised of three (3) junior fillies or colts with the lowest back numbers

5.5.3.2.2. Second line shall be comprised of three (3) junior fillies or colts with the highest back numbers

5.5.3.3. Senior Championships

5.5.3.3.1. First line shall be comprised of three (3) senior mares or stallions with the lowest back numbers

5.5.3.3.2. Second line shall be comprised of three (3) senior mares or stallions with the highest back numbers

5.5.4. for all remaining **Championship Final Procedures**, please refer to current AABC Rule Book Section 6.8.

5.6. Selection of Gold, Silver & Bronze Champions

5.6.1. Open Method Championship Procedure | 2025 ECAHO Blue Book – pg 49

5.6.2. please refer to current AABC Rule Book Section 6.9.

5.7. Rules for Breaking Ties

5.7.1. 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.

6. JUDGING SYSTEM

6.1. Points assigned by each judge using a scale of one (1) to ten (10); half points may be awarded.

6.2. Five (5) categories of assessment

6.2.1. Arabian Type

6.2.2. Head & Neck

6.2.2.1. Head and Neck will be judged as individual criteria, with one (1) to ten (10) points assigned for each.

6.2.2.2. Points assigned for each Head and for Neck will be averaged to give one single score for Head & Neck between one (1) and ten (10).

6.2.3. Body

6.2.4. Feet & Legs

6.2.5. Movement

6.2.5.1. Walk and Trot will be judged as individual criteria, with one (1) to ten (10) points assigned for each.

6.2.5.2. Points assigned for each Walk and for Trot will be averaged to give one single score for Walk & Trot between one (1) and ten (10).

6.3. All exhibits will be ranked in each qualifying from highest score awarded to lowest from a maximum total of fifty (50) points.

6.4. Special EAHGC scorecards will be provided to judges for the purpose of scoring all exhibits.

7. JUDGES

7.1. At least one judge must be chosen from the ECAHO A and B list of judges.

7.2. Those judges selected from non-ECAHO Member countries must be selected from the judges' panel of a national Arab Horse Organisation and should be familiar with ECAHO points system.

7.3. Any judge not on the ECAHO approved list of judges must sign and submit an ECAHO Guest Card.

7.4. The list of judges for all EAHGC shows should be approved by EAHGC Governing Committee.

8. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

8.1. A minimum of one member is required, including one veterinarian and one to be chosen from the ECAHO lists of DC members, with at least one member being able to speak the local language as well as English.

8.2. 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.

9. MEDICATION CONTROL

9.1. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC.

9.2. Medication testing of all Gold Medal winners is not compulsory.

9.3. Show organizer should arrange for an ECAHO (or equivalent Equestrian Australia) approved sampling vet to be available, in case the Disciplinary Committee should request that a drug test be carried out.

9.4. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control.



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10. PRIZE MONEY

- 10.1.** All horses placed first (1st) through fifth (5th) in each qualifying class will be awarded prize money courtesy of the EAHGC Organising Committee.
- 10.2.** The amount to be paid to each place getter will be determined by the EAHGC Organising Committee annually.
 - 10.2.1.** The amount paid to each place getter shall be identical.
 - 10.2.2.** The 2026 payout is €2000 (euro) per place getter.
 - 10.2.3.** A total of sixty (60) place getters are eligible for prize money payouts in 2026 at each event.
- 10.3.** Prize money shall be transferred directly to the designated bank account of each owner by the Emirates Arabian Horse Society (EAHS). Prize money payouts WILL NOT be available during the show and will be made via electronic funds transfer.
 - 10.3.1.** The designated bank account must be submitted with the entry form for each exhibit.
 - 10.3.2.** Only one bank account is permitted per owner. Exhibits that are co-owned should determine which account shall receive the prize money funds as payouts WILL NOT be split.