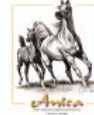


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# D. Marikshel Arabians Horse

Responsabile Santino D'Amore



## MARIKSHEL ARABIANS C NATIONAL SHOW

### Arabians Horses Show

# 15-16 GIUGNO 2019

CAMPO SPORTIVO DI ROCCALUMERA

Info: 347 8212642 - 340 1742572

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**Marikshel Arabians**  
**Horses show**

**15-16 Giugno 2019**

**ECAHO C National Show**

**Sede Evento: campo sportivo di Roccalumera**

**Comitato Organizzatore/Organizer Committee:**

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# PROGRAMMA

## **Giovedì 13 Giugno 2019:**

dalle ore 08 00 alle 20 00 ARRIVO E SCUDERIZZAZIONE CAVALLI

## **Venerdì 14 Giugno 2019:**

dalle 08 00 alle 18 00 ARRIVO E SCUDERIZZAZIONE CAVALLI

dalle ore 16 00 VISITA AI BOX DELLA COMMISSIONE DISCIPLINARE

ore 20:00 Aperitivo di Benvenuto

ore 21:00 Esibizione Fitness

## **Sabato 15 Giugno 2019:**

ore 09.30

- Categoria 1/A puledre/filly born in 2018
- Categoria 1/B puledre/filly born in 2018
- Categoria 2 puledre/filly born in 2017
- Categoria 3 puledre/filly born in 2016
- Categoria 4/A puledri/colt born in 2018
- Categoria 4/B puledri/colt born in 2018
- Categoria 5 puledri/colt born in 2017
- Categoria 6 puledri/colt born in 2016

ore 13.00 pausa pranzo

ore 16.00

- Categoria 7 fattrici nate nel 2015/2014/2013
- Categoria 8 fattrici nate nel 2012/2011/2010
- Categoria 9 fattrici nate nel 2009 e prima
- Categoria 10 stalloni nati nel 2015/2014/2013
- Categoria 11 stalloni nati nel 2012/2011/2010
- Categoria 12 stalloni nati nel 2009 e prima

Ore 18.00 Esibizione Karate Kyokushin

Ore 20.00 Estrazione Biglietto Vincente Puledro Purosangue Arabo

Ore 22.00 DJ Set

## **Domenica 16 Giugno:**

ore 09.30

- Categoria 13 puledre nate nel 2019 - Futurity Femmine
- Categoria 14 puledri nati nel 2019 - Futurity Maschi

ore 13.00 pausa pranzo

ore 16.00 **CAMPIONATI FINALI ECAHO**

- Campionato Yearling Puledre
- Campionato Yearling Puledri
- Campionato Puledre
- Campionato Puledri
- Campionato Fattrici
- Campionato Stalloni

## **PREMIAZIONI TROFEI SPECIALI**

Il Comitato Organizzatore si riserva il diritto di apportare modifiche al programma ed in genere a quanto esposto nelle informazioni, in qualsiasi momento lo ritenga opportuno, per la buona riuscita della manifestazione.

Le classi con più di 10 cavalli potranno essere divise, classi con meno di 3 cavalli iscritti potranno essere unite, a discrezione del comitato organizzatore.

Il numero di pettorale verrà attribuito in base alla data di nascita del cavallo per ogni categoria, seguendo un criterio crescente (dal più piccolo di età al più grande).

## **Condizioni di Partecipazione – Conditions of Entry EAHSC –Blue Book 2019**

Possono partecipare tutti i cavalli che alla data di chiusura delle iscrizioni (10/06/2019) siano regolarmente iscritti anca il cui proprietario risulti essere un Socio ANICA in regola con il pagamento della quota associativa. I cavalli importati potranno partecipare se entrati in Italia entro il 31 dicembre 2018. Nessun cavallo sarà autorizzato ad entrare nel ring se il suo nome ed i suoi dati anagrafici non saranno stampati sul catalogo ufficiale del concorso. Tutti i cavalli iscritti al concorso dovranno essere in possesso di regolare PASSAPORTO EQUINO, comprendente un grafico descrittivo convalidato dall'autorità competente, rilasciato dal competente Registry (direttive CEE).

Il responsabile del cavallo è il proprietario registrato o il locatario, ma la persona che firma il modulo di iscrizione, l'handler e altro personale di supporto, inclusi veterinari, potrà essere considerato responsabile in aggiunta se presenti all'evento o hanno preso una decisione pertinente sul cavallo. Se la persona responsabile designa qualcuno che li rappresenti (ad esempio un avvocato), qualsiasi corrispondenza inviata a questo rappresentante sarà ritenuta essere stata comunicata alla persona responsabile.

Tutti i cavalli che accedono all'interno del centro equestre dovranno essere muniti di polizza assicurativa a Rischio e Contro Terzi.

**Restrizioni alla partecipazione- Entry restrictions:** I vincitori di una medaglia d'oro o di argento in un Title show e in uno show di classe A non potranno prendere parte ad un concorso di classe C nazionale per i due anni consecutivi alla vincita a meno che il cavallo non sia passato di categoria: da Yearling a Junior o da junior a senior).

Qualora un cavallo iscritto non rispetterà questa regola sarà punito con un'ammenda fino a € 600.00 ed il cavallo verrà squalificato dalla manifestazione

## **Metodo di giudizio delle Categorie – Method of judging the classes**

Ogni categoria sarà giudicata da 4 giudici senza catalogo che assegneranno un punteggio da 0 a 20 punti per tipo, testa e collo, dorso e armonia, arti, movimento, con il mezzo punto.



## **Regola in caso di spareggio – Rules in case of ties**

In caso di parità nei primi 5 classificati, il piazzamento migliore sarà assegnato al cavallo con più punti in tipicità. Se sussisterà ancora parità il piazzamento migliore sarà assegnato al cavallo con più punti in movimento. Se sussisterà ancora parità un giudice a sorteggio indicherà la sua preferenza.

## **Metodo di giudizio e regole del Campionato Methods and rules of judging the Championship**

Ogni campionato (yearling femmine, yearling maschi, puledre, puledri, fattrici e stalloni) indipendentemente e a prescindere dai risultati ottenuti in categoria verrà giudicato per comparazione con il nuovo metodo ECAHO, blue book 2019. I primi ed i secondi classificati delle categorie si qualificano per il campionato finale. Tutti i cavalli qualificati per il rispettivo Campionato faranno ingresso in campo e saranno allineati in fila in base al numero progressivo di pettorale così come indicato dal catalogo. I giudici esamineranno tutti i cavalli individualmente piazzati e quindi al trotto. I giudici non possono conferire fra di loro. Ogni giudice nominato per ogni campionato indicherà la sua scelta per il vincitore della medaglia d'oro, d'argento e di bronzo contemporaneamente, scegliendo tra tutti i cavalli qualificati per il campionato. La scelta del giudice verrà trascritta su apposita scheda.

- Ogni cavallo in base alle preferenze così ricevute da tutti i giudici in campo otterrà:
- Ogni cavallo nominato da un giudice come Medaglia d'oro otterrà 4 punti
- Ogni cavallo nominato da un giudice come Medaglia d'argento otterrà 2 punti
- Ogni cavallo nominato da un giudice come Medaglia di bronzo otterrà 1 punto.

La medaglia d'oro sarà vinta dal cavallo che avrà ricevuto il numero maggiore di preferenze per l'oro, il cavallo che avrà ottenuto il secondo miglior punteggio sarà nominato vincitore della medaglia d'argento. Il cavallo che avrà ottenuto il terzo miglior punteggio sarà nominato vincitore della medaglia di bronzo.

In caso di Spareggio durante il Campionato il piazzamento migliore sarà assegnato al cavallo che avrà ottenuto il miglior punteggio nella categoria preliminare. Se ancora sussisterà un ex equo il piazzamento migliore sarà assegnato al cavallo che avrà il miglior punteggio in tipo e poi in movimento.

Un cavallo quarto classificato dovrà essere indicato da ogni giudice, sarà il cavallo che in caso di squalifica di una delle tre medaglie, sarà indicato come vincitore della medaglia di bronzo. Il cavallo quarto classificato non sarà annunciato. Nel caso in cui uno o più cavalli saranno squalificati, non sarà accettato nessun altro cavallo vincitore al di fuori del quarto classificato.

Nel caso di una squalifica, i cavalli piazzati dietro al cavallo squalificato avanzeranno di un posto in categoria ma non avranno titolo per partecipare al campionato. Nel caso in cui un cavallo sia squalificato dal ring dai giudici oppure ritirato dal suo presentatore o per ogni altro motivo si allontani dalla competizione, verrà considerato come se avesse preso parte al Campionato.

*Tutti i cavalli premiati in classifica devono presentarsi per la cerimonia di premiazione, a meno che la DC decida diversamente, nel qual caso qualsiasi rappresentante del cavallo può accettare la medaglia senza che sia presente il cavallo. L'assenza del cavallo o di qualsiasi rappresentante che compaia nella cerimonia di premiazione squalificherà il cavallo dallo spettacolo, con la registrazione del punteggio nella Classe che verrà cancellata e sarà sanzionata secondo l'Articolo 16 del regolamento per le commissioni disciplinari.*

*Nel caso di squalifica, tutti i cavalli piazzati dietro il cavallo squalificato avanzeranno di una posizione nella classifica*

## **Regolamento per le Categorie Futurity – Futurityclassrules.**

Le categorie futurity sono aperte a tutti i puledri nati nel 2019 che abbiano compiuto 4 settimane di età alla data dello show, la cui domanda di registrazione sia stata regolarmente trasmessa all'ANICA, completa di tariffa di registrazione, entro il termine di iscrizione del concorso. Le categorie Futurity sono riconosciute dalla EAHSC e devono seguire il seguente regolamento: I puledri non possono competere nel campionato EAHSC, né possono beneficiare di alcun titolo e nessun qualifica di show per classe A. Nelle classi futurity

che si svolgeranno durante una manifestazione affiliata EAHSC, il regolamento EAHSC verrà applicato. Tutti i puledri devono avere un'età di 4 settimane alla data di presentazione e DOVRANNO ESSERE ACCOMPAGNATI DALLA MAMMA in campo fino all'età di sei mesi. Da regolamento non verranno accettati puledri orfani o puledri rifiutati dalla madre con un'età inferiore a sei mesi di vita. E' vietato l'utilizzo di capezzine con metallo e con catene. E' possibile tosare il corpo o parti di esso (es. tosatura parziale della testa e del collo) tranne nella zona intorno agli occhi e al muso. I puledri devono essere tenuti alla mano durante la presentazione e durante la cerimonia di premiazione. I Futurity, per partecipare allo show dovranno essere in possesso del microchip e del passaporto, o qualora non disponibile, della copia della documentazione inviata ad ANICA (Modello II) per la registrazione del puledro con relativa fotocopia del CIF, del modulo denuncia di nascita con descrizione grafica del soggetto e pagamenti effettuati per la registrazione. Metodo di giudizio delle categorie futurity – method of judging of futurityclasses Le categorie Futurity saranno giudicate con il metodo per comparazione. Ogni giudice stilerà individualmente la propria classifica dal primo al terzo classificato (in base al numero di cavalli iscritti). La segreteria assegnerà poi ad ogni singolo: · 4 punti al primo, · 2 punti al secondo, · 1 punto al terzo classificato. La classifica finale è data dalla somma dei punteggi così ottenuti da ogni cavallo. Verranno premiati i primi tre classificati di ogni categoria. In caso di parità uno dei giudici, estratto a sorte, scioglierà con la sua scelta l'eventuale ex aequo.

Tutti i cavalli qualificati per i rispettivi Campionati dovranno prendere parte alla competizione salvo che un certificato redatto dal Veterinario della Commissione Disciplinare giustifichi l'assenza del cavallo in questione. Senza il certificato veterinario il cavallo sarà squalificato per un periodo di un'anno dalla data dello show, verranno inoltre cancellate le sue qualificazioni ottenute nello show.

#### **Iscrizioni - Entries**

**L'ISCRIZIONE ALLO SHOW E' CONSENTITA AD UN NUMERO LIMITATO DI CAVALLI pertanto saranno ammessi cavalli fino al raggiungimento dei posti disponibili**

Le iscrizioni dovranno pervenire presso la sede entro e non oltre il 05/06/2019 tramite:

email: marikshel.arabians@gmail.com – Fax: 0039 0942 747861

Si ricorda che non saranno accettate le iscrizioni di cavalli alla manifestazione senza il pagamento delle stesse certificate da ricevuta di avvenuto pagamento e senza aver firmato e compilato il modulo di iscrizione per ogni singolo cavallo allegato al regolamento.

Il modulo di iscrizione dovrà essere inviato con fotocopia di un documento di identità dell'espositore che firmerà il modulo.

Inoltre è obbligatorio inviare per ogni cavallo la fotocopia del passaporto Anica della sola pagina 3 al fine di identificare al meglio il cavallo iscritto e senza incappare in spiacevoli errori. Si prega di indicare un indirizzo email o un numero di cellulare dove verrà inviato un messaggio di conferma di ricezione delle iscrizioni.

#### **Norme**

#### **Veterinarie**

Si ricorda che dovranno essere rispettate le seguenti normative: gli equini dovranno essere accompagnati dal documento di identificazione (passaporto) previsto dalla Decisione 93/623 CEE e dalla 2000/68 CEE; gli equini dovranno essere in possesso di attestazione di vaccinazione antinfluenzale secondo il regolamento Ecaho di seguito specificato. Tutti gli animali dovranno essere accompagnati da Modello 4 secondo la normativa vigente così come previsto dall'art. 31 del DPR 320/54 e successive modifiche. Quelli di provenienza estera dovranno essere scortati dalla certificazione sanitaria prevista dagli accordi internazionali; gli automezzi adibiti al trasporto di animali dovranno essere in possesso di autorizzazione sanitaria così come previsto dal Regolamento CEE 1/2005; gli automezzi dovranno essere disinfettati e dotati di apposito cartello così come prescritto dall'art. 64 del DPR 320/54; gli autotrasportatori dovranno essere muniti di attestazione di formazione specifica ai sensi del D.Lgs n. 532/92 e successive modifiche. Tutta la documentazione dovrà essere consegnata dall'autista del mezzo al personale incaricato ai controlli.

Il numero attribuito alla manifestazione da citare sul modello 4 è **IT 072 me 001**. Si ricorda inoltre che secondo il decreto del 2 febbraio 2016 pubblicato nella gazzetta ufficiale 96 del 26 aprile 2016 è reso

obbligatorio su tutto il territorio nazionale il piano per la sorveglianza e il controllo dell'anemie infettiva (test di coggins) degli equidi secondo quanto indicato all'allegato 1 del presente decreto. In mancanza di detti documenti il Veterinario dell'ASL non permetterà l'ammissione dei cavalli al concorso e applicherà le sanzioni previste dalla vigente normativa.

### **Tariffe - prices**

Si accettano solo pagamenti effettuati tramite bonifico bancario:

Intestato a: Il Regno dei Cavalieri

BANCA: Monte dei Paschi di Siena

Agenzia di: Furci Siculo (Me)

Iban: IT90G0103082190000000775774

Bic/Swift: PASCITM1ME6

- Iscrizione costo /Horse entrie fee int. Champ. € 180,00
- Box di servizio € 100,00
- Tavolo Vip con 4 sedie /Vip Table with 4 chairs € 150,00

### **Catalogo-Catalogue**

Sarà a disposizione degli espositori e del pubblico un catalogo dello show.

Nessun cavallo non inserito nel catalogo potrà partecipare allo show.

### **Pubblicità sul catalogo e in altri modi**

- Pagina intera/One colour page (1/1) € 150,00
- Mezza pagina/half colour page € 100,00
- Pagina 4 di copertina/rear cover page € 250,00
- Sponsorizzazione Categoria/sponsor of a class € 250,00
- Sponsorizzazione Campionato/sponsor of a championship € 350,00

### **Pubblicità bordo ring- banner:**

- Banner della misura di 3x1 metro € 100,00
- Banner della misura di 5x1 metro € 150,00

### **Alberghi/Hotels**

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|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| • Main Palace Hotel        | 0942 744806 | Hotel La Piramide  | 0942 744596 |
| • Hotel Nizza              | 0942 715070 | B&B Il Veliero     | 0942 744253 |
| • B&B Casa del Vento       | 340 3635613 | B&B Semu a Mari    | 392 0972864 |
| • B&B Quattro Torri        | 331 4649370 | B&B Nonna Germina  | 349 1430158 |
| • Appartamento Via Landro  | 348 5832133 | Hotel Terme Marino | 0942 715031 |
| • Hotel Terme Acqua Grazia | 339 4994292 |                    |             |

Come Arrivare alla Manifestazione:

Autostrada A18 Messina – Catania, Uscita Roccalumera, proseguire sul lungomare di Roccalumera direzione Messina per circa 2 Km. Seguire l'apposita segnaletica.

### **Premi - prizes:**

Verranno premiati i primi cinque classificati di ogni categoria preliminare.

Trofei per i primi cinque classificati di ogni categoria.



Vincitori della medaglia d'oro, d'argento e di bronzo riceveranno il Trofeo offerto dall'Anica.

Futurity: premio ANICA al vincitore delle due categorie.

### **Arrivi e partenze - arrival and departures:**

I cavalli dovranno arrivare entro e non oltre il 14 giugno 2019 entro le ore 12.00 e potranno partire non prima di domenica 16 giugno 2019 ore 19.

### **Rules for Conduct of Shows EAHSC – Blue Book 2019**

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 photo-copy of the passport, including the description and the vaccination records.

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 judging system used, the rules for ties and the rules for championships, rules for foal classes (where 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.

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, published or posted on internet more than one day before the commencement of the show.

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 shows in ECAHO Member countries in the calendar year.

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 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) Judges will not visit exhibitors' premises or accept exhibitors' hospitality or gifts immediately before or during the show concerned, or accept any other benefits that could bring into question the judge; integrity or honesty.

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; 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.

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, 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 respective championship
- a published reserve judge or another judge from the judges' panel may be used for the class and respective championship
- 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 is not allowed to issue any yellow or red cards for the duration of the class and respective championship, but may continue all other duties.

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 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.

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 unruly horses to be withdrawn.

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. Handlers who do not comply with the ring master 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.

24. 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 will be removed from the show ring and disqualified.

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.  
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.

28. spare 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.

39. 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. 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 58).

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 46). 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. 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 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.

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

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.

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.

6. In Title and A shows all horses that qualified for their respective Championship must remain at the showground until after their 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.

#### 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.

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

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.

#### 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 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.

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 may be disqualified. 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.

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) spare;

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;

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.

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 42).

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 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

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.

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 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.

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 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 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.

Equine Influenza vaccination for all horses competing in ECAHO competitions

1. All horses must have received an initial Primary Course 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.

2. The First Booster 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 compete at an ECAHO event up to 7 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.

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, considering a 12 month interval between boosters:

- Up to 1 week late: a fine of €130. The horse will be allowed to compete.
- Between 1 and 2 weeks late: a fine of € 200. The horse will be allowed to compete.
- More than 2 weeks late: a fine of € 280, the horse will not be allowed to compete and must leave the show ground as soon as possible.
- No correct primary course or first booster vaccination 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).