

## Conditions of entry

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- All pure-bred Arabian Horses registered by the closing date of entries in a WAHO recognised Stud Book may be entered. No qualification is required.
- **A copy of the vaccination identity record and the registration certificate/Equine passport has to be sent together along with the entry form.**

## Rules for Open Championships

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**The three First** in each category will qualify for participating in their respective championship Gold, Silver or Bronze Champions and will be selected by the Judges **from any of the three First** qualified in each category participating in the championship.

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

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

## **Rules for ties in Championships**

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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 Ties in Qualifying Places**

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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.

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.

## **Five Topics system with half-point**

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Marks from 1 to 20 for type, for head & neck, for body, for legs and for movement.

Horses will be judged by 4 judges (rotation on a total of 5 judges).