



كأس الإمارات العالمي
لجمال الخيل العربية
EMIRATES ARABIAN HORSE GLOBAL CUP

EAHGC Rules & Regulations 2024 | North America

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 **ABWC** | the Arabian Breeders World Cup
- 1.2 **AHBA** | the Arabian Horse Breeders Alliance
- 1.3 **North America** | the continental region encompassing the countries of the United States or America, Canada & Mexico
- 1.4 **North American Breeding Season** | a breeding season in North America commences on February 1st and concludes on December 31st in the same calendar year. All foals born in the subsequent season, between January 1st and December 31st are all classified as the same age and from the same foal crop when all horses officially turn one year older on January 1st each year.
 - 1.4.1 **2020 Breeding Season** | commenced February 1st 2020 and concluded 31st December 2020.
 - 1.4.1.1 Foals produced from this breeding season should be registered with birth dates between January 01 and December 31, 2021.
 - 1.4.2 **2021 Breeding Season** | commenced February 1st 2021 and concluded 31st December 2021.
 - 1.4.2.1 Foals produced from this breeding season should be registered with birth dates between January 01 and December 31, 2022.
 - 1.4.3 **2022 Breeding Season** | February 1st 2022 and concluded 31st December 2022.
 - 1.4.3.1 Foals produced from this breeding season should be registered with birth dates between January 01 and December 31, 2023.
- 1.5 **Breeder** | the person(s), company or stud farm listed on the official registration documents and within the studbooks of the Arabian Horse Association or the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry as breeder of the exhibit/horse entered to compete in EAHGC.
- 1.6 **EAHGC** | the Emirates Arabian Horse Global Cup
- 1.7 **AHA** | the Arabian Horse Association
- 1.8 **CAHR** | the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry
- 1.9 **Owner** | the person(s), company or stud farm listed on the official registration documents and within the AHA or CAHR studbooks as current owner of the exhibit/horse entered to compete in EAHGC.
- 1.10 **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 North American breeding seasons and will progress forward one year annually.
- 1.11 **Small/Medium-Sized Breeder** | a person(s), company or stud farm that has bred fifteen (15) 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 American (AHA) or Canadian (CAHR) studbook.
 - 2.1.1. imported horses born and bred outside of North America 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 the USA, Canada or Mexico.
 - 2.2.2. a company exclusively owned by person(s) who are citizens or permanent residents of the USA, Canada or Mexico.
 - 2.2.3. a Stud farm exclusively owned by person(s) who are citizens or permanent residents of the USA, Canada or Mexico.
 - 2.2.4. a Stud farm exclusively owned by a government (state stud) located in the USA, Canada or Mexico.
- 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 fifteen (15) or less purebred Arabian foals during the qualification period (the North American breeding seasons of 2020, 2021 and 2022).
 - 2.4.2. an official declaration, confirming the number of horses produced/bred by the **owner** during 2020-2022 Australasian breeding seasons, must be signed returned together with the Entry form.
 - 2.4.3. verification of the number of foals produced/bred by each **owner** participating in the EAHGC will be confirmed with both the AHA and CAHR.
- 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 AHA and CAHR.
- 2.6. studbook registration of ownership must be officially listed with either the AHA or CAHR 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 fifteen (15) in any of the North American 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.
- 3.4. Entries of leased horses will NOT be accepted.



كأس الإمارات العالمي
لجمال الخيل العربية
EMIRATES ARABIAN HORSE GLOBAL CUP

EAHGC Rules & Regulations 2024 | North America

- 3.5.** Arabian Breeders World Cup Gold and Silver Champions as well as United States National Champions and Reserve Champions are not allowed to compete in any of the EAHGC shows for the rest of the calendar year in same division (Yearling, Junior and/or Senior) in which their most recent title has been earned and for the next **two (2)** calendar years following. Horse advancing to the next level of competition, i.e. from Yearling to Junior or from Junior Senior are exempt from this restriction.
- 3.6.** Any owner who enters and exhibits an ineligible horse, i.e. one which does not meet entry conditions/restrictions or any overqualified horse, will be subject to penalty of €600. Not only will the ineligible horse be disqualified from competition and the awarding of prize money, but ALL horses exhibited by the owner who willingly falsified entry information will also be disqualified from competition for five (5) years.

4. QUALIFYING CLASSES & CHAMPIONSHIPS

4.1. Qualifying classes

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

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

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. Four (4) EAHGC championship finals will be offered annually:

- 4.2.1.1. Junior Filly Championship** | for qualified exhibits from classes 1-3
- 4.2.1.2. Senior Mare Championship** | for qualified exhibits from classes 4A-B
- 4.2.1.3. Junior Colt Championship** | for qualified exhibits from classes 5-7
- 4.2.1.4. 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 ABWC Rules & Regulations.

5.2. Class Procedure: please refer to current ABWC Rules & Regulations.

5.3. Championship Qualification

5.3.1. Junior Championships shall be comprised of six (6) exhibits. The horses with the six (6) highest scores from amongst all qualifying classes – yearlings, two year old and three year old (filly or colt) will be eligible for the Junior Championship. An even distribution of horses from each of the three qualifying classes is not required, nor likely to occur with regularity.

5.3.2. Senior Championships shall be comprised of six (6) exhibits. The horses with the six (6) highest scores from amongst all qualifying classes – senior mare or stallion A & B - will be eligible for the Senior Championship. An even distribution of horses from each of the two qualifying classes is not required, nor likely to occur with regularity.

5.4. Championship Final Procedure

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

5.4.2. Prior to commencement of judging, a random selection will be made to allocate judges as 'Judge 1', through 'Judge 5' in each event for the purpose of resolving ties.

5.4.3. All qualified horses for the Championship Final will return to the ring in score order and stand in a single line as designated by the Ring Steward.

5.4.4. for all remaining **Championship Final Procedures**, please refer to current ABWC Rules & Regulations.

5.5. Selection of Gold, Silver & Bronze Champions: please refer to current AABC Rule Book Section 5.8.

5.6. Rules for Breaking Ties: please refer to current AABC Rule Book Section 5.9.

6. JUDGES

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

6.2. 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.

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

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



كأس الإمارات العالمي
لجمال الخيل العربية
EMIRATES ARABIAN HORSE GLOBAL CUP

EAHGC Rules & Regulations 2024 | North America

7. JUDGING SYSTEM

- 7.1. Points assigned by each judge using a scale of one (1) to ten (10); half points may be awarded.
- 7.2. Five (5) categories of assessment
 - 7.2.1. **Arabian Type**
 - 7.2.2. **Head & Neck**
 - 7.2.2.1. Head and Neck will be judged as individual criteria, with one (1) to ten (10) points assigned for each.
 - 7.2.2.2. 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).
 - 7.2.3. **Body**
 - 7.2.4. **Feet & Legs**
 - 7.2.5. **Movement**
 - 7.2.5.1. Walk and Trot will be judged as individual criteria, with one (1) to ten (10) points assigned for each.
 - 7.2.5.2. Points assigned for each Walk and for Trot will be averaged to give one single score for Head & Neck between one (1) and ten (10).
- 7.3. All exhibits will be ranked in each qualifying from highest score awarded to lowest from a maximum total of fifty (50) points.
- 7.4. Special EAHGC scorecards will be provided to judges for the purpose of scoring all exhibits.

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 in conjunction with the USEF Steward.

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 2024 payout is 5000 AED (Emirati Dirham) per place getter.
 - 10.2.3. A total of fifty (50) place getters are eligible for prize money payouts in 2024 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.

11. DISGUIISING OF EXHIBITS | ECAHO RULES

- 11.1. ECAHO has very clear rules about the disguising of exhibits. Should current USEF rules and regulations be more lenient in regard to the Disguising of Exhibits, the USEF rules shall take precedence. The adherence to the ECAHO rules, however, is strongly encouraged as these comply with current FEI regulations and the international standards for equine welfare.
 - 11.1.1. *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. "Balding" is not encouraged.*