



ANNOUNCEMENT

21st European Championship of American Quarter Horses . 4 AQHA Shows for Open, Amateur, Select and Youth

14-22 August 2010

PROMOTER

FEQHA – Federation of European Quarter Horse Associations

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DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES

12th of July 2010 (date as per postmark)

Only completely filled out nomination forms which are signed and arrives in time will be accepted. Entries can be done by mail, fax or eMail. The Promoter has the right to not accept late entries – generally or for single classes only. Late entries or changes (horse/rider) have to be declared at the show office until **6 pm the day before the class is scheduled**.

ENTRY FORM AND TEMPORARY TIMETABLE

www.ecqh.eu

METHODS OF PAYMENT

Entry will only be accepted with payment by remittance. Please indicate **“ECQH&Horsename&Rider”** on the remittance

Bank account:

Account Holder: FEQHA

Account Number 26 95 30; Bank Code 743 923 00

Purpose: ECQH10&Horsename&Rider

BIC-Code: GENODEF1VBV; IBAN: DE 03 743 923 00 00 00 26 95 30;

Bank: VR-Bank Vilsbiburg, Stadtplatz 8, 84137 Vilsbiburg, Germany

The entry and stable fees have to be paid and credited to the FEQHA-account until three days after the entry deadline. Later credited payments will have to pay late entry fee.

FEES

AQHA SHOW

Open	Show 1/2	50,00 Euro	Show 3/4	50,00 Euro
Amateur	Show 1/2	45,00 Euro	Show 3/4	45,00 Euro
Select	Show 1/2	45,00 Euro	Show 3/4	45,00 Euro
Youth	Show 1/2	35,00 Euro	Show 3/4	35,00 Euro

CATTLE CHARGE

Cutting	each Run	180,00 Euro
Cowhorse	each Run	100,00 Euro

OTHERS

Office Charge	25,00 Euro
Changing horse or rider	20,00 Euro
Late Fee	10,00 Euro

PARKING FEES

Car / Pickup	for free
Two horse trailer	50,00 Euro
Truck / Gooseneck	100,00 Euro
Camping (all days)	100,00 Euro

Vehicles which have not been registered with entry, will have to pay an extra 30 Euro on top of the parking fee.

Free parking available on the big parking lot next to the approach road of the show ground.



STALLS

Regular Stall in the inner courtyard and at the power station	250,00 Euro
Stall in barn C	320,00 Euro
Stall in barn A-B	350,00 Euro

Earliest arrival is Thursday, 12th of August 2010 at 8 a.m. Latest departure is Monday, 23rd of August 2010 12 am. Only paid stalls can be reserved. Tackrooms are charged according to the respective stall category with one exception: The four bigger tackrooms at stable A-C will be charged with 500 Euros.

Limited number of stalls: Distribution of stalls in chronological order of date of reservation. The promoter provides the first bedding of shavings. The use of straw is not allowed. All the stalls have to be accessible at all times.

HOTEL

Please book rooms and apartments directly at the Waldhotel: Phone +49-9624-9190.

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Entries will only be processed if:
 - Entry forms are filled out correctly and have been sent in time by mail, email or fax.
 - All entry and stable fees are paid and credited to the FEQHA-account until three days after the entry deadline.
 - A copy of the AQHA Certificate of registration is enclosed.
 - A copy of the AQHA membership of the rider (Open, Amateur or Youth) is enclosed. New Membership cards can also be purchased at the showoffice.
 - A copy of the membership of the exhibitor and the horse owner at an FEQHA (e.g. DQHA, AIQH ...) member association is enclosed or can be purchased at the showoffice.
2. Competitor/Exhibitor agrees to comply with the rules and regulations as stated in the show announcement.
3. The promoter retains the right to change the announcement, to transfer (change date and/or location) the event, or under return of all fees to cancel the event, if special circumstances should requisite this.
4. The promoter is not responsible for late or lost entry forms.
5. The competitor has the sole responsibility for his start.
6. Each horse must be liability insured and free of an epidemic and must come out from a stable which is epidemical free. The horse must be as well vaccinated against influenza. The certificate of vaccination must be carried with and on insistance it has to be shown at the show office.

The district office Amberg-Sulzbach demands for all horses from outside of Germany, to deliver the health certifiactes the showoffice.

Foreign horses without health certificates may not be brought to Kreuth. The vet papers will be checked locally by the official veterinarian.

PRIZES

Every European Champion will win a trophy buckle.



OFFERED AQHA CLASSES

OPEN

1030 Weanling Stallions
1031 Yearling Stallions
1032 2-Year-Old Stallions
1033 3-Year-Old Stallions
1034 Aged Stallions
1730 Performance Stallions
1053 Weanling Mares
1054 Yearling Mares
1055 2-Year-Old Mares
1056 3-Year-Old Mares
1057 Aged Mares
1750 Performance Mares
1058 Broodmares
1073 Weanling Geldings
1074 Yearling Geldings
1075 2-Year-Old Geldings
1076 3-Year-Old Geldings
1077 Aged Geldings
1770 Performance Geldings
1090 Get of Sire
1091 Produce of Dam

1141 Junior Cutting
1142 Senior Cutting
1161 Junior Working Cow Horse
1162 Senior Working Cow Horse
1341 Junior Reining
1342 Senior Reining
1343 Hackamore/Snaffle Bit Reining
1361 Junior Western Riding
1362 Senior Western Riding
1381 Junior Trail Horse
1382 Senior Trail Horse
1421 Junior Western Pleasure
1422 Senior Western Pleasure
1441 Junior Hunter under Saddle
1442 Senior Hunter under Saddle
1510 Hunter Hack all Ages

AMATEUR SELECT

2128 Showmanship at Halter
2348 Reining
2388 Trail
2408 Western Horsemanship
2428 Western Pleasure

AMATEUR

2036 Stallions 2 & Under
2037 Stallions 3 & Over
2730 Performance Stallions
2051 Mares 2 & Under
2052 Mares 3 & Over
2750 Performance Mares
2071 Geldings 2 & Under
2072 Geldings 3 & Over
2770 Performance Geldings

2120 Showmanship at Halter all Ages
2140 Cutting all Ages all Ages
2160 Working Cowhorse
2340 Reining all Ages
2360 Western Riding all Ages
2380 Trail all Ages
2400 Western Horsemanship all Ages
2420 Western Pleasure
2440 Hunter under Saddle
2510 Hunter Hack
2520 Hunt Seat Equitation

YOUTH

4051 Mares 2 & Under
4052 Mares 3 & Over
4750 Performance Mares
4071 Geldings 2 & Under
4072 Geldings 3 & Over
4770 Performance Geldings

4127 Showmanship at Halter(13 & Under)
4128 Showmanship at Halter(14 thru 18)
4140 Cutting
4347 Reining (13 & Under)
4348 Reining (14 thru 18)
4360 Western Riding
4387 Trail (13 & Under)
4388 Trail (14 thru 18)
4407 Western Horsemanship (13 & Under)
4408 Western Horsemanship (14 thru 18)
4427 Western Pleasure (13 & Under)
4428 Western Pleasure (14 thru 18)
4440 Hunter Under Saddle
4510 Hunter Hack
4520 Hunt Seat Equitation



FEQHA EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. Governing regulation

The European Championships (EC) shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the AQHA Official Handbook and the FEQHA European Championship Show Rules. In case of conflict between AQHA and FEQHA rules, the latter will prevail. All participants and horse owners agree to abide by such rules and regulations.

2. Eligibility

To participate to the European Championships the owner of the horse at least has to be resident in an European State. For the purpose of this regulations Europe is intended in its enlarged geographical meaning. FEQHA will allow exhibitors and owners from Israel to compete in the EC as well.

The exhibitor and the horse owner have to be member of an FEQHA (z.B. DQHA, AIQH ...) member association. If the country of residency does not offer such an association, the exhibitor and the horse owner have to become members of other affiliated associations of their choice. Each participant will be personally responsible for the residency statements provided to the EC organization on entry forms. Copy of the membership card to an FEQHA affiliate has to be attached to the entry form.

3. On-Site Check-In Information

Exhibitors are required to produce a copy of REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES to the EC Show secretary. All horses may be identified by an official FEQHA inspector and any horse not matching its Registration Certificate may be debarred from participation without recourse of any nature.

Upon entry, every exhibitor and owner and all other participants accept the facility and grounds, including, but not limited to, the arena, stalls and alleyways, where the show is being conducted on an "as is" basis and agree to be solely responsible for property damage or personal injury caused by third parties to the exhibitor, participant or owner, his/her property or staff, or caused by himself/herself, his/her participant horses, exhibitors, representatives, agents and employees occurring in conjunction with this show; and further agree to indemnify and hold FEQHA harmless from any and all such liability, whenever or however, arising, not caused by FEQHA's own negligence or that of FEQHA's representatives, agents or employees.

4. Health Requirements

Each horse must be liability insured, free of any epidemic disease and must come from a stable free of any epidemical disease. The horse must be as well vaccinated against influenza. The certificate of vaccination must accompany the horse and it has to be produced at the show office upon request.

5. Clipping and equipment

Applicable rules are those of the hosting country.

6. Doping Controls

By signing the entry form every exhibitor and respective horse owner agrees to a possible doping test of the horse. In the AQHA shows the AQHA doping-regulations are applied according to the AQHA Official Handbook. In the finals the doping regulations of the FN and FEI are also applied, which do not allow any foreign substance.

Before the beginning of the finals the EC committee, composed of 2 FEQHA officers together with the showmanager shall select classes and within them the places to be tested.

The doping tests should be done within the hosting country by an FEI approved laboratory.

7. Insurance and other Regulations

Each horse owner at assignment of entry, each companion and visitor when entering the show area agrees with the directives and Instructions of the organizer and agrees to the regulations of the AQHA Official Handbook and the European Championship Rules and Regulations. The organizer is entitled to modify the competition according to the AQHA Official Handbook, to reschedule the show or, upon repaying the fees, to cancel the show if deemed necessary under special circumstances.

There is no contractual relationship between the promoter on the one hand and the visitors, competitors, exhibitors and owners on the other hand. Liability for theft and injury of persons or animals is excluded. Especially participants are not assistants in the sense of § 278 and § 831 German Civil Code (BGB). Each horse owner and participant submits with depositing the entry form and each escort and visitor submits by entering the show ground, to the guidance of the promoter as well as to the rules and regulations of AQHA.

8. Refunds

Presenting a vet certificate before the beginning of a show the show management can repay half of the entry fee. Cattle charge and office charge on principle will not be repaid. Fee for stalls is only repaid, if the reserved stall is rentable again.

9. European Champion Title Award

The European Champions in Youth, Amateur and Open Classes are awarded through finals, which are accessed through qualifications. These qualifications are held through 4 AQHA Shows (s/c) (hereafter referred to as "go-rounds") held at the same location during the time scheduled for the European Championships. In Halter Classes Working Cowhorse and Cutting no finals take place and the European Champions are awarded according to the numerical score calculated from the placings in all four shows. (see § 10 for calculation schedule)

In all Halter classes with less than three exhibitors in the first show there will be no European Champions. In Performance classes with less than five exhibitors in the first show, no finals will be held and no European Champion will be awarded. **To get into a final the horse-exhibitor combination has to start in all four shows and must not be disqualified under any judge.**



10. Scoring in the Go-rounds

In all events points are awarded according to the placings reached in the go-rounds (schedule of points of the AQHA-World Show).

Numerical Scores For Placed Classes

1.	120	6.	55	11.	15
2.	105	7.	45	12.	10
3.	91	8.	36	13.	6
4.	78	9.	28	14.	3
5.	66	10.	21	15.	1

11. The number of finalists

is dependent upon the number of exhibitors that entered the classes held first.

25 and more	15 finalists
20-24	12 finalists
15-19	10 finalists
9-14	8 finalists
5-8	all exhibitors are in the final

12. All-Around Champion

In the Youth, Amateur and Open Classes for each show an All-Around Champion is awarded separately.

13. Judging of the finals.

A minimum of five (5) judges will judge all classes. Judges will score and place each class independently and will place through fifteen (15) places. Their individual score or placing cards will be given to the European Championship Show management for tabulation. The highest and lowest score or placing will be discarded and placing shall be determined by combining the remaining three scores or placings.

14. Tie Procedures for the finals.

a. Placed Events

In the finals, all ties will be broken by totaling all five judges' placings. If the ties then cannot be broken, it will be done by using the tie-breaker judge. Judge number 1 is the first tie-breaker; if judge number 1 did not place any of the tied horses, then judge number 2 becomes the tie-breaker judge; if judge number 2 did not place any of the tied horses, then judge number 3 is taken into account etc., until the judge is found who placed at least one of the tied horses. This judge's placing will be used to break the tie. This method, and only this method, is used to break all ties in placed events for both the go-round and finals. The order of the tie-judges will be fixed by the showmanagement and published to the exhibitors.

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b. Timed Events

If there is a tie for the three first places, the tie will be run off until there is a winner. The other ties will be broken by the placing received in the go-round. If, by chance, the same horses were tied in the go-round and the ties were left unbroken, then the ties must be run off until the placing is decided.

In the case of electronic timer malfunction, re-runs may be required as directed by show management and their decision shall be final.

c. Scored Events

If there is a tie for the three first places, the tie will be worked off until there is a winner. All other ties will be broken by totaling all five judges' scores. If the horses are still tied, then ties will be broken by the tie-breaker judge. Judge number 1 is the first tie breaker. If judge number 1 scored the tied horses alike, then judge number 2 becomes the tie breaker. If judge number 2 scored the tied horses alike, then judge number 3 becomes the tie breaker and so on until a judge is found who did not score the tied horses alike.

If all five judges scored the tied horses alike, then the ties will be broken by the following method:

- In the case of a go-round, the ties will be left unbroken.
- In the case of finals, the ties will be broken by the placing received in the go-round. If, by chance, the same horses were tied in the go-round, and ties were left unbroken, then the ties must be worked off until there is a winner.

15. Cutting rules

- Each cutting class shall have a new bunch of cattle.
- The deadline for entries in cutting classes may differ from the deadline fixed by the showmanagement for other classes.
- Competitors who entered their nomination for the cutting class in time will be guaranteed to have fresh cows to cut; late entries may have to cut with a used bunch of cattle.
- Cattle that was used in cutting may be re-used in Working Cow classes.

This rules and regulations have been adopted by an FEQHA Meeting on August 19th, 2006 in Kreuth and where revised by Dr Sybille von der Schulenburg and Dr Paul Didier on August 29, 2007. The cutting rule has been added at the FEQHA in April 2008.