



WORLD ARABIAN HORSE  
CHAMPIONSHIP  
SUPREME

# ***RULES FOR THE WAHC SUPREME***

***5 - 6 DECEMBER 2025, DOHA, QATAR***

# CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Open to horses registered in any WAHO-recognized studbook by the closing date of entries. Participation is complimentary for horses qualified through **GCAT** or **GCAT Americas** events of the current season by obtaining at least one Gold, Silver, or Bronze medal.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to extend additional invitations to horses qualified at **GCAT Partner Shows**. Only Gold Medal winners of such specific ECAHO-recognized events shall be considered eligible for complimentary entry. Other qualified horses may participate upon payment of the applicable entry fee prior to the closing date.

**The World Championship Supreme** aims to maintain the highest standard of competition. In accordance with ECAHO Blue Book Article 3, the Organizing Committee may limit entries to horses whose records demonstrate performance consistent with this level.

Withdrawals within ten days prior to the start of the show without valid veterinary certification shall incur a penalty of €10,000. Veterinary certificates must be submitted within seventy-two (72) hours of the withdrawal via the official **GCAT** registration portal. When the horse is already at the showground, additional certification must be provided by the **GCAT Medical Team**.

Only open halter classes shall be considered. Qualifications are attached to the horse and remain valid irrespective of transfer of ownership. No substitution of horses shall be permitted.

# QUALIFICATION

All horses, including yearlings should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show in one of the following ways:

## ECAHO-affiliated Shows:

1. 1st to 5th place at the World Championship, an A Show, a GCAT show or B Shows.
2. 1st to 5th place in Yearling class at the World Championship, a Title, an A Show, or GCAT Shows.
3. 1st to 3rd place at a National Championship, C National, C International or European Shows or EAHGC Shows.
4. 1st to 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows.

## Non-ECAHO countries:

1. 1st to 5th place at any GCAT Americas Shows.
2. a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or “TOP TEN” at the US Nationals.
3. a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a 1st place at the US Scottsdale Competition.
4. a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US “Regional” competitions.
5. 1st to 3rd place at the Arabian Breeders World Cup.
6. a title of Champion or Reserve champion or 1st to 3rd place in an Egyptian Event.
7. a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship Show.

# AGE DIVISION

## YEARLING FILLIES

Born in 2024

## YEARLING COLTS

Born in 2024

## JUNIOR FILLIES

Born between 01/01/2022 and 31/12/2023

## JUNIOR COLTS

Born between 01/01/2022 and 31/12/2023

## SENIOR MARES

Born before 31/12/2021

## SENIOR STALLIONS

Born before 31/12/2021

# RULES FOR CONDUCT OF SHOWS



# SHOW OFFICIALS & SCORING SYTEM

The WAHC Supreme features a panel of fourteen (14) judges: a minimum of eleven (11) active on the ground for each championship and three (3), or less on rotation, with the majority selected from the EAHSC A and B lists. Judges from non-ECAHO Member Countries must be appointed from the panel of a recognized National Arab Horse Organization and must fulfill all guest judge criteria. Probationary judges are not permitted.

The judges will use the electronic scoring system which evaluates each horse according to five criteria: Type, Head & Neck, Body, Legs, and Movement. A minimum of five (5) judges, selected by ballot, give marks from 1 to 20, including half points. The system automatically calculates the final result by averaging the total points awarded by all judges, expressed as a score out of 100.

For the selection of medal winners, a minimum of six (6) judges, chosen by ballot, shall nominate their choice for the Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals.

In case of any technical interruption, the manual scoring sheets signed by all judges shall be considered the official reference.

# DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE & RINGMASTERS

**The WAHC Supreme** requires five (5) members of the Disciplinary Committee, the majority of which must be chosen from the EAHSC A or B list of DC members, including at least two (2) veterinarians. One Member from the EAHSC lists of DC members shall be appointed by ECAHO and will be the Head of Disciplinary Committee.

Two (2) Ringmasters shall officiate the show.

# RULES FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

All qualified horses for each Championship shall enter the arena collectively, in catalogue order, and walk three times around the judging panel. Each horse shall then return individually for the trot and stand-up presentation.

From the judges present in the arena, a minimum of five (5) judges, chosen by ballot, shall assign points from 1 to 20, including half points, based on five criteria: Type, Head & Neck, Body, Legs, and Movement. In the event of a tie in points, the horse with the higher mark for Type, then Movement, shall be selected. If the tie persists, the scores of a judge chosen by ballot shall serve as the tie-breaker.

All qualified horses participating in a Championship shall then return collectively to the arena for the final stand-up presentation.

**Top Ten:** Only the horses placed within the Top Ten, as determined by the highest total scores obtained from the previous round, shall be eligible for medal consideration. The Top Ten ranking shall remain confidential and shall not be disclosed to the public until the official results are announced.

A minimum of six (6) judges, chosen by ballot, shall nominate individually and without discussion their choice for the Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medal Champions:

1. four (4) points for a Gold nomination,
2. two (2) points for a Silver nomination, and
3. one (1) point for a Bronze nomination.

The Gold Medal shall be awarded to the horse with the highest number of Gold nominations.

The Silver Medal shall be awarded to the horse with the highest total number of points after the Gold Medal winner.

The Bronze Medal shall be awarded to the horse with the next highest total number of points after the Silver Medal winner.

Once the judges have concluded their evaluations and finalized the medal nominations (on the iPad or scoring sheet, and confirmed by the Ringmaster), they are invited by the Ringmaster to take their place next to the horse of their choice for the Gold Medal.

All horses that are awarded in their respective championships must take part in the Championship 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 shall disqualify the horse from the show, with all its records being deleted and the horse being disqualified from showing for a period of one year from the date of the show.

In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse shall move up one place in the Championship.

# RULES FOR TIES IN CHAMPIONSHIPS

In the event of a tie in a Championship, the horse with the highest total score obtained during the individual evaluations shall be declared the winner. If the tie remains, the horse with the higher score in Type shall be ranked higher. Should the tie persist, the higher score in Movement shall decide. If the tie still remains unresolved, the scores of a judge chosen by ballot shall serve as the tie-breaker.

# MEDICATION CONTROL

Medication testing of all Championship Gold, Silver and Bronze medal winners is compulsory. Additional horses may be tested at the discretion of the DC and the Organizing Committee. All testing shall be carried out in accordance with the ECAHO Rules for Medication Control.

All positive medication tests shall result in the horse and its owner to be disqualified from the event, forfeit any titles and prize money awarded, and may be subject to further disciplinary measures in accordance with ECAHO rules and procedures.

# PRIZE MONEY DISTRIBUTION IN THE WAHC SUPREME

In the WAHC Supreme the prize money is designated only for the Top Ten horses in each championship category, for yearling females, yearling males, junior females, junior males, senior females, and senior males.

In the WAHC Supreme, the total prize money for the Top Ten horses amounts to

# €4.980.000

in the following manner:

<b>1ST PLACE</b>	<b>€300.000</b>
<b>2ND PLACE</b>	<b>€150.000</b>
<b>3RD PLACE</b>	<b>€100.000</b>
<b>4TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>
<b>5TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>
<b>6TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>
<b>7TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>
<b>8TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>
<b>9TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>
<b>10TH PLACE</b>	<b>€40.000</b>

# MISCELLANEOUS

In the event of unforeseen or exceptional circumstances not expressly covered by these rules, the matter shall be decided by the Organizing Committee in accordance with the ECAHO Blue Book and the established rules of conduct. The intention is to ensure that any decision remains consistent with both the spirit of these rules and the principles of fairness and transparency recognized by ECAHO.

Horse owners participating in the WAHC Supreme acknowledge that the Organizing Committee reserves the right to use videographic and photographic material obtained during the event for promotional purposes or any other purpose that contributes to the promotion of the event, without any obligation of notice, approval, or financial compensation to the horse owners, handlers, or related parties. All officials, handlers, and individuals present in the arena must adhere to the formal dress code or the specific dress code regulations prescribed by the Organizing Committee, ensuring that their attire appropriately reflects the prestige of the event.