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Participants please note: Your first point of contact for all questions regarding the European Haflinger Championship is your registering organisation, i.e. in most cases the national member WHBSF organisations (http://www.haflinger-world.com/members/).

If necessary, the registering organisation will forward your questions (e.g. regulations for admission, time schedule, judges etc.) to the WHBSF (office@haflinger-world.com).

The registering organisations may direct any question regarding the venue (stables, electricity etc.) which is not explicitly answered in the regulations for admission, the subsequent notifications and information letters or on the website (www.pferde-stadlpaura.at/) to the host at europachampionat18@pferde-stadlpaura.at.

Venue

Pferdezentrum Stadl-Paura
4651 Stadl-Paura
Austria
GPS coordinates: 48° 5′ N , 13° 52′ O
Entries

All entries must be submitted to the host and the WHBSF by the national federation of each country in due time (europachampionat18@pferde-stadlpaura.at and office@haflinger-world.com) and contain the following details:

- by 30 June 2018: total number of participants
- by 15 July 2018: a final list of entries stating the total number of participants and their disciplines

Any entry submitted after 15 July 2018 will be subject to a late registration fine amounting to 50% of the registration fee. All fees and fines, if any, must be paid to the host without delay.

It is the duty and responsibility of each national federation to check the validity of the riders' or drivers' certificate of qualification and whether each participant has suitable liability insurance. The host does not assume any responsibility whatsoever in this respect.

Each horse may only take part with one participant per discipline.

During the whole tournament, each horse may compete in a maximum of two disciplines with the exception of eventing and combined driving. Warm-up rounds do not count.

The following applies to all Western disciplines:

- Young horses may compete in a maximum of three disciplines with one participant.
- Adult horses (aged 6+) may compete in a maximum of four disciplines with one participant.

Fees

The participation fee includes an all-in package covering accommodation in box stalls, hay and initial bedding (1 bale).

The following fees must be paid directly to the host by the national federations:

- participation fee: by 15 July 2018
- late registration fine: immediately upon submitting the late entry

Please note that all fees and fines are non-refundable.

Horses may only be accommodated in the box stalls provided by the host. Stabling horses in trailers or vans is not allowed.

Fees

Participation fee (incl. box stalls, hay and initial bedding): € 300.00 per participant
Electricity hook-up: € 50.00 (whole tournament)

Judges

The judges' team consists of internationally recognised judges.

Any complaints shall be governed by the applicable FEI rules.
Tournament rules

Entry conditions

1. Horses

The European Haflinger Championship (EUCH) is an international tournament reserved for Haflinger horses. The 2018 EUCH takes places in Stadl-Paura (Austria).

All participating countries may register up to 12 contestants per test. The host is entitled to increase individual quotas at their discretion. Competitors from all WHBSF member organisations and competitors with a personal invitation are eligible to take part. In addition to that, the WHBSF is entitled to issue wild cards.

All horses of the Haflinger breed are eligible, provided that they are registered in an official stud book and own an officially recognised certificate of lineage. Maximum percentage of Arab blood admissible:

- 1.56% (all ages)

During the entire Championship, all participating horses must be accommodated only in the box stalls provided by the host and may not leave the venue grounds under penalty of immediate disqualification of both the horse and the rider/driver.

2. Riders and drivers

There is no division into age groups and performance classes.

The minimum age for riders is 12 years.

The minimum age for drivers and grooms is 16 years. Participants competing as drivers may not participate as grooms. Each driver may only compete in one class.

Minimum age for all trot racing drivers: 15 years
Minimum age for all gallop racing riders: 15 years

The title of "Champion" is only awarded in tournament classes with three or more contestants.

It is the duty and responsibility of each registering federation to check if the riders or drivers possess:

- a valid certificate of qualification
- valid and suitable liability insurance

The host and the WHBSF shall not assume any responsibility whatsoever in this respect.

All participants shall be liable for any damage that they or their animals may cause.

All participants take part at their own risk and with full liability.

Dogs must be kept on a lead on the entire venue grounds. Dog owners shall be liable for all damage caused by their dog.

3. Nationalities

All riders and drivers represent the country which selected and registered them.

All participants must hold a valid certificate of qualification (riding and/or driving) in the country for which they are competing.

Horses rejected during the 2018 EUCH eligibility procedure may not compete for a different country.
4. Tournament classes and age groups

In the driving, dressage and eventing disciplines, it is up to the participants to decide whether to register their six-year old horse in the Young horses class or in the Horses aged 6+ class.

Riding and driving – Young horses: 4- and 5-year-olds: one class (and, if applicable, 6-year-olds in driving, dressage and eventing)

Free jumping: 3- and 4-year-olds: one class

Riding and driving – Horses aged 6+: 6 years and older

Advanced class (dressage only): 6 years and older
(provided that the horse has not been entered in the dressage class "Horses aged 6+")

The horse's age is calculated according to the FEI rules from 01 January of the year in which the horse was born.

5. Disciplines and tournament classes

5.1. Championship title tournament classes

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Free jumping (2) Free jumping class (3- and 4-year-olds)

Special prize for stallions
Stallions with outstanding results in the individual tournament classes will be awarded a special prize. The required details are as follows:

- Dressage: 65% in all dressage tests
- Driving: no more than 65 penalty points in the dressage test upon conclusion of the driving test
- Show jumping (Young horses): 7.0
- Show jumping (Horses aged 6+): 0 time faults
- Western tests: 70 (score)
- Mountain trail: 70 (score)
- Gallop races: must finish in the top third
- Trot races: must finish in the top third
- Free jumping: 7 (score)

6. Running order
The running orders will be determined in accordance with the FEI rules.

7. General rules
As a general rule, the international standard provisions for fair play as well as correct and rule-abiding sportsmanship in equestrian sports and the protection of animals shall apply for the entire duration of the tournament. Furthermore, the health and safety regulations of the competent local health authority and veterinary office must be observed at all times, especially in reference to vaccination. Where applicable, the provisions, obligations and prohibitions laid out in the regulations of the individual FEI disciplines shall be valid for the event in question, without differentiation between ponies and horses, or any other internationally recognised regulation and/or rule book.

All equipment must be in line with the FEI regulations for ponies or horses (both permitted), where applicable, or with any other internationally recognised regulation and/or rule book.

On a general note, the applicable framework consists of these general rules and the individual FEI regulations as per discipline. Any discipline not covered by FEI regulations shall be governed by internationally recognised regulations as specified.

Some tests may be governed by former FEI regulations; any such case shall be explicitly specified in the regulations for admission.

All trot racing shall be subject to the national regulations of Austria.

If required, the host may at any time amend or modify these rules, the tournament classes and any other point not specifically mentioned.

8. Dressage

**Young horses**

Dressage arena: 20 x 40 m

Warm-up
Championship tests:
1  FEI  Dressage test for 4-year-old horses
2  FEI  Dressage test for 4-year-old horses

Only snaffle bits are permitted.

**Horses aged 6+**

Dressage arena: 20 x 60 m
Warm-up

Championship tests:

3  FEI  Individual Competition Test  Children
4  FEI  Freestyle Test  Pony Riders

Horses aged 6+: Only snaffle bits are permitted.

**Advanced class**

Dressage arena: 20 x 60 m
Warm-up

Championship tests:

5  FEI  Regional Games  Individual Competition Test
6  FEI  Freestyle Test  Juniors

Advanced class: Curb bits are permitted.

Sand arena

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**9. Show jumping**

**Young horses**

Arena: 30 x 70 m
Warm-up

Championship tests:

7  Show jumping round 1: class A, 90 cm
8  Show jumping round 2: class A, 90 cm

**Horses aged 6+**

Arena: 30 x 70 m
Warm-up

Championship tests:

9  Show jumping round 1: class A, 95 cm
10 Show jumping round 1: class A, 105 cm (phase 2 with jump-off)
10. **Eventing**

**Young horses**

Tests:
11. Dressage FEI Preliminary Competition Test A Children *(dressage arena: 20 x 60 m)*
12. Cross-country (specific evaluation)
13. Show jumping 90 cm (specific evaluation)

**Horses aged 6+**

Tests:
14. Dressage FEI Eventing 2014 CCIP One Star (1*) Dressage Test *(dressage arena: 20 x 60 m)*
15. Cross-country:
   - Minimum 12 obstacles, no more than 16 jumps; Time: 400 m/min.
   - Height of fixed components: 90 cm; hedges: 120 cm
   - Distance: approx. 1.5 km
   - The course will be built as set forth in the FEI Rules for Eventing Pony Riders (cross-country).
16. Show jumping 95 cm

11. **Driving**

Horses aged 6+: All driving competitions will be judged according to the FEI rules for ponies regardless of the horses’ height at the withers.

Young horses: All driving competitions will be judged according to the FEI World Driving Championships for Young Horses – Singles rules.

Applicable FEI rules: latest version

The tests for 5-year-old horses will apply to 4- and 5-year-olds; the tests for 6-year-old horses will apply to 6-year-olds.

It is up to the owner to decide whether to register their six-year old horse in the Young horses class or in the Horses aged 6+ class.

Tests:
17. Test YH 1 for 5-year-old horses
18. Test YH 3 Final Test for 5-year-old horses
19. Test YH 2 for 6- and 7-year-old horses
20. Test YH 4 Final Test for 6- and 7-year-old horses (in addition: obstacle driving with marathon obstacles according to FEI rules)

**Horses aged 6+: singles**

21. Dressage former FEI test Driven Dressage Test no. 7a *(grass arena: 100 x 40 m)*
22. Marathon (cross-country)
   - Phase A: max. 5 km
   - Phase B: 5 obstacles, of which 1 water obstacle (where possible)
23. Obstacle driving cone-driving test (track width + 25 cm)
**Horses aged 6+: pairs**

Tests:

24 Dressage FEI Driven Dressage Test No. 7a Advanced (*grass arena: 100 x 40 m*)

25 Marathon (cross-country)
   - Phase A: max. 5 km
   - Phase B: 5 obstacles, of which 1 water obstacle (where possible)

26 Obstacle driving cone-driving test (track width + 25 cm)

12. **Gallop races**

Minimum age (riders): 15 years

Minimum weight: 55 kg

Obligatory use of a helmet and upper body protection. Maximum whip length incl. grip: 70 cm.

**Young horses**

27 Qualifying round

28 Final

**Horses aged 6+**

29 Qualifying round

30 Final

Approx. distance: 1.2 km on a sand track (1 round: 450 m)

The top 16 participants in the qualifying rounds will automatically qualify for the final.

All gallop racing shall be governed by the internationally recognised guidelines for gallop races.

13. **Trot races**

Minimum age (drivers): 15 years

Racing sulkies and helmets are mandatory.

Maximum whip length: 130 cm

**Young horses**

31 Qualifying round

32 Final

**Horses aged 6+**

33 Qualifying round

34 Final

Approx. distance: 1.2 km The number of contestants in the final line-up will be based on the total number of participants (no more than 6 contestants).
14. **Free jumping**

Preparation requirements: All horses must be familiar with free jumping.

**Equipment**

All horses must be bridled (no reins).

Fetlock boots with velcro fastening are only permitted for the hindquarters; tendon guards are admissible for the forehand. All fetlock boots and tendon guards must be in line with the applicable FEI rules for show jumping.

**Details**

All horses must be led into the chute.

**Jumps**

Free-jumping obstacles: one cavaletto, one oxer (6 m distance) and another oxer (6.8 m distance).

**Presentation**

The horses will be presented by the Stadl-Paura team. All horses must be led into the chute by their presenter.

**Evaluation**

The free-jumping tests will be judged by two judges; marks will be awarded in three categories: willingness, manner of jumping and potential. All three will weigh in equally.

**Three- and four-year-olds**

35 Free jumping

15. **Western Pleasure**

The tests will be judged according to the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) rules.

Arena: 35 x 65 m (sand arena)

**Warm-up**

**Young horses**

36 Test 1
37 Test 2

Snaffle bits for (2) two-handed riding or curb bits (1) one-handed riding

**Horses aged 6+**

38 Test 1
39 Test 2

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding

16. **Trail**

The tests will be judged according to the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) rules.

Arena: 35 x 65 m (sand arena)

Pattern: enclosed (appendix)

**Warm-up**
**Young horses**

40  Test 1  
41  Test 2  
Snaffle bits for (2) two-handed riding or curb bits (1) one-handed riding

**Horses aged 6+**

42  Test 1  
43  Test 2  
Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding

17. **Western Horsemanship**

The tests will be judged according to the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) rules.  
Arena: 35 x 65 m (sand arena)

**Young horses**

44  Test 1  
45  Test 2  
Snaffle bits for (2) two-handed riding or curb bits (1) one-handed riding

**Horses aged 6+**

46  Test 1  
47  Test 2  
Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding

18. **Ranch Riding**

The tests will be judged according to the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) rules.  
Arena: 35 x 65 m (sand arena)  
Warm-up

**Young horses**

48  Test 1  
49  Test 2  
Snaffle bits for (2) two-handed riding or curb bits (1) one-handed riding

**Horses aged 6+**

50  Test 1  
51  Test 2  
Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding
19. **Reining**

All tests will be judged according to the FEI rules.

*Arena:* 35 x 65 m (sand arena)

*Pattern:* as outlined below.

There is no division into age groups and performance classes.

The top 25% of go 1 and 2 will automatically qualify for the final go.

**Warm-up**

**Young horses**

52 Go 1: Pattern 5
53 Go 2: Pattern 8
54 Final go: pattern 5

Snaffle bits for (2) two-handed riding or curb bits (1) one-handed riding

**Horses aged 6+**

55 Go 1: Pattern 6
56 Go 2: Pattern 9
57 Final go: pattern 6

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding

20. **Mountain trail**

Six mandatory and a minimum of three optional obstacles as laid out in the IMTCA rule book:

Cross Bucks, Teeter Totter, Balance, platform, water, steps, water obstacle, gate, logs.

**Young horses**

58 Trail 1

**Horses aged 6+**

59 Trail 2

21. **Show jumping relay competition ("Nations Cup")**

**Special event (no EUCH title)**

The teams must consist of three riders and have a name.

All riders must enter and exit together.

The baton will be a riding crop which must be passed on to the next rider after the last obstacle.
The time starts when the first rider passes the starting line and finishes when the third rider passes the finishing line. If a rider drops the riding crop while riding or during the hand-over, they must get off, pick up the riding crop, get back on the horse and continue riding or handing over the riding crop.

Mandatory elements:
- 9 obstacles, a maximum of 10 jumps
- Height: min. 80 cm, max. 90 cm
- Width: min. 80 cm, max. 110 cm

Evaluation: hand-over of the baton (riding crop) and time (starts when the first rider sets off and ends with the third rider’s arrival). Penalties will be added to the total time in the form of time faults.

The competition shall be judged on the basis of the indicated time and obstacles mastered.