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PROMOTER

FEQHA – Federation of European Quarter Horse Associations

SHOWMANAGER

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LOCATION

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DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES

July 14, 2025

Entries can be done via the online mailing system on www.eqh.eu. 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.

ONLINE ENTRY FORM

<https://ecqh-entry-form.s3.eu-central-1.amazonaws.com/index.html>

If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to

RenateGruber@online.de; Info: www.ecqh.eu

METHODS OF PAYMENT

Entry will only be cleared with online payment. Please indicate the name of the horse on the remittance. 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.

Bank account:

Account Holder: FEQHA

Purpose: ECQH25&Horse Name&Rider

BIC-Code: GENODEF1PFK

IBAN: DE49 7406 1813 0005 3671 23

Bank: VR-Bank Rottal-Inn eG, Marktplatz 30,
84140 Gangkofen, Germany

HOTEL

Please book rooms and apartments directly at the Waldhotel:

Phone +49 9624 919-0

PRIZES

Every European Champion will win a Montana Silversmith Buckle..

FEES

4 AQHA SHOWS

Open	110,00 Euro	Select	95,00 Euro
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Amateur	95,00 Euro	Youth	75,00 Euro
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2 AQHA SHOWS (No European Champion Title)

L1 Open	55,00 Euro	L1 Amat.	45,00 Euro
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L1 Youth	40,00 Euro
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LEAD LINE

Kids	10,00 Euro
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KUMLEGAARD YOUNG HORSE CUP 4.000 Euro Preisgeld

Sponsored by Kumlegaard Quarter Horses

Prize Money each Class 1.200 Euro (450/300/200/150/100)

Showmanship	80,00 Euro
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Longe Line	80,00 Euro
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Trail In Hand	80,00 Euro
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Eligible for 2 & 3 year old horses that are not shown under the saddle at this show. The cup winner will receive an US-Trophy and 400 Euro prize money.

PLEASURE & ENGLISH VERSATILITY

Prize Money 1.000 Euro added (100% entry fee pay back)

Entry Fee	100,00 Euro
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RANCH RIDING CHALLENGE

Prize Money 1.000 Euro added (100% entry fee pay back)

Entry Fee	100,00 Euro
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NSBA OF GERMANY FUTURITY

Open	90,00 Euro	Non Pro	90,00 Euro
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IRHA CLASSES

Prize Money \$500 added (75% entry fee pay back)

Open	100,00 Euro	Non Pro	100,00 Euro
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OTHERS

Office Charge	40,00 Euro	AQHA Charge	40,00 Euro
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Video Charge	25,00 Euro	Late Fee (per Entry)	10,00 Euro
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PARKING FEES

Car / Pickup	kostenlos	Two horse trailer	50,00 Euro
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Truck	100,00 Euro
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Camping	150,00 Euro
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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
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Stall in barn D-G	280,00 Euro
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Stall in barn A-C	350,00 Euro
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Earliest arrival is Wednesday, 6th of August 2024 - 4pm

Latest departure is Monday, 18th of August 2024 - 8am

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.

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.



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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP AQHA CLASSES

OPEN

1036 Stallions 2 & Under
1037 Stallions 3 & Over
1730 Performance Stallions
1054 Yearling Mares
1055 2-Year-Old Mares
1056 3-Year-Old Mares
1057 Aged Mares
1750 Performance Mares
1074 Yearling Geldings
1075 2-Year-Old Geldings
1076 3-Year-Old Geldings
1077 Aged Geldings
1770 Performance Geldings
1180 Longe Line
1385 Trail In Hand
1341 Junior Reining
1342 Senior Reining
1361 Junior Western Riding
1362 Senior Western Riding
1381 Junior Trail
1382 Senior Trail
1390 Ranch Trail
1421 Junior Western Pleasure
1422 Senior Western Pleasure
1431 Junior Ranch Riding
1432 Senior Ranch Riding
1441 Junior Hunter Under Saddle
1442 Senior Hunter Under Saddle
1450 Working Western Rail

AMATEUR

2036 Stallions 2 & Under
2037 Stallions 3 & Over
2730 Performance Stallions
2054 Yearling Mares
2055 2-Year-Old Mares
2056 3-Year-Old Mares
2057 Aged Mares
2750 Performance Mares
2074 Yearling Geldings
2075 2-Year-Old Geldings
2076 3-Year-Old Geldings
2077 Aged Geldings
2770 Performance Geldings
2120 Showmanship at Halter
2340 Reining
2360 Western Riding
2380 Trail
2390 Ranch Trail
2400 Western Horsemanship
2420 Western Pleasure
2430 Ranch Riding
2440 Hunter Under Saddle
2520 Hunt Seat Equitation
2450 Working Western Rail

AMATEUR SELECT*

2128 Showmanship at Halter
2348 Reining
2388 Trail
2408 Western Horsemanship
2428 Western Pleasure
2368 Western Riding
2438 Ranch Riding
2458 Working Western Rail

*Classes with less than 5 entries on deadline date will be scratched

YOUTH

4051 Mares 2 & Under
4052 Mares 3 & Over
4750 Performance Mares
4071 Geldings 2 & Under
4072 Geldings 3 & Over
4770 Performance Geldings
4120 Showmanship at Halter
4340 Reining
4360 Western Riding
4380 Trail
4400 Western Horsemanship
4420 Western Pleasure
4430 Ranch Riding
4440 Hunter Under Saddle
4520 Hunt Seat Equitation
4450 Working Western Rail

ADDITIONAL CLASSES (No European Championship Title)

AQHA L1 OPEN (GREEN)

1347 Reining
1363 Western Riding
1383 Trail
1394 Ranch Trail
1424 Western Pleasure
1433 Ranch Riding
1443 Hunter Under Saddle

AQHA L1 AMATEUR (NOVICE)

3120 Showmanship at Halter
3340 Reining
3360 Western Riding
3380 Trail
3400 Western Horsemanship
3420 Western Pleasure
3430 Ranch Riding
3440 Hunter Under Saddle
3520 Hunt Seat Equitation

AQHA L1 YOUTH (NOVICE)

4128 Showmanship at Halter
4348 Reining
4368 Western Riding
4388 Trail
4408 Western Horsemanship
4428 Western Pleasure
4438 Ranch Riding
4448 Hunter Under Saddle
4528 Hunt Seat Equitation

KUMLEGAARD

YOUNG HORSE CUP

sponsored by Kumlegaard Quarter Horses
total prize money 4.000 Euro

5210 Showmanship – prize money 1.200 Euro
5215 Longe Line – prize money 1.200 Euro
5220 Trail In Hand – prize money 1.200 Euro
Eligible for 2 & 3 year old horses that are not shown under the saddle at this show.
The cup winner will receive an US-Trophy and 400 Euro prize money.

PLEASURE VERSATILITY

prize money 1.000 Euro added
(100% entry fee pay back)

5500 Pleasure Versatility
Eligible for horses 6 years old and older.

ENGLISH VERSATILITY

prize money 1.000 Euro added
(100% entry fee pay back)

5700 English Versatility
Eligible for horses 4 years old and older.

LEAD LINE

5511 Kids

NSBA OF GERMANY FUTURITY

5001 NSBA Western Pleasure Open
5003 NSBA Hunter Under Saddle Open
5005 NSBA 2YO Longe Line
5006 NSBA 3YO Longe Line
5007 NSBA Trail Open
5008 NSBA Trail Non Pro

3 year old horses can not be shown under the saddle.

RANCH RIDING CHALLENGE

prize money 1.000 Euro added
(100% entry fee pay back)

5600 Ranch Riding Challenge
Eligible for horses 6 years old and older.

IRHA

prize money \$500 added
(75% entry fee pay back)

5110 Ranch Riding Open – prize money \$500
5120 Ranch Riding Non Pro – prize money \$500
5130 Ranch Rail Open – prize money \$500
5140 Ranch Rail Non Pro – prize money \$500
5150 Ranch Trail Open – prize money \$500
5160 Ranch Trail Non Pro – prize money \$500



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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 in 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 another affiliated associations of their choice.

3. Registration procedure

Entries will only be processed if:

- The online entry forms on www.ecqh.eu are filled out correctly and have been sent time for the entry deadline.
- The entry and stable fees are paid and credited to the FEQHA account until three days after the entry deadline.
- The district office Amberg-Sulzbach demands for all horses from outside of Germany, to deliver the health certificates to the showoffice. Foreign horses without health certificates may not be brought to Kreuth. The vet papers will be checked locally by the official veterinarian.

By sending the entry, the competitor/exhibitor agrees to comply with the rules and regulations as stated in the show announcement. The promoter is not responsible for late or lost entry forms. The competitor has the sole responsibility for his start.

4. On-Site Check-In Information

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.

5. 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 last vaccination can not be older than 12 month. The certificate of vaccination must accompany the horse and it has to be produced at the show office upon request.

6. Clipping and Equipment

Applicable rules are those of the hosting country.

7. Doping Controls

The EC committee, consisting of a FEQHA officer together with the showmanager, shall arbitrarily choose classes and within them the places to be tested. The testing procedure will also be determined by the EC committee.

By submitting the entry form riders, exhibitors and horse owners agree to their horses being drug tested (blood or urine). Tests will be performed in accordance with the current FEI list of prohibited substances (prohibited substances list). The EC committee decides per individual case if a medication will be accepted (medication sheet).

In case of violations horse owners, riders and horses will be disqualified from the entire event. Paid entries and stable fees will not be refunded. The horse owner/participant agrees to bear the entire costs of the doping test in case of a positive result and to give back any potential titles, awards and prize money as well as to accept all consequences and sanctions imposed by the FEQHA Executive Committee (bans, fines, etc.).

8. Insurance and other Regulations

Every horse must have liability insurance.

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 conditions of the announcement. 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).

9. Refunds

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

10. European Champion Title Award

The European Champions in Youth, Amateur and Open Classes are determined through finals. In order to make it to the Finals, one must qualify through the 4 AQHA Shows (hereafter referred to as "go-rounds") of the European Championships. The finalists will be determined by adding up the points or scores while taking the off-pattern runs into account.

In Halter Classes no finals will take place and the European Champions are awarded by adding up the points from the placings or scores of all four shows. In all Halter classes with less than three exhibitors there will be no European Champions. In Performance classes with less than five exhibitors, there will be no finals and no European Champions' title will be awarded.

To get into a final the horse-exhibitor combination must not be disqualified (e.g. 0 score) in any of the four shows.

In Level 1 Classes there will be no European Champions' title.



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11. Points in Placed Classes

In all non-scored classes (Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle & Working Western Rail) points are awarded according to the placings. Numerical Scores for Placed Classes (schedule of points of the AQHA-World Show)

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

12. The number of finalists

is dependent upon the number of exhibitors in the go-round.

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

13. Judging of the finals.

Three judges will judge the final classes. Each judge will evaluate each class independently of the other judges and will place through fifteen (15) places. Their individual scores or placings will be given to the European Championship Show management for tabulation. The final placing shall be determined by combining the three scores or points while taking the off-pattern runs into account.

14. Tie Procedures

The ties will be broken through a tie judge. The tie-judge will be defined by the showmanagement and published to the exhibitors.

15. All-Around Champion

In the Youth, Amateur, Select Amateur and Open Classes for each of the 4 shows an All-Around Champion is awarded separately. In the Level 1 Open, Amateur and Youth classes, all-around champions will also be calculated in both shows.

16. NSBA of Germany Futurity

The NSBA Futurity is eligible for 3 to 6 years old horses, whose sire has been paid in the NSBA Germany e.V. Futurity Program. To participate in the classes the exhibitor and the owner must hold a current membership of the NSBA of Germany e.V.

One exhibitor may show two horses in the NSBA Longe Line Futurity. 3yo horses can not be shown under the saddle. For further information visit: <https://nsba-germany.de/futurity>

17. Pleasure Versatility

Open to 6-year-olds and older horses. The order of "go" will be determined by draw the evening before the Pleasure Versatility.

Horses are shown, sequentially, in three classes: 1) versatility pattern to count 40 percent, followed by 2) western pleasure to count 40 percent, and finishing with 3) conformation to count 20 percent. Prior to exiting the arena after completion of the versatility pattern, exhibitors will be required to dismount. All exhibitors will be able to mount after the final horse has completed the versatility pattern. Horses remain in the make-up ring, or show pen, for the duration of the event. Horse must show in all classes to receive final placings. The same exhibitor must show the same horse in all classes.

These classes will highlight form to function, conformation, trainability, quality of movement and performance using traditional AQHA class rules. The low judge's score of each exhibitor will be dropped in all three classes, thereby rewarding excellence. The final result will be calculated by adding the single class placings, including the above percentages. Placings will NOT be announced, or made known to any judge, until the event has been completed.

The class has a guaranteed prize money of 1.000 Euro plus 100% pay back of the entry fee. Prize money will be given to the best 5 horses according to the NRHA-key: 34 / 27 / 20 / 10 / 9 percent.

18. English Versatility

Horses aged 4 and over are eligible to start. The starting order will be announced on the evening before the class.

All horses will be presented one after the other in two classes: First the Versatility Pattern and then the Hunter Under Saddle. Both parts are included in the evaluation with 75 and 25 percent respectively. At the end of the pattern, before leaving the arena, the rider must dismount. All exhibitors may remount at the same time as soon as the last horse has completed the pattern. The horses remain in the arena or warm-up arena during the entire class. Before the Hunter under Saddle part the riders will have 5 minutes warm up time. Horses must compete in all 2 classes in order to be eligible for placing. The same exhibitor must present the horse in both classes. The overall ranking is calculated by adding the individual results in the percentages listed above. The individual placings of the classes will not be announced until the competition is finished. The prize money for the English Versatility Challenge is €1,000 plus 100% payback. Payout will be made to the first eight places: 26% / 22% / 14% / 10% / 9% / 8% / 6% / 5%.

The winner of the breeding to Easy On the Eyez will be drawn during the award ceremony from all participants who have successfully completed the pattern. Disqualified pairs will not participate in the draw. The showoffice must be notified by the evening before, if the participant does NOT wish to take part in the draw.

19. Ranch Riding Challenge

Open to 6-year-olds and older horses. The order of "go" will be determined by draw the evening before the Ranch Riding Challenge. A rider may present a maximum of three horses in this class. No standard ranch riding pattern is used for this class. Judging is based on AQHA rules. The prize money for the Ranch Riding Challenge is 1,000 euros plus 100% Payback. The distribution is made to the first five places with the NRHA key: 34 / 27 / 20 / 10 / 9 percent.

20. IRHA Classes

IRHA membership is mandatory. Membership for 2025 is complimentary. Each class pays \$500 prize money, with 75% pay back each entry.
Ranch Riding (Open & Non Pro)
Ranch Rail (Open & Non Pro)
Ranch Trail (Open & Non Pro)