

16. Araber 4. & 5. 7. 2026 Sommerfestival



Invitation

International C-Show (ECAHO Aff.Nr. 106-2026/AUT)

Austrian National Championship (ECAHO Aff.Nr. 064-2026/AUT)

July 4th & 5th 2026 - Pferdezentrum Stadl-Paura (AT-4651 Stadl Paura, Stallamtsweg 1)

Organisation: Verein Araber-Sommerfestival

Nat. championship: on behalf of VVÖ (Verband der Vollblutaraberzüchter Österreich)

The int. C- Show and the nat. Championship will be held together in one show.

National and International championships are not awarded according to the points given but are judged individually by all judges (with due regard to possible conflicts of interests). Qualified for the National Championships are the best placed horses of each class. (for example 5. and 7. place)

Conditions of entry:

Open to Arab horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries. (Copy of registration must be sent to the organizer with the entry form). The horses placed 1st to 5th on this show qualify for taking part in A- shows and title shows for which qualifications are required.

Entry restrictions:

World Championship, Title Show, A Show or GCAT Show Champion Gold and Silver medal winners are not allowed to take part in a C International show for the rest of that calendar year and the two calendar years following, unless the horse has passed from a yearling to junior or from junior to a senior category. Gold medal winners in two B international or two C International or one B International and one C International Shows in the same year are not allowed to take part in a C International Show for the rest of that calendar year. Geldings that have won Champion Gold or Silver medals at the World Championship, a Title Show, an A show or GCAT show cannot be shown at C shows for the rest of that calendar year and one calendar year following. Anybody entering an overqualified horse will be liable to a fine of €600 and the horse will be disqualified.

Closing date of entry: Friday, 5 June 2026

Judges:

Charlotte Rowell, GB • Dr. Thomas Stohler, CH • Anton Baumann, DE

Disciplinary committee:

Kerstin Wisniowski, DE • Reinhild Moritz, DE • Dr. Markus Königshofer, AT

Ringsteward:

Wolfgang Auer, AT

Preliminary timetable show-classes: Saturday, 4 July 2026

10:00 am: Foal, Filly/Colt, Senior and Gelding classes, followed by the International & National Championship
Special Awards National Championship:
Best Austrian-Bred Mare
Best Austrian-Bred Stallion
(highest score for a horse bred in Austria)

Sunday, 5 July 2026 – 10:00 am: Liberty Classes

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. This event is governed by the attached rules established by the European Conference of Arab Horse Organisation (EAHSC) „**Blue Book 2025**“. Participants submit themselves to the judges' decisions that are limited to that particular show event and based on the classification system fixed in the schedule. Judges and officials are invited by the organizer, they work honorary and are not representatives of the societies they belong to.
2. A **liability insurance** for the horse is **mandatory**.
3. All horses must be free from infections and from a home stock free of epidemic diseases. They must be effectively vaccinated against INFLUENZA. **All horses must have received an initial Primary Course of two vaccination doses administered a minimum of 21 and a maximum of 92 days apart. The First Booster must be given within 7 calendar months following the date of administration of the second vaccination of the primary course. Further Booster vaccinations must be given at 12 month interval. Horses that were correctly certified as receiving the primary course prior to 2009 are not required to fulfil the requirement of the first booster, providing there has been no lapse in their vaccination regime. No vaccination may be given within 7 days of the day of arrival at the ECAHO event. The Vaccination Certificate must be presented at the show and a copy of the Vaccination Certificate has to be attached to the entry form. In case of a missing Vaccination Certificate the veterinarian on duty is allowed to examine the horse, liable for the costs is the owner of the horse.**
4. At ECAHO shows, an overbite or underbite of more than one tooth width is not permitted. Horses aged 12 months and older **require a veterinary certificate for participation**, confirming that they do not have an **overbite or underbite**. At ECAHO shows, **cryptorchidism** is not permitted. Stallions aged 24 months and older **require a veterinary certificate for participation**, confirming that they do not have cryptorchidism.

Copies of the vaccination record and veterinary certificate must be enclosed with the entry form, and the originals must be presented on-site.

Note: Participants from abroad should apply for and carry an international health certificate from their local official veterinarian approximately 2–3 weeks before the event. Furthermore, reference is made to the provisions of the EU Council Regulation on the protection of animals during transport (EC 1/2005).

5. No compensation for the transportation costs can be granted.
6. Stall reservations must be submitted together with the entry form (see entry form) and will only be considered if paid in advance along with the entry fees. Stalls, including bedding and hay, are available for EUR 80 per day or EUR 130 for the entire weekend. These prices apply to tented stalls. A surcharge of EUR 35 applies for permanent stalls. Equipment for the care of the horses must be brought by the owner (including water buckets for both tented and permanent stalls, as no automatic waterers are available). Hay and bedding (straw) are provided free of charge. Shavings are available for an additional fee. Arrival of horses is possible from Friday afternoon.
7. **Entry fee per horse: EUR 90,- Show EUR 40,- Liberty**
ATTENTION! EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT: Entries due to Monday 25 May are offered for EUR 60 ,- per horse
Please transfer the fees to the following bank account (entry & stable fee)

Bank account: Verein Araber-Sommerfestival
IBAN: AT29 2032 0321 0081 3489, BIC: ASPKAT2LXXX

8. The **fees have to be paid in advance** by the exhibitor; otherwise the organiser can exclude horses from the show. Should the organiser accept entries or changes after the closing date, the double entry fee has to be paid in advance. In case of cancellation before the event, entry fees can only be refunded if the horses can still be removed from the catalogue.
9. The organiser does not accept liability for accidents, diseases, larceny, fire or damages of any kind with persons, animals and things. Especially there will be no liability towards a third party as regards material damage.

Participating or carried along animals need to have third-party liability insurance via the owner. Everyone is personally responsible for damages towards a third party. All catalog entries are subject to change, there is no limit or warranty. Therefore any warranty claims against the organizer or the person responsible for the catalogue are explicitly excluded. The organiser is not liable for damages and accidents to participants, grooms, audience or fittings, nor are they liable for theft. Instructions of officials and organizers have to be complied with. Entry to the event is at your own risk.

10. Entries in all parts of the catalogue are provided without guarantee. Errors and omissions excepted. Therefore, warranty and liability claims or claims for recourse against the show organizer or the creator of the catalogue arising from catalogue entries are expressly excluded. The promoter and the organizers shall not be liable for any damages or accidents involving participants, grooms, spectators, or equipment. The instructions of the stewards and the show management must be followed.
11. The handlers are asked to **wear proper and tidy clothes**. They are allowed to wear any costume normally worn in their country of origin but without any advertising on it.
12. Only one handler per horse is allowed in the ring. Plus one assistant with a whip in the entrance area of the show ring.
13. Horses may be dope tested on request of the DCs or judges. In case the result is positive, costs have to be carried the person who is responsible. (= The person responsible is the person who signs the entry form) Further information: www.ecaho.org, **Rules for Medication Control**.
All exhibitors will be expected to conduct themselves in the spirit of the rules of ethical show behavior and will be held responsible for themselves and their handlers. The show committee, the judges, the disciplinary committee and the stewards shall not be liable for any consequence of any decision they may make.
14. The organizer reserves the right to merge, split, or cancel individual classes. Classes with more than 10 entries will be split. Classes with fewer than 3 entries will be merged.“
15. Start numbers will be issued by the organizer against a deposit of EUR 10. The deposit can only be refunded on-site.
16. Any horse becoming loose in the show ring will immediately continue to be shown and is subject to a penalty (of a fine not exceeding 100 Euro) at the discretion of the DC. Should the horse become loose a second time it will be disqualified.
17. **Stallions and colts aged three years and over must be shown wearing bridles and bits that are both secure and comfortable for the horse. All bridles without bits are equally to be both secure and comfortable for the horse.**
18. Horses must **be in good condition and well-groomed**. Full or partial body-clipping is permitted, but cutting eyelashes, shaving the hair inside the ears, and clipping tactile hair (sensory hair) is strictly prohibited. Excessive make-up and shaving of the mane are undesirable. Coloring of the skin or coat is forbidden. Hooves must not be colored or varnished and must be in a well-maintained condition. Horseshoes are only permitted for horses aged three years and older. In the case of a medical indication, a veterinary certificate must be presented. Horses that do not meet these criteria will be excluded from the competition
19. **The handler (minimum age 14 years)** must be able to control the horse at all times. Any use of **violence against the horses is prohibited**, unless it involves unavoidable corrective measures. Any **actions that cause fear or panic in horses must be avoided**. Failure to comply with these rules will result in immediate disqualification. For presentation, the horse should be set up in a natural posture; a slight stretching and arching of the neck is permitted.

Show Procedure und Judging

All horses in a class are to be led into the ring at a walk. Individual presentations will then follow, in accordance with the instructions of the ring steward. **For the individual presentation, horses must be led into the show ring at a walk, followed by the stand-up of the horse and subsequently the presentation at a trot.**

Three judges will judge each class independently and without a catalogue, based on the following criteria:

- Type (Breed & Sex)
- Head and Neck
- Body
- Legs
- Movement

The 20-point system with half points will be applied.

Tie-break rule (ex aequo): In the event of a tie (ex aequo) between horses qualified in a show class, the higher placement will be awarded to the horse with the highest score for Type. If a tie still exists, the higher placement will be awarded to the horse with the highest score for Movement. If the tie is still not broken, the highest and lowest scores for Type and Movement will be eliminated and the remaining scores added together. If a tie still persists, one judge will be chosen by lot to declare his/her preference. (This applies to places 1 to 5 in each individual class.)

- Saturday 4 July 2026:**
- 1.- **Filly foals** (2026) – only National Championship
 - 2.- **Colt foals** (2026) – only National Championship
 - 3.- **Yearling fillies** (2025)
 - 4.- **2 years old fillies** (2024)
 - 5.- **3 years old fillies** (2023)
 - 6.- **Yearling colts** (2025)
 - 7.- **2 years old colts** (2024)
 - 8.- **3 years old colts** (2023)
 - 9.- **4-6 years old mares** (2020-2022)
 - 10 - **7-9 years old mares** (2017-2019)
 - 11.- **10 years and older mares**
 - 12.- **4-6 years old stallions** (2020-2022)
 - 13.- **7-9 years old stallions** (2017-2019)
 - 14.- **10 years and older stallions**
 - 15.- **Geldings**

- Sunday, 5 July 2026:**
- 16.- **Liberty Mares**
 - 17.- **Liberty Stallions**
 - 18.- **Liberty Geldings**

Rules for championship:

Championships will be judged using the Open Method. Provided there is sufficient participation in the classes, the following Gold, Silver, and Bronze Champions will be determined:

- Junior Fillies Championship** (Klassen 3, 4, 5)
- Junior Colts Championship** (Klassen 6, 7, 8)
- Senior Mare Championship** (Klassen 9,10, 11)
- Senior Stallions Championship** (Klassen 12, 13, 14)

The first and second-placed horses in each class qualify for the championship. If two horses tie for second place (ex aequo), both qualify. In classes with six or more starters, the third-placed horse also qualifies. If two horses tie for third place (ex aequo), both qualify.

Rules for libertyclasses:

The judges evaluate the class independently and without a catalogue based on the following criteria: Movement (multiplied by 3), Type (multiplied by 2), and Conformation & General Appearance (multiplied by 1). In the event of a tie, the higher score for 'Type' determines the placing. If a tie persists, the higher score for 'Movement' will be used. If the scores are still equal, a judge will be chosen by lot to provide their preference.

Data Protection Notice:

In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), all participants and visitors (regardless of their function) provide their consent by registering or entering the event venue for their data to be collected, processed, and disclosed. This also includes the processing of images and audio information