



مهرجان سوق واقف للفرسية
Souq Waqif Equestrian Festival
2026

7th SOUQ WAQIF INTERNATIONAL ARABIAN HORSE SHOW

17 JAN TO 19 JAN 2026

(PRIVATE ENGINEERING OFFICE)

Show (A)

This Show is affiliated to ECAHO

Affiliation nr. 009-2026/QAT



1. Show Officials

Show Patron:	Private Engineering Office
Show Chairman:	Mr. AbdulRahman Al Naama
Show Manager:	Mr. Mohammed Al Mansour
Show Coordinator:	Mrs. Zahra Alsheikh
Board:	PEO
Judges:	Mrs. Christine Demeersseman – BE Mrs. Renata Schibler – CH Mrs. Anna Stefaniuk – PL Mr. Marco Pittaluga – IT Mr. Soheil Santai – IR Mr. Abdelouahed Maagoul – MA Mr. Tomas Rombauer – HU Mrs. Paula Böhmer – NL Mrs. Béerngère Fayt – FR Mr. Basil Jadaan – SY
Disciplinary Committee:	Mrs. Line Brunsgaard – DK Dr. Vet. Malak Benamar – MA Dr. Vet. Mohammed Hammad – EG Mrs. Suzanne Hennekens – GB
Sampling Vet:	Dr. Vet. Hosain Abbara – QA
Ringmaster:	Mr. Roberto Ceccaroni – IT Mr. Bart Beckers – BE
Speaker:	Mrs. Nabilah Alali – KW
Scores and Results:	Arabian Essence – IT

2. The Organizing Committee:

- A horse owner may withdraw their horse from the Show up to ten (10) days before the Show. Should a horse be withdrawn within a period of less than ten (10) days before the Show, the relevant owner shall be subject to a fine of (QAR 3,000) unless a veterinary certificate, by a veterinary doctor, stating a medical excuse, is provided.
- The Organizing Committee has the right to accept / reject the application or stop the entry forms at any case, (the owner will be informed and handed over the reasons for reject the application or stop the entry forms).
- Each horse owner, stud, or farm is permitted to register a maximum total of two (2) horses in each class.
- Age groups are determined by date of birth, with the year starting on 01st January and ending on 31st December.
- If the number of horses in any classes is less than 6 horses, the classes will be merged.

- Class Splitting will be based according to the age, (no class may be split unless there are more than 16 horses) the ages of the horses will be distributed in the class from the youngest to the oldest.
- The organization reserves the right to assign horses to other classes or subclasses at any time, especially if an owner has entered several horses in one class.
- As for external participation from outside the State of Qatar, the participating horses must have achievements in competitions from 01/01/2022 until now.

3. Conditions of Entry, Entry restrictions

- Open to horses registered in any WAHO recognized studbook by the closing date of entries.
- Studbook registration of ownership must be at least 6 months before the date of the show.

4. Qualification

All horses except yearlings, should have qualified at an ECAHO affiliated show after 01/01/ 2022, in one of the following ways:

- 1st to 5th place in the world Championship, a Title, an A shows and GCAT show or B show.
- 1st to 5th place in National Championship show.
- 1st to 3rd place in a C International, C National, European Shows or EAHGC Shows.
- 1st and 2nd place at Specific Origin Shows.

Horses that have qualified in countries which are not Members of ECAHO must either qualify in an ECAHO affiliated show or may qualify at other shows accepted by the EAHSC, such as:

- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or “Top 3” at the US Nationals.
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or a “Top 3” at the US Scottsdale Competition.
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion in US “Regional” competitions.
- a title of Champion or Reserve Champion or 1st to 3rd place in an official National Championship show.
- 1st to 3rd place at the US Las Vegas show.

5. Classes & Championships

Classes:

- Class 1. Yearling Fillies
Born between 01/01/2025 and 31/12/2025
- Class 2. Yearling Colts
Born between 01/01/2025 and 31/12/2025
- Class 3. Fillies 2 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2024 and 31/12/2024
- Class 4. Fillies 3 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2023 and 31/12/2023
- Class 5. Colts 2 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2024 and 31/12/2024
- Class 6. Colts 3 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2023 and 31/12/2023
- Class 7. Mares 4 to 6 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2020 and 31/12/2022
- Class 8. Mares 7 to 10 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2016 and 31/12/2019
- Class 9. Mares 11 Years Old and Over
Born before 31/12/2015

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من 17 يناير حتى 19 يناير 2026
From 17 January to 19 January 2026

- Class 10. Stallions 4 to 6 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2020 and 31/12/2022
- Class 11. Stallions 7 to 10 Years Old
Born between 01/01/2016 and 31/12/2019
- Class 12. Stallions 11 Years Old and Over
Born before 31/12/2015

Championship:

1. 7th Souq Waqif International Arabian Horse Show (Yearling Fillies Championship 2026).
Yearling Filly Champion Gold + Yearling Filly Silver Medallist + Yearling Filly Bronze Medallist, the first, second and third placed Yearling Fillies in classes 1 will qualify.
2. 7th Souq Waqif International Arabian Horse Show (Yearling Colts Championship 2026).
Yearling Colt Champion Gold + Yearling Colt Silver Medallist + Yearling Colt Bronze Medallist, the first, second and third placed Yearling Colts in classes 2 will qualify.
3. 7th Souq Waqif International Arabian Horse Show (Junior Fillies Championship 2026).
Filly Champion Gold + Filly Silver Medallist + Filly Bronze Medallist, the first, second and third placed Fillies in classes 3 and 4 will qualify.
4. 7th Souq Waqif International Arabian Horse Show (Junior Colts Championship 2026).
Colt Champion Gold + Colt Silver Medallist + Colt Bronze Medallist, the first, second and third placed Colts in classes 5 and 6 will qualify.
5. 7th Souq Waqif International Arabian Horse Show (Senior Mares Championship 2026).
Mare Champion Gold + Mare Silver Medallist + Mare Bronze Medallist, the first, second and third placed Mares in classes 7, 8 and 9 will qualify.
6. 7th Souq Waqif International Arabian Horse Show (Senior Stallions Championship 2026).
Stallion Champion Gold + Stallion Silver Medallist + Stallion Bronze Medallist, the first, second and third placed Stallions in classes 10, 11 and 12 will qualify.

6. Medication control:

The medication testing of all Champion Gold, Silver and Bronze medal winners is compulsory. Any horse may be tested at the discretion of the DC. All medication testing will be conducted according to ECAHO Rules for Medication Control.

* Yearling Fillies & Yearling Colts winners Champion Gold will get the medication testing.

7. Provisional Programme

- Date, Time, it will be published once it is finished (Under process).
- Classes, it will be published once it is finished (Under process).
- Championships, it will be published once it is finished (Under process).

8. Method of Judging

Judging system:

5 topics - 20 points. Half points are allowed.

Each judge gives 1-20 points for the following criteria:

a) type, b) head & neck, c) body, d) legs, e) movement.

(scratched point system) scratched highest and lowest points.

9. Qualification System for Championships

1st to 3rd place from each class is qualified to the championships.

10. Rules for Ties in Qualifying Places

In the event of a tie in the qualifying places of a class, the higher place will be given to the horse with the most points for type. If there is still a tie, the higher place will be given to the horse with the most points for movement. If the highest and lowest points are eliminated, only the remaining points for type and movement are considered in the tie break. Failing a decision on either of these, one judge will be chosen by ballot whose class scores will be used to break the tie.

11. Rules for Ties in Championships

In the event of a tie in the championships, the higher place will be given to the horse with the highest total points in the qualifying classes. If the highest and lowest points are eliminated, only the remaining points for total, type and movement are considered in the tie break. If there is still a tie, the rules for ties in qualifying places will be applied.

12. Rules for Championships

Open Method:

The Gold, Silver and Bronze medal winners will be selected from amongst all the horses which have qualified in their respective classes for each championship. The number of horses qualified from each class will be officially announced by the show organizer in the schedule and the show catalogue.

1. The Championships will be judged as follows:
 - a. All the horses qualified for the championship will enter the ring and line up according to the numerical order of their catalogue numbers.
 - b. The horses will be judged individually, standing and trotting.
 - c. Each judge will nominate his choice for gold silver and bronze medals together at the same time, from amongst all the horses qualified for the championship.

Points will be given to the nominated horses as follows:

- A horse nominated by a judge for Gold Medal will receive 4 points.
- A horse nominated by a judge for Silver Medal will receive 2 points.
- A horse nominated by a judge for Bronze Medal will receive 1 point.

The Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the most votes for Gold Medal Champion. In case of an equal amount of vote for Gold Medal Champion, the Gold Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championships points.

From the remaining horses:

The Silver Medal will be awarded to the horse with the highest number of championship points.

The Bronze Medal will be awarded to the horse with the 2nd highest number of championship points.

In the case of a tie, the Rules for Ties in championships will be followed.

The judges will not discuss the horses.

2. A fourth horse will be selected, which will become the Bronze medal winner should one of the three medal winners be disqualified. If this exhibit is not apparent from the voting papers, the judges will be asked to nominate one. This horse will not be announced. In the event that two or more of the medal winners are disqualified, no further substitution will be made.



3. All horses that qualify for their respective Championships must take part in the Championship. Unless a certificate from the DC veterinarian is produced, failure to compete will disqualify the horse from the show, with its record of score and class placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from showing for the period of one year as from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up a place in the class. Should a horse be sent out of the ring by the judges or taken out by the handler for any reason, it will be deemed to have taken part in the championship.
4. All horses that are awarded a medal in their respective Championships must take part in the Championship prizegiving 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 prizegiving ceremony will disqualify the horse from the show with its record of score in the class and championship placing being deleted and the horse being disqualified from the showing for the period of one year from the date of the show. In the event of a disqualification, all horses placed behind the disqualified horse will move up one place in the Championship. During the prizegiving ceremony, the horse may only be on the lead of the designated handler or substitute deemed capable at the discretion of the ringmaster/DC.
5. In Title show, A shows, GCAT shows, and the World Championship all horses that qualified for their respective Championship must remain at the showground until after their championships. Any horse leaving the showground before their Championship will be disqualified.

13. Prizes & Awards

It will be published once it is finished (Under process).

14. Veterinary Conditions

Horses must be accompanied at the show by a horse passport issued by a WAHO recognized Stud Book containing all vaccination records. Those horses coming from a country that does not issue a passport, must be accompanied by an official Registration document, issued by a Stud Book, which includes a graphic description and all vaccination records. If, when a horse attends a show, its passport is at the Registry for any reason, then a letter from the registrar attesting to this must be provided along with a photocopy of the passport, including the description and the vaccination records.

Hereditary disorders (Rules for Conduct of Shows, art. 32 a) and b)

a) Overbite/underbite

Overbite/underbite of more than 1 width of tooth is not permitted. Horses 12 months old and older cannot compete unless they have a veterinary certificate to verify that they do not have overbite/underbite.

b) Cryptorchidism

Colts 24 months old and older or stallions cannot compete unless they have a veterinary certificate to verify.

that they do not have cryptorchidism. If the colt's condition changes, and upon a completed veterinary certificate, the horse is then eligible to compete.

15. EAHSC Rules for Conduct of Shows

The “Rules for Conduct of Shows” (EAHSC Blue Book 2025 will be applied in their entirety).

Rules for Conduct of Shows

