

2013 INTERNATIONAL
RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR
QUALIFIED BREEDING STOCK (TQB)
TRIBUNALS

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I. INTRODUCTION

These Rules and Regulations govern the procedure by which all horses listed in the PRE Permanent Stud Book Register are eligible to participate in officially established performance tests within the PRE Breeding Program, for genetic assessment for morphology and riding and, where relevant, be listed in the PRE Stud Book register as “Qualified Breeding Stock.”

II. REGISTRATION:

1. Stallions wishing to participate in a TQB (Tribunal for Qualified Breeding Stock) shall be or have reached the age of four (4) years during the year they are presented.

2. Mares shall be at least three (3) years of age in the year they are presented, if they do not take part in the ridden test.

When a mare seeks to voluntarily participate in the ridden test, this shall be indicated on the application form; in which case, said mare must be the same age as the stallions—in other words, at least four (4) years old.

3. To hold a Tribunal for Qualified Breeding Stock (TQB), there must be minimum number of horses registered for the event. The horses entered by a single breeder may not exceed 60% of the total. This rule may only be overlooked in the case of government owned horses.

4. No TQB may take place at the same time as or at the same facilities as a conformation competition.

5. The closing date to register for a TQB is ten (10) days prior to the actual event.

6. Included herein is the registration form. The breeder must send ANCCE a copy of the certificate stating that their horse is free of any

excluding OCD, issued by the University of Cordoba Clinical Veterinarian Hospital (UCCVH).

For TQBs held outside of Spain, the X-ray study shall be carried out, exclusively, on those horses initially considered APPROVED; these X-rays must then be sent to the University of Cordoba Clinical Veterinarian Hospital (UCCVH) for interpretation. The final result of the TQB is obtained once the x-ray report by the UCCVH has been received.

OCD studies may be carried out on horses attending TQBs held outside of Spain when the ANCCE Representative is present and digital X-rays are used. The ANCCE Representative shall retain the studies carried out for their subsequent reading by the University of Cordoba Clinical Veterinarian Hospital (UCCVH), issuing, as would be the case, the corresponding report for future presentation at the TQB.

7. To enter a horse for a TQB, a correctly completed Application form must be sent to the Association representing ANCCE in the country where the TQB is to be held. The entry must comply with all the requirements established in these Rules and Regulations.

8. All horses deemed APPROVED must pass a subsequent examination upon reaching a specific age. Their category as QUALIFIED shall be confirmed after having proven they have not developed disqualifying defects. The age ranges for these reviews shall be established by the PRE Breeding Program Managing Committee.

III. DOCUMENTATION TO BE PRESENTED:

1. All horses wishing to participate in a TQB must present the following Original Documentation as soon as they are called by the veterinarian to be measured:

2. Horse's original passport

3. Certificate from the University of Cordoba Clinical Veterinarian Hospital (UCCVH) that declares the horse free of all OCD that excludes a horse from participating in a TQB (except in the case of TQBs held outside of Spain).

4. Veterinarian Protocol according to the Appendix.

a. STALLIONS:

- Minimum height at the withers: 1.55 m

- Semen analysis
- Clinical examination of reproductive organs
- Absence of defects that negatively impact reproduction or are genetically hereditary. In addition to monorchidism, cryptorchidism and inguinal or scrotal hernias.

b. MARES:

- Minimum height at the withers: 1.53 m
- Clinical examination of the reproductive organs.
- Absence of defects that negatively impact reproduction or are genetically hereditary.

5. The result of each test, as specified in the veterinary protocol as required in point 4, shall be indicated on one or several Veterinary Certificates. (Official document issued by the corresponding Official College of Veterinarians). **OFFICIAL VETERINARY CERTIFICATE**

At International TQBs, Certificates shall have the same category as in Spain, in keeping with the specific legislation of each country.

6. Horses presented at a TQB, during any one of the days the test takes place, may have their reproductive organs examined by a veterinarian, as well as an X-ray examination using the necessary means.

IV. JUDGES:

1. All TQBs held during 2013 shall be judged on three different aspects:

- Conformation and movement
- Ridden test
- Lineal Conformation Score (except those TQBs held outside of Spain).

2. For Conformation and Movement, horses shall be judged by a Committee made up of at least three (3) members designated by the Breeder Association responsible for the Breeding Program.

3. The Ridden Test shall be judged by a Dressage judge designated by the Breeder Association responsible for the Breeding Program.

4. The data from the Lineal Conformation Score does not influence the TQB score and shall only be used to supply the Breeding Program with additional data. This Score shall only be carried out in Spain
5. Data generated during the assessment of the Ridden Test shall be used as a performance test for riding within the PRE Breeding Program, to carry out the genetic assessment for the Aptitude for Riding.
6. The Lineal Conformation Score shall be carried out by one (1) of the ANCCE Lineal Conformation Score Judges. The results of this Score shall have no effect on the TQB score and shall only be used as a Performance Test for Conformation within the Breeding Program.

V. JUDGING PROCEDURE:

The Conformation Test shall take place first, followed by the Ridden Test.

1. Conformation Test:

1. This is mandatory for all horses.
2. Two (2) or three (3) judges shall assess each horse by completing a single record sheet in consensus, with the judges as spokesperson of the results.
3. The score making up the final result as APPROVED or NOT APPROVED shall be the total of the scores on the record sheet for the Conformation Test.
4. The minimum established score for Conformation is 85 points out of a possible 130, while the minimum in the Ridden Test is 24 points out of a possible 40.
5. Horses with a score of VERY POOR in one body area or POOR in two areas shall immediately be considered NOT APPROVED.
6. The judges are authorized to touch those body parts of interest to them.
7. All documentation shall be returned upon conclusion of the Conformation Test and the horse has performed the Ridden Test.
8. Conformation is assessed according to the following parameters:
 1. Head
 2. Neck
 3. Shoulder and Withers

4. Back and Loins
5. Chest and Thorax
6. Croup and Tail
7. Fore limbs and limb alignment
8. Hind limbs and limb alignment
9. Breed fidelity
10. Overall harmony
11. Walk
12. Trot
13. Canter

9. Owners shall receive a summary sheet for each horse.
10. Judges shall provide a written explanation with the reason why a given body area has been considered poor and/or very poor.
11. Each horse shall have a maximum of 15 minutes to perform the Conformation Test, which may be extended as deemed necessary by the judges.
12. The Starting Order shall be established in groups of stallions and mares from younger to older, with preference being given to those mares participating in the Ridden Test.
13. If the Judges notice that a horse is clearly lame, they may conclude the assessment prematurely, declaring the horse NOT PRESENTED.
14. The result of the Conformation Test for the stallions **could** be:
 - **APPROVED:** 85 points or more
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 85 points
15. In the case of mares **not participating** in the Ridden Test, the result may be:
 - **APPROVED:** 85 points or more
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 85 points
16. In the case of mares **participating** in the Ridden Test, the result may be:
 - **APPROVED:** 80 points or more
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 80 points

2. Ridden Test:

1. Mandatory for all stallions
2. The Judge shall be a dressage judge from the annual, official list of judges.
3. The resulting score shall be obtained from a total of 40 points.
4. Mares may voluntarily take part in the Ridden Test, with the same age conditions being applicable with regards to their application.
5. The result of the Ridden Test in the case of the **stallions** may be:
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 24 points
 - **APPROVED:** 24 points or more
6. The result of the Ridden Test in the case of the **mares** may be:
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 24 points
 - **APPROVED:** 24 points or more
7. The sections judged in this test include: Walk, trot, canter and general attitude and impression.
8. The performance of the horse is assessed in a free-style test, in which the rider shall follow the instructions given by the Judge. This shall have a maximum duration of 4 minutes.
9. This data shall be calculated and shall go directly as information for the Performance Test and Genetic Evaluation for the Aptitude for Riding.
10. If the Judges notice that a horse is clearly lame, they may conclude the assessment prematurely, declaring the horse NOT APPROVED.

3. TABLE OF RESULTS:

Depending on the results obtained in the two aforementioned tests, the final assessment of a horse shall be as follows:

<u>CONFORMATION</u>	<u>RIDDEN TEST</u>	<u>FINAL RESULT</u>
APPROVED	APPROVED	APPROVED
APPROVED	NOT APPROVED	NOT APPROVED
NOT APPROVED	APPROVED	NOT APPROVED
NOT APPROVED (80-84.99)	APPROVED (29 or more)	APPROVED
APPROVED (90 or more)	NOT APPROVED (20-23.99)	APPROVED

- Those horses that achieve between 80 and 84.99 points in the Conformation Test and 29 or more in the Ridden Test, shall be considered APPROVED.
- Those horses that achieve between 20 and 23.99 points in the Ridden Test and 90 or more in the Conformation Test, shall be considered APPROVED.

4. MINUTES & RESULTS

1. Once the tests of the Tribunal have concluded, the breeder shall be notified of the results. All original, updated documents of the horse shall be returned. The store sheets and notes made by the judges can be reviewed.

2. Each owner shall receive the minutes and a summary of the results obtained by their horse at the Tribunal.

VI. SUMMONS:

1. Each horse has the possibility of attending THREE (3) TQBs. If the horse was NOT APPROVED at the first, it shall have two (2) more opportunities, being able to use these in the same year, or in other successive years.

VII. BREEDER RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

1. Rights:

- Present any horse owned by said breeder at a TQB, under the conditions laid down in these Rules and Regulations.
- Obtain the documentation that refers to the judging of their horse at a TQB, as stated.
- Appeal the reports regarding OCD issued by the UCCVH.

2. Obligations:

- Pay the stated fee for the right to register a horse for a TQB.
- Pay for the OCD reports issued by the University of Cordoba HCV.
- All breeders and their personnel must, at all times during the TQB, behave and show respect for judges, advisors and members of the Tribunal.
- Farm managers and handlers must perform their duties dressed as is required for Conformation Competitions.
- All horses must be presented sufficiently in advance of the established schedule starting order.
- The Rules and Regulations established with regards to the horses, handlers, riders, owners and judges in the Rules and Regulations for Conformation Competitions must be respected at all TQBs, regarding both behavior and conflict of interests. Likewise, the Disciplinary Procedures laid out therein shall also be applicable at these Tribunals.

All of the above shall be followed, providing that there is no rule or regulation that contravenes what is laid out in these Rules and Regulations.



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