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**EUROPEAN  
HAFLINGER  
CHAMPIONSHIP**



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**STADL PAURA**

# 2021 European Haflinger Championship

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The FEI regulations and test rules in force in the year of the event shall apply.

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## General information

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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](mailto: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** to the host at [www.pferde-stadlpaura.at/](http://www.pferde-stadlpaura.at/).

**For questions and registration, we ask all member organisations to contact the host and organiser at [EUCH2021@pferde-stadlpaura.at](mailto:EUCH2021@pferde-stadlpaura.at).**

## Venue

### Pferdezentrum Stadl-Paura

4651 Stadl-Paura  
Austria

GPS coordinates: 48° 5' N, 13° 52' O

The host will provide an accommodation list including distances to the venue (see also [www.haflinger-world.com](http://www.haflinger-world.com)).

Early arrival is possible from Tuesday, 24 August 2021 but is subject to a surcharge of € 30.00 and prior reservation. No arrivals before this date!

Access to the premises is via the Aichetfeld gate.

## Entries

Participants can register for the event only via their national federation.

All entries must be submitted to the host by the national federation of each country in due time ([EUCH2021@pferde-stadlpaura.at](mailto:EUCH2021@pferde-stadlpaura.at)) and must contain the following details:

- **by 01 July 2021: total number of participants**
- **by 01 August 2021: a final list of entries** stating the total number of participants and their disciplines

Any entry submitted after 01 August 2021 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. In the Western disciplines, each horse 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 (1 bale) and initial bedding.

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

- **participation fee: by 01 August 2021**
- **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):

Single horse	€ 350.00
Pairs (driving)	€ 450.00 (€ 500.00 for three horses)
Four-in-hand (driving)	€ 750.00
Electricity hook-up:	€ 70.00 (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 2021 EUCH takes place 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. The maximum number of entries is 350.

All horses of the Haflinger breed are eligible, provided that they are registered in an official stud book and/or 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 is 12 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/drivers and horses possess:

- a valid certificate of qualification for riding and/or driving
- 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.

Horses rejected by a country during the 2021 EUCH eligibility procedure may not compete for a different country.

## 4. Tournament classes and age groups

In the **driving** 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 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

<b>Dressage (4)</b>	Young horses (specific evaluation) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4-year-olds</li><li>• 5-year-olds</li></ul> Horses aged 6+ Advanced class
<b>Show jumping (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Eventing (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Driving (5)</b>	Young horses: 4- and 5-year-olds Young horses: 6-year-olds Horses aged 6+: singles Horses aged 6+: pairs Horses aged 6+: four-in-hand
<b>Trail (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Western pleasure (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Western Horsemanship (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Ranch riding (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Reining (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Mountain trail (2)</b>	Young horses Horses aged 6+
<b>Free jumping (1)</b>	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 all driving tests
- Show jumping (Young horses): 0 time faults
- Show jumping (Horses aged 6+): 0 time faults
- Western tests: 70 (score)
- Mountain trail: 70 (score)
- 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. 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.

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

Warm-ups will be held if conditions are favourable (time, space).

## **8. Dressage**

### ***Young horses – 4-year-olds***

Dressage arena: 20 x 60 m

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.

### ***Young horses – 5-year-olds***

Dressage arena: 20 x 60 m

Championship tests:

- |   |     |                                                 |
|---|-----|-------------------------------------------------|
| 3 | FEI | PRELIMINARY DRESSAGE TEST FOR 5-YEAR-OLD HORSES |
| 4 | FEI | DRESSAGE TEST FOR 5-YEAR-OLD HORSES Final       |

Only snaffle bits are permitted.

### ***Horses aged 6+***

Dressage arena: 20 x 60 m

Championship tests:

- |   |     |                             |             |
|---|-----|-----------------------------|-------------|
| 5 | FEI | Individual Competition Test | Children    |
| 6 | FEI | Freestyle Test              | Pony Riders |

Horses aged 6+: Only snaffle bits are permitted.

### ***Advanced class***

Dressage arena: 20 x 60 m

Championship tests:

- |   |     |                                            |
|---|-----|--------------------------------------------|
| 7 | FEI | Regional Games Individual Competition Test |
| 8 | FEI | Freestyle Test Juniors                     |

**Advanced class: Can be ridden either with curb bits or with snaffle bits (Derogation to the FEI-rules).**

All dressage tests are held on sand. If there are more than 40 entries per class, the group will be divided into a *championship candidates'* group and a *consolation tour* group after the first round.

## **9. Show jumping**

Tests are scored on the basis of penalties for faults and time penalties (cf. art. 238 of the FEI Jumping Rules).

### ***Young horses***

Championship tests:

- |    |                                                              |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9  | Show jumping round 1: class A, 90 cm                         |
| 10 | Show jumping round 2: class A, 90 cm (phase 2 with jump-off) |

### ***Horses aged 6+***

Championship tests:

- |    |                                                               |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 11 | Show jumping round 1: class A, 100 cm                         |
| 12 | Show jumping round 2: class A, 105 cm (phase 2 with jump-off) |

## 10. Eventing

### *Young horses*

Tests:

- 13 Dressage FEI Preliminary Competition Test A Children (*dressage arena: 20 x 60 m*)
- 14 Cross-country  
Minimum 10 obstacles, no more than 14 jumps. Time: 300 m/min.  
Height of fixed components: 80 cm; hedges: 100 cm  
Distance: approx. 1.5 km  
The course will be built as set forth in the FEI Rules for Eventing Pony Riders (cross-country)
- 15 Show jumping 90 cm

### *Horses aged 6+*

Tests:

- 16 Dressage FEI Eventing 2014 CCIP One Star (1\*) Dressage Test (*dressage arena: 20 x 60 m*)
- 17 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)
- 18 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:

- 19 Test YH 1 for 5-year-old horses
- 20 Test YH 3 Final Test for 5-year-old horses
- 21 Test YH 2 for 6- and 7-year-old horses
- 22 Test YH 4 Final Test for 6- and 7-year-old horses

### *Horses aged 6+: singles*

- 23 Dressage FEI Driven Dressage Senior Test 1\*A (*sand arena: 100 x 40 m*)
- 24 Marathon (cross-country)  
Phase A: max. 5 km  
Phase B: 5 obstacles, of which 1 water obstacle
- 25 Obstacle driving: cone-driving test (track width + 25 cm)



### ***Horses aged 6+: pairs***

Tests:

- 26 Dressage FEI Driven Dressage Senior Test **1\*A** (*sand arena: 100 x 40 m*)
- 27 Marathon (cross-country)
  - Phase A: max. 5 km
  - Phase B: 5 obstacles, of which 1 water obstacle
- 28 Obstacle driving: cone-driving test (track width + 25 cm)

### ***Horses aged 6+: four-in-hand***

Tests:

- 29 Dressage FEI Driven Dressage Senior Test **1\*A** (*sand arena: 100 x 40 m*)
- 30 Marathon (cross-country)
  - Phase A: max. 5 km
  - Phase B: 5 obstacles, of which 1 water obstacle
- 31 Obstacle driving: cone-driving test (track width + **35 cm**)

## **12. 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 cavaletti followed by 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***

- 32 Free jumping

## **13. Western Pleasure**

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

Arena: 60 x 40 m (sand arena)

### ***Young horses***

33 Test 1

34 Test 2

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

### ***Horses aged 6+***

35 Test 1

36 Test 2

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding.

## **14. Trail**

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

Arena: 60 x 40 m (sand arena)

Pattern: see attachment

### ***Young horses***

37 Test 1

38 Test 2

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

### ***Horses aged 6+***

39 Test 1

40 Test 2

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding.

## **15. Western Horsemanship**

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

Arena: 60 x 40 m (sand arena)

### ***Young horses***

41 Test 1

42 Test 2

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

### ***Horses aged 6+***

- 43 Test 1
- 44 Test 2

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding.

## **16. Ranch Riding**

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

Arena: 60 x 40 m (sand arena)

### ***Young horses***

- 45 Test 1
- 46 Test 2

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

### ***Horses aged 6+***

- 47 Test 1
- 48 Test 2

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding.

## **17. Reining**

For technical reasons (terrain conditions), all reining tests will take place in a suitable arena other than Stadl Paura Pferdezentrum. Horses will be accommodated at Stadl Paura Pferdezentrum and must be transported to the arena for the tests.

There is no division into age groups and performance classes of the riders.

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

### ***Young horses***

- 49 Go 1: Pattern 5
- 50 Go 2: Pattern 8
- 51 Final go: Pattern 5

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

### ***Horses aged 6+***

- 52 Go 1: Pattern 6
- 53 Go 2: Pattern 9
- 54 Final go: Pattern 6

Only curb bits and (1) one-handed riding.

## **18. Mountain trail**

Course with mandatory obstacles as laid out in the IMTCA rule book.

### ***Young horses***

55 Trail 1

### ***Horses aged 6+***

56 Trail 2

## **19. Show jumping relay competition ("Nations Cup") Special event (no EUCH title)**

The event follows the FEI-Jumping Rules, Art. 268 – Relax Competitions:

[https://inside.fei.org/system/files/GA17 Annex 15.3.pdf](https://inside.fei.org/system/files/GA17_Annex_15.3.pdf)