

2009 TQB (TRIBUNALS FOR QUALIFIED BREEDING STOCK) RULES & REGULATIONS

I. INTRODUCTION.

These Rules & Regulations govern the procedure by which horses in the Main Register of the LG-PRE-ANCCE Stud Book can participate in the performance tests officially established within the framework of the PRE Selection Scheme, for their genetic evaluation for conformation and their Aptitude for Riding and, where relevant, be registered in the “Qualified Breeding Stock” register of the LG-PRE-ANCCE Stud Book.

II. ENTRY:

1. Those stallions wishing to participate in a Tribunal for Qualified Breeding Stock (TQB) must be at least four (4) years old the year they are presented.
2. Mares must be at least three (3) years old the year they are presented, if they are not planning on taking part in the ridden test.

Should a mare voluntarily wish to be presented in a ridden test, this must be indicated on the entry form, and she must be the same age as the stallions, at least four (4) years old.

3. To hold a TQB, a sufficient number of horses must be entered. The horses entered by a single breeder may not exceed 60% of the total. This regulation may only be disregarded should the horses be government owned.
4. No TQB may take place at the same time as a conformation competition or any other activity
5. The deadline for entering a TQB is one week prior to the celebration of the event.
6. All breeders (participating in a TQB) must send ANCCE a copy of the certificate confirming that the horse is free of OCD, issued by the University of Cordoba Veterinarian Hospital X-Ray Reading Center (HCV) and include it in the entry form.

7. To enter a horse in a TQB, it will be necessary to send the correctly completed entry form to the ANCCE Competition and Selection Scheme Department.

III. DOCUMENTATION TO BE PRESENTED:

1. All horses wishing to take part in a TQB must present the following Original Documentation when called by the veterinarian for measuring:
2. Passport of the horse.
3. Certification from the University of Cordoba HCV, stating that the horse is free of any OCD that would exclude it from participating in a TQB.
4. Compliance with the veterinary protocol, according to the corresponding appendix.
 - a. STALLIONS:
 - Minimum height of 1.56 m at the withers
 - Sperm count
 - Clinical examination of the reproductive apparatus.
 - Absence of defects that could be transmissible or negatively affect reproduction, as well as monorchism, cryptorchidism and inguinal or scrotal hernias.
 - b. MARES
 - Minimum height of 1.54 m at the withers
 - Clinical examination of the reproductive apparatus.
 - Absence of defects that could be transmissible or negatively affect reproduction.
5. The result of each of these tests and the veterinary protocol required in point 4 will be reflected on one or various Veterinary Certificates (Official Document issued by the corresponding Official Board of Veterinarians).
6. The horses presented at a TQB could, during the days of the test, be required to undergo a veterinary examination of their reproductive apparatus, or to an X-ray examination, using the necessary means.

IV. JUDGES:

1. In 2009, the TQBs will be judged on three different aspects:
 - Conformation and Movement.
 - Ridden Test.
 - Lineal Conformation Evaluation.
2. In 2009, the following are judges for Conformation:



- Mr. Fernando Caballos Rufino.
- Mr. Rafael Ortiz Alcalá Zamora.
- Mr. Vicente Jodar Fernández.
- Mr. Manuel Naz Rubio.

TQB judges may not judge conformation competitions taking place either in Spain or abroad.

3. In the Ridden Test, the 2009 judges will be:
 - Mr. Juan Carlos Campos Escribano.
 - Mr. Enrique Guerrero Mayer.
 - Mr. Jorge Conde Lazaro.
 - Mr. David Mérida Martin.
4. The data from the Lineal Evaluation will not influence the score at the TQB, and will only be used to supply data for the Selection Scheme.
5. The data generated during the evaluation of the ridden test will be used as the performance test for riding, within the Breed Selection Scheme, to genetically evaluate the aptitude for riding.
6. The Lineal Conformation Evaluation will be carried out by one of the ANCCE Lineal Conformation Evaluation Judges. The results of this evaluation will not influence the score at the TQB, and will only be used as a performance test with regards to conformation, within the Selection Scheme.

V. JUDGING PROCEDURE:

The Conformation test will be held first, followed by the Ridden Test.

1. Conformation test:

1. This test is obligatory for all horses.
2. There will be two (2) main judges taking part, from which an average score will be obtained; a third judge will act as reserve in case of any incompatibility with any horse.
3. During the Conformation Test, the judges may not talk to one another. Judges may touch any part of the horse they wish.
4. Conformation will be judged according to the Conformation File found in the Appendix, which will judge the following parameters:

1. **Head.**
 2. **Neck.**
 3. **Shoulder and withers.**
 4. **Back and Loins.**
 5. **Chest and Thorax.**
 6. **Croup and Tail.**
 7. **Forelimbs and limb alignment.**
 8. **Hind limbs and limb alignment.**
 9. **Breed fidelity**
 10. **Overall impression.**
 11. **Walk**
 12. **Trot**
 13. **Canter**
5. The judges must explain, in writing, the reasons for any area being scored as bad or very bad.
 6. Each horse will have a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes to carry out the conformation test, which could be extended should the judges so require.
 7. The starting order will be established in groups of stallions and mares, from youngest to oldest.
 8. If the Judges observe that a horse is clearly lame, they may to conclude the evaluation early, declaring the horse as NOT PRESENTED at that tribunal.
 9. The score obtained will be out of a total of 130 points per judge. The final score will be the average of the two judges.
 10. The result of the Conformation Test for the stallions could be:
 - **APPROVED:** 90 points or more
 - **PENDING RIDDEN TEST:** Between 89 and 90.
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 89 points.
 11. In the case of mares that do not perform the Ridden Test, it could be:
 - **APPROVED:** 90 points or more.
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 90 points
 12. In the case of the mares performing the Ridden Test, it could be:
 - **APPROVED:** 89 points or more.
 - **PENDING RIDDEN TEST:** Between 88 and 89.

- **NOT APPROVED: Less than 88 points.**

13. Any horse with an average score of VERY BAD for one body area or BAD for two areas will be immediately declared NOT APPROVED.

2. Ridden Test:

1. The Ridden Test is mandatory for all stallions whose result in the Conformation Test is Approved or Pending Ridden Test.
2. Horses obtaining the result of Not Approved in the Conformation Test may voluntarily take part in the Ridden Test. These details will not be calculated for the TQB, but will be used as information for the Genetic Performance and Evaluation Test for Riding.
3. There will be one (1) dressage judge.
4. Mares who request this test on their entry form may voluntarily take part in the Ridden Test; the same conditions of age being applicable to their entry.
5. The score obtained will be out of a total of 40 points.
6. The results of the Ridden Test, in the case of the **Stallions** could be:
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 22 points.
 - **SUFFICIENT:** Between 22 and 27 points.
 - **APPROVED:** 28 points or more.
7. The results of the Ridden Test, in the case of the **mares** could be :
 - **NOT APPROVED:** Less than 21 points.
 - **SUFFICIENT:** Between 21 and 26 points.
 - **APPROVED:** 27 points or more.
8. The sections to be judged in this test will be: Walk, trot, canter, general attitude and impression.
9. The work of the horse will be judged during a free-style test, according to the Appendix – Ridden Test, which will have a maximum duration of four (4) minutes.
10. The judges must explain, in writing, the reasons for any area being scored as Not Approved.

11. If the Judges observe that a horse is clearly lame, they may to conclude the evaluation early, declaring the horse as NOT PRESENTED at that tribunal.

3. TABLE OF RESULTS:

Depending on the evaluations obtained in the two above-mentioned tests, the final evaluation of a horse will be one of the following:

<u>CONFORMATION</u>	<u>RIDDEN TEST</u>	<u>FINAL SCORE</u>
APPROVED	APPROVED	APPROVED
APPROVED	SUFFICIENT	APPROVED
APPROVED	NOT APPROVED	NOT APPROVED
PENDING R.T.	APPROVED	APPROVED
PENDING R.T.	SUFFICIENT	NOT APPROVED
PENDING R.T.	NOT APPROVED	NOT APPROVED
NOT APPROVED	-----	NOT APPROVED

4. RECORDS AND RESULTS

1. Once the tests of the Tribunal have concluded, the breeders will be notified of the results. The updated documentation of the horse will be returned, and the store sheets and judges' notes can be viewed.
2. Each owner will receive a Record of the results of their horse at the Tribunal.

VI. SESSIONS:

1. All horses have the opportunity to attend two (2) TQBs. If, at the first one, it was considered NOT APPROVED, the horse will have a second opportunity, being able to take advantage of this during the same year or the following year.
2. Should a horse, for any reason, not succeed at this second opportunity, it may choose to be presented at one of the Extraordinary TQBs that will be held for this reason.
3. If a horse was once again considered NOT APPROVED, it will have no further opportunities in a TQB.

4. The extraordinary TQBs will be governed by the mandates laid out in these Rules & Regulations, bearing in mind that those horses that are presented at this meeting must present a Certificate from the University of Cordoba HCV declaring them free of OCD which would exclude them from participating in a TQB, if this was not done at one of the previous TQBs when the horse was considered NOT APPROVED.
5. At the Extraordinary TQBs, horses will be evaluated by judges who are different from those judging them previously.

VII. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE BREEDER.

1. Rights:

- To present any horse owned, under the conditions foreseen in these Rules & Regulations, at a TQB.
- To obtain the documentation referring to the evaluation of their horse at a TQB as described.
- To appeal at the OCD reports issued by the University of Cordoba HCV.

2. Obligations:

- To pay the sum established each year to enter a horse in a TQB.
- To pay for the OCD reports issued by the University of Cordoba HCV.
- Breeders and their staff must, at all times during the TQB, show respect toward judges, evaluators and members of the organizing committee.
- Farm managers and handlers must carry out their functions dressed as required for conformation competitions.
- All horses must be presented sufficiently in advance to enter according to the established timetable and starting times.
- The Rules & Regulations established for Conformation Competitions must be respected at the TQBs, with regards to the horses, handlers, riders, owners and judges, with regards to behavior and the rules regarding incompatibilities. Equally, the Disciplinary Rules & Regulations laid out therein will also apply at these Tribunals.

All the above is applicable, provided that there is no regulation is in breach of the mandates laid out in these Rules & Regulations.

Appendix – 2009 Fees

- For 2009, the entry fee for a TQB will be two hundred and thirty-five euros (€235).
- OCD Reports from the University of Cordoba HCV has been established at ninety euros (€90) plus VAT.
- If the breeder who has requested the report presents the horse at a TQB, there will be a discount in the entry fee for the TQB of the following sum:
 - Ninety euros (€90) for Full Members of ANCCE.
 - Sixty euros (€60) for Associate Members or Members of an Association that is a Member of ANCCE.
 - Thirty euros (€30) all other breeders.