



Abu Dhabi Festival - Open ride

CEN 120 km on Sunday 10th March 2024

Emirates International Endurance Village, Al Wathba, Abu Dhabi

Ride Category	Ride Distance	Age of Horses	Registration	Pre-ride Inspection	Start Date/Time	Max. Heart Rate	Minimum Weight
CEN	120 Km	7 years & above	Saturday 9.03.2024 12.00 – 16.00 pm	Saturday 9.03.2024 14.00 – 17.00 pm	Sunday 10.03.2024 6.00 am	64 bpm	60 kg

Phase	Colour	Distance (km)	Total (km)	Presentations	Compulsory Re-exam	Present In (min)	Max. Time for Vet Inspection (sec)	Hold Time (min)	Max. Ride Time
1	Blue	40	40	2	--	20	75 seconds	50	18.10 pm on 10 th Mar' 2024
2	Yellow	35	75	2	---	20	75 seconds	40	
3	Red	25	100	2	Yes	20	75 seconds	40	
4	White	20	120	1	---	20	75 seconds	Finish	

- Horses must be presented with an approved *National passport or FEI passport*
- All the horses have to be micro-chipped.
- The electronic heart rate monitor and display system shall be used to determine the heart rate of horses as per set protocol.
- At the Pre-ride Inspection please ensure that the horse is sufficiently warmed up before inspection. Any horse which will not permit examination or which is dangerous to the examiners shall be eliminated.
- Pre-ride Briefing will be held at the end of the First Inspection.
- Riders must wear hard type riding helmets with chin strap and shoes with heels unless they use caged (boxed) or equestrian stirrups.
- Whips, spurs, draw (running) reins/French reins & long reins are not permitted. The horse's head must have freedom of movement.
- Horse tack must be in a safe condition and correctly fitted to avoid the risk of pain or injury to the Horse.
- Any shank (lever arm) on any bit may not exceed 10 cm.**
- A curb chain may never be so tightly fixed that it risks causing (or causes) irritation to the skin. It must be observed to have laxity when the reins are loose
- Ear plugs are strictly prohibited.
- Metal chain nosebands are forbidden. A leather or plastic noseband is permitted but must be adjusted to allow at least two fingers under the noseband on the front of the nose.
- Pulling the horse's head down, feeding the horse or in any way touching the horse to attempt to influence the outcome of the heart rate assessment is prohibited.
- Any kind of Blinkers are strictly forbidden during the competition
- Four crew members are permitted for each horse in the cooling area, rest area and the loops. The Assisting crew must wear a vest with the number same as on the rider and horse. The right of the crew to access these areas is lost upon removal of the Rider/horse from the competition.
- Only two crew members are permitted with the horse in the inspection area (vetting area). Any act of deliberate delay in presenting the horse for examination will be severely dealt with.
- No vehicles will be allowed in any forestry area and near the track or routes during the competition. Crew members & drivers please note that any act amounting to obstruction/intimidation of a competition horse or rider will be severely dealt with. Giving water or assistance from inside a car is forbidden.

- No crewing is allowed in the entrances or inside the vet gate. Crew is not permitted to wait for the horse at the Time Window.
- Pulse Re-Inspection requires a new Vet-In Time. The exit of the horse from the Vet Inspection Area must be recorded at the "Way Out" window before a new Vet-In Time can be given
- Compulsory or requested Inspections shall be no earlier than 15 minutes before departure.
- Horses not presented to an official Ride Veterinarian after removal from active competition will automatically lead to Disqualification for "Horse Not Presented", 60 days' rest period for that horse, Yellow Warning Card for Athlete and Trainer, 100 Penalty points for Athlete and Trainer.
- Should an Athlete wish to retire their Horse at the end of a Phase, the Horse must be presented to the Vetting Area and pass all required Inspections. The maximum time a Horse has for Retirement after completing a Phase is its hold time plus 15 minutes.
- At the first Vet Gate and onwards, except for the Final Inspection, all Horses entering with more than 10 minutes recovery time must pass a compulsory re-inspection.
- Failure to comply with the time limits for presentation of the Horse to the Vetting Area will result in Disqualification for Late Presentation.
- No Combination may start later than 15 minutes after the official start time of each Phase.
- If an Athlete is weighed during a Competition and is under the minimum weight by less than 1kg, the Athlete will be permitted to continue except for the final loop. If during the same Competition the Athlete is weighed again and is under the minimum weight (by any amount), the Combination will be Disqualified
- Providing and accepting any kind of assistance on any part of the course, except specially designated areas for such an aid, is strictly forbidden under penalty of a Yellow Warning Card and disqualification
- It is strictly prohibited to take the horses outside the respective stables during the hold time and rest between the loops in the village
- It is strictly forbidden to make any press or television interviews in the Vet Gate and the cooling area
- Riders must present their Photo ID card when they come for weighing.
- It is strictly forbidden to provide all kinds of support for horses and riders in the last 2 km to the finish line at the final loop except with the approval of the Ground Jury.