

Addendum :

Affiliation with ECAHO HIGH POINTS HORSE SYSTEM.

Pleasure Classes organized according to the ECAHO Green Book 2017, **can be** * included in the ECAHO "High Point Horse System".

To be included, the invitation with preliminary timetable, entry conditions and the list of minimum 2 Judges need to be approved by ECAHO Sport Commission.

Use the official affiliation form for this.

Extra info for participants:

Show ring outfit for handlers: for in hand showing AND sport competitions

All handlers should be neatly dressed. No naked legs or arms allowed. Long pants and shirt with long sleeves, buttoned up, obligatory in all disciplines, from in hand showing to reining. Only exceptions are costume classes, side saddle and native costume classes. Correct footwear obligated, **open shoes, heels or sandals are NOT accepted.**

In case of hot weather (25° Celsius or more) riders can take of their riding jackets with no effect on their ranking or scoring, long sleeved shirt stays obligatory.

Pleasure and trail classes follow the ECAHO Green book, all supported by information on the judging manual, please find all info on www.Ecaho.org

FEI Approved Helmet In all classes for safety reasons, all riders are allowed to wear a (FEI approved) helmet instead of a western hat. **Athletes under the age of 18 years old must wear a Protective Headgear (safety helmet) at all times while riding. This is mandatory! Failure to wear such Protective Headgear where and when required, after being notified to do so by an Official, shall result in disqualification of the Athlete.**

Other tack and outfit regulations / suggestions

1) **WESTERN PLEASURE** (Ecaho, EAHSpSC affiliated): we follow the green book, only 1 exception: **In Novice class**, horses no matter their age can be ridden with a snaffle bit on 2 hands.

Headstall for western outfits depends on the type of bit used. With a snaffle bit, earpieces are not allowed, browband and throat latch are obligatory with snaffle bit.

2) **CLASSIC PLEASURE** (Ecaho, EAHSpSC affiliated): no exceptions to the official rules , Black or dark blue jacket and white pants obligated

3) **HUNTER PLEASURE NOVICE** (Ecaho, EAHSpSC affiliated): riders are advised (for their own benefit) to use a hunter saddle, but a classical dressage saddle will be allowed. Note : in higher levels this will NOT be accepted .

ADVICE on Hunter Pleasure clothing: a coat of conservative colour (brown, grey, hunter green) made of materials that are suitable for hunting. Discreet patterns such as tweeds, hounds tooth, jacquard, pinstripes, or subtle plaids are allowed. Coats must be darker than the breeches or jodhpurs. Brocades, raised patterns, or glossy/metallic/shiny fabrics or materials are not suitable for hunting.

Ornamentation other than a stock or lapel pin, tie clip or tack, or monogram are not allowed on any item of attire.

Gloves are recommended, but must be of conservative colour.

Boots and a conservatively coloured hunting cap are mandatory. .

Note: Bright colours, frills and flare are not proper. Formal attire is not permitted.

4) **TRAIL RIDDEN** (Ecaho, EAHSpSC affiliated): preferably a full western outfit and tack will be used, including hat or helmet. Horses no matter their age can be ridden with a snaffle bit In 2 hands.

Headstall for western outfits depends on the type of bit used. With a snaffle bit, earpieces are not allowed, brow band and throat latch are obligatory with snaffle bit.

Full English outfit and matching tack will be accepted.

NO Whips allowed !!

5) **TRAIL IN HAND** : COSTUME: preferably a full western outfit and tack will be used, including hat or helmet (no saddle, no bit), with a Leather show halter.

The handler can also decide to wear a full English riding outfit including boots and cap, or a normal in hand show outfit . In this case horses can be presented in a clean leather stable halter or in an Arabian Show halter, preferably with a leather lead.

Arabian in hand show halter must be closed under the chin by a chin strap independent of the chain.

Chain allowed (never to be used through the mouth).

In hand trail lead should be of a maximal length of 150cm, optional chain should not be longer than 80cm total

No bit or spurs allowed.

Use of whip allowed in Novice In Hand Trail for 2019 season, Whip should not be longer than 110cm, with or without short (max 8cm) plastic tassel ! Touching the horse with the whip is not allowed.

In Advanced In Hand trail the use of whip is NOT allowed

Note: Touching the horse is NOT allowed, not even to reward the horse, until you left the ring !!

Age of horse regulations in the sport disciplines:

In hand trail, in novice level, is open for horses with a minimum age of 9 months on the day of the competition.

In hand trail, in advanced level, is open for horses becoming 2 year or older in the year of the competition (counted from year of birth).

All mounted classes (ridden trail and pleasure) are open for horses from the year they become 4yrs of age. (reining has its own rules for age, please check green book)

*: Referring to AHO, EAHS or results in the US, Canada or... In case of doubt, pls contact AAC Comm.