



1st Asian Equestrian Federation (AEF) U-21 Dressage Championship 2018

The Championship for **age riders (athletes) from 12 years to 21 years old** (from the 1st January of which they reach their 12th birthday to 31st December of which they reach their 21st birthday) is held from **September to the dates of the Final Competition** in accordance with the FEI Dressage, FEI General Regulations, and Veterinary Regulations currently in force.

ARTICLE 1 - PRINCIPLES

1.1 The AEF Asian U-21 Dressage Championship consists of:

➤ **The Zone Competition (Qualifier):**

The event to be held in each NF served as Qualifier to the Final Competition is open to a maximum of **40** starters for every NF with AEF full membership.

➤ **The Final Competition on Borrowed Horses:**

The event is only for the best 3 riders from zone ranking list and 3 riders from the hosting NF (the Organizer of the Final Competition). The number of best riders from zone ranking list is subject to change, based on the numbers of borrowed horses available and participating NFs, if necessary. The final competition is a two round competition with different horses provided in each round.

1.2 The Competition Class

FEI World Dressage Challenge Senior 1 Test (FEI INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION TEST Children)

<https://inside.fei.org/system/files/Children%20Individual%202018.pdf>

In the future, the test level is expected to be FEI World Dressage Challenge Senior 2 Test (FEI Team Competition Test Juniors).



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1.3 FORMULA

➤ The Zone Competition (Qualifier)

Day 1: Judges' arrival (same judges appointed for one zone)

Horse Inspection (late afternoon prior to the competition day **or** on the morning of the competition. However, in extreme tight itinerary, the inspection may be conducted one hour before the competition.)

Day 2: Championship Zone Competition

Expected to be finished no later than 14:00pm (**Attachment 1**) in case a tight schedule for judges to fly to next NF.

Day 3: Judges' departure

➤ The Final Competition on Borrowed Horses

15th-17th of November 2018 in Doha, Qatar (**the dates are subject to change**)

Day 1:

Arrival Day for Officials and Riders

Horse Qualification Check and Inspection (late afternoon prior to the competition day)

Day 2:

Technical Meeting and Draws (for starting order and horses in the 1st Final Competition)

Championship Final Competition 1 –

Morning: Trial Ride ; Afternoon: Competition 1 (1st round)

Day 3:

Horse Draw for the 2nd Final Competition

Championship Final Competition 2 –

Morning: Trial Ride ; Afternoon: Competition 2 (2nd round)

Prize Giving and Farewell

Day 4: Departure Day for Officials and Riders



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ARTICLE 2 - PARTICIPATION

- 2.1 The AEF U-21 Dressage Championship Competition is open to National Federations (NFs) which are AEF full members.
- 2.2 Except those NFs (Chinese Taipei, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand) already expressed their interest to participate the Championship in the preliminary survey, the **Participation Form (Attachment 2)** must be submitted to the AEF before **July 10** for other NFs wishing to participate now (all forms should be submitted to AEF Dressage Committee at waldoyeh@yahoo.com.tw with copy to AEF Secretariat at secretariat@asianef.org
- 2.3 The Competition is open to 12 to 21 years old riders (athletes born from 1997 to 2006).
- 2.4 In the Championship, "Athletes Living outside their country of nationality" (as defined in the FEI General Regulations) **cannot** compete for their country of residence.
- 2.5 The Championship Competition is open to all horses of any origin provided they have successfully passed the Veterinary Inspection. Horses may compete if they are a minimum of 5 years of age.
- 2.6 The AEF U-21 Asian Dressage Championship **must take precedence over any other competition organized in its framework.**
- 2.7 It is the responsibility of the National Federation to select the participants (horses/riders) for the Zone Competition in strict accordance with the participation rules above and make sure that athletes and horses comply with these rules.
- i. Athlete: An athlete is only allowed to start once in the Championship.
 - ii. Horse: A horse is only allowed to start once in the Championship.



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ARTICLE 3 - GROUND JURY

3.1 The Competition within the Zone is judged by the same Ground Jury, consisting of the same two FEI Dressage Judges appointed by the AEF, who travel from NF to NF until their tour is completed and all competitions have taken place.

3.2 As an exception to Art. 437.1, only two Judges will judge the Zone Competition. The competition will be judged with the President of Ground Jury (PGJ) placed along the short side of the arena at "C" (see Art. 429.5) and the Member at "E".

In the Final Competition, the Ground Jury however must consist of a minimum of three (3) members as required. Three judges will be placed at "C", "M", and "E".

3.3 After each competition in the respective NFs, the President of the Ground Jury is responsible for establishing a running record as to the results and placing of the individual athletes within the Zone. This running record must be sent to the AEF immediately following the last competition.

3.4 According to Art. 2 of Codex for FEI Dressage, a judge must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest. A judge must have a neutral, independent and fair position towards athletes, owners, trainers, organizers and other officials and integrate well into a team. Financial and/or personal interest must never influence or be perceived to influence his/her way of judging.

3.5 Marking (FEI Dressage Rules Art. 432)

All half marks from 0.5-9.5 may also be used both for movements and collective marks, at the discretion of the Judges.

ARTICLE 4 – HEADGEAR, DRESS, SADDLERY & ARENA

4.1 Protective Headgear: according to Art. 427.1 dressage rules Protective Headgear has to be worn by all Athletes (as well as any other person) at all times while mounted and by U-25 for the horse inspection. Any athlete (as well as any other person) violating this provision must immediately be prohibited from further riding until the Protective Headgear is properly in place. Only Protective Headgear is allowed to wear in the Championship.



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4.2 Dress: according to Art. 427.2 A black or dark blue jacket or tail coat, white or off white breeches, stock or tie, gloves, and black riding boots must be worn.

4.3 Saddlery must be as laid down in Art. 428 of the FEI Dressage Rules. An ordinary snaffle **must** be used. A double bridle is only allowed under the authority of the Ground Jury. This applies in the practice and competition arenas.

Whip: According to Art. 428.3, it is forbidden to carry a whip of any kind while competing in the arena. However, the use of one whip, with a total maximum length of 120 cm in the practice area is allowed. The whip must be dropped before entering the space around the competition arena or the athlete will entail a penalty. See Art 430 of the FEI Dressage Rules.

Spurs: Spurs are optional but if used, only blunt metal spurs no longer than three and half centimeter (3.5cm) are allowed.

Gadgets: According to Art. 428.4, martingales, breast plates, bit guards, any kind of gadgets (such as bearing, side, running or balancing reins, nasal strips etc.), and any form of blinkers are under penalty of elimination and strictly forbidden. See Article 430 of the Dressage Rules.

4.4 Arena: The arena, flat and level, must be 60 meters long and 20 meters wide.

ARTICLE 5 - HORSE INSPECTION

5.1 Any horse participating must have previously passed a horse inspection carried out by a qualified Veterinarian to be appointed by the Organizing Committee (OC). The Horse Inspection must be undertaken as much as possible in accordance with the FEI General Regulations and FEI Veterinary Rules.

5.2 Horses taking part in the AEF U-21 Dressage Championship competitions in their own country are **not** required to have an official, valid FEI Passport, or a National Passport approved by the FEI accompanied by an FEI Recognition Card, as a mean of identification and to establish ownership.

5.3 All such horses must be properly registered and identifiable by diagram. Unless



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there is no national requirement for equine influenza vaccination in the host country and in the country of origin, all horses must have a valid vaccination certificate. The Inspection must take place on a firm, level and clean but not slippery surface. The horse must be walked and trotted on a loose rein. A Re-inspection is allowed.

5.4 At least one Member of the Ground Jury must be present and the Vet. Inspection must take place in principle on the day preceding the Competition.

5.5 It is up to the NF to award a Special Prize to the best presented horse based on the Ground Jury & Veterinarian's decision in the Zone Competition.

ARTICLE 6 - THE CLASSIFICATION

6.1 Only one ranking list will be established and will count towards the final classification.

6.2 **The Classification** in each NF of the Zone is decided as follows: the winner is the athlete having the highest total points converted into percentage, the second the one with the next highest total and so on. **In case of equality of points** for the first, second and/or third places **in a NF**, the higher collective marks will be decisive for the placing. If a further tie exists, the higher percentage from Judge C will be decisive. In case of equality of points for places other than the first three, the Athletes concerned are given the same rank. These also apply in the Zone Ranking as well as the Final Competition.

6.3 The classification for the Final Competition will be decided by adding together the percentage scores attained in the Competition 1 and Competition 2. The rider with the highest total percentage scores will be declared as the winner, and so on. In the event of a tie for the top three placing, please refer to Article 6.2.



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ARTICLE 7 - THE PRIZES

- 7.1 The Organizing Committee within each NF is responsible for the distribution of prizes in the normal way (at least one prize for each four athletes) for the Zone Competition.
- 7.2 The winner of each NF in the Zone Competition will receive an AEF prize. The zone winner in the Zone Competition will receive an AEF prize. The three (3) best placed riders in the Final Competition will receive AEF prizes.

ARTICLE 8 - THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- 8.1 President of ground jury (PGJ) is requested to e-mail to AEF Dressage Committee and AEF Secretariat **full results within 3 days** of the competition. NFs/OCs are requested to use and return to the AEF the **Official Result Sheet (Attachment 3)** provided for the Championship.
- 8.2 The NFs in the Zone Competition are responsible for the travelling expenses of the Judges within each respective country/NF, as well as for the accommodation (board and lodging) during their sojourn. This accommodation must be provided in a standard hotel with modern communication means (internet), which will allow for a certain amount of privacy and comfort to recover from the strain imposed on the Judges on the trip.
- 8.3 The AEF will cover the visa and air travel expenses for the Judges as well as per diem at EUR 120 per day during their sojourn in the Zone Competition.
- 8.4 While preparing publications for the competition (programs, flyers, etc.) the OC is requested to use the AEF Logo, which you will find on the AEF website under: <http://asianef.org>
- 8.5 In Article 11.2, there are more for the OC in the Final Competition.



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ARTICLE 9 – HORSES FOR THE FINAL COMPETITION

9.1 Unlike the zone competition, the riders will ride the horses provided by the OC.

The Riders should always and fully comply with the rules set by the OC when they ride the horses provided by the OC.

9.2 There will be a separate draw for each Round to decide the horses the athletes will ride in the Final. The draw shall be made in the presence of Ground Jury, the Chefs d'Equipe or Persons Responsible and Athletes. Same principle shall be applied to the draw for athlete's starting order in the first (1st) round. Reverse order of percentages in the 1st round for the athlete's starting order in the second (2nd) round.

9.3 The OC will ensure that all horses (**20 horses including spare ones**) provided are able to perform all movements under the test. The following movements are the horses should be capable to perform:

- Halt
- Half Volte Right and Left in Trot (10m Ø)
- Circle Right and Left in Trot (20m Ø)
- Shoulder-in Right and Left in Trot
- Working, Collected, and Medium Trots
- Medium Walks
- Turn on the Haunches to the Left and Right in Medium Walk
- Counter Canter
- Collected and Medium Canters
- Stretch Forward Downward of Neck on a Long Rein in Trot
- Transitions
- Serpentine with Two Loops without Changing Leads in Canter
- Simple Change of Leg from Counter Canter to Counter Canter

ARTICLE 10 - MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 Climate: In exceptional weather conditions and with the authority of the Ground Jury, the Competition may be held indoors if the competition arena has the proper measurements. The decision to move indoor must be taken before the beginning of the competition and sufficient time needs to be given to the OC for setting the arena properly.



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- 10.2 Horses Schooling: On no account and under penalty of elimination, may any horse take part in the Competition which has been schooled by anyone other than the athlete, mounted in the saddle, in or outside the town where the Competition is held, from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the Competition until the Competition is finished.
- 10.3 Bell: A bell must be provided for the President of the Ground Jury.
- 10.4 Copy Rights: any athlete entered by his or her NF in the AEF U-21 Dressage Championship concedes the rights of any photographs of the athlete and/or horse and accepts their publication in the AEF website or relevant AEF publications.
- 10.5 The Championship must be organized strictly according to FEI Rules.
- 10.6 The AEF is entitled to make reasonable amendments to the present rules.
- 10.7 All trot work is executed "sitting", unless otherwise indicated in the test.



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ARTICLE 11 – SCHEDULES & FINALISTS

11.1 Schedule for the Zone Competition

Number of NFs: 2 ZONE 1		
SOJOURN	COMPETITION	NF
5-6.10.2018	6.10.2018 (Sat.)	Singapore (SGP)
6-9.10.2018	7.10.2018 (Sun.)	Malaysia (MAS)
Number of NFs: 2 ZONE 2		
SOJOURN	COMPETITION	NF
27-29.09.2018	28.09.2018 (Fri.)	Iran (IRI)
29-31.09.2018	30.09.2018 (Sun.)	Kyrgyzstan (KGZ)
Number of NFs: 2 ZONE 3		
SOJOURN	COMPETITION	NF
19-21.09.2018	20.09.2018 (Thu.)	India (IND)
21-23.09.2018	22.09.2018 (Sat.)	Thailand (THA)
Number of NFs: 2 ZONE 4		
SOJOURN	COMPETITION	NF
4-5.10.2018	5.10.2018 (Fri.)	Indonesia (INA)
6-9.10.2018	7.10.2018 (Sun.)	Chinese Taipei (TPE)
*Competition set mainly on weekends to fit NF's request.		
*Above Schedule is subject to change, if necessary.		
*Schedule for NFs not listed on the above will be further arranged.		



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11.2 Qualification and Schedule for the Final Competition on Borrowed Horses:

Final Competition on Borrowed Horses : To be further confirmed	
Qualification	Number of Finalists
Best Ranking of Zone 1	3
Best Ranking of Zone 2	3
Best Ranking of Zone 3	3
Best Ranking of Zone 4	3
Qatar (OC of the Final)	3
Total Athletes	15
*Except the OC, a maximum of two (2) riders per NF are allowed to enter in the Final. *The number of finalists will be further adjusted if more NFs participate. *In case not all qualified Athletes in the final standings of a Zone can go to the Final, the next best riders will substitute.	

The OC in the Final Competition is responsible for the inland travelling expenses of foreign participants including Officials, Chefs d'Equipe (one only per NF) and Athletes, as well as the accommodation (board and lodging) during the competition. The amount of the sponsorship from AEF to subsidize the aforesaid expenses as well as the air travel expense and per diem during the sojourn for the Officials will be further decided by AEF after receiving a financial plan from the OC.



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Attachment 1

- Suggested Starting Order for the Zone Competition

Test time is about 3 min and 50 seconds. 7 minutes per rider for the Ground Jury is therefore suggested to be on the starting order list.

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Date: dd/mm/yyyy

Starting Order

Judge C:

Judge E:

No	Time	Rider	Horse
1	7:30am		
2	7:37am		
3	7:44am		
4	7:51am		
5	7:58am		
6	8:05am		
7	8:12am		
8	8:19am		
9	8:26am		
10	8:33am		
10 mins Break			
11	8:50am		
12	8:57am		
13	9:04am		
14	9:11am		
15	9:18am		
16	9:25am		
17	9:32am		
18	9:39am		
19	9:46am		
20	9:53am		
15 mins Break			
21	10:15am		
22	10:27am		
23	10:34am		



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24	10:41am		
25	10:48am		
26	10:55am		
27	11:02am		
28	11:09am		
29	11:16am		
30	11:23am		
10 mins Break			
31	11:40am		
32	11:47am		
33	11:54am		
34	12:01pm		
35	12:08pm		
36	12:15pm		
37	12:22pm		
38	12:29pm		
39	12:36pm		
40	12:43pm		
End & Lunch			



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Attachment 2

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Participation Form

Please complete this form and return to AEF

AEF Dressage Committee (waldoyeh@yahoo.com.tw)

AEF Secretariat (secretariat@asianef.org)

Deadline 10th of July 2018

****NO* need for NFs (Chinese Taipei, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand) to submit the Participation Form**

NAME of NATIONAL FEDERATION:

Person responsible of the competition:

Name:

Tel:

Email:

Inform the AEF that it will participate in the AEF U-21 Dressage Championship 2018.

Date: _____

NF Official: _____ (title / signature)



Attachment 3

- | 2018 AEF U-21 DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|-----------------|------|-------------|------------------|---------|
| ZONE COMPETITION (QUALIFIER) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NF: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DATES: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JUDGE C: | | | | | JUDGE E: | | | | | | | |
| ZONE COMPETITION CLASSIFICATION | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Final
Placing | Mr/Mrs/Ms | Name of
Rider | Rider's NF | Rider's
Nationality | Name of
Horse | Judge C | Judge E | Total
points | % | # of Errors | Collective Marks | |
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- Signature of Judges :
- NOTE: To be returned after the event by e-mail in Excel format to AEF Dressage Committee (waldoyeh@yahoo.com.tw) and AEF Secretariat (secretariat@asianef.org).

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➤ Official Result Form for the Final Competition:

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