

Donau Bohemia Trophy 2015

I. Specific Regulations

1. **Donau – Bohemia Trophy** 2015 is held under the patronage and supervision of the national equestrian federations of the four host countries (Austria, Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic). It takes places according to the Rules of FEI, however, the use of the dressage whip is allowed.
2. **Donau - Bohemia Trophy** consists of qualification competitions, if possible one in each country and the final competition.
3. Only Slovak, Hungarian, Austrian and Czech citizens who are holders of a valid rider's licence are allowed to take part in these **Donau Bohemia Trophy** competitions. The citizenship and the licence may be different. (Czech nationality + Slovak licence)
4. Venues:

	Region	Date	Venue
1. qualification	Austria	13.-15. March	Weikersdorf
2. qualification	Czech Republic	16. - 17. May	Brno
3. qualification	Hungary		
Finals	Slovakia		Pezinok

There will be no replacement for a cancelled competition.

5. Competitions are held in four degrees of difficulty: A / L / M / S.
6. **Dressage TESTS ARE RIDDEN**(as amended) according to the up-to-date FEI DRAFTS are to be performed in respective difficulty levels. SHEETS are written in English. SCHEDULES are the same for all the competitions held. Except level S in the Final.
7. Each competition organizer is allowed to hold another national open competition apart from DONAU-BOHEMIA DRESSAGE TROPHY. These tests need to be announced timely, right after the schedule approval. Records and their evaluation are carried out in the organizer's language and in compliance with rules of the particular country. This is applicable also for the fees.
8. Within **Donau Bohemia Trophy** both horses and ponies can take part in all competitions. The competitions can be organized as open competitions as well. **Donau Bohemia Trophy** rules are applicable for open competitions too. Horse age has to be in compliance with FEI rules.
9. **Starting fee, registration fee and stabling fee** correspond with the price list of the particular country.
10. Fee for Trophy is to be paid. Each rider is obliged to announce his/her participation prior to the start in Trophy, Friday evening before the competition is launched.
Difficulty level – A - beginner: 25 EUR
Difficulty level –L: 35 EUR
Difficulty level – M: 45 EUR
Difficulty level – S: 60 EUR
Fee for Trophy is due before the first start in this competition, i.e. during the first (Pezinok) or second (Wiener Neudorf) qualification competition.
11. Each country has to appoint a CHEF D'EQUIPE who will be in person (or his representative) present at the drawing. Also one representative of judges and riders has to be present at the drawing in

accordance with the FEI rules. **Registration of horses** from neighbouring regions is carried out through the respective **Donau-Bohemia Trophy** organization and national equestrian federation.

12. **Organization.** The persons responsible for meeting the regulations of respective national federations are as follows: Mrs. Victoire Mandl – Austria; Dr. Ilja Vietor - Slovakia; temporary Mrs. Orsolya Hillier - Hungary; Mgr. Lenka Sekaninová - Czech Republic. They shall appoint a team leader for each competition and he/she is responsible for a validity of riders' licences and competence of horses to enter the competition.

Generally: ENTRIES IN PRINCIPLE need to be received by the organizer three weeks before the competition at the latest. DERFINITE ENTRIES must be delivered at the latest two weeks prior to the competition. Respective federations are responsible for registrations. Signing off after the deadline is possible only in accordance with the FEI rules.

13. **Judges:** Judge staff at all the competitions consists of at least 1 Judge from the hosting country and at least 2 judges from the foreign countries Trophy competitions are refereed separately. At least one foreign judge has to participate in each of the Trophy competitions. The levels A (beginners) and L can be judged in the qualifier competitions with 2 judges. One on the short and one on the long side. One of them shall be foreign. If a judge has to cancel his confirmation he/she can be replaced by another judge in accordance with the organizer.
14. Horses involved must have a valid certificate (last vaccination within the past 6 months + 21 days) and Cogginstest, which must not be older than 2 years in the Czech Republic and 1 year in Hungary.

II. Qualification

1. Qualification competitions and Finals

Difficulty Levels	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Beginners-A	FEI Challenge - preliminary	FEI Challenge - preliminary	FEI Children - preliminary
L	FEI Children – Team	FEI Children - Team	FEI Children -individual
M	FEI Juniors - preliminary	FEI Juniors - teams	FEI Junior individual
S	FEI Young Riders - preliminary	FEI Young Riders (=St. Georg)	FEI Young Riders individual/Intermediaite FS in Final

2. **Qualifications:** There are three qualification competitions. They are held during the second and the third day. The competitions taking place on the first day are open and they are not counted into the qualifications. The riders can take part with different horses in preliminary competitions. However, in the final competition riders can only start with the horse, which participated at least in one of the qualification competitions with the result of at least 1x 60%. The rider has to achieve minimum 3 x 60% in total. Starts in the open competitions on the first day are not compulsory. At least the results of the qualified riders has to be published. If the organiser prefers to hold the qualification competition only on 2 days, it is optional, but should be announced in time.
3. Only horse-riders duos that have never entered a competition on the LM level or higher until the first qualification competition are allowed to start in the qualification competitions of the "beginner"
4. Riders that have entered before in Grand Prix and Horse-Rider duos never entered in S level or higher cannot enter the A and L Trophy.
5. The above-mentioned facts are not applicable for open national competitions.
6. In accordance with the rules above each rider can start in 2 Trophy categories provided that each of the starts is carried out with a different horse. Only in "beginner" category – division 1 (Children 14 years and younger) two riders can start on the same horse. Both riders shall be evaluated.
7. **Starting order:** The order of qualifications is set by drawing lots (by means of PC).

8. It is necessary to register to the next day's competition by 19:00. Then the drawing lots take place under the supervision of one of the referees and at least one competitor and/or team leader from each of the countries. Accordingly the starting-lists shall be elaborated. Changing the starting times after drawing lots is forbidden. In the competition office there has to be at least one English speaking person at any time.
9. Riders' equipment has to be in compliance with applicable FEI rules. However the whip is permitted (length: 1.2 m; for ponies 1 m)

III. Finals

1. Friday, Saturday's and Sunday's results of a respective level are counted into the Finals results. If two or more riders have same number of points the result of Sunday is decisive
2. Only the riders who have participated in at least **2 qualification competitions** and have reached more than 60 % (2 competitions) at least 3 times are qualified into the Finals.
3. **Starting order:** The riders start in the Finals according to the order drawn on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Eventual wild card holders start as the first ones. (but a wild-card holder has to pay the Trophy fee)
4. In the Finals the same tests are to be performed as in qualification competitions, except Level S.
5. Monetary prizes:

	Total	1 st PRIZE	2 nd PRIZE	3 rd PRIZE	4 th PRIZE	5 th PRIZE	6 th PRIZE
Difficulty Level – S	2,250.00	750.00	550.00	450.00	300.00	150.00	50.00
Difficulty Level – M	1,750.00	600.00	450.00	300.00	200.00	150.00	50.00
Difficulty Level -L	1,350.00	450.00	350.00	250.00	150.00	100.00	50.00
Difficulty Level – A BEGINNERS		Prizes in kind					

In compliance with applicable legal regulations 20 % of the prize money of foreign competition participators is to be deducted due to tax RULES

Because of this fact foreign riders placed in top 6 will receive a monetary prize decreased by 20 %.

Home-country riders placed in top 6 are responsible for the taxation on their own.

IV. Prize Giving Ceremony

1. Only top 3 riders participate in the prize giving ceremony during qualifications. They shall receive prizes in kind and ribbons. At least 25 % of riders who start in the competition shall be decorated. Riders placed from 4th to the last position shall enter the prize giving ceremony without their horses but they are still obliged to have riders' clothing on. Organizing committee shall hand them the ribbons.
2. Finals prize giving ceremony is started by entry of participant countries (riders in riders clothing without horses). Each category winner shall receive prize in kind and top 6 riders also a monetary prizes (gross-brutto) according to the table above.
Exception: Category A riders at first positions shall receive prizes in kind.