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Subject : European championship for apprentices 2018

Dear Sir,

We would like to inform you that according to the decision approved by the 74th General Assembly of UET on January 27, 2018 in Paris, the European championship for apprentices (4 races) will be organised by Russia on September 1st and 2nd, 2018 on Akbuzat racetrack.

According to the rules of this championship, only drivers not older than 25 years who are professionally employed and educated as an apprentice due to national regulation and having at least 5 victories will be admitted (no amateur drivers).

We would like to remind you that the travelling expenses, for the apprentice representing your country from his hometown to Russia and back, are at your own charge. The apprentices will be hosted on a full board basis (double room) and guests have to pay their own rooms.

Please be so kind enough to complete the enclosed questionnaire and send it back to the UET secretariat before June 20, 2018, with a photograph of the apprentice and all information about the accompanying persons (number of hotel rooms and travel schedule).

Also, I remind you that the driver must wear racing gear with the colours of his country.

Sincerely Yours.

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COUNTRY: _____

**Questionnaire regarding the European Championship for Apprentices
Ak buzat, Russia – September 1st and 2nd, 2018**

Name of the apprentice: _____

Full address: _____

Home track/employed by: _____

Date of birth _____

Issuing day of the licence: _____

Total number of races driven: _____

Number of victories in 2017 and in career _____

The best performance in his/her career (year, track, race, horse):

Driving colours: _____

Number of rooms single or double and name(s) of accompanying persons

Arrival and departure dates

Hobbies / Interests _____

This questionnaire shall be sent before **June 20th, 2018**

**Please email a photography portrait of the apprentice
WEARING THE RACING COLOURS OF THE COUNTRY**

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XXXII EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR APPRENTICES - REGULATION

The European Championship for Apprentices (below Championship) is organized under the care of U.E.T. with Commonwealth Trotting Association of Russia, JSC "Russian racecourses", «Akbuzat» hippodrome.

1. Participants

Only apprentices (one per country) who are **not older than 25 years** during the year of the Championship, holding licences delivered by the Trotting Authorities of their country of origin, insurance policies, forfeit lists and employed by a professional trainer are admitted to take part in the Championship. **They must have at least 5 victories and less than 100 victories.** The driver must have the nationality of the country that he is representing.

For participants of the Championship host country provides trotters of 4 y.o. and older.

2. Time and place

Championship will be on **September 1-2, 2018.**

Place – «Akbuzat» hippodrome, Russia (Ufa).

3. The distance and conditions of the Prix

Distance – 1600 m

The Championship consists of two races (two heats each), Each driver participating in the European Championship for Apprentices is obliged - except in case of force majeure - to participate in all races of the Championship (4 starts).

The horses will be assigned by public drawing in two hours before the first heats of each race.

Two reserve horses per race should be available.

The distribution of the horses to the 2nd heat of each race will be carried out in accordance with the table:

Place of driver in 1 st heat	↓	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Place of horse in 1 st heat		12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

During horses allocation to the 2nd heat, places of horses in 1st heat are taken into account, regardless of disqualification.

If a driver cannot participate, the representative of Russia (host country) appoints another driver for this horse entered to the program. This horse will receive no points. The total number of participants in the races must be even.



The winners

- The driver with the highest score after the qualification races, will be declared European Champion.
- Winning first place in any of the heats is not necessary.
- With an equal number of points between two or more drivers, the winner is the driver that has the best place in one of the heats. In case of equality of places, winner is determined by the lowest amount of time results of the four heats.
- In case of equality and this index, the place is divided between the drivers.
- Points are awarded to drivers in the table

Place of a driver	↓	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Points		19	14	11	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

- When a horse is stopped or disqualified, or when he passes the post in an irregular gait, his driver will receive 1 point.

4. Awarding of winners

1st place – driver – cup, medal, ribbon

2nd place – driver – cup, medal

3rd place – driver – cup, medal

To all participants will be given souvenirs.

Conditions

Decision accepted by the 44th General Assembly UET January 29, 1994 in Paris and clarified at the General Assembly October 17, 1998 in Rome.

The European Championship for Apprentices is organized under the care of U.E.T.

Each Federation appoints his representative who, if possible, should be ranked among the first five apprentices of the country (based on the number of victories of the preceding year).

U.E.T appoints each year a person responsible for the classification and who - if a situation should arise which is not mentioned in the present regulation - is entitled to take the decisions in accordance with the Organizing Racetrack.

Official persons are: Peter Truzla (Austria), Isabelle Gizardin (France)

The representative of a country must have the nationality of the country that he is representing.

Only apprentices who are not older than 25 years during the year of the Championship, holding a licence delivered by the Trotting Authorities of their country of origin and employed by a professional trainer are admitted to take part in the Championship. They must have at least 5 victories and less than 100 victories.

Each driver participating in the European Championship for Apprentices is obliged - except in case of force majeure - to participate in all races of the Championship, otherwise he will lose his right to participate. A driver, who has not participated the first day of the Championship, will be excluded from the competition. The Federation which has appointed his representative is responsible for the expenses made by the organizing Racetrack if the driver does not carry on with the Championship, except in case of force majeure.



Two reserve horses per race should be available. The last performances of the reserve horses should not be superior to the horses initially nominated.

The start of each race will be given by Autostart.

The horses will be assigned by public drawing. If necessary, a distribution table of the horses will be made by the U.E.T.- Office according to the number of participants and races.

The horses should be of equal quality. Horses considered as superior or very hard to handle shall be excluded by the organizing track.

The number of horses starting in the front row for the start of machine - six, the seventh to the twelfth numbers take the start in the second line: the seventh number for 1 number, the eighth number for 2 number, and so on.

The classification will be made as follows:

Place of a driver	↓	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Points		19	14	11	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

If a driver can not participate in a race due to an insufficient number of horses available, he will received 6 points.

When a horse is stopped or disqualified, or when he passes the post in an irregular gait, his driver will receive 1 point.

If a situation not mentioned by the present rules should arise, the National Federation of the concerned country is entitled to take a decision in accordance with the representative of U.E.T.

The championship is held without a whip.

If a driver cannot participate, the organizing Race Tracks appoints another driver for this horse entered to the program. This horse will receive no points.

The driver with the highest score after the qualification races, will be declared European Champion. In case of equality of points, the places obtained in the different races will decide.

Each National Federation will assume the travel expenses of his representative from his residence to the departure of the Circuit and back to his home town.

The Organizing Race Tracks will support proportionally the following expenses:

The travel, hotel and restaurant expenses during the European Championship for Apprentices, as well as all costs involved by the preparations of this Championship and the honorary prize for the winner of the day.

The insurance expenses for the driver during the Championship will be assumed by the Federation of his home country.

The organizing Race Tracks will establish a budget for the Championship and settle the final accounts between themselves.

A participant driver has no right to ask for indemnity from the owners or trainers of the horses they drive in the Championship.