



EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR APPRENTICES 2023

Marsa racetrack – Malta

October 29, 2023

13 participants

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RULES

Marsa / Malta October 29, 2023 - 4 races

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.

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 license 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. The Federation which has appointed his representative is responsible for the expenses made by the organizing Racetrack if the driver does not fulfill his obligation, 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 or, in case of impossibility, by «flying» start.

To equalize the chances of each driver, every organizing Racetrack will divide their horses in 2 groups called A and B. Group A includes horses which are considered by the organizing Racetrack as the best and group B includes the horses of a lower category. Each participant will drive the same number of horses from group A and B. 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 classification will be made as follows:

The winner receives 5 points more than the second, the second 3 points more than the third, the third 2 points more than the fourth, and from the fifth onwards, each time 1 point less, till the last competitor who receives 1 point. 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.

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

If a driver cannot participate, the organizing Racetracks appoints another apprentice 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 number of wins obtained in the different races will decide. If still equal, the number of second places and so on 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 hometown.

The Organizing Racetrack will support 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.

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

An obligatory briefing about the racing rules has to be held by the stewards of the organizing Racetrack with all drivers.

All races are raced under the racing rules of the organizing country.

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

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR APPRENTICES *WINNERS*

Year	Driver, Nationality	Track, Host country
1986	Anke Fiegenbaum	Groningen, Netherlands
1987	Mikael Carlstedt, Sweden	Momarken, Norway
1988	Alain Betouigt, France	Caen and Graignes, France
1989	Per Lennartsson, Sweden	Lapeenranta and Mikkeli, Finland
1990	Pierrick Lecellier, France	Taranto, Italy
1991	Gunnar Austevoll, Norway	Färjestad, Arjang and Örebro, Sweden
1992	B. Llobet, Spain	Manacor and Son Pardo, Spain
1993	M. Melander, Sweden	Malta
1994	Jellina Op De Hoek, Netherlands	Groningen, Netherlands and Tongeren, Belgium
1995	Laurent Gérard Denis, France	Malta
1996	Sven Dieltjens, Belgium	Laval, Graignes and Caen, France
1997	Erik Adielson, Sweden	Norway and Denmark
1998	Erik Adielson, Sweden	Kuovola and Mikkeli, Finland
1999	Cristian Grotta, Italy	Ibiza and Mallorca, Spain
2000	Anthony Cauchi, Malta	Moscow, Russia
2001	Jean Charles Feron, France	Moscow, Russia
2002	Mervi Illikainen, Finland	Halmstad and Gothenborg, Sweden
2003	Hugo Langeweg Jr, Netherlands	Belgium and Netherlands
2004	Ludovic Danielo, France	Austria
2005	Michael Nimczyk, Germany	Straubing, Germany
2006	Johan Untersteiner, Sweden	Riihimäki and Mikkeli, Finland
2007	Joffrey Lermusiaux, Belgium	Modena and Treviso, Italy
2008	Mikhail Bakilin, Russia	Tongeren, Belgium and Duindigt, Netherlands
2009	David Dobrovolny, Czech Rep.	San Pardo and Manacor, Spain
2010	Francesco Bennasar Adrover, Spain	Enghien and Cabourg, France
2011	Walter Tonesi, Italy	Akbuza, Russia
2012	Sven Schrall, Netherlands	Torino, Italy
2013	Gert Sucaet, Belgium	Mons, Belgium
2014	Joeri de Leander, Belgium	Palma de Majorque, Spain
2015	Marius Høitomt, Norway	Moscow, Russia
2016	Sebastiana Pocovi, Spain	Mons & Tongres, Belgium
2017	Danny Brouwer, Netherlands	Klosterskogen & Drammen, Norway
2018	Kasper Foget, Denmark	Akbuza, Russia
2019	Micha Brouwer, Netherlands	Palma de Majorque, Spain
2020	CANCELLED COVID VIRUS	
2021	Lukas L Svedlund, Sweden	Vermo, Finland
2022	William EKBERG, SWEDEN	Son Pardo, Spain