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Q24 – INTERNATIONAL DQHA CHAMPIONSHIP
DQHA FUTURITY/MATURITY 2024
NSBA INTERNATIONAL GERMAN CHAMPIONSHIP

EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AACHEN SOERS, 3 -12 OCTOBER 2024

DQHA Futurity/Maturity 2024

Stallion-Selection - Performance Test – Bundeschampionat Mares – Geldings – Weanlings - Stallion Service Auction
4 AQHA Shows Open, Amateur, Select Amateur, Youth AQHA Show 1 and 2 L1 Amateur, L1 Youth, L1 Open
2 NSBA International Shows Open, Amateur, Youth

HOST

DQHA - Deutsche Quarter Horse Association e. V.
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LOCATION

Equestrian Facility Aachen Soers of the Aachen-Laurensberger Reitverein e.V.
Albert-Vahle-Halle, Albert-Servais-Allee 50, 52070 Aachen, Germany

SHOW MANAGER

David Meuser

JUDGES

Daren Wright, USA
David J Denniston, USA
Janette Marie Dublin, USA
Sonja Merkle, Deutschland
Paola Donarini, Italien
Rick LeMay, USA

PRIZE MONEY

DQHA – Futurity/Maturity:	approx.	EUR 100.000
SSA Graduate Classes Trail, Western Pleasure, Ranch Riding, Hunter under Saddle, Western Riding		
50% of the prize money + added money	4 entries	EUR 1.000
	5-7 entries	EUR 1.500
	8-10 entries	EUR 2.000

ENTRIES MUST BE SENT TO

show@dqha.de (If you want personal contact by phone, please send us an email and we will call you back.)

DQHA e.V., Birgit Pesi

Daimlerstr.22
63741 Aschaffenburg, Germany

ENTRY DEADLINE August 30th, 2024 (DATE OF THE POSTMARK IS VALID)



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Everyone who send an entry form has to pay all the fees which are recorded. The host has the right to refuse late entries for specific classes or any classes. The entry deadline as designated in the announcement is binding. Late entries for the Futurity/Maturity classes are possible until two weeks before the first Futurity/Maturity class starts (September 21st, 2024), if the late entry fee is paid. **Entry lists will be closed at 4 p.m. of the day before the class.** All changes or late entries must be announced to the show office by then. Entry lists are posted afterwards.

Entry form and further information at www.dqha.de.

FEES

AQHA/DQHA

Open classes show 1-4	EUR 110,-/ 440,- flat fee
Amateur classes show 1-4	EUR 95,-/ 300,- flat fee
Youth classes show 1-4 (without final)	EUR 25,-/ 100,- flat fee
NSBA Open classes Show 1-2 (without final)	EUR 45,-
NSBA Amateur classes show 1-2 (without final)	EUR 40,-
NSBA Youth classes show 1-2 (without finale)	EUR 35,-
L1 Amateur classes show 1-2	EUR 45,-/150,- flat fee
L1 Youth classes show 1-2	EUR 20,-/75,- flat fee
L1 Open (Green) classes show 1 - 2	EUR 55,-/ 120,- flat fee
SSA Graduate Classes	EUR 150,- (50% Payback)
Paid Warm Up, each (RN, WPL, HUS, RR, WR, LL, TiH)	EUR 25,-
Paid Warm Up Trail each entered Trail Class	EUR 10,-

AQHA flat fee: After you have entered in three, respectively, four classes in one division (Open, Amateur, Youth show 1-4), (L1 Amateur or L1 Youth show 1-2) every other class is for free. You cannot combine classes from different divisions. The flat fee is only available until the entry deadline!

FUTURITY/MATURITY

DQHA Futurity per entry	EUR 75,-
DQHA Maturity per entry	EUR 100,-

CLASSES FOR KIDS

Lead Line (kids until 10 years old)	EUR 10,- (Kids can either show in Lead Line or Walk Trot)
Walk Trot Pleasure (kids until 14 years old)	EUR 10,-

Please note that a membership is not required for those classes. Furthermore, you do not need to pay an office charge for those classes. Kids must wear a helmet in these classes and must not exhibit stallions. Late entries are for free until the class has ten participants. The minimum age for starting in the Lead Line class is 4 years. Additional stirrups are required for children who cannot reach the stirrups.

If there are less than three entries for the respective class, it will be cancelled.



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Q24 AMATEUR RANCH BATTLE

Ranch Battle flat fee (Show 1-4 Ranch Riding, Ranch Rail, Ranch Trail plus Ranch Prime Class) incl. box from Monday, 7 th Oct until Saturday 11 th Oct (plus deposit for box) The Ranch Battle flat fee is only available, if no other amateur classes will be shown. Not available in combination with Amateur flat fee.	EUR 500,-
Ranch Battle Prime Class (final class in addition to Amateur flat fee, if more than ranch classes be shown)	EUR 15,-

GENERAL FEES

Office Charge (per horse/rider combination)	EUR 30,-
If documents are illegible or incomplete an additional fee may be charged	EUR 20,-
Video Charge per horse/rider combination	EUR 25,-

AQHA fee per horse International fee (AQHA show 1-4)	EUR 40,-
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Late entry fee (per single entry) For horse/rider combinations that have already sent in an entry form	EUR 30,-
For new horse/rider combinations after the entry deadline	EUR (contact the show office)
For Futurity classes (only until September 21 st , 2024)	EUR 75,-
For Maturity classes (only until September 21 st , 2024)	EUR 100,-

Stalls

Solid stalls "Regular" incl. shavings	EUR 280,-
Weekend Stall 1 (October 3rd until October 6 th)	EUR 190,-
Weekend Stall 2 (October 10th until October 13th)	EUR 190,-
Stall deposit for each stall (incl. tack stalls) (will be refunded if left neatly - no waste!)	EUR 50,-

If there is different bedding used in the stalls, other than the official shaving bedding, an additional fee of EUR 25,- per stall will be charged for separate disposal.

Stall Reservation:

Stall reservations can only be made via sport@dqha.de with a separate form.

! Stall reservations on the entry form will not be considered!

Both the weekend stalls and the ranch battle stalls are allocated exclusively by the organizer according to availability. It is not possible to specify a preferred stable lane for these discounted boxes.

Stall sharing: You can only share stalls if this has been permitted by the show office before. The host reserves for himself to offer the new tenant a stall of the same price category. If you leave the facility after finishing all your classes, the host reserves for himself to give the stall to a new tenant. If you would like the stall afterwards, we will consider it after your application.

Weekend Stall 1 & 2 and Ranch Battle Stall:

The weekend and ranch battle stalls can only be booked for the exact periods stated. Requests for group reservations are not possible. A stall deposit is also payable here. Please leave the stall by October 6th, 2024.

The Ranch Battle stalls will not be available to those amateurs, that compete in other classes as well or if you want to have a stall for the whole Q24. Therefore, you need to make a reservation for a regular stall.



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ARRIVAL/PARKING

Arrival: Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024 from 1 p.m. at the earliest. Departure Sunday, October 13th, 2024 until 1 p.m.

The facility can only be entered with a valid parking ticket. Vehicles without a valid ticket will be charged an additional €50.

Parking fees in the inner area:

Trailer without car/motorhome flat fee with electricity	EUR 200,-
Trailer without car/motorhome per day with electricity	EUR 60,-
Motortruck flat fee	EUR 130,-
Motortruck per day	EUR 60,-
Electricity flat rate (for Motortruck, stalls e.g.)	EUR 80,-
Car flat fee	EUR 100,-
Car per day	EUR 50,-
Horse trailer flat fee	EUR 50,-
Horse trailer per day	EUR 10,-

BANK ACCOUNT

Please transfer all money to:

DQHA e.V., Raiffeisenbank Aschaffenburg eG

InterBank-Acc Nr. (IBAN): DE65 7956 2514 0000 8012 75

Bank Identifier Code (BIC): GENODEF1AB1

Please state "Q24" and the name of horse and exhibitor.

DQHA FUTURITY/MATURITY

Only American Quarter Horses, whose sire has been paid in the SSA the year before bred to the dam, and who have been nominated themselves are eligible, e.g. a 2021 foal is only eligible if the sire has been paid in the SSA in 2019 and the foal has been nominated for the Futurity.

You can find out whether the stallion was paid in at the DQHA office or at www.dqha.de. Furthermore, all regulations of the DQHA rulebook for the SSA and Futurity/Maturity are binding. Exhibitor and owner - as stated in the AQHA Certificate of Registration/Registration Application - must be DQHA members. Please note: The DQHA membership of the owner must correspond to person designated as owner in the AQHA Certificate of Registration/Registration Application, i.e. DQHA memberships must be completed for partnerships, training stables, community associations. This is possible if you apply for a family membership (at the moment: EUR 34,-) if one person of the partnership, training stable or community association is already a full DQHA member. Prize money will be listed in the Leading evaluation according to memberships/ membership numbers. The breeder that is designated in the AQHA Certificate of Registration/Registration Application must be a DQHA member to receive a breeder's bonus.

For participation in the Weanling Halter classes, the following must also be observed: The classes will be divided if there are 12 foals or more (see DQHA rules for Futurity/Maturity). If the foal is not yet registered with the AQHA at the time of entry, the completed Registration Application (copy) and a copy of the Certificate of Registration of sire and dam must be submitted instead. The exact date of birth must be entered. In the Weanling Halter classes, the foal's dams are not allowed in the arena, neither in the show ring nor in the separate preparation area!

If you have a gift certificate for a Futurity/Maturity class, please designate this on your entry form and enclose the original gift certificate. We will send back incomplete Futurity/Maturity entry forms.



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Important requirement for the Futurity/Maturity classes – “BREEDING CERTIFICATE”:

- sire and dam need to be listed in the breeding program of the DQHA e.V. and their equine passport must contain a breeding certificate of an approved European breeding association.
- the equine passport of the horse who will enter the Futurity/Maturity classes must contain a breeding certificate of an approved European breeding association
- the horse who will enter the Futurity/Maturity classes needs to be listed in the breeding program of the DQHA e.V.

To be listed in the DQHA studbook there has to be the DNA case number for the horse itself, the dam and the sire. You can find further information in the current version of the DQHA breeding program.

For the DQHA Futurity/Maturity classes the DQHA Futurity/Maturity regulations are binding.

The DQHA reserves the right to conduct Futurity/Maturity classes class in class with the respective AQHA discipline.

The entry deadline stated in the announcement is binding. Late entries for the Futurity/Maturity classes are possible until two weeks before the first Futurity/Maturity class starts, if the late entry fee is paid.

The placings of the Futurity/Maturity classes and the Champion of Champions class will be executed according to the scoring system of the AQHA World Show. In scored classes, scores are added, in placed classes points will be given according to the AQHA World Show system and added. If there is a tie, the tie-judge will be used as tie-breaker.

In accordance with the AQHA Handbook, either one start in Western Pleasure or Ranch Riding/Ranch Rail per show is also possible in the Futurity/Maturity classes. Also, one start in either Trail or Ranch Trail.

The entry fee and all other fees must be paid in full by the start. Eligibility to compete is only valid if the entry fee and fees have been paid in full. The DQHA reserves the right to exclude participants whose entry fee and fees have not been paid in full by the start date. The reserved stall must still be paid for and will be invoiced.

DQHA FUTURITY/MATURITY CLASSES

DQHA Weanling Halter Futurity: 9030 Stallions, 9053 Mares (more than 12 divided in early/late)

DQHA Yearling Halter Futurity: 9031 Stallions, 9054 Mares, 9074 Geldings

DQHA TwoYear Old Halter Futurity: 9032 Stallions, 9055 Mares, 9075 Geldings

DQHA Three Year Old Halter Futurity: 9033 Stallions, 9056 Mares, 9076 Geldings

DQHA Performance Futurity/Maturity:

9002 DQHA Two Year Old Longe Line Futurity (2yo)

9003 DQHA Three Year Old Longe Line Futurity (3yo)

9361 DQHA Western Riding Futurity (4 - 6 yo)

9362 DQHA Western Riding Maturity (7 - 9 yo)

9381 DQHA Trail Futurity (4 - 6 yo)

9382 DQHA Trail Maturity (7 - 9 yo)

93802 DQHA Trail In Hand Futurity (2 yo)

93803 DQHA Trail In Hand Futurity (3 yo)



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9421 DQHA Western Pleasure Futurity (4 - 6 yo)
9422 DQHA Western Pleasure Maturity (7 - 9 yo)

9431 DQHA Ranch Riding Futurity (4 - 6 yo)
9432 DQHA Ranch Riding Maturity (7 - 9 yo)

9441 DQHA Hunter under Saddle Futurity (4 - 6 yo)
9442 DQHA Hunter under Saddle Maturity (7 - 9 yo)

91091 DQHA Ranch Trail Futurity (4 - 6 yo)
91092 DQHA Ranch Trail Maturity (7 - 9 yo)

NSBA INTERNATIONAL CLASSES

The classes offered are approved by NSBA USA. Horses must be registered with NSBA USA using the following link: <https://www.nsba.com/european-horse-registration>. This is a one-time process and includes a one-year free membership for the owner. All horses with an equine passport/microchip number can be registered, regardless of breed. Points are collected in the classes and listed for the European Highpoint classification 2024. Great prizes await the best riders/horses here. For more information about the NSBA: <https://www.nsba.com>. Only members of the NSBA USA are eligible to compete in the NSBA International classes. The membership cannot be purchased at the show office.

1. The scoring of the NSBA International German Champions is based on the AQHA World Show scoring system. In the scored classes the scores are added up, in placed classes the points of the AQHA World Show key are awarded per placement and added up. In the event of a tie, the respective tie-breaker judge will decide. Exhibitor and owner of the respective horse must be members of the NSBA Germany.
2. The NSBA International classes will be held class-in-class with the AQHA classes. The organizer reserves the right to separate the classes if possible.
3. Hunter Under Saddle Open, Western Pleasure Open and Ranch Rail Open will not be held class-in-class.
4. If there are less than three entries per class, no champion title and no ribbon will be awarded.
5. If there are less than five entries per class at the entry deadline, the class will be cancelled.

Q24 AMATEUR RANCH BATTLE

All amateur riders with a valid AQHA Amateur and DQHA membership are eligible to compete. Q24 Amateur Ranch Battle Champion can only be won by riders who compete in all three AQHA classes (Ranch Trail, Ranch Rail and Ranch Riding). The final will be held on Friday, October, 11th 2024 in the Ranch Prime Class. All classes will be judged according to the current rule book. The AQHA classes will be judged by four judges, the Ranch Prime Class by five judges.

AQHA Shows 1-4 (Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, Ranch Rail) and the special Ranch Prime Class (Show 1-5) will be judged equally for the Q24 Amateur Ranch Battle Champion. The results of the individual shows are evaluated according to the points principle of the AQHA World Show. In the event of a tie, the tie-breaker judge will be announced in advance for each class. All participants of the Q24 who fulfill the Amateur eligibility requirements for the AQHA Amateur Show will be included in the evaluation. The exhibitor must also be a member of DQHA before the first start. If there are less than five participants, there will be no champion title, no trophy and no prize money. Only the horse/rider combination that has competed in all four classes can become a title contender. The stalls for the Amateur Ranch Battle package will be allocated exclusively by the organizer according to availability. It is not possible to reserve preferred stalls.



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SHOW REGULATIONS

All regulations of the current AQHA/DQHA rulebook as well as the following regulations are binding:

1. Entry forms:
 - The entry form must be received in time for the entry deadline
 - entry forms sent in later will be regarded as late entries.
2. If a horse is entered in L1 Open (formerly Green), the horse owner is responsible for ensuring that the horse is eligible to compete there. In the event of subsequent disqualification by the AQHA, no costs will be refunded.
3. All participants in L1 classes (Open, Amateur, Youth) are responsible to meet the eligibility requirements. In the event of subsequent disqualification by AQHA, no costs will be refunded.
4. By sending in the entry form each owner/exhibitor acknowledges the announcement and the binding regulations.
5. The host reserves for himself to change the announcement until the entry deadline, change the date of the show or cancel it, if necessitated by certain circumstances. In that case all fees will be refunded. After the entry deadline, the schedule will be published and might contain slight changes.
6. There is no binding contract between the host on the one hand and visitors, horse owners and participants on the other hand. Furthermore, there is no liability for theft or injuries (human being or horse). Participants are not helpers according to § 278 und § 831 BGB (German Law). Each horse owner and participant as well as their company and visitors submit to the regulations of the show, the AQHA/DQHA and ordinance of the host by sending in the entry form and entering the show grounds.
7. The host is not responsible for late or lost mail, respectively e-mails or faxes which have not arrived.
8. Each horse must be covered by liability insurance. Horses need to come from disease-free stock and must not be infected with notifiable diseases. The influenza vaccination regulations according to the member resolution and manufacturer's recommendation of 9 months after basic immunization and a maximum of 21 days before the start of the show apply.
9. If you hand in a doctor's certificate until the end of the show, the show management can refund 50% of the entry fees. Office charge will not be refunded. Stall fees will only be refunded if the respective stall can be given to another participant, i.e. there are no other free stalls.
10. Each participant will receive an entry confirmation and an updated schedule. Each participant is responsible for being on time before the class starts. The host reserves for himself to start each class 30 minutes earlier than announced in the schedule.
11. If there are less than three entries for Select classes at the time of the entry deadline, the respective class will be cancelled and integrated in the respective Amateur class.
12. Dogs must be on a leash on the show grounds. Dogs without a leash will be brought to the show office and can be picked up against a fee of 100 Euro. Dog owners must remove their dogs' excrements - bags will be available.
13. You must not lunge or ride on the show ground without a valid entry number. The whole facility, especially the warm-up pens, will be checked on unsportsmanlike behavior. (cf. Rulebook VIO200 ff.)
14. In order to improve fairness towards the horse, officials will be equipped with cameras to record critical situations. These recordings will be used to resolve critical situations and must not be given to a third party. The recordings can be used as evidence in cases of unsportsmanlike behavior. Furthermore, the host is allowed to use video material recorded by other persons. Participants are not entitled to claim the surrender of a recording. By sending in the entry form participants agree to those measurements in order to improve fairness. The stewards will wear a chip reader for exact identifying a horse.
15. The German Animal Protection Law has priority over others (no clipping or shortening of tactile hairs on the head of the horses, tail blocking). This will be checked up on the pre-check. Disregarding the rules will incur a fine of 150,- EUR. The horse will be excluded from the show and has to leave the facility. Punishment related to German Animal Protection Law have to be borne by the participant themselves!



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16. By sending in the entry form participants agree to be photographed or recorded during the show and with the publication of the resulting material. Furthermore, participants agree that data will be saved and published for show reasons.
17. All video and photography teams hired for the shows have exclusive rights and no other photographer is allowed to offer their pictures for sale. Private recordings are allowed outside the arena.
18. Prize money and refunds. The host reserves for himself to deduct any money participants have not paid. This also applies to the withholding tax according to § 50a Abs. 4 EstG for foreign horse owners. The following tax deduction must be applied to prize money: from 250 Euro on 15% plus 5,5% solidarity tax on the amount of tax deduction (show expenses will be added). The tax deduction must be confirmed if requested. Foreign horse owners which are emancipated from tax deduction can hand in a notice of non-liability with their entry form, during the first show day at the latest. Participants are responsible for handing in their data completely and correctly.
19. Use of the main arena: After the last class of the day, the main arena will be available for riding for at least three hours. Additionally, it will be open two hours before the first class starts in the morning.
20. Riders can only use equipment which is allowed according to the current AQHA/DQHA rulebook on all riding areas. Exceptions: Mouth closer, ring martingale in combination with a snaffle bit, boots, wraps and fetlock boots. Horses must be led on all paths, ways and other areas.

Each participant is responsible for the correctness of his membership with AQHA, as well as for the eligibility to start in the respective classes (level). Please check the leveling on the AQHA website at <https://www.aqha.com/find-your-level>.

INTERNATIONAL DQHA CHAMPION OF AMERICAN QUARTER HORSES

Titles in Open classes will be awarded to the horse. Titles in Amateur, Select and Youth classes will be awarded to the horse/rider combination. Only horses or riders which do not have any obligations towards the host can become DQHA Champion or DQHA Circuit Champion.

In order to determine an International DQHA Champion all results of shows 1-4 will be valued, single placings will be valued according to the AQHA World Show scoring system. In scored classes, scores are added, in placed classes points will be given according to the AQHA World Show system and added. Scored classes: Western Riding, Ranch Riding, Trail. Placed classes: Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Showmanship at Halter, Hunter under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Hunter Hack, Longe Line, Halter. In case of a tie, the tie judge, who will be announced before each class, will decide.

1. All participants who fulfil the requirements of participating at an AQHA show are eligible for judging. In Open classes the horse owner must be a DQHA member before entering the first class. In Amateur/Youth classes, the exhibitor must be a DQHA member before entering the first class.
2. In all classes with less than three participants no champions title will be awarded as well as no trophy. In Level 1 classes (Green Open, Novice Amateur, Novice youth) no champions title will be announced.
3. With five or more participants in the class (except halter) a final will be held. To make the finals, each rider/horse combination must enter all four shows and receive a score from all four judges, i.e. they must not be disqualified or receive a score of 0.
4. The number of finalists depends on the number of entries:

25 and more entries:	15 finalists
20 - 24 entries:	12 finalists
15 - 19 entries:	10 finalists
9 - 14 entries:	8 finalists
5 - 8 entries:	all participants which have been placed in the go-round.



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A change of rider between Go-Round and Final needs to be permitted in advance through the arbitration committee.

5. Points system for placed classes (points table of the AQHA World Show)

1.	120	6.	55	11.	15
2.	105	7.	45	12.	10
3.	91	8.	36	13.	6
4.	78	9.	28	14.	3
5.	66	10.	21	15.	1

ILLEGAL MEDICATION AND DOPING

All horses participating in the Futurity/Maturity, the AQHA classes and the Int. DQHA Championship can be consulted for a doping test through blood or urine samples during the show. By signing the entry form, each participant agrees to have a medication control through blood or urine collection executed on his horse. The FN Anti-Doping and regulations for medication and doping control -ADMR- are hereby binding. (www.pferd-aktuell.de)

In case of violation of the medication/doping regulations:

- Exhibitors and/or horse owners must bear the cost for the procedure and the control.
- The respective horse/rider combination will be disqualified.
- All prizes must be returned, placings will be denied.

The host reserves for himself to execute further disciplinary sanctions against the respective horse/rider combination or the horse owner.

The arbitration commission consists of the show manager, the president of DQHA and the Futurity manager. Alternate member is the vice president of DQHA. The arbitration commission decides about the doping tests.

CLIPPING & SHEARING

According to veterinary regulations all clipped horses, especially if they are clipped in the eye or ear area, mouth or nostrils, must be banned from the show. According to a regulation by the LANUV the shearing of weanlings for show reasons is strictly prohibited on basis of §16a of the German Animal Welfare Law. The host assumes for such cases which must be excluded or cannot participate no responsibility, liability or claims for damages.

CLASSES OFFERED AND PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE (SUBJET TO CHANGE)



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The preliminary schedule and the classes offered are uploaded in a separate file.