



- Event** : EFE National Eventing Championship
- Date** : 12-14 January 2024
- Venue** : Scotts Ranch, Mafutseni
- Status** : Training and Graded
- Qualification** : All Athletes / Horses / ponies need to be registered with an EFE Recognised Club and be in good standing with the Federation. To qualify for National Champion Title, an Athlete/Horse Combination must have competed in a Graded Eventing Show prior to entering the National Championships Event. Competitors from other FEI recognised National Federations, who are in good standing with their NF, may enter the show but may not win The National Champion Title.

<b>OFFICIALS</b>	
<b>Event Director</b>	Appointed OC on behalf of Equestrian Federation of Eswatini
<b>Technical Delegate</b>	Linda Philo (ESA National Level)
<b>Event Judge</b>	Peter Emmett (ESA National Level)
<b>Cross Country Course Designer</b>	Peter Kay (ESA Provincial Level)
<b>Showjumping Course Designer</b>	Shan Paton (SASJ Provincial Level 2)
<b>Showjumping Judge</b>	Tracy South (SASJ Provincial Level)
<b>Steward</b>	Mark Wells (FEI Level 1)

<b>Dressage Judge</b>	Helle Wagner (DSA Provincial Panel B)
<b>Dressage Judge 2</b>	To Be Confirmed
<b>Vet</b>	Alberto Sabbione - Farm Vet Services- Eswatini Julia Wunderle- South Africa
<b>Medics</b>	Africare (previously known as SwazCo)

- Vet Inspection** : Compulsory for highest level in each National Championship category prior to commencement of the show. Only CCN1\* Horses to be inspected prior to the Showjumping phase.
- Horse Passports** : Compulsory and must be available for inspection by steward on request. All Equine Flu and African Horse Sickness vaccinations must be up to date.
- Rules** : Eswatini National Eventing Championship Rules 2023, latest Eventing SA Rules. These rules to be read in conjunction with the latest FEI Eventing Rules. FEI Veterinary Regulations and SAEF Veterinary Regulations.
- Indemnity** : Neither Equestrian Federation Eswatini, Scotts Ranch or any of their representatives in whatever capacity whatsoever will be held responsible or liable for any loss, damage, theft or injury to horses, riders, appointed officials or vehicles/horse trailers, the public or their property whatsoever. By entering this event you agree to this clause in the show schedule and you further agree that you will in no way injure or harm the reputations of or bring liable claim to any of the above entities in this indemnity disclaimer. Further by entering this event you agree to enter the Scotts Ranch gates strictly and entirely at your own risk. It is a strict condition of entry that no small children are to be left unsupervised in any of the paddocks of show areas where the horses will be walking or standing.
- Objections** : All complaints and protests must be valid and must be made in writing to the Events Director outlining in detail the full complaint accompanied by a deposit listed in the fees section . The non administrative amount will be refunded if the complaint is ruled in your favour. The objection must be in the timeframes laid out in the Rules and Regulations guiding this event.
- Entry fees** :  
**Ev65**            **-E650**  
**Ev75**            **-E750**  
**Ev85**            **-E850**  
**Ev95**            **-E950**  
**EvCCN1\***       **-E1150**
- Levies** : Entry fees include E150 Ambulance Levy, E20 EFE Levy and E30 Officials Levy
- Email Entries** : [mkswazis@gmail.com](mailto:mkswazis@gmail.com)

**Closing Date** : 12H00- Monday 9 January 2024

**Entries** : **Payable to:**  
**Swaziland Equestrian Federation**  
**FNB – 62354101710**  
**280164**  
Ref: Name of Rider and Ev Champs

**Prize Money** : One prize for every 4 entries (OC may award more if they wish)  
Recreational classes – Rosettes Only (65/75)  
MER Qualifying Classes- 40% of Net Entry Fees

**Enquiries** : Kathy Wells +268 76272746

**Accommodation:** Camping available please contact Amanda directly on +268 76021311

**Catering** : Available

**Stabling** : Available at E200 per night per horse - contact and pay Amanda directly  
+268 76021311

**Permit Process** : Please contact Liam Emmett on +27 (0) 867 7484 for more information on  
the show and permit process

**Provisional Time Table:**

Day	Time	Description	Classes
<b>Friday 12 January 2024</b>	12:00	Cross Country Course Opens for Inspection on Foot	All Classes
<b>Saturday 13 January 2024</b>	07:30	Vet Inspection for National Championship Horses	Highest MER Level horses of each category IE Horses that are competing for the National Championship Title in each Category
	08;30	Dressage	All Classes STARTING WITH EV65
	13:00	Mounted Course Walk	EV65 and EV75
	14:00	Cross Country	All Classes STARTING WITH EV65
<b>Sunday 14 January 2024</b>	07:30	Vet Inspection	CCN 1* Level Horses
	8:30	Showjumping	All Classes STARTING WITH EV65

	On completion of each Class	Mounted Prize Giving	All Classes except National Championship Title Classes
	ON COMPLETION OF ENTIRE SHOW	MOUNTED PRIZE GIVING	NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE COMPETITORS

**CLASSES:**

CLASS	CATEGORY	DRESSAGE TEST	CROSS COUNTRY DISTANCE	CROSS COUNTRY SPEED	CROSS COUNTRY HEIGHT	SHOW JUMPING HEIGHT	SHOW JUMPING SPEED
		<b>EV 65 CM CLASSES</b>					
1	ADULT 65CM	ESA EV 65 EV 75 TEST A (AMENDED) 2023	1000 - 1600M	420MPM	65CM	70CM	300MPM
2	JUNIOR 65CM	ESA EV 65 EV 75 TEST A (AMENDED) 2023	1000 - 1600M	420MPM	65CM	70CM	300MPM
3	PONY RIDER 65CM	ESA PR EV65 EV75 TEST A 2023	1000 - 1600M	420MPM	65CM	70CM	300MPM

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		<b>EV 75 CM CLASSES</b>					
4	ADULT 75CM	ESA EV 65 EV 75 TEST A (AMENDED) 2023	1350 - 2000M	440MPM	75CM	80CM	325MPM
5	JUNIOR 75CM	ESA EV 65 EV 75 TEST A (AMENDED) 2023	1350 - 2000M	440MPM	75CM	80CM	325MPM
6	PONY RIDER 75CM	ESA PR EV 65 EV 75 TEST A 2023	1350 - 2000M	440MPM	75CM	80CM	325MPM

		<b>EV 85CM CLASSES</b>					
7	ADULT 85CM	ESA EV85 TEST A 2023	1700 - 2400M	455MPM	80CM	90CM	325MPM
8	JUNIOR 85CM	ESA EV85 TEST A 2023	1700 - 2400M	455MPM	80CM	90CM	325MPM
9	PONY RIDER 85CM	ESA PR EV85 TEST A 2023	1700 - 2400M	455MPM	80CM	90CM	325MPM
		<b>EV 95CM CLASSES</b>					
10	ADULT 95CM	ESA EV95 TEST A (AMENDED.2 ) 2023	1900 - 2750M	475MPM	96CM	1M	325MPM
11	JUNIOR 95CM	ESA EV95 TEST A (AMENDED.2 ) 2023	1900 - 2750M	475MPM	95CM	1M	325MPM
12	PONY RIDER 95CM	ESA PR EV95 TEST A 2023	1900 - 2750M	475MPM	95CM	1M	325MPM
		<b>EV CCN 1* CLASSES</b>					
13	ADULT CCN 1*	CCI1* Test	2000 - 3000M	500MPM	1M	1M10	350MPM
14	JUNIOR CCN1*	CCI1* Test	2000 - 3000M	500MPM	1M	1M10	350MPM

## EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION ESWATINI

### ESWATINI NATIONAL EVENTING CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES

#### Version 2023.4 Rev. September 2023

#### PREAMBLE

The Equestrian Federation of Eswatini's (EFEs) Eswatini National Eventing Championships are designed to assist the development of the discipline within the Federation and the qualification of horses and riders as they progress through the grades, to regional and international standards. As in all equestrian sports, the interest and welfare of the horse shall be considered paramount in Eswatini National Eventing Championships.

Eswatini National Eventing Championship is held once annually for a calendar period. The Eswatini National Eventing Championship rules have been structured in order to encourage as many riders to the annual Championship as possible, whilst promoting performance excellence to regional and international standards.

Eventing competitions comprise of dressage, cross country and show jumping, with the dressage always ridden first.

## **GENERAL & DISCIPLINE RULES**

The following rules are officially recognized as Eswatini National Eventing Championship Rules and are to be read in conjunction with all current General FEI Rules and Regulations, FEI Eventing Rules, South African Eventing Rules, EFE Annexures to SA Eventing Rules, Dressage SA Rules, SA Show Jumping Rules, FEI Veterinary Regulations and EFE General Regulations where applicable, for Eswatini National Eventing Championships.

It should be noted that the Eswatini National Eventing Championship rules replace all rules pertaining to the South African Championships within the South African Eventing Rules. All other texts covering the same matter (other editions and all other official documents) issued previously are superseded.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP RULES & CRITERIA**

1. Each athlete is responsible for knowing, understanding and complying with all relevant rules and regulations as stated above and as may be published from time to time.
2. Eswatini National Eventing Championships may only be hosted at EFE Recognised Venues within Eswatini.
3. EFE Management Committee and the EFE discipline committee are responsible for the organising of the Eswatini National Eventing Championships and may include training level and graded level classes in the Championship event.
4. A horse/rider combination must ride in their grade as defined by the latest eventing grading records approved by EFE's Head of Eventing Sub-Committee and EFE's Technical Liaison.
5. In the Eswatini National Eventing Championship, the phases of competition will be run with dressage first, followed by cross country phase and the show jumping phase will run last.
6. The championship event may take place over one (1), two (2) or three (3) days.
7. The starting order draw for the National Champion Title event, i.e. highest level of each category, will take place at the vet inspection.
8. Starting order for the show-jumping phase in the National Championship will be reverse order of merit.
9. Class competitions have to be completed. Riders who are eliminated or retire will not be awarded Class or National Championship titles.
10. In the event that less than three (3) different horse and rider combinations are competing for a National Championship title, the following criteria will be imposed on the competition in order for the National Champion Title to be awarded:
  - 7.1 If the highest competition level is 95cm or below:
    - 7.1.1 Dressage test score of no less than 50%.
    - 7.1.2 Cross country round should be clear for jumping. Time penalties will be accepted.

- 7.1.3 No more than twenty (20) penalties in show jumping.
- 7.2 If the highest competition level is 1\* or above:
- 7.2.1 Dressage test score of no less than 48%.
- 7.2.2 Cross country round should be clear for jumping. Time penalties will be accepted.
- 7.2.3 No more than twenty-four (24) penalties in show jumping.
- 7.3 If the criteria is not met by any competitor in the discipline, the National Champion title may not be awarded, only the championship class results will be awarded.
11. Officials must be appointed according to the level of competition within the National Eventing Championships as prescribed in the Eventing SA Rules. As a minimum requirement the following criteria should be met:
- At least two (2) SA provincial (A or B) level dressage judges;
  - One (1) SA provincial event judge;
  - One (1) SA provincial Technical Delegate;
  - One (1) SA provincial cross-country course designer;
  - One (1) SA provincial Level 2 show-jumping course designer;
  - One (1) SA provincial show-jumping judge.

Where higher than 2\* level competitors are required, the minimum qualification of officials will be adjusted accordingly.

12. Prize giving for National Championship title winners will be mounted.
13. Prize money per placing and per class shall be published on the final programme for the National Eventing Championship. Prize money will not be less than 20% of the total entry fees.
14. A minimum of one (1) placing per four (4) competitors will be awarded.
15. Veterinary inspections are compulsory for the highest level of each National Championship title category. These inspections must be conducted by a registered veterinarian before the commencement of the show and before the show jumping rounds. Timing to be advised on the show schedule.
16. Every horse presented must have a valid passport and entry.
17. No substitution of horse may take place after the vet inspection.
18. Electronic timing, approved by EFE, is obligatory for all show jumping classes at the Eswatini National Eventing Championship event.
19. The EFE and FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse will be strictly adhered to at all times.
20. Every eventuality cannot be provided for in these National Eventing Championship Rules. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances, it is the duty of the Ground Jury to make a decision in a sporting spirit, by approaching as near as possible the intention of the FEI rules and South African Eventing rules. Should there remain any omissions in the FEI rules and South African Eventing rules, such omission shall be fully interpreted in a manner compatible with the other provisions of these National Eventing Championship rules, other rules and regulations of the FEI, and sporting spirit.

## **PARTICIPATION**

21. The Eswatini National Eventing Championship competition is open to all EFE members in good standing with the Federation.
22. Horses/ponies to be ridden in the Championship must be registered and in good standing with EFE.
23. Competitors who will be competing for the Eswatini National Eventing Championship Title must have a valid Eswatini Passport or, for non-Swazi nationals, are legally resident within the Kingdom. Competitors of Foreign Nationality may still compete for the Championship Class title but will not be awarded National Championship title should they proceed to win their class.
24. The horse/pony and rider must have entered at least one (1) graded Eventing competition within the annual championship period prior to entering the Eswatini National Eventing Championships in order to qualify for The National Championship Title. Qualifying graded Eventing events include graded Eventing shows hosted at registered venues within Eswatini or graded shows in any Group IX country.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS TITLES & AWARDS**

Championship class titles will be given to the athlete who scores the lowest penalties in each class competition, after totalling the penalties from all three (3) phases, in the following age and height categories:

Adult Eventing 2\* Championship Class  
Adult Eventing 1\* Championship Class  
Adult Eventing 95 Championship Class  
Adult Eventing 85 Championship Class

Junior Eventing 2\* Championship Class  
Junior Eventing 1\* Championship Class  
Junior Eventing 95 Championship Class  
Junior Eventing 85 Championship Class

Pony Rider Eventing 95 Championship Class  
Pony Rider Eventing 85 Championship Class

## **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES**

The National Eventing Championship will be awarded to Eswatini National athletes or non-Swazis legally resident in the Kingdom entered in the highest level competition in each category who score the lowest penalties in the highest graded level, after totaling the penalties from all three (3) phases, in line with criteria stated here, in the following categories:

Adult National Eventing Champion  
Junior National Eventing Champion  
Pony Rider National Eventing Champion

In the event that the highest level of any category does not have a Swazi National or a non-Swazi legally resident in the Kingdom entered into the class there will be no official National Champion Title awarded for that year. The Title does not move down to a lower level competitor regardless of their nationality.



## FLOATING TROPHIES

All National Championship floating trophies remain the property of EFE and shall be returned upon request to EFE prior to the next annual event.

## CLOSING

As EFE are the custodians of these National Eventing Championship rules, they reserve the right to amend the rules in any way whatsoever in the best interest of the sport as a whole. Adjustments to the rules will be communicated to EFE membership annually at the AGM for the forthcoming championship period. EFE further reserve the right to the final decision in any ruling or interpretation of a ruling. Their decision will be final and binding.

End.

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### Regulations:

- 1 All classes will be run under EFE National Championship Rules, Latest FEI, SAEF and ESA Eventing rules where applicable. Any rider, or their entourage, who breaches these conditions will be disqualified and asked to leave the venue, without recourse.
- 2 All tack will be checked before the commencement of each test, as per latest eventing rules, protective headgear, medical cards and body protectors are obligatory for the X Country, surcingles are strongly recommended.
- 3 Competitors shall wear the correct dress at all times whilst warming up and in the arena.
- 4 Protest logged must adhere to appendix GR/D of the SAEF general regulations and the Eventing SA Rules.
- 5 Registration of Rider with EFE and must be up to date before closing date of entries for all classes. The organising committee reserves the right to restrict class entries strictly on the first entered and paid basis.
- 6 Any queries for the specific riding order MUST be emailed to the OC. It is the responsibility of the competitor to make sure their entries have been received.
- 7 EFE and their OC reserves the right to alter or vary the programme in light of prevailing conditions, at their discretion, with the approval of the TD.
- 8 The X Country courses will be open for inspection on foot from **FRIDAY 12 JANUARY 2024 @ 12 noon**. This is regarded as the official starting time of the event so all eventing rules including restriction with regard to dress and saddlery will be enforced. At the event venue and after the official opening of the courses for inspection, and for the duration of the event, it is forbidden under penalty of disqualification for anyone, other than the competitor who will be the rider of the horse in the competition, to school that horse.
- 9 As from **MONDAY 8 JANUARY** in the schedule, competitor/competing no horse may ride in the vicinity of the x country obstacles, until called upon to do so under penalty of elimination.
- 10 Any horse that has not been officially entered for the event will not be allowed access to the grounds without prior permission from the OC.
- 11 Numbers are to be collected before the Dressage Test and are to be worn for all 3 tests. Bridle numbers are permitted for the Dressage and SJ phase
- 12 Competitors please note that Medical Cards/other forms of medical tags are compulsory for the X Country phase and medical details MUST also be updated with the OC. Please inform the OC and or medics when you arrive, if you have had any major accident recently involving concussion. It is the responsibility of the rider and/or parent/guardian to give this information to the medics.
- 13 Parking in designated areas only.
- 15 All stallions must have a yellow disc on both sides of the bridle or have a yellow ribbon in the tail.
- 15 EQUINE FLU VACS MUST HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED WITHIN 6 MONTHS + 21 days of the date of the event. No horse may compete within 7 days of any vaccine. AHS vaccinations must be in order.

### CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

FEI expects all those involved in Equestrian Sport to adhere to the FEI's code of conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

- 1 At all stages during the preparation and training of competition horses welfare must take precedence over all other demands. This includes good horse management, training methods, farrier and tack, and transportation.

- 2 Horses and Athletes must be fit, competent and in good health, before they are allowed to compete. This encompasses medication use, surgical procedures that threaten welfare or safety, pregnancy in mares and misuse of aids.
- 3 Events must not prejudice horse welfare. This involves paying careful attention to the competition areas, ground surfaces, weather conditions, stabling, site safety and fitness of the horse for onward travel after the event.
- 4 Every effort must be made to ensure that horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their competition careers are over. This covers proper Veterinary care, competition injuries, euthanasia and retirement.
- 5 FEI urges all involved with the sport to attain the highest levels of education with there are of expertise.
- 6 Athletes, Members and Affiliates to Eventing must ensure that they have read and understand the Social Media Policy which can be found on ESA website [www.eventingsa.co.za](http://www.eventingsa.co.za) under documents/eventing rules.