

# NATIONAL EQUINE ORGANIZATION ANNUAL FORM 2023

# Commitment

Together, Equestrian Canada (EC) and the National Equine Organizations (NEO) are united in our commitment to prioritize the following four fundamental nationwide areas of active equine industry and development interest:

- The ongoing development of a strong and sustainable active equine industry in Canada,
- Recognition and development of Canadian bred horses, and the breeders and trainers who develop them,
- A one voice approach to the promotion and advocacy of the active equine industry in Canada,
- Quality competition to support active equine industry and development, in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

EC recognizes the NEO as the organization responsible for leading, supporting, governing, and advocating for active equines and equestrian activities in their respective jurisdictions.

NEO recognizes EC as the national governing body for equestrian sport in Canada, with a mandate to represent, promote and advance the sport in Canada, and to represent, promote advocate for and advance all related equine and equestrian interests, including recreation, industry and equine health and welfare.

#### **NEO Contact Information**

Organization Name:	
Address:	City:
Province/Territory:	Postal Code:
Telephone:	Website:
Name of Primary Contact:	Phone:
	Email:
Name of President:	Phone:
	Email:
Category C Voting Member Name:	
(If applicable – if unsure leave blank)	



### NEO Affiliation & Fees

NEO recognition is confirmed on an annual basis (January 1- December 31), upon receipt of this completed document, and payment of the fees. Fees set out below will be effective January 1, 2023. An invoice will be provided by EC on January 1 and paid by the NEO no later than January 31. Industry Affiliates must provide membership numbers for the previous year by January 1.

Type of Affiliation (please select one)	☐ Industry Affiliate
	☐ Breed Affiliate
	☐ Special Interest
Industry Affiliates:	
Less than 500 Members	\$222
Over 500 to 1,000 Members	\$1,112
Over 1,000 Members	\$2,223
Breed Associate Affiliates:	
EC Sport licence category (no flat fee)	
Special Interest Affiliates:	
Flat fee	\$218

# Terms & Consent

We value your partnership! Please review and consent to the affiliation agreement terms. We look forward to working with you to deliver value and opportunity to our respective communities.

#### **Definitions**

- a) "Industry Affiliates" means entities that pay an annual fee to belong to EC and have representation at the Federal Government level under the EC National Federation umbrella. These organizations provide expertise to EC on items of importance to the equine industry, including breeding horses, marketing and promotion, identification, transportation, and herd health.
- b) "Breed Associate Affiliates" means a Breed organization listed and in good standing with either the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation or which have an Independent Registry, and which are not Industry Affiliates.
- c) "Special Interest Affiliates" refer to National or Regional Organizations which have equines as their focus, but which are not Industry Affiliates or Breed Associate Affiliates.

I certify that my NEO meets the definition of my chosen affiliation noted above and is a registered legal entity under the applicable provincial/territorial corporations or societies legislation.

- a) Further, as a collaborator with EC, my NEO agrees to:
- b) Abide by EC's bylaws, policies, procedures, rules, and regulations insofar as they apply to NEOs.



- c) Provide EC with access to our constituting documents, bylaws, policies, and rules applicable to our members and where necessary and upon reasonable request from EC, amend our policies and rules to align with those of EC.
- d) Appoint an individual to act as our NEO's primary point of contact.
- e) Provide and maintain current our NEO's contact information.
- f) Provide the identities and contact information of our NEO's staff and directors and any volunteers who are portfolio leads.
- g) Attend meetings when scheduled, review documentation in advance and participate with collaboration, open, positive, and constructive behavior.
- h) Respect the confidentiality of any personal information or confidential information obtained within the context of collaboration.
- i) Agree to cooperate fully in matters of safe sport investigations, complaints, appeals and other issues.
- j) Commit to implementing policies and practices that are consistent with the risk management policies of EC dealing with safe sport. These policies will not supersede any provincial or territorial government sport policy, legislation, or guidance.
- k) Identify our NEO's complaint process and resources for obtaining support on our website.
- 1) Commit to using techniques of alternate dispute resolution (ADR) to manage disputes that may arise between or among other NEOs or with EC. Any appointment of a mediator or arbitrator when following ADR rules will be mutually agreed upon by the parties.

# For Breed Affiliates only

Affiliation with EC includes:

c) EC competition sanctioning.

- a) Publication of the rules of a Breed Associate Affiliate: The Breed organization is solely responsible for the accuracy of the rules submitted for publishing but will make accommodations for EC rules for active equine welfare, rules of national significance and diversity, equity and inclusion.
- b) Access to EC certified Officials for EC sanctioned competition organizers.
- I \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Primary Contact) certify that under the provincial and federal applicable laws, I am legally authorized to bind the organization named above and I am authorized to sign my consent on behalf of my organization's Board of Directors.

Position NEO
Signature Date