

FIHB WHR I NORTH LEAGUE 2024

U10, U16, U21, Ladies, Pro Elite

FIHB WHR 1 star multistage competition

FIHB WHR competition organized in the following 2 stages:

Stage N°1: February 24th and 25th, 2024 - Belgium (Sentower Park)

Stage N°2: March 15th, 16th and 17th, 2024 - Belgium (Sentower Park)

ver.1.0 ENG

Preliminary programme

This event is organized in accordance with:

- FIHB General Rules, version 4.1;
- FIHB Sport Rules, version 9.1;
- FIHB Organization Rules, version 8.1;
- FIHB Competition Rules 2023, version 1.1;
- FIHB WHR Rules 2023, version 1.1.

All subsequent revisions posted, the provisions of which shall prevail.

An arbitration procedure is provided in the FIHB Statutes and Regulations mentioned above. In accordance with this procedure, any appeal against a decision rendered by the FIHB or its official bodies will be resolved exclusively by the FIHB Disciplinary Commission.

It is the responsibility of National Federations to ensure that their participants are of the correct age and nationality. Players must comply with the provisions and rules of their own National Federations.

Approved by the FIHB – Fédération Internationale de Horseball

*FIHB Bureau Meeting
February 4th, 2024*

Preliminary programme

General Information

1. COMPETITION NAME

FIHB WHR I NORTH LEAGUE 2024

General: The competition is organized in 2 stages. The registered club teams must participate in the 2 stages by the categories Under10, Under16, Under21, Ladies and Pro Elite.
It may vary depending on the competition system of each category.

Dates/Locations:

- Stage N°1: February 24th and 25th, 2024
Belgique (Sentower Park)
- Stage N°2: March 15th, 16th and 17th, 2024
Belgique (Sentower Park)

Categories: **Under10, Under16, Under21, Ladies, Pro Elite.**

Players are allowed to participate according to the following ages:

- U10: players born in 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014;
- U16: players born in 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008;
- U21: players born in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008;
- Ladies and Pro Elite: players born in 2008 or earlier.

Countries: Participation is mainly aimed at teams from **Belgium, France, England** and **Holland**, but also **other European Countries** are invited to participate.

2. HONORARY PRESIDENT

The President of the International Horseball Federation, Mr. Frederico Cannas

3. ORGANIZER

Name: Horseball Events
Telephone: +34 628515125
Email: Northleague@gmail.com

4. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

President of the OC:	Guillem Puigvert (ESP)
Director:	Guillem Puigvert (ESP)
Technical Director:	Guillem Puigvert (ESP)
Competition Secretary:	Paolo Gemme (ITA)
Press Officer:	By OC: Mateu Purtí (ESP)
	Photography : Day Rodríguez (ESP)

5. CHAMPIONSHIP DIRECTOR

Name: Guillem Puigvert (ESP)
Telephone: +34 628515125

6. TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

Name: Guillem Puigvert (ESP)
Telephone: +34 628515125

7. WORK TEAM FOR EACH STAGE

Match sheets:	To be determined by C.O.
Chrono:	To be determined by C.O.
Speaker:	In charge of the C.O. of the stage
Logistics:	In charge of the C.O. of the stage

I. Officials

1. SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

President:	Guillem Puigvert (ESP)
Members:	Guillem Puigvert (ESP) Clara Pigazzi (ESP)

2. VETERINARY COMMISSION

President:	To be designated by the OC of the stage
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3. REFEREES

Main refereeing team:	To be determined by C.O.
Responsible for the referees:	To be determined by C.O. To be determined by stage.
Reserves:	To be determined.

II. Technical conditions for the organization of the League

1. STAGES

This competition can be held: indoor/outdoor.

Each stage is held 2 or 3 days.

The OC reserves the right to change the venue 10 days in advance for reasons of force majeure.

2. COMPETITION PITCH

Dimensions: 65 x 25 m, recommended sizes.

Soil: Preference to Silica type soil

Protections: FIHB Approved

3. WARM-UP PITCH

Dimensions: 45 x 20 m, minimum.

Soil: Similar to the competition track.

4. STABLING

Dimensions of the boxes 3 x 3 m

5. PARTICIPANTS

Under10, Under16, Under21, Ladies, Pro Elite

- Maximum number of players registered to the League: 16
- Maximum number of players registered per stage: 8
- Maximum number of players registered per day: 6
- Minimum number of players registered per day: 5
- Maximum number of horses registered per stage: 8
- Maximum number of horses registered per day: 6
- Minimum number of horses registered per day: 5

A player can only be registered in one team per category.

A horse can only be entered in one team per stage.

The list of players and horses of each stage can be modified until the first meeting of the team leaders, after which it is no longer possible to make changes during the stage, even with previously registered players and/or horses.

III. Entries

1. PRICES

Registration: until January 21, 2024

The registration period will be open from January 7, 2024 to January 21, 2024, and teams will be accepted in strict order of registration dates.

Final registrations: until January 21, 2024

Registration cost per team:

Categories	Prices
Under 10	700€
Under 16	700€
Under 21	700€
Ladies	700€
Pro Elite	700€

Payment of registration fees will be made as follows:

- **First Payment:** From the moment you make your reservation via e-mail, you have a period of 10 days to make the reservation effective by paying 350 euros to the competition account. If this is not the case, you are automatically NOT registered and your place can be taken by other teams.

- **Second payment:** The remaining €350, before January 21, 2024. If this is not the case, you are automatically NOT registered and your place can be taken by other teams.
- If the payment deadlines are not respected, the following teams will automatically enter the order of applying for a place.
- Once the reservation has been paid, if the registered team is withdrawn, the reservation will not be returned.

Contact to make the payment:

Name: Horseball Events
Telephone: +34 628515125
Email: Northleague@gmail.com
Bank: CaixaBank
IBAN: ES0421000023400201023299

Registration of all participants in FIHB tournaments:

All participants (players, horses, coaches, clubs and referees) in an FIHB WHR competition have to be registered with the FIHB by paying the FIHB fees as described below. All participants in an FIHB WHR competition are entitled to earn points towards the FIHB World Horseball Ranking (WHR) lists.

Category	1 star
Players	5€
Ponies U10	Offered by the FIHB
Horses	5€
Coaches	5€
Clubs	10€
Arbitrators	Offered by the FIHB

FIHB fees must be paid to the FIHB bank account by February 1, 2024 or before the stage for those players who register after the 1st stage.

BANK DETAILS:

Name: Fédération Internationale de Horseball
Bank: Banco de Sabadell
IBAN: ES5400811719080001106120
SWIFT/BIC: BSABESBBXXX

NOTE: FIHB fees are payable ONLY ONCE for all stages.

At the time of payment, think about PAYING FOR COMPLETE TEAMS and specify the CLUBS and names and surnames of the participants.

2. PLAYERS

Each team will have to register a minimum of 5 players when registering.

This nominative registration may be extended up to a maximum of 16 players until 20:00 one day before the stage.

A maximum of 8 players may register for each stage and a maximum of 6 players may be registered for each day to choose from the list of the nominative registration provided by the team.

All teams have to participate in all matches and stages of their category, with no possibility to change the order of the matches after the initial draw.

In the event that a team does not show up at the time of the veterinary control or is not ready at the start time of the match, it will be considered as "no show" (0 point, -8 goal average and 3 points, +8 for the opposing team).

Also the no-show team will have to pay €400 for each player of the opposing team regardless of whether or not the Organizing Committee has been informed as stated in Art.8 of the FIHB Competition Rules 2023, ver.1.0.

3. HORSES

Each team a maximum of 8 horses per stage and 6 horses per day.

IV. Facilities

1. TEAMS

Meals: The organizing committee will have to have a bar service for the participants and the public.

Hotel: In charge of the teams. The organizing committee will have to give a list of hotels available in the area of the stage.

2. HORSES

Transportation: To be paid by the teams.

Stabling: It is mandatory to have the horse in the competition venue. The organising committee will have to offer a stable service to the teams at a maximum price of €110 each box.

The player and his horse who only participate in one day of the stage will NOT be required to book a box.

First bed: The first straw bed is included in the price of the box.

3. SPONSORS AND ADVERTISEMENTS OF THE TEAM AND HORSES

Teams are allowed to display the logos of their sponsors.

4. IMAGE RIGHTS

All images of FIHB competitions are the property of the FIHB under International law. Copying, duplicating as a digital file, printing, publishing in the media, including the web, tampering with, transmitting or reproducing without the prior written permission of the FIHB is strictly prohibited and would constitute a copyright violation.

By registering for the competition, you assign the image rights so that these images can be published on the competition's social networks.

V. Miscellaneous

1. AWARDS

- FIHB trophies for all teams in each category;
- FIHB Trophy for the Fair Play team of each category (no for U10);
- FIHB Trophy for the Best Scorer in each category (no for U10);
- FIHB Trophy for the Best Horse-Player combination in each category (no for U10);
- "Best condition horse" trophy (decided by the veterinarians of the competition).

The Best Horse-Player combination will be decided by votes from the team leaders, coaches and the supervisory committee.

At each stage, the Best Horse-Player combination will be voted for. the duo that gets the most votes at the end of the 2 stages will be declared Best Horse-Player combination of the League.

The Fair Play award will be decided by the votes of the referees.

2. EUROPA LEAGUE

The top two teams in each category are automatically qualified to participate in the 2024 Europa League. (In the event that someone resigns their place, they will enter in strict order of ranking.)

The first-placed team will enter directly as head of series.

3. AWARD CEREMONY

It will be held on the last day of competition. All players will have to be present, along with the team leader and the coach.

At the awards ceremony, all participants will have to respect the speaker's orders to ensure the best possible ceremony.

4. INSURANCE

All owners, players and other team members are personally liable for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their horses. Therefore, it is recommended to have taken out third-party insurance that provides full coverage for participation in equestrian events in the country and abroad, and to have an up-to-date insurance policy.

All participants are responsible for keeping their corresponding federation affiliation up to date.

5. MEDICAL / MEDICAL SERVICE

Medical Service: To be determined

6. FARRIER

Name: In charge of the OC of the stage

Telephone:

VI. Veterinarian

1. VETERINARY INSPECTION BEFORE THE MATCHES

A veterinary check will be carried out every day of competition for all teams with the exception of the U10, a minimum of two hours before the matches.

The teams will have to present themselves to the control in uniform and with clean riding shoes.

2. VETERINARY

Name/Phone: To be determined by the O.C. of each stage.

3. VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS FOR HORSES

Horses competing in FIHB tournaments must comply with equine influenza vaccination requirements in accordance with the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

VII. Competitions

Competition System Options

4-team competition system:

- Round Robin (1st leg and return);
- Last two days of the 2nd stage, semifinals 4th vs 1st and 2nd vs 3rd, to determine finalists;
- On the last day, Winner match 4th vs 1st vs Winner match 2nd vs 3rd, to determine 1st and 2nd place;
- The last day Loser match 4th vs 1st vs Loser match 2nd vs 3rd, to determine the 3rd and 4th places.

Stages	Day	Parties	
1st stage SENTOWER PARK	24/2/2024	A vs B	C vs D
	25/2/2024	C vs B	A vs D
2nd stage SENTOWER PARK	15/3/2024	A vs C	D vs B
	16/3/2024	4 vs 1	2 vs 3
	17/3/2024	W vs W	L vs L

6-team competition system:

- Round Robin 1st leg

Stages	Day	Parties		
1st stage SENTOWER PARK	24/2/2024	A vs B	C vs D	E vs F
	25/2/2024	C vs B	A vs E	F vs D
2nd stage SENTOWER PARK	15/3/2024	A vs C	D vs E	B vs F
	16/3/2024	A vs F	C vs E	B vs D
	17/3/2024	A vs D	B vs E	F vs C

VIII. Entry Forms

- Entry (to be submitted by January 21st, 2024);
- Final Entry (to be submitted before January 21st, 2024);

Thank you for emailing your forms to the following addresses:

- **Northleague0@gmail.com**
- **competitions@fihb.net**

Entry (before 21-1-2024)

FIHB Category

☐ ***Under 10*** ☐ ***Under 16*** ☐ ***Under21*** ☐ ***Ladies*** ☐ ***Pro Elite***

Team

Email

Telephone

Team Leader

Team Leader E-mail

Signature & Date

FIHB I North League 2024 - FINAL ENTRY To be sent within January 21st 2024							
team				category	<input type="checkbox"/> Under10 <input type="checkbox"/> Under16 <input type="checkbox"/> Under21 <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies <input type="checkbox"/> Pro Elite		
team leader name				phone		e-mail	
coach name				phone		e-mail	
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