



# CONFEPASO

## ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to make a public announcement that during an extraordinary Board meeting of our entity, the following amendments were approved:

As of a historic magnitude, during the Board meeting, we had the presence of the Colombian Industrial Engineer, Mr. Luis Fernando Duque Arango, who was part of the founders and ideologists to create an entity of international realm, able to unite the institutions that represented the Paso horse in 1990. The Board admitted the incorporation by absorption of the original institution, which effectively and under the leadership of Eng. Luis Fernando Duque Arango is the responsible that today, by proper evolution; we have an entity that has the most important Federations and Associations of the Paso Horse in the world.

In order to show to the general public the decisions taken, we will point out the decisions taken during the Board meeting in Panama on July 25, 2015. These are:

### About the Judges

1 – To become effective immediately, the Certified Judges by Confepaso will be able to judge with Associations or Federations that are Affiliates and/or Associate members to Confepaso without the need to request a Letter of No Objection. On the other hand, if a judge wants to judge with an Association NOT ASSOCIATE OR AFFILIATE, he/she must submit a letter of No Objection, and in the event that the letter is approved, the judge may officiate with an Association NOT ASSOCIATE OR AFFILIATE, using the rules of the proper Not Associate or Affiliate entity.

2 – The entities member ASSOCIATES of Confepaso will have to use only judges Certified by Confepaso. At this time there are as Associate members: a) Fedequinas; b) Fedepaso; c) Oca; d) Aspafiko; e) Asdecuador; f) Asofino; g) Adopaso; h) IPHF.

At the same time the affiliate members to Confepaso are Aducata, and Fundacion de Criadores de Caballos de Puerto Rico. The affiliates can use their own show rules and/or the show rules of Confepaso, and use judges that are not certified with Confepaso with judges that are. Only when the Confepaso show rules are used is that only Certified Judges are required.

3 – The retirement age of a judge was eliminated

4 – The Certification clinics may be held by: Associate Member; and in case there is one does not exist in a given country, the Affiliate may do so. At the same time if neither exists in a given country, Confepaso may host it.

#### About the Affiliates

1 – In order to enter as an Affiliate, the main requirement must be a legally instituted group dedicated to the development of activities related to the training, breeding, promoting, hosting and celebration of events of Paso Horse without any past history.

2 – The affiliates will have one (1) person to represent them on the Board, with voice but no vote. They will have the right to participate in all meetings without special invitation.

3 – In the event that an entity wants to become an Affiliate and an Associate Member already exists in its country, they must receive approval of the Associate Member prior to submitting its application to Confepaso with valid status.

4 – The Registration Certificates of the Affiliates will be accepted to one another and with the other Associate Members as long as they meet with the DNA requirements. In addition, all Affiliate and Associate Members must have reciprocity in the decisions and sanctions that have to do with Confepaso, all of its components, whether they are an Associate and/or Affiliate member.

5 – The Affiliates will pay 50% of the annual membership fee established by the Board.

6 – In the Confepaso Mundial events, the affiliates may participate with their own registration certificates without the need to neither transfer to another nor a special permit.

7 – The horses may compete for a period of 90 days consecutively in Associations or Federations that are Associate and/or Affiliate members. The 90 days begin on the day the horse enters the foreign country in which it hopes to participate.

#### In General

1 – In the event of resignation, Voluntary withdrawal or Expulsion of an Affiliate or Associate member of the year of the celebration of a Mundial event, the horses that have registrations of the entity resigning and/or of expulsion or voluntary withdrawal; the horses may compete with Certificates issued by that entity in the sole purpose to protect the breeders and exhibitors.

2 – The Associate Members are obligated to participate in the Horse and/or Equitation Mundials with at least 3 participants in each of the events to maintain voting rights at the Board level. By taking 3 riders or at minimum 3 horses, its sufficient to maintain voting rights.

3 – It was maintained that there can only be one (1) Associate Member per country.

4 – There may be various Affiliates per country

All approved,

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President

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Secretary