

DKB-RIDERS TOUR 2017

Rules for 2017

Participation

The DKB-Riders Tour is a series of six or seven events in Germany, at which athletes may obtain points towards an overall final classification. A maximum of four results will count for the final classification. In case of equality of points the greater number of 1st places will decide (respectively 2nd places, and so on). To be eligible for the final individual classification an athlete must compete at the last leg of the DKB-Riders Tour 2017.

2017 Calendar of Events:

1. CSI4* Hagen 26 April – 1 May 2017
2. CSI4* Hamburg 24 – 28 May 2017
3. CSI4* Wiesbaden 2 – 5 June 2017
4. CSI4* Münster 10 – 13 August 2017
5. CSI4* Paderborn 7 – 10 September 2017
6. CSI4* München 9 – 12 November 2017

Preamble

For each leg of the series, the invitation of athletes must be made in accordance with the FEI Invitation Rules for CSI2*/3*/4*/5* Events (see FEI Jumping Rules, Annex V):

1. 30% of the total number of athletes invited to the Event must be invited in descending order of the Longines Ranking used for the invitation of athletes for the Event. The individual gold medal winners of the most recent Olympic Games and World Championship must also be invited and are included in this percentage, regardless of their position on the Longines Ranking.
2. 50% of the total number of athletes invited to the Event are home (German) athletes selected by the host NF according to a special handicap agreed upon with the GER NF. If the host NF is unable to fill its quota of home athletes, vacant places will be reallocated to athletes selected in descending order of the Longines Ranking.
3. 20% of the total number of athletes invited to the Event may be invited by the Organising Committee (OC) through their NFs (these may be foreign and/or home athletes).
4. The following athletes must be included in the athletes invited under section 3, if not already admitted under sections 1 and 2 (athletes selected in descending order of the Longines Ranking or home athletes selected by the host NF):
 - a) The athletes placed 1st – 3rd on the 2016 DKB-Riders Tour Final Ranking;
 - b) The athletes placed 1st – 5th on the most recent valid ranking list of the 2017 DKB-Riders Tour (for the first leg of the 2017 series, this will be athletes placed 1st – 5th on the 2016 DKB-Riders Tour Final Ranking).

Format of Competitions

At each leg a qualifying competition takes place one day before the DKB-Riders Tour rating competition, which counts for points for the DKB-Riders Tour final ranking. The competitions are run according to the following formats:

[NB: The schedule for CSI4* Hamburg is different; there are two qualifying competitions, both according to penalties and time, for the DKB Riders Tour Rating Competition (Derby) at CSI4* Hamburg, see details on page 3.]

Competition No. 1.

Qualification for the DKB-RIDERS TOUR-Rating Competition (Comp. No. 2)

Competition over one round with one jump-off

Admitted Athletes:	Open to all athletes according to preamble.
Table:	A according to Art. 238.2.2 (acc. to penalties and time, with one jump off in case of equality of penalties for the 1 st place)
Speed:	375 m/min. (outdoor) / 350 m/min. (indoor)
Height of Obstacles:	1,50 m
Number of Horses per Athlete:	1
Maximum Number of Starters:	if more than 100, the class will be divided
Starting Order:	1 st round: draw; jump-off as 1 st round
Total Prize Money:	Minimum EUR 30.000
Breakdown of Prize Money:	Acc. to prize money distribution Chart 1 (25% to winner). Prize money for each athlete placed 13 th and beyond: EUR 150

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Competition No. 2.

DKB-RIDERS TOUR - Rating Competition (Events except CSI4* Hamburg)

Competition over two rounds

Admitted Athletes:	Attending athletes placed 1 st – 25 th on the Longines Ranking List used for the invitation of athletes for the event; Athletes placed 1 st – 3 rd on the 2016 DKB-Riders Tour Final Ranking; Athletes placed 1 st – 5 th on the most recent valid ranking list of the 2017 DKB-Riders Tour (for the first leg of the 2017 series, this will be athletes placed 1 st – 5 th on the 2016 DKB-Riders Tour Final Ranking); In addition, up to a total number of 50 athletes (plus those tied for 50 th place), the best athletes from Competition 1.
Point-System DKB-Riders Tour:	20/17/15/13/11/10/9/8/7/6/5/4/3/2/1
DKB-Riders Tour final rating:	To be eligible for the final individual rating an athlete has to compete at the last leg of the DKB-Riders Tour 2017. A max. of 4 results will count for the final classification. In case of equality of points the greater number of 1 st places will decide. (resp. 2 nd places, etc.)
Admitted Horses:	Each athlete may start a horse of his own choice, with which he must have completed the initial round of at least one FEI competition at the same event (See FEI Jumping Rules 261.4.4); In case of abdication of a qualified athlete the next placed athlete may not move up (except for Hamburg Derby).
Table:	Table A acc. to Art. 273.3.3.1 (2 rounds, both against the clock) The best 25% (athlete/horse combinations) from the 1 st round qualify for the 2 nd round. In the 2 nd round all qualified athletes start with 0 penalty points. Athletes of the 2 nd round are placed according to penalties and time of the 2 nd round.

Possible further placements will be done acc. to penalties and time of the 1st round.

Speed: 400 m/min. (outdoor)/ 350 m/min. (indoor)

Height of Obstacles: max. 1,60 m

Maximum Number of Starters: 50 (plus those tied for 50th place)

Starting order 1st Round: Reverse order of the result of **Competition 1**
 If pre-qualified athletes acc. to "admitted athletes" did not start in **Competition 1** they start first in reverse order of their placing on the Longines Ranking List used for the invitation of athletes for the event (acc. to preamble).

Starting order 2nd Round: Reverse order of penalties in the first round (athletes with the most penalties start first); athletes with equality of penalties start in the same order as in the 1st round.

Total Prize Money: Minimum EUR 75.000. All athletes in the 2nd round will receive prize-money.

Breakdown of Prize Money: Acc. to prize money distribution Chart 1 (25% to winner). Prize money for each athlete placed 13th and beyond: EUR 250

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CSI4* Hamburg:

Hamburg Derby - DKB-RIDERS TOUR Rating Competition

Admitted Athletes: Open to the best 32 athletes from the 1st and 2nd qualifying Competitions (plus those tied for 32nd place)

Point-System DKB-Riders Tour: 20/17/15/13/11/10/9/8/7/6/5/4/3/2/1

DKB-Riders Tour final rating: To be eligible for the final individual rating an athlete has to compete at the last leg of the DKB-Riders Tour 2017. A max. of 4 results will count for the final classification. In case of equality of points the greater number of 1st places will decide. (resp. 2nd places, etc.)

Number of Horses per Athlete: Each athlete with one horse of his choice;
 In case of abdication of a qualified athlete the next placed athlete may move up with the agreement of the OC and the President of the Ground Jury.

Qualification System for the Hamburg Derby (applicable to both qualifying Competitions):
 1st place: number of starters in 1st qualifier plus 1
 2nd place: number of starters in 1st qualifier less 1
 3rd place: number of starters in 1st qualifier less 2
 Etc.

Table: Table A acc. to Art. 277 and 238.2.2 (according to penalties and time, with one jump-off in case of equality of penalties for 1st place)

Speed: 400 m/min.

Length: approximately 1230 m with 17 obstacles

Height of Obstacles: max. 1,55 m

Maximum Number of Starters: 32 (plus those tied for 32nd place)

Starting Order: 1st round by draw; jump-off as in 1st round

Width of Water Jump: minimum 3.50 m

Total Prize Money: Minimum EUR 75.000

Breakdown of Prize Money: Acc. to prize money distribution Chart 1 (25% to winner). Prize money for each athlete placed 13th and beyond: EUR 250

Point system for DKB-Riders Tour Rating Competitions (including Hamburg Derby)

1. Place 20 points	6. Place 10 points	11. Place 5 points
2. Place 17 points	7. Place 9 points	12. Place 4 points
3. Place 15 points	8. Place 8 points	13. Place 3 points
4. Place 13 points	9. Place 7 points	14. Place 2 points
5. Place 11 points	10. Place 6 points	15. Place 1 point

DKB-Riders Tour final rating:

To be eligible for the final individual rating an athlete has to compete at the last leg of the DKB-Riders Tour 2017.

A maximum of four results will be taken into consideration for the final rating, regardless of whether there are six or seven legs in the series.

In case of equality of points the greater number of 1st places will decide (resp. 2nd places, etc.).

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