



# **EXTRA QUALIFICATION**







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# 1. Introduction

The **Extra Qualification (EQ)** of Riding Instructor has been developed as a product of the Erasmus+ SPINE Project (Schools' Project to Increase employability in the European Equestrian Market). The partners of this Project are nine member schools of EEN (Equestrian Educational Network). The need and idea of this Qualification is based on the cooperation and development between the EEN member schools. Education systems are different in European countries, so there is a clear need to add young professionals' skills and qualities to act in the international labour market.

### **Education Modules**

Education of the Extra Qualification is given in three course Modules (M1, M2 and M3). Candidates participate each Module in the numbered order. The EQ Exam is organised in direct connection to Module 3, in the same place. The three different modules will be given in three different places each time the EQ is given, this will give the candidates the experience from three different schools and different countries.

One module is approximately 4-5 days depending on the number of Candidates.

### **EQ Modules**

The three Modules can be organised by any of the member schools of the Equestrian Educational Network (EEN). All information about the Extra Qualification and the Modules is collected in this document, as well as the Combined Guideline Manuals, which help the organising schools to produce the courses. Guideline Manuals also ensure education of equal quality, whichever of the schools is the organiser.

Each school organising the EQ Modules will use the Curriculum, Combined Guideline Manuals, Learning Material and Instructions of the Exam when giving the Modules.

### **EQ Learning Material**

Learning Material of the Extra Qualification is developed and produced by the Partners schools of the SPINE Project. All material was produced in the Project period of October 2017 – August 2020. In the coming years the Learning Material will be updated by the EEN to meet the development and expectations of the equestrian field and the society.

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### EQ Exam

The Extra Qualification Exam is organised in two days. It consists of the theoretical part and the practical part. The direction of conducting the Exam is to be seen further in this document. More detailed Instructions of The Exam as well as the Assessment Grids with the Marks Guides are included in the Guideline Manual.

### **Outcome of the EQ**

Having passed the EQ Exam the Candidate will receive an EQ Certificate. The aim is that in the future the EQ Certificate also will be approved by the International Group for Equestrian Qualifications (IGEQ), and that the Candidate could get an EQ Stamp in her/his IGEQ Passport.

## 2. Extra Qualification as an Innovation

The learning outcome of the EQ should provide key competences needed to enable the transition of VET students and equestrian professionals to be available for different positions as employees in the international labour market and so creating increased opportunities for professional development and larger possibilities of entering an international career path. Strengthening and practicing the key competences should be possible for all young professionals. The EQ learning pathway provides access on European level to training and the qualification for all VET students on the equestrian sector.

The project partners represent a large part of leading actors within the field of equestrian educators in Europe securing the EQ to be of high quality standards and also making it available for all students in the field. The EQ should increase quality of already existing VET educations with the aim of training and preparing the students to meet the demands of the labour market on international level. Therefore the goal of the EQ learning outcome is to include intercultural competences in the equestrian field along with deeper knowledge and improved skills securing high level of excellence, to create increased labour opportunities for all young equestrian professionals in the horse community sector.

The basic skills and knowledge demanded of an Extra Qualification Candidate are the **minimum requirements of IGEQ Riding Instructor, Level 2** (Horse management, Riding and Teaching).

# 3. Aims of Extra Qualification

The EQ education includes elements and areas complementing the national VET education in the EEN partner countries:

Horse welfare knowledge and skills, adapted to an international environment

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- Ability to analyse training and riding (dressage, Show jumping and eventing) in international circumstances
- Understanding of equestrian history and cultures and their influence on equestrian sports and hobby today
- > Understanding the physical and mental demands of a good rider and athlete
- Understanding cultural differences and their practical influence on riding and qualities of an instructor working in a foreign country/environment
- Language and communication skills
- Pedagogical skills in training and coaching
- Methodology and ability to use technical devices
- Understanding of business and management of an equestrian enterprise and entrepreneur
- Skills of professional equestrian marketing and use of media
- Knowledge of main laws and regulations regarding equestrian sports and business

# 4.1. Horse related content

### 4.1.1. Horse welfare

The quality of horse welfare is on one hand linked to the knowledge, skills and competences of the persons who are responsible for horses related to their housing, training and treatment. On the other hand, it is linked to the attitude of the persons towards the horse in general and especially to the characteristics of the interaction with the horse. Every education in horse sector and the **Extra Qualification of the EEN** (EQ) has the responsibility for developing this attitude, which must be based on basic ethical principles. All sessions, lectures, clinics, modules and examinations of the Extra Qualification are signed by the attitude of these principles.

The main goal of the Extra Qualification is to develop the attitude of these principles in the candidates of the EQ. Every candidate of the EQ is going to develop their own moral code related to the attitude of these principles. This moral code will be signed by the candidate and one more time discussed in module three.

Basic ethical principles:

- 1. Anyone involved with the horse takes over responsibility for the living creature with which he is entrusted.
- 2. The horse is to be kept in a way which is appropriate to its natural requirements.
- 3. Highest significance is to be accorded to the physical as well as psychological health of the horse, irrespective of the purpose for which it is used.



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- 4. The human being is to respect every horse equally, irrespective of its breed, age or sex as well as its use in breeding, leisure or sport.
- 5. Knowledge concerning the history of the horse, its needs as well as how it should be handled represent a cultural-historical heritage. This is to be cherished and safeguarded and also passed on to subsequent generations.
- 6. Contact and dealing with the horse are of valuable significance in the development of personality, in particular as concerns young persons. This significance is always to be respected and promoted.
- 7. Both the human being who participates the sport, as well as the horse with which he is entrusted, are to undergo training. The aim of all training is to achieve optimum harmony between human being and horse.
- 8. The use of the horse in high-performance sport or general riding, driving and vaulting must be orientated according to the horse's nature, ability as well as willingness to perform. Influencing the horse's ability to perform by means of medication or other effects applied by human beings, although not suitable for horses, is to be categorically rejected and can be punished according to national laws.
- 9. The responsibility of the human being for the horse which with he is entrusted also extends to and includes the end of the horse's life. The human being is always assumed to show responsibility and implement it in the best interest of the horse.

### 4.1.2. Principles of training and riding

### The candidate will acquire the following learning outcome:

- How to analyse training and competition performances related to the principles of riding and to the scientific principles of training
- Understanding of the relationship between anatomy, physiology, ethology/psychology and performance within training or competition. Is also able to apply this to her/his work.
- How to derive sound methodological training solutions of various problems and utilize the solutions in tasks of the sport with horses.
- > How to identify specific problems and classify them properly.
- How to plan, perform and analyse riding lessons, riding clinics and whole education and training of horses and riders for one year or longer, basing her/his work on the principles of riding and training.

### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following skills:

- Is able to ride and teach according to the principles of riding and training
- Is able to apply the principles of riding and training into the work with horses and riders





Is able to plan and analyse riding lessons, riding clinics and whole education and training of horses and riders for one year or longer based on the principles of riding and training

After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following knowledge:

- Principles of riding (Scale of education)
- Principles of training
- How to plan and analyse riding lessons, riding clinics and whole education and training of horses and riders for one year or longer based on the principles of riding and training

Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
Principles of riding:	Self-study in	
• The scale of education as a tool for	advance	
performing and analysing training and competition	Lectures	
<ul> <li>Flat work for different disciplines</li> </ul>		
and purposes	Discussions	
<ul> <li>Work with poles, cavalettis and obstacles for different disciplines and purposes</li> </ul>	Practical sessions	
<ul> <li>Work in the fields, with natural obstacles, hills and racetracks for different disciplines</li> </ul>		
Principles of training:	Self-study in	
<ul> <li>Definition of training and athletic</li> </ul>	advance	
performance		
<ul> <li>Influencing factors on athletic</li> </ul>	Lectures	
performance		
Constitution	Discussions	
Psyche		
Condition	Practical sessions	
How to train:		
o Stamina		
o Strength		
• Speed		
<ul> <li>Flexibility</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Coordination</li> </ul>		

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	How to set up training for the	
	improvement of coordination:	
	<ul> <li>Coordinative tasks</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Criteria of the load of</li> </ul>	
	coordinative tasks	
•	The connection between	
	coordination and condition	
•	Training principles	
	<ul> <li>Principle of the methodical process</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Principle of the stress</li> </ul>	
	sequence	
	<ul> <li>Principle of stimuli</li> </ul>	
	beneficial for training	
	<ul> <li>Principle of the increasing</li> </ul>	
	(progressive) stress	
	<ul> <li>Principle of the optimum</li> </ul>	
	relation	
	between stress and	
	recovery	
	<ul> <li>Principle of the</li> </ul>	
	development alignment	
	<ul> <li>Principle of individuality</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Principle of the long-term</li> </ul>	
	training structure and the	
	periodization	
•	Processes of the adaptation of:	
	<ul> <li>Heart circulation system</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Muscles</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Bones, joints, ligaments,</li> </ul>	
-	tendons	
Planni	ing and periodization of training:	Self-study in
•	State analyses:	advance
	<ul> <li>Strength</li> </ul>	
	• Weaknesses	Lectures
•	Goal setting:	
	o SMART	Discussions
•	Planning and periodization based	
	on the principles of riding and	Practical
	training	application by
		themselves

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# 4.2 Riders performance

For optimal horse-rider communication high-levels of technical riding skills are needed which requires both self-coordination of the rider and coordination with the body of the horse. This divides the subject into mounted and dismounted activities of the candidates and will in the practical work be known as Riders Seat (mounted activities) and Rider as an athlete (dismounted activities).

The candidate will acquire the following learning outcome:

- How to develop a correct seat, balance and position
- How to influence the horse in balance
- > How rider's balance, mobility, strength and stamina affect her/his riding
- How exercise, rest and diet affect performance

### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following skills:

- Is able to assess the riders physical and psychological strengths and weaknesses when riding.
- Is able to apply technical knowledge and use appropriate techniques to improve rider's performance
- Is able to select and perform appropriate functional movement and basic fitness tests to analyse the need of basic training on the horse and to use complimentary off-horse training.
- Is able to choose appropriate exercises to enhance balance, strength and stamina and other components of fitness based on the tests.
- Is able to evaluate the riders' psychological needs and use appropriate techniques for improvement.
- Is able to make the students aware of their abilities to develop their riding skills through training basic tasks.

### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following knowledge:

- How muscles, tendons and joints work together, functional anatomy and exercise physiology while riding and how they are connected to the rider
- > Anatomy of the horse and how the horse carries the rider correctly
- How to use skills and knowledge to make the rider aware of importance of education, training and diet for the performance, endurance and longevity
- Rider's injuries and how to prevent them

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- > Theory and techniques of basic sports psychology
- How to create attitude which makes riders aware of their role as athletes, in cooperation with riders and candidates of other nations
- Knows how to exchange knowledge and viewpoints with other sports, to promote and enhance good practices regarding the training of a rider

Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
<ul> <li>The riders seat</li> <li>Rider position analysis: 2d analysis, saddle pressure</li> <li>Analysing tool to increase the rider's seat and influence</li> </ul>	Lectures, discussions, demonstration of different types of tools (film, lunging, etc.)	
The riders balance <ul> <li>Awareness</li> <li>Developing</li> <li>Rhythm</li> </ul>	Lectures Discussions Demonstration Practical test	
<ul> <li>The rider as an athlete:</li> <li>Health</li> <li>Stamina</li> <li>Diet and hydration</li> <li>Sleep</li> <li>Training</li> <li>How does this affect the equine athlete/horse?</li> </ul>	Lectures Discussions Self-study in advance	Implement tests and exercises, followed by a written description aimed at making the students reflect on the tasks. Use this knowledge actively to the riders in the clinic/exam.
Relevant fitness tests and exercises without the horse	Practical tests Lectures	
Exercises while riding that serve motivation and awareness Various nations' research results and attitude towards the topic	Demonstrations Practical tests/observations Lectures Self-study Discussions	





# 4.3. Pedagogics

### 4.3.1 Cultural and social understanding

Besides the essential skills of horsemanship, a professional instructor working in a foreign country needs to understand the circumstances and the basis of equestrian sport in the country. As well it is essential to know the cultural environment and rules of the country, since these are the factors that create the opportunities of equestrian business and sports. Understanding the main features of the historical development in the country is an important tool in learning all this. In the EQ education this subject is closely connected to the subject Laws and regulations. In the exam of the EQ the presentations of these two subjects are delivered at the same time.

The candidate will acquire the following learning outcome:

- Background and importance of using the Horse in different cultures and parts of the world
- How cultural differences affect the work of Riding Instructor and Coach today

After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following skills:

- Is able to use the tools and sources of finding information about the topic.
- Has the attitude of understanding and respect of the values, rules and habits of another culture
- > Is able to create open discussion between people with different cultural backgrounds
- Is able to prepare presentations and lessons for students/audience with various cultural backgrounds
- Is able to apply different methods and use different tools to present her/his message in various cultural environments

After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following knowledge:

- Basic historical knowledge of social and economic development in the country chosen by the candidate
- Knowledge of principles, importance and influence of equestrian cultural heritage in the countries of equestrian world

Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
History of Horse and Man	Lectures	
globally	Self-study	Being able to produce
• War	Project work	presentations, prepare

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Agriculture		demonstrations and lessons, give lectures and lessons in various cultural environments
<ul> <li>History of using Horse in different purposes in different parts of the world <ul> <li>Development of society as the main factor</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use and importance of Horse in different parts of the world today <ul> <li>Agricultural production</li> <li>Sports and hobbies</li> </ul> </li> <li>Cultural differences in using and managing the Horse today <ul> <li>Main equestrian cultures and national traditions, their background</li> <li>Main differences in</li> <li>Horse Care and Management (daily/seasonal + health care)</li> <li>Feeding</li> <li>Stable Management and sustainable care of the environment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lectures Self-study Project work Lectures Discussions Self-study Project work: examples, cases Lectures ("knowledge nuggets") Self-study Project work" cases": Before the Module visit collecting information of the cultural history and background of the centres of their Module 1 and 2 visits Producing a plan: how to apply the information in teaching Discussions in groups Test: Preparing and carrying out a	environments
How to apply the cultural	presentation/theoretical lecture Discussions in groups	
aspect in the work of Riding Instructor and Coach • Values, social and economic	Demonstrations	

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importance of the	
National equestrian	
heritage	

### 4.3.2 Language and Communication

The subject Language and Communication 4.3.2 and Methodology and Didactics 4.3.3 is closely connected. Therefore, one could when teaching the modules often combine these two subjects. The suggestion of the combined teaching hours is stated in the guideline manual.

The subject Language and communication contain learning outcomes and expectations on communication, different skills to improve, the needs of improvement in professional training and how to assess different contents.

The candidates will acquire knowledge on the following topics:

- Body language
- > Equestrian vocabulary: technical terms, expressions
- > Transfer of learning: balance exercises by the vaulting discipline
- Solutions for training communication
- Analysing videos in trainings / competitions: capture, analyse, share, backup, develop tools in sports, health care, education.
- Presenting a theoretical lesson in training (to use paper-board, power point)

#### The candidates will have the following skills:

- Basic training in one or several disciplines.
- Planning trainings and competitions
- Teaching and communicating with one /several riders
- Using the pedagogical principles

### The candidates will have the following general knowledge:

- Understanding English language: to speak, to write and read in basic English
- Traditional teaching
- Providing safety
- Communicating with others: trainees, trainers, grooms, schools, managers.

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Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
	Skills coaching Relation with	Every student must identify
Communication in Coaching	riders Ability to analyse	his strengths and
		weaknesses
	Theoretical courses	
Theory		
	Verbal expressions No	
	verbal expressions	
	Groups and individual	
	Planning Implementation	
Education in communication	Assessment	
	Forward planning	

### 4.3.3. Methodology and didactics

The subject Methodology and Didactics 4.3.3 and Language and Communication 4.3.2 is closely connected. Therefore, one could when teaching the modules often combine these two subjects. The suggestion of the combined teaching hours are stated in the guideline manual.

The candidate will acquire the following learning outcome:

- Use of pedagogical tools
- Goal setting and motivators
- Planning lessons and clinics
- Riding instruction
- Theoretical instruction

### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following skills:

- > Experience of riding and theoretical education
- Is able to ride
- Is able to teach
- Is able to analyse
- Is able to evaluate

### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following knowledge:

- Knowledge of language and terminology
- Self-awareness

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- Knowledge of basics of pedagogy
- Knowledge of riding (level 2)
- > Knowledge of horses

Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
Self-awareness, motivation, goal setting	Capability profile etc GROW, SMART Chart 4, 8 (Equestrian Education)	Assignment Teamwork Create a clinic
Planning	,	
Riding and theoretical		
instructions		
Evaluation	GROW, SWOT	

## 4.4. Business and Management

The candidate will acquire the following learning outcome:

- Entrepreneur plan
- Goals (SMART)
- SWOT-analysis
- Finance
- Profitability

After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following skills:

- Show a pro-active attitude and determination
- > Show ambition and passion(drive) for the equine sector
- See opportunities (market orientation and research)
- Create a solid business plan for the equine sector
- Take educated risks (risk management)
- Create your own equine network
- > Ability to overcome challenges within the equine business
- Understand your USP (unique selling point)

### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following knowledge:

- Presents his/her ideas in a convincing way
- Is driven to satisfy customers and has a desire to keep improving the business and the way that he /she provides to clients
- > A research report that explores opportunities for potential business ideas

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- A viable business plan
- > A network consisting of colleagues, advisors, clients and stakeholders
- Solves problems
- > Really understands his/her business and the clients, their needs and their wants

Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
Entrepreneur plan: Mission Vision Strategy Goals: Specific Measurable Achievable Realistic Timely	Lectures Self-study Practical experience Feedback Lectures Self-study Practical experience Feedback	<ol> <li>Business plan in writing.</li> <li>Presentation of business plan</li> <li>Interview related to presentation of business plan.</li> </ol>
SWOT: Strengths Weaknesses Opportunities Threats	Lectures Self-study Practical experience Feedback	
<ul> <li>Finance:</li> <li>Fixed assets</li> <li>Current assets</li> <li>Own funds</li> <li>Borrowed capital (loans) and grants</li> <li>Long-term liabilities</li> <li>Short-term liabilities</li> </ul>	Lectures Self-study Practical experience Feedback	
Profitability: • Viability • Sustainability	Feedback	

# 4.5. Social media - Self marketing - Multimedia

As a professional equestrian rider or trainer, it is essential to find your way in the exploding world of media, social media, multimedia, apps, devices, tools, and so on. The trainer needs

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to consider the advantages, disadvantages, risks and opportunities of using available data on one side and of giving away personal information on the other side. Good awareness of own strengths and weaknesses together with smart use of media will help to produce a professional self-marketing plan.

Furthermore, the use of multimedia in making, fragmentating and analysing images and videos is a fantastic tool in training horse and rider.

The candidate will acquire the following learning outcome:

- Media
- Social media
- GDPR
- Multimedia
- Self-marketing
- Video analysis

#### After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following skills:

- > Is able to use the tools and sources to find information on a topic
- Is able to use social media like Facebook, Instagram, Instagram Story, Twitter or Snapchat
- > Is able to understand the positive and negative consequences of using social media
- Is able to show a correct attitude, respect of the right values, rules and habits while using social media
- > Is able to use media to highlight and sell specific competences
- > Is able to use different devices to capture movements of a rider and a horse
- Is able to analyse and evaluate videos and photos
- > Is able to use software to prepare a presentation

After completing the EQ the candidate will have the following knowledge:

- Knowledge of useful media and communication possibilities to collect information
- Knowledge of useful devices: smartphone, tablet, computer
- Knowledge of social networks: Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat, WhatsApp, Pinterest, blogs, YouTube...
- Knowledge of the positive and negative implications of social media
- Knowledge of how to use media to create a personal professional profile and strong trademark
- Knowledge of software and hardware to capture, analyse and evaluate skills and techniques to improve horse and rider







Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
Traditional media to present media: history and examples	Lecture Discussions	Being able to use traditional and current media. Being able to recognize the positive and negative aspects of media. Being able to be critical and extract the correct information.
Social media and self- marketing <ul> <li>Social media</li> <li>Creating a professional profile as a rider/trainer</li> <li>Creating a trademark</li> </ul>	Lecture Discussions Practical work Presentation	Being able to use different kinds of tools Being able to see advantages, disadvantages and risks of social media Being able to present/sell yourself as realistic as possible => self-awareness Being able to produce a self-marketing plan to promote professional equestrian skills and personal image to increase employability within the equestrian market.
<ul> <li>Sport technical hardware and software <ul> <li>Capturing pictures/movies</li> <li>Using devices to analyse</li> <li>Making an evaluation starting from images</li> <li>Using devices/tools in equine management (hardware/software)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lectures Practical work Presentation	<ul> <li>Being able to <ul> <li>capture the right image for a certain goal (position, exposure, alignment)</li> <li>fragment images</li> <li>decompose images</li> <li>analyse images</li> <li>evaluate images</li> </ul> </li> <li>Being able to make a plan after analysing and evaluating images</li> <li>Being able to use different devices for capturing images</li> <li>Being able to use different software to analyse images</li> <li>Being able to use devices to teach (for example Equiteacher)</li> <li>Being able to use tools for stable management (for example Hippovibe)</li> </ul>

# 4.6. Laws and Regulations

The candidates will acquire the following learning outcome:

- International regulations and organizations that do regulate the riding instructor activity
- National legal requirements of the country where the riding instructor activity will take place

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- > Tax regulations related to the riding instructor activity in different countries
- Cultural differences between countries on behaviour when dealing with animals, that may imply horse welfare

### After completing the EQ the candidates will have the following skills:

- Is able to study differences between countries on behaviour, culture, laws, and regulations
- Is able to adapt themselves to the differences between what they are used to and what they are going to find in the new country or region

### After completing the EQ the candidates will have the following knowledge:

- Which international organizations, like the FEI, IGEQ, European Union or others, do regulate the riding instructor activity
- Verify if the riding instructor certification achieved in his own country is valid in the country where he prefers to work and if there are other certifications or qualifications required in that specific country
- Make acquaintance of other legal requirements of the country where the activity will take place
- > Make acquaintance of the international anti-doping laws and regulations
- Understand how education and professional qualification are organized in the countries of the European Union and if there are some differences between them, related to the equestrian activity
- Verify what are the financial laws and regulations of the country where the activity will take place and how can he legally work as a riding instructor in terms of tax rules, and how to fill in an invoice
- Be able to study differences between countries on behaviour when dealing with animals, when that may imply horse welfare treated differently in some countries
- Be able to study and understand the cultural costumes in the country or region where the riding instructor activity will take place, and how can it influence his future activity
- Realise what are the international recommendations and agreements, like the ones from the United Nations, European Union Commission and others, about animal welfare, looking at the horse question in particular

Subtopics	Methods	Requirement
European Qualification	Lectures	
Framework	Discussions Self-study in advance	Each candidate must choose an example of a place to work,
		study all the legal

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		requirements and culture related to the place in question, and make a presentation.
Qualification System in each		
country		
International Equestrian		
Federation – FEI		
European Equestrian		
Federation		
International Group for		
Equestrian Qualification		
European Horse Network -		
EHN		
National Federations		
International and national tax	Lectures	
rules	Discussions	
	Self-study in advance	
	Demonstrations	
United Nations Organization –	Lectures	
ONU	Discussions	
	Self-study in advance	
European Union Commission - EUC		
Council of Europe		
World Organization for Animal		
Health – OIE		
Universal Declaration on		
Animal Welfare – UDAW		
FEI rules		
Anti-doping rules		

# 5.1 The Exam of Extra Qualification

### The Exam

The Exam is directly adjacent to Module three. The exam of the Extra Qualification contains two parts, one theoretical and one practical.

### Theoretical:

In the theoretical section the Candidate is asked to present the following:

1. A presentation of a business plan



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2. A presentation of a by the candidate chosen country containing Laws & Regulations and Social & Cultural understanding

### Practical:

The Candidate will act as a trainer coming to a school to perform a two-day clinic with a horse/rider pair. The Candidate will receive information on the horse/rider pair in advance, one month in front of the Exam.

In the practical section of the exam The Candidate is asked to deliver:

- 1. A portfolio of the clinic. This is made in advance, after receiving the video of the assigned horse/rider pair the Candidate is asked to teach in the clinic
- 2. A dressage lesson with the assigned horse/rider pair
- 3. A theoretical lesson with the assigned rider
- 4. A jumping/pole work lesson with the assigned horse/rider pair
- 5. A debriefing with the assigned rider
- 6. A performance related discussion with the examiners

The outcome of the Exam is either pass or no pass on each part (Theoretical/Practical). The Candidate will be assessed in relation to the content of the Extra Qualification.

The Exam is judged by three examiners, one of them must be a foreign examiner. I. e. not from the same country as the school organising the Module three of the EQ.

#### Information

The Candidate will be able to attend his or hers assigned riders warm up before the lessons start.

#### Portfolio

The Candidate will give the Portfolio to the Examiners in the beginning of Module 3. The portfolio should contain the following:

- Introduction
- Riders strengths/weaknesses
- Horses strengths/weaknesses
- Focus and goal of clinic
- Plan lesson 1
- Plan lesson 2
- Plan lesson 3
- Future plan for the work
- Summary

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### Performance related discussion

The Performance related discussion relates to a completed business order, a created test product / piece, a performed work sample or work task and supports their evaluation. It does not have its own examination requirements and is therefore not given any special weighting. Procedures, problems and solutions as well as related facts and technical questions are discussed. Shall be rated regarding the methodical approach and solutions and / or regarding the understanding of backgrounds and connections.

### 5.2.1 Assessment form and marks guide Theoretical

Subject	Criteria	+	+	-	Comments
		+			
Business	Personal				
and management	Concept				
	SWOT				
	Marketing mix				
	Finance				
Social and Cultural	Historical background,				
understanding	reasons behind the				
	circumstances				
	Importance of Horse in				
	business today				
	Cultural and Social				
	understanding				
	Laws and Regulations				
Laws and Regulations	affecting Horse Business				
	Requirements needed for				
	Working				
Language and	Skills assessed in "No				
Communication	"Verbal" communication				
	-Body language, location				
	Skills assessed in "Verbal"				
	communication				
	-Adapted communication				
	in English, voice,				
	feedback, silence, specific				
	vocabulary,				

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	Evaluates one's ability -Analysis of the knowledge in English, expressions		
Multimedia	The programs used for the layout of the presentations The programs/use of devices to present the presentations		
Result			

### MARKS GUIDE Business and Management

++	+	-
The student is able to	The student describes	The student gives no insight
explain why his or her	themselves by their	about themselves.
characteristics are useful or	characteristics.	They formulate global goals.
needed to start their own	They formulate global goals.	
business. They have a clear		
view about what makes		
them unique. The student		
has described 3 SMART		
goals.		
The student has a clear view	The student has some idea	The student is not able to
about what his or her	what his or her services will	explain what his or her
services will look like using	look like.	services will look like.
the 3 aspects.		
The student shows how he	The student gives 3 to 5	The students provide less
or she can take advantage of	items per part of the SWOT	than three items per part of
the opportunities and his or	and the parts are at the	the SWOT.
her strengths.	right place in the SWOT.	
The student makes clear	The student shows what the	The 4 P's are no coherent
how the marketing mix	marketing mix would look	marketing mix.
looks like and can explain	like.	

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which choices he or she		
made and why.		
The student has a clear view	The student provides the	The student provides
about the financial	financial numbers asked for	insufficient financial
consequences of his or her	but gives no explanations.	numbers to make a
decisions and is able to		estimation about the future.
make decisions based on		
these numbers.		

### MARKS GUIDE Cultural and Social Understanding

++	+	-
1. Historical background,		
reasons behind the		
<u>circumstances</u>		
Knows the political situation	Knows the form of	Does not know the political
and main historical	government but not the	situation
development of the country	background	
Knows the main history of	Knows the development of	Does not know the
Horse in the country,	Horses in riding	development of Horse
development of Horse		population
population in different		
purposes, can reason the		
causes		
Knows the main Equestrian	Knows the main Equestrian	Does not know the
achievements in history and	achievements in the country	background of Equestrian
level of Equestrian sports in		sports in the country
the country, and other main		
Horse competitions		
2. Importance of Horse in		
Business today		
Knows the different	Knows the main purposes of	Does not know the purposes
areas/purposes of using the	using the Horse in the	of using the Horse
Horse in the country today,	country	
can explain the		
development/reasons		

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Knows the economic	Knows about the economic	Does not know the
importance of Horse in the	importance, does not show	economic importance of
country today, can	the numbers	Horse
show/explain numbers of		
riding schools		
3. Cultural and Social		
<u>understanding</u>		
Knows/understands/can	Knows details of Horse	Does not understand the
discuss the cultural reasons	management in the country,	cultural reasons behind the
behind Horse management	the whole picture of the	circumstances
and welfare in the country	cultural reasons/effects is	
	not quite clear	
Can create a positive and	Can communicate with the	Cannot communicate with
productive communication	local riders/horsemen in a	the local riders/horsemen
with the local riders	positive way	

## MARKS GUIDE in "Laws and regulations"

++	+	-
1. Laws and regulations		
affecting Horse Business		
Knows the laws and	Knows the main laws and	Does not understand the
regulations and differences	regulations and differences	importance of laws and
affecting horse dealing and	affecting horse dealing and	regulations affecting horse
animal welfare in the	animal welfare in the	dealing and animal welfare
chosen country, can explain	chosen country	in the chosen country
how they affect the business		
Knows how to behave	Knows the main rules of	Does not understand/accept
according to the rules of the	behaving and clothing	the importance of national
country, how/when to wear	according to the rules of the	rules and habits of behaving
clothing required while	country and understands	and clothing.
working in riding and	the importance of the	
teaching activities. Can	habits. Shows interest in	
explain the cultural reasons	developing his/her	
for these habits. Gains good	knowledge of the cultural	
results in communicating	aspects.	





and working with the local		
customers.		
2. Requirements needed for		
Working		
Knows the professional	Knows the professional	Does not know the
qualifications and	qualifications and	qualifications and
certificates needed for	certificates needed for	certificates needed for
working as a riding	working as a riding	working in the country
instructor in the country,	instructor in the country	
and the organizations		
behind the requirements		
Knows the need of visa and	Knows the need of visa and	Does not know the need of
other authorization for	other authorization for	visa and other authorization
working in the country, and	working in the country, and	for working in the country.
the health demands	the health demands	
(vaccinations) of the	(vaccinations) of the	
country. Knows where/how	country.	
to find more information of		
the rules, when needed (in		
case of any problem).		
Knows which documents the	Knows which documents the	Does not know the
employer need from the	employer need from the	documents needed for
employee, to be able to pay	employee, to be able to pay	being paid legally.
him/her legally. Knows how	him/her legally.	
to get the documents.		

# MARKS GUIDE in "Language and communication"

++	+	-
Correct language	Understandable language	Rudimentary / poor
Precise vocabulary	despite limited vocabulary	vocabulary
	and errors	
Vivacity	Satisfactory understanding	Insufficient content
Relevance		
Takes the initiative of the	Partially understandable	Limited communication
exchange	expression	





Structured speech	Language overall correct despite some errors	Inconsistency / Contradiction
Adapted speech	Appropriate vocabulary, adapted to coaching situations	Inappropriate speech
		Frozen attitude

### MARKS GUIDE in "Multimedia"

++	+	-
The programs used for the	The layout of the portfolio is	The layout of the portfolio is
layout of the portfolio make	nice and clear	cluttered and messy
it inviting, fascinating and		
attractive		
The programs to present the	The programs to present the	The programs to present
portfolio are efficient and an	portfolio are used correctly	undermine the content
upgrade for the portfolio		

### Judges 'names and signatures:

## 5.2.2 Assessment form and marks guide Practical

#### Attachment 5.2.2

Subject	Criteria	+	+	-	Comments
		+			
Welfare of the	Awareness of horse welfare				
horse					
Safety	Awareness of safety				
Pedagogics	Demonstrate the ability to plan and				
	implement riding lessons with a clear aim of				
	the lesson. Good structure of the lesson				







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	adapted to both the rider's level of education			
	and the welfare of the horse.			
	Exercises on the right level and ability to			
	perform the riding. Interaction with the rider			
	Capability to analyse the situation during the			
	lesson, and evaluate after the lesson			
Language and	Skills assessed in "No Verbal" communication			
Communication	-Body language, location, respect of the horse			
	/ rider			
	Skills assessed in "Verbal" communication			
	-Adapted communication in English, voice,			
	feedback, silence, specific vocabulary, safety			
	instructions			
	Evaluates one's ability			
	-Analysis of the knowledge in English, argue			
	about technical words, expressions			
	The portfolio should contain analyses of			
Riders	rider's seat and position from the film and			
performance	find the riders strengths and weaknesses. It			
	shall give suggestions of exercises mounted			
	and dismounted for the rider and describe			
	what, why and how these exercises help the			
	riders weaknesses and strengths			
	Use the knowledge of the rider's weaknesses			
	and strengths from the film to make good			
	lessons that develop the rider.			
	Being able to during the lessons develop seat			
	and balance without getting a tension in the			
	rider			
Principles of	Knowledge of the principles of riding (scale of			
riding & training	education) and of the principles of training			
	Skill to implement the principles of riding			
	(scale of education) and the principles of			
	training into the practical work with horses			
	and riders			
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	Competence to analyse and plan single trainings up to long term training and education periods according to the principles of riding (scale of education) and the principles of training		
Multimedia	Use of relevant, useful, timesaving multimedia tools Good interpretation of the gathered information/feedback out of the tool		
	Clear transfer of the most primordial and relevant information/feedback to the rider		
Result			

### MARKS GUIDE in Welfare of the horse

++	+	-
In-depth and advanced	Satisfactory awareness of	Rudimental and poor
awareness of the welfare of	the welfare of the horse	awareness of the welfare of
the horse		the horse

### MARKS GUIDE in Safety

++	+	-
In-depth and advanced	Satisfactory awareness of	Rudimental and poor
awareness of safety	safety	awareness of safety

### MARKS GUIDE in Pedagogics

++	+	-
Well planned lessons with a	Satisfactory planned lesson	No foreseeable plan, aim
clear aim and good	with aim and structure	and structure
structure		



Very strong ability to interact with the rider and	Satisfactory interaction with the rider and adapts to the	No interaction and adaptation to the riding
adapt to the riding situation	riding situation	situation
A very clear idea about	Satisfactory summary of the	Rudimental or poor ability
strengths and weaknesses	rider and the lesson	to analyse
of the rider, the outcome of		
the lesson and how to		
continue the work		

### MARKS GUIDE in Language and Communication

++	+	-
Correct language Precise vocabulary	Understandable language despite limited vocabulary and errors	Rudimentary / poor vocabulary
Vivacity Relevance	Satisfactory understanding	Insufficient content
Takes the initiative of the exchange	Partially understandable expression	Limited communication
Structured speech	Language overall correct despite some errors	Inconsistency / Contradiction
Adapted speech	Appropriate vocabulary, adapted to coaching situations	Inappropriate speech
		Frozen attitude

### MARKS GUIDE in Riders physiology/Riders' seat

++	+	-
Analyze and develop the riders' seat with correct	Observe and describe the riders seat issues in a	Can describe but not define the influence of the rider's
exercises in a natural way	correct way.	seat/position.
with good timing and result.		

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Made an excellent portfolio with very good analyses	Made the portfolio with exercises and analyses in a satisfactory way	Made the portfolio with poor analyses or wrong strength and weaknesses on the rider.
Shows a very good understanding regarding rider's strength and weaknesses and how to improve them in a good way	Shows understanding regarding rider's strength and weakness and tries to improve them	Shows little understanding regarding rider's strength and weakness and the influence it has on the horse and the exercise.
Using What, Why and How and keeps a very clear communication with the rider.	Keeps communication with the rider in a nice way.	Have little or no communication with the rider. Gives instructions that makes it difficult for the rider to learn about strength and weaknesses.

### MARKS GUIDE in Principles of riding/training

++	+	-
In-depth and advanced	Satisfactory knowledge of	Rudimental and poor
knowledge of the principles	the principles of riding (scale	knowledge of the principles
of riding (scale of education)	of education) and of the	of riding (scale of education)
and of the principles of	principles of training	and of the principles of
training		training
In-depth and advanced	Satisfactory ability to act	Rudimental and poor ability
ability to act according to	according to the principles	to act according to the
the principles of riding (scale	of riding (scale of education)	principles of riding (scale of
of education) and the	and the principles of training	education) and the
principles of training		principles of training
In-depth and advanced	Satisfactory ability to	Rudimental and poor ability
ability to analyse and plan	analyse and plan single	to analyse and plan single
single trainings up to long	trainings up to long term	trainings up to long term
term training and education	training and education	training and education
periods according to the	periods according to the	periods according to the
principles of riding (scale of	principles of riding (scale of	principles of riding (scale of





education) and the	education) and the	education) and the
principles of training	principles of training	principles of training

### MARKS GUIDE in Multimedia

++	+	-
Maximal use of multimedia- tools	Use of multimedia-tools	No use of any kind of multimedia-tools
Very efficient and gainful use of the tool	Good and efficient use of the tool	Inefficient and incorrect use of the tool
Extract of the most essential info/feedback from the tool	Extract of useful info/feedback from the tool	Gained info/feedback is irrelevant or not primordial
Perfect translation/transfer of the info/feedback to the rider	Good transfer of the info/feedback to the rider but still some missed chances.	Insufficient transfer to the rider. Feedback is confusing.
Use of the tool results in a real gain of time	Good use of time concerning the use of multimedia	Use of multimedia is time wasting
Used tool is a real added value	Multimedia tool is useful	Used tool is not useful or leads to wrong accents

# Certificate of Extra Qualification

### Attachment 6.1

There are two different Certificates, one for those having passed the Exam and one for those having participated the EQ but not passed the Exam.

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module 2 in and module 3 in, to deepen the required skills and competences for the international equestrian labour market in the following areas:
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Business and Management
Laws and Regulations
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Riders performance



# Annexes and references

Linked to the Curricula there is a Guideline Manual in which the schools organizing the EQ find information on the plan for each subject and module, along with references to the learning material linked to each subject.

The Annexes for the Curricula are: Assessment form Theoretical 5.2.1 Assessment form Practical 5.2.2 Certificate of the EQ 6.1

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