

The Pinto Horse & Pony Association Inc.
Show & Drug Rules & Regulations.

SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS.

1. ANNUAL AWARDS are formulated from the number of points earned by an individual Pinto, Amateur Owner or Youth during each year's competition. Nomination forms must be submitted and the applicable fee/s paid before points can be awarded.
2. Points are officially tallied over the duration of the show year - 1st August to 31st July of each year
3. Official Point score/result books must be used; these are available by completing the Hi Point Nomination form available via the website or by contacting the Secretary.
Upon receipt of the Annual Hi Point Awards application and fee a point score/result book will be forwarded to the applicant. If a book is filled before the completion of each year of competition the member should contact the Secretary requesting a replacement book.
Points will not be accepted if they are written on plain paper; only official point score sheets are acceptable. If you think your current point score book may be insufficient to record your next show results please request a replacement so you have it for that show to enable the judge or steward to sign.
4. Recording results on your point score sheets – points are for Halter, Performance and Saddle classes. Refer to the High Point Section and Approved Classes for High Point Awards & ROM's
5. Original point score sheets are to be returned to the Secretary NO LATER than 30 days of each competition results returned later than 30 days will be void, no points will be issued.
6. Point Score/Show Result sheets received for a Pinto not enrolled for Hi Points will be marked invalid and returned to the owner.
7. All result sheets must have the correct competitor placing/s for that show signed by the Judge, steward or secretary of the show.
8. **Lodging completed result sheets:**
A copy of the program is required from AGRICULTURAL SHOW SOCIETIES and any other show or event which provides classes eligible for recording of results.
The **front page** identifying the show or event and a copy of the page/s of classes competed in is sufficient, there is no need for the entire program to be submitted.
All areas of the results recording sheet/s must be completed correctly, including owner and horse details.
The recording sheet must be **signed** in the appropriate section of the form on the day of the competition by the **judge, steward or show secretary**.
Separate sheets **MUST** be used for points for each Horse, Amateur Owner or Youth.
Horse results – if you show more than one horse please put each horse's results on separate pages.
When claiming points for Amateur Owner or Youth awards a separate result sheet must be used - do not include these results on the same page as the horses' results. Failure to submit on a separate page will result in A/O or Youth points not being recorded. Please note only classes marked AO will count for AO awards.

Any **incomplete, incorrect or unsigned** result sheets sent into the office will not be recorded. Results sent minus the show program cover and pages of classes competed in will not be recorded.

Check Show Rules & Regulations for classes that can be claimed.

9. A PHPA youth must ride or exhibit a Registered Pinto whose owner is a financial member of the P.H.P.A. (the Pinto does not have to be their own Pinto) more than one registered Pinto can be used in different classes (excluding such classes as per H.S.A.A. Rule Book) to be eligible for High Point Awards.

10. Pintos whose owners are financial members may be exhibited or ridden by other persons provided they are members of the P.H.P.A. Inc. Persons that are not financial members may not compete in Pinto classes.

11. A Pinto, Youth or A/O must compete at a minimum of three (3) shows to be eligible for Annual Awards.

12. Authorised officers of the P.H.P.A. Inc. will liaise with show societies, breed societies or show organisers for inclusion of Pinto classes or any change in a program relating to Pinto classes.

13. PHPA members (or persons accompanying pinto members) may not request Pinto classes be held until their arrival at show ground or venue, nor request alterations to Pinto programs either before or on the day of the show.

14. Pinto horses must be 2 years of age or over to be ridden in Pinto classes at any show from 1st January each year.

15. Pinto colts 2 years and over must be handled by adults 19 years & over.

16. Pinto Colts/Stallions 2 years and over are only to be ridden by an adult 19 years and over.

17. Drugs - Prohibited drugs are not permitted to be administered to any Pinto at any show - Refer Drug Rules

18. Progeny group of 2 pintos - Mare's group of 2, progeny must be out of the same registered mare. Sires group of 2, progeny must be by the same registered Stallion. (Not eligible for points)

19. Owner Group of 2 registered pintos, both pintos must be registered in the same PHPA member's name. (Not eligible for points)

20. Best Marked Pinto, judged on markings only (not conformation) (Not eligible for points)

21. Best Bred to Type - judged on conformation and the type that Pinto represents: Example - Quarter Horse Type, Thoroughbred Type, Arabian Type, Pony Type, Stock Horse type etc. (Not eligible for points)

22. Where a program states – Colt under 4 years, Filly under 4 years, Gelding under 4 years, and provides a foal class under 1 year, foals must compete in the foal class.

23. FOAL RECORDED PINTOS – foal recorded Pintos that turn 4 years of age on the 1st August may not be shown further until they have been upgraded to the adult register. Contact the Secretary or go to the website for the necessary application to upgrade the Pinto.

24. Where a program states Pinto mare 3 years & over and Pinto Broodmare 3 years and over, a Pinto mare cannot compete in both - only Pinto Mares that are in foal or have had a foal in the previous 12 months may compete in Broodmare classes. Broodmares may compete in either mare class but not both.

25. When entering results on results sheets competitors must enter the class exactly as it reads in the program. Do not just write 'Led Pinto', write Led Mare 3 years & over N.E. 14hh if that is how the program reads.

26. Only enter placing/s that you receive a ribbon for, or if no ribbon given but placing recorded by the steward then that placing is eligible. If you happen to be fourth in the line-up but no ribbon awarded or placing recorded then that placing is not eligible.

The number of horses in each class must be shown in the column provided on your results sheet. (This is how we calculate points for Register of Merit Awards if your Pinto is nominated)

27. HALTER POINTS:

Points for halter High Point Awards can be gained from -

A. *Led Colt, Filly, Gelding 2 years & under, *Foal under 1 year, Or *Yearling colt, filly or gelding, Or *2 year old colt, filly or gelding.

B. *Mare, Stallion, Gelding 3 years & over. *Mare, Stallion, Gelding 3 years & over N.E. 14hh.

*Mare, Stallion, Gelding 3 years & over Exc. 14hh.

C. *Colourama class results (including paints, pintos, buckskins, appaloosas etc in together) are not eligible for points within the Brisbane metropolitan area.

Colorama results for **country** members are accepted.

D. *Best Marked, *Best Bred to Type, *Progeny group of 2, *Owner group of 2, *Futurity led classes, *Dual Registered classes - Results from any or all of the above are not for eligible for points.

E. Pintos that are registered as Part Arabians, Paints, Stock Horse, ANSA, Miniatures etc cannot claim points from placings gained in their other registry, this applies to any other registration a Pinto may have.

28. SADDLE POINTS:

Points for saddle High Point Awards may be gained from –

Open Performance Shows, Open Hack Shows, Agricultural Shows, Pinto Shows and All Breed Shows.

29. HI POINT AWARDS

HALTER HIGH POINT AWARDS:

ZONE 1 – Within 150 kms of Brisbane GPO – refer to map

ZONE 2 – Outside 150 kms Brisbane GPO – refer to map

*FOAL UNDER 1 YEAR *YEARLING COLT *YEARLING FILLY *YEARLING GELDING

*2 YEAR OLD COLT *2 YEAR OLD FILLY *2 YEAR OLD GELDING

*MARE 3 YEARS & OVER; N.E. 14HH *MARE 3 YEARS & OVER; EX 14HH

*STALLION 3 YEARS & OVER; N.E. 14HH *STALLION 3 YEARS & OVER; EX 14HH
*GELDING 3 YEARS & OVER; N.E. 14HH *GELDING 3 YEARS & OVER; EX 14HH
***OVERALL HI POINT HALTER PINTO**

SADDLE HIGH POINT AWARDS:

*JUNIOR PINTO UNDER 6 YEARS; N.E. 14HH *JUNIOR PINTO UNDER 6 YEARS; EX 14HH
*SENIOR PINTO 6 YEARS & OVER; N.E. 14HH *SENIOR PINTO 6 YEARS & OVER; EX 14HH
*MARE UNDER SADDLE *STALLION UNDER SADDLE *GELDING UNDER SADDLE
***OVERALL HI POINT PINTO UNDER SADDLE**

YOUTH HIGH POINT AWARDS:

*BEGINNER CHILD HANDLER & LEADLINE BOY OR GIRL 2 – 6 YEARS
*WALK – TROT: 7 – 9 YEARS (NOT ELIGIBLE YOUTH 7 – 9 YEARS)
*YOUTH 7 – 9 YEARS HANDLER *YOUTH 7 – 9 YEARS PERFORMANCE
*YOUTH 10 – 13 YEARS HANDLER *YOUTH 10 – 13 YEARS PERFORMANCE
*YOUTH 14 – 18 YEARS HANDLER *YOUTH 14 – 18 PERFORMANCE
*YOUTH ENGLISH RIDDEN *YOUTH WESTERN RIDDEN
*SPORTING YOUTH 18 YEARS & UNDER *PONY CLUB YOUTH 18 YEARS & UNDER
***OVERALL HI POINT YOUTH**

10 NOMINATED HI POINT SHOWS:

*BEST PRESENTED PINTO & HANDLER *HALTER PINTO * SADDLE PINTO
*AMATEUR OWNER HANDLER * AMATEUR OWNER RIDDEN
*YOUTH HANDLER *YOUTH RIDDEN

OTHER HI POINT CATEGORIES:

*ENGLISH RIDDEN PINTO *WESTERN RIDDEN PINTO
*AMATEUR OWNER HALTER *AMATEUR OWNER RIDDEN ***OVERALL AMATEUR OWNER**
*SPORTING PINTO *HARNESS PINTO *DRESSAGE PINTO
*LED PERFORMANCE UNDER 14HH *LED PERFORMANCE 14HH & OVER
*ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD * MOST IMPROVED AWARD

COUNTRY AWARDS:

(FOR PINTOS RESIDING 150 KMS FROM BRISBANE GPO – ZONE 2)

*COUNTRY HALTER *COUNTRY SADDLE *COUNTRY YOUTH
*PONY CLUB YOUTH *SPORTING YOUTH *OPEN SPORTING

These awards may be revised/altered from time to time as required.

30. AMATEUR OWNER AWARDS:

A/O awards are for registered A/O Pinto members that show and ride a Pinto registered in their name, in the case of multiple ownership a nominated A/O rider must be stated; one rider one horse rule applies. Amateur classes attract points in Halter and Ridden categories; a separate show result sheet is required for submission to receive A/O points.

31. YOUTH AWARDS:

A youth turning 19 years old after the 1st August in a current year award may compete for youth awards 14 - 18 years until the 31st July in the following year. Points for Youth Awards are only eligible where a program states specific events in age groups under the age of 19 years. Results for Youth class results - a separate show result sheet is required for submission to receive Youth points.

32. POINT SCORE SYSTEM FOR ANNUAL HIGH POINT AWARDS REGARDLESS OF NUMBERS IN CLASS:

1st - 6 Points, 2nd - 5 Points, 3rd - 4 Points, 4th - 3 Points, 5th - 2 Points, 6th - 1 Point.

Champion 2 Points, Res. Champion 1 Point, Grand Champion 2 Points and Supreme Exhibit 2 Points.

33. Points will not be accepted for Pinto classes that have not appeared in a program.

34. The P.H.P.A Inc. reserve the right to accept or reject any points submitted for inclusion in the records for P.H.P.A Awards.

35. A member found to be supplying false information towards Annual Awards or where specific placings are required to qualify for any show will forfeit all points previously and currently accumulated. If the same member supplies further false information the horse and/or member will be disqualified from competing for the current years' awards.

36. Any member found to be breaching the P.H.P.A. Inc. Show Rules will be called before the P.H.P.A. Committee and disciplinary action may be taken.

37. APPROVED EVENTS FOR P.H.P.A. AWARDS & R.O.M. AWARDS

General Hacking, English Pleasure, Bridle Path Hack, Dressage, Pinto under Saddle, Working Hunter and Hunter Hack, Jumping, Working Stock Horse, Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Reining, Trail, Hunter In Hand, in Hand sporting under 14hh, in Hand Trail & in Hand Jumping.

Led Halter classes, Showmanship and Pinto Handler.

Harness, Camp Drafting, Bulldogging, Calf Roping, Cutting, Working Cow Horse, One Day Events Dressage etc. Endurance Riding.

Other saddle events may be considered if they qualify for this category.

Sporting: Barrels (All Types) Bending, Keyhole, Flag, Handy Horse and other events which are considered novelty may be approved.

48. R.O.M'S. (REGISTER OF MERIT)

The purpose of the Register of Merit (R.O.M.) programme is to establish a record of performance for individual Pintos. The fee for enrolling each Pinto for the 'Register of Merit' is included in your Hi Point nominations fee, your Pinto will be automatically eligible for R.O.M.s upon receipt of your Hi Point nomination. Points for R.O.M are extracted from the official point score sheets which are used by members when competing for Annual High Point Awards. If your Pinto is entered for R.O.M. you must have a Show result sheets, this is the only way your Pinto can earn points. Just complete the sheets in the normal way making sure you enter the correct number of horses competing in each class in the column provided and the R.O.M. recorder will do the rest.

Pintos may be of any age when enrolled, and once enrolled it is for the Pintos entire life and transferable from owner to owner. You will be notified when your Pinto has accumulated enough points in any one category and will be issued with a R.O.M. Certificate in that category.

Certificates are issued once a year usually at the Annual High Point Awards presentation. To qualify a Pinto requires the following –

REGISTER OF MERIT – GOLD AWARD:

Halter 200 points.

Saddle 200 points.

REGISTER OF EXCELLENCE – EXCELLENCE AWARD:

Halter 600 points.

Saddle 600 points.

SUPERIOR PINTO – SUPERIOR AWARD:

Halter 1000 points.

Saddle 1000 points.

HALL OF FAME: A PLAQUE WILL BE PRESENTED TO PINTOS ATTAINING THIS AWARD

Halter 1,500 points

Saddle 1,500 points

R.O.M'S FOR RETIRED SIRE OR DAM:

Progeny of Sire or Dam can earn 200 points in individual categories for their Sire or Dam (after the progeny have earned their own R.O.M. in that same category) providing that the Sire or Dam have themselves achieved a minimum of 100 points in that same category.

39. R.O.M. points commence from the date the Hi Point nomination fee is received.

40. DRESS STANDARD:

Led Classes

LADIES: English, Western or Stock Horse Attire: Jacket, Blouse, Hat, Gloves, Vest, Skirt, Flat shoes,
Dress Jeans or dress trousers, Moleskins, Western Shirt, Top Boots, Jodhpur Boots, Western Boots

GENTS: Western, English or Stock Horse Attire: Boots as above, Trousers, Moleskins,
Dress Jeans, Shirt, Tie, Vest, Jacket, Lace up shoes, Western, English or Akubra hat.

Ridden Classes – Pinto classes are primarily ridden in English attire: Hacking Jacket, shirt with tie or stock, jodhpurs with top boots or flat heel jodhpur boots (gaiters permitted) Riding helmet, English saddle and bridle.

Stock Horse attire with Akubra, shirt, tie, moleskins, flat heel boots, Jacket, Stock Saddle, bridle etc is acceptable for Pinto under Saddle but is not appropriate for Bridle Path Hack, Hunter under Saddle etc. Western attire with Western boots, Western Saddle, bridle etc will be required for Pintos performing in Western ridden events.

41. Appropriate tack for Led Classes – Halter, English Bridle or Western Halter permitted.

(a) All Stallions / Colts 2yrs and over to be handled by an adult 19 years or older; no exceptions.

(b) Handling and touching of horses below the shoulder is not permitted (no placing of feet).

(c) Whips – hacking canes or whips not to exceed 75 cm in length, excessive use not permitted.

42. Attire & Tack for Western ridden events:

Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Trail and Western Equitation classes.

Personal Appointments – Western hat, long sleeve western shirt (ladies or gents) chaps, tie or bandana, western style boots, western pants or dress jeans.

Optional Appointments – Western type rowel spurs, gloves, western cut coat, Equitation suits may be worn without chaps by ladies.

Prohibited Appointments – Whips, bats or quirts.

Tack – Standard mounted western saddle, standard western bridle and bit, standard braided or rawhide hackamore, split or closed reins, hobbles in trail class where romal reins or hackamore w/out mecate are used.

Optional Tack – Rope lariat or riata, Breastplate, back girth, hobbles except in trail classes above, ring straps in all snaffle classes.

Prohibited Tack – Mechanical hackamores, standard skid & shin boots, tapadero's, martingales, cavesson & drop nose bands.

43. Attire and Tack for English ridden events:

Pinto under Saddle, Bridle Path Hack, Hunter Hack, Open Hack, English Equitation, Hunter under saddle.

Personal Appointments – English riding jacket, Jodhpurs fawn or beige, long or short riding boots, shirt with tie or stock, hard riding cap, youth 18 or under must wear a safety approved helmet

Optional Appointments – English type spurs rowelled or dummy, gloves, tie or stock, hacking cane, safety helmets (Pinto Classes only –Riding Crops (hacking cane) or whip not to exceed 75 cm)

Quarter marks, braided mane & tail are optional for the horse.

Prohibited Appointments – Brooches or western jewellery, Dressage whips & riding crops in HSAA events (whips not exceeding 75 cm & riding crops are permitted in Pinto classes only).

Tack – English bridle (with cavesson noseband) bits - regulation Snaffle, Pelham, Kimblewick

English saddle – Dressage or Show saddle, General Purpose or Hunt; leather, synthetic, web, cord or lined girth. Stock Saddles may be used in 'Pinto under Saddle' however they are not considered suitable for English ridden classes ie: Bridle Path Hack, Hack or Hunter classes.

Optional Tack – drop nose bands.

Prohibited Tack – Martingales, draw reins, tie downs, boots or bandages except in jumping classes, Drop/Hanoverian noseband in 2 year old bridle path hack/hunter under saddle classes.

44. Youth Led classes – Attire Refer rule 40

Youth Ridden Classes - Youth Bridle Path, English Equitation, Youth rider classes, Walk & Trot 7-9 years.
Refer Rule 43 – Please note that Safety helmets are mandatory for ALL youth 18 and under for ridden Pinto classes.

Youth Handler 2 - 6 years: must wear long pants/trousers or jodhpurs, jackets optional, blouse or shirt; long sleeve preferred, covered footwear ie: jodhpur/western style boots, sneakers not permitted.

Beginner Child Handler & Lead Line 2 - 6 years: must wear long pants/trousers or jodhpurs, jackets optional, blouse or shirt; long sleeve preferred, covered footwear ie: jodhpur/western style boots, sneakers not permitted, Safety helmets are mandatory for ALL youth 18 and under for ridden Pinto classes. Tack: English, Western or Stock saddle

45. Any horse owned or exhibited by a member of the PHPA – the member will be liable for the action of their horse/horses at any show, or public gathering.

All horses must be suitably restrained and handled whilst in the exhibitors care.

All horses that are known to kick - appropriate care to be taken, a red ribbon tied in the tail to warn of the possible kick, failure to take preventative measures can result in the horse being requested to leave the area.

The same is applicable to any horse exhibiting dangerous intent towards fellow competitors and their exhibits.

46. Protests and Complaints:

On receipt of a written complaint (and the accompanying fee of \$ 10.00), regarding a breach of conduct (see PHPA Code of Ethics) of any PHPA member at any show which may discredit the P.H.P.A., that member will be answerable to the Management Committee of the P.H.P.A.

All parties will be required to attend an arranged meeting.

Code Of Ethics for The Pinto Horse & Pony Association Inc

THIS APPLIES TO ALL MEMBERS.

1. This code of ethics is hereby adopted as part of the Rules & Regulations of the Pinto Horse & Pony Assn Inc.
2. (a) If a member or members are found to be in violation of this code of ethics in a nature serious enough then the matter may be dealt with under the auspices of Rule 8, article 3 (c) of the Constitution.
(b) The Committee may reprimand, suspend or exclude any member from the Association or Deregister any horse/pony of which the member is the registered owner if the Association considers the member to be in breach of any of the Association's regulations or if their conduct is seen as derogatory or prejudicial to the interests of the Association.
3. In every situation the welfare of the PHPA Inc and the Pinto horse shall be paramount over other considerations.
4. It shall be considered unethical practice for any member against whom a complaint has been made, to attempt to influence the committee of management or any other member by duress or intimidation of a sort, prior to the complaint having been resolved according to the Assn Rules & Regulations.

CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

5. Each member shall strictly observe and act in conformity with and not otherwise than in accordance with the Constitution and Rules & Regulations of the Association. Any member guilty of a breach of this code may be called upon by the committee to resign his/her membership.
6. No member shall so conduct himself/herself or be guilty of such conduct as to bring the PHPA Inc into disrepute or to bring himself/herself as a member and or breeder into disrepute.
7. (a) If it shall appear that any member may have been guilty of any breach of the provisions of the PHPA Inc Constitution or Rules & Regulations, or be guilty of any misconduct, the Secretary shall, if requested to do so by the committee, call upon said member to appear before the committee and the committee may make such enquiry as it considers appropriate in the circumstances, and may in the exercise of its judgment either reprimand said member or impose on said member a penalty suitable as agreed upon by the committee as it see's fitting to the circumstances.
If the committee deems it necessary to request said member to resign his/her membership, the member shall first be notified of the alleged breach and shall be given a reasonable period of time to answer any charge against him/her and to provide any explanation or evidence he/she may consider appropriate and an opportunity shall be afforded to said member to appear before the committee to furnish such evidence or explanation as the circumstances warrant.
(b) If any member fails to supply the Secretary with requested information, registration certificates or other documents within thirty (30) days, unless a satisfactory explanation is supplied, the committee may give consideration to and request said members' resignation.

(c) If a member is asked to tender resignation of membership and fails to do so within thirty (30) days the member at the termination of thirty (30) will be cease to be a member of the Assn with all membership rights terminated. A notice of membership termination will also be published in the next edition of the newsletter which due date for publication falls after the membership has been terminated.

DISRESPECT of PERSON

8. In the furtherance of their official duties all Association representatives shall be treated with courtesy, co-operation and respect; no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

OWNERS and BREEDERS

9. Owners and Breeders shall avoid use of false, misleading and misapplied statements, advertisements and the like concerning horses offered for sale or for stud purposes.

10. Owners or Breeders shall not publically disparage the horse of another owner or breeder, nor publically volunteer an opinion of another owner's horse or a transaction to which he/she is not a party. If his/her private opinion is sought, and he/she sincerely feels qualified to answer, that opinion shall be given privately and with courtesy and integrity.

11. An owner or Breeder (and/or their agents or employees) shall use reasonable care in the handling and treatment of his/her own horses and those placed in his/her care.

EXHIBITORS

12. Conduct of Owners & Exhibitors in the ring and on the show grounds shall be exemplary at all times. At no time shall an owner or exhibitor conduct himself/herself in a manner which may adversely affect the exhibition of his/her own or any other person's horse. Whilst on the grounds at any venue Owners & Exhibitors shall be required to conduct themselves and their children in a considerate manner.

13. Owners and Exhibitors shall not attempt to influence Judges or appointed officials in any way prior to or after an event, nor shall they accuse the Judge of favouritism or accepting bribery of any form. Legitimate protests must be lodged in accordance with correct procedures.

14. All competitors shall remain in the ring or display area until dismissed by an official.

JUDGES, STEWARDS and OFFICIALS

The PHPA shall expect all Judges and their Stewards/Officials of approved or sponsored shows to understand and abide by the following:

15. A Judge is expected to show the highest standard of integrity toward the Pinto Horse and its handlers/riders at all times and shall avoid arriving at decisions made by influence, bias, reputation or ignorance.

16. A Judge is expected to have a clear understanding and knowledge of the standards of the Pinto Horse as per the PHPA requirements and shall in no way be accused of bias by placing a personally preferred 'Breed' or colour over that of another Pinto horse of the same standard.

The Pinto Horse and Pony Association Inc maintains that adherence to this code is important to the integrity of the PHPA Inc and the horses registered in their name. By becoming a member with the PHPA Inc each individual is in agreement to abide by this code of ethics.

The Pinto Horse & Pony Association Inc.
Prohibited use of Drugs - Veterinary Regulations.

1. DEFINITIONS

ACTIVITY:

Any event, competition involving equines or sale of equines, whether competitive or otherwise, and whether limited to members of this association or open to public participation that is organised by this Association.

ASSOCIATION:

The Pinto Horse & Pony Association Inc.

EQUINE:

Any member of the equine family, regardless of age, gender, breed, size, category or type.

OTHER SHOW SOCIETIES, BREED ASSOCIATIONS, PONY CLUB ASSOCIATION,

ANY EQUINE CLUB.

Any Pinto horse that is tested positive to a prohibited drug by any other association or club will have the same penalties imposed on the person responsible for that Pinto at the time of the activity where the samples were taken.

PERSON RESPONSIBLE.

The person responsible for an equine shall be deemed the competitor who rides, leads or drives the equine during an activity. The person responsible will also be responsible for the actions of his/her groom and of any other person with authorised access to his/her equine.

MEDICATION CONTROL OFFICER.

At nominated activities conducted by the Association, there shall be an appointed Veterinary Surgeon. This person will be responsible for overseeing all medication control for the activity including responsibility for the selection of horses to be sampled in conjunction with the appointed Veterinary surgeon and any other qualified person required to assist.

This person shall have no interest or connection with any equine entered into the Activity

APPEALS COMMITTEE.

At each activity conducted by this Association there shall be an appointed Appeals Committee consisting of 3 persons, who may be members of this Association. One of these persons shall be nominated by the Association as President of the Appeals Committee and shall be responsible for chairing the Appeals Committee. Members of the appeals committee are responsible for adjudication all disputes and all other matters required to be referred to them in regard to medication control and sampling of selected equines on the day of the activity.

VETERINARY SURGEON.

When it is decided by the Association that sampling will take place at an activity, The Association

shall engage the services of a qualified veterinary surgeon.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE/JUDICIARY COMMITTEE HEARING.

A committee empowered by The Association to investigate alleged breaches of these Veterinary regulations, evaluate submitted evidence from all parties, reach a conclusion and if applicable, impose a penalty under the guidelines of the veterinary regulations.

2. TREATMENT OF EQUINES DURING AN ACTIVITY:

- (a) Written approval must be given by the Veterinary Surgeon before any veterinary treatment or medication with a prohibited substance is administered to an equine during the entire course of an activity. This applies from the moment the equine arrives on the grounds of the activity to the moment the equine departs from the grounds of the activity.
- (b) If during this period it is urgently necessary to treat the equine with a prohibited substance, the appeals committee must be informed at once and provided with full details of the circumstances involved. The appeals committee must decide whether the equine may take further part in that activity.

3. SELECTION FOR SAMPLING:

- (a) Any equine entered into any activity conducted by this association may be impounded for the purpose of taking urine and/or blood samples, tissue samples and saliva samples to detect the presence of a prohibited substance. Blood, tissue and saliva samples must be taken by a qualified veterinary surgeon. Urine samples may be collected by a person appointed by this association or a veterinary surgeon.
- (b) Equines may be selected for sampling at any time from their arrival on the grounds of the activity until their departure from the grounds of the activity.
Equines shall be allowed thirty (30) minutes duration to pass a urine sample.
- (c) There is no set method of determining which equines shall be sampled and this shall be jointly decided by the veterinary surgeon and any other qualified person required to assist.

4. IDENTIFICATION OF EQUINES:

- (a) The identity of an equine must be positively established before sampling procedures commence. (Ideally) This should be by comparison of the equine against issued registration papers and the inspection of the horse noted by a date, time and signature to this effect on the registration papers by the veterinary surgeon.
- (b) If registration papers are not available for comparison, a document of identification must be completed in full by the veterinary surgeon and signed by all parties before the collection of samples commences.

5. REFUSAL OR WILFUL OBSTRUCTION TO SUBMIT AN EQUINE FOR SAMPLING:

- (a) A refusal or wilful obstruction by any person to submit an equine for sampling must be reported immediately to the appeals committee.
- (b) If the appeals committee decides that there are no grounds for such a refusal or obstruction and the person responsible persists in the refusal or obstruction, the equine must be disqualified from the previous competition and from the rest of the competition or activity or in the case of a

sale, withdrawn from that sale. The matter must then be referred to the attention of this association and passed to a judiciary committee for their consideration of the matter.

6. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES:

- (a) The use of hormones, anabolic steroids, tranquillisers, stimulants, irritants or any substance administered to alter the natural appearance of the said horse, or capable of affecting the performance or behaviours of a horse by its action upon the central or peripheral nervous system, the cardiovascular, respiratory, alimentary, urinary, musculo-skeletal, immune or the uro- genital systems, and shall include analgesics, anti-histamines, anti-inflammatory agents, blood coagulants, diuretics, hormones and their synthetic counterparts, cortico-steroids, anabolic steroids, local anaesthetics, muscle relaxants, tranquillisers and vitamins.
- (b) For the purpose of this regulation the association's committee from time to time, at its discretion may make laws litigating any substance or irritant, the use of which shall be treated as being a breach of this regulation.

7. WARNINGS TO PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- (a) The purpose of activities is to match the talents of equines and competitors against each other under fair and equal conditions. The purpose of these regulations is intended to ensure that the normal performance of an equine during an activity is not affected, either deliberately or unintentionally, by the influence of drugs and medications or any form of veterinary treatment.
- (b) It is a contravention of these veterinary regulations if the analysis of a sample taken from an equine shows the presence in its tissues, body fluids or excreta of a prohibited substance.
- (c) Persons responsible are WARNED THAT:
 - (1) In many cases the ingredients of drugs, proprietary medicinal preparations and tonic do not appear in full on the labels and may contain prohibited substances.
 - (2) They must take all reasonable precautions to ensure that manufactured compound feeds used are free from prohibited substances.
 - (3) Many substances can be absorbed through the skin of the horse and be revealed through analysis.

8. COLLECTION PROCEDURES:

Samples taken from equines participating in any activity conducted by this association shall be collected in accordance with the collection procedures and protocol adopted by The Racing Codes Advisory Board at the time of collection.

9. ANALYSIS PROCEDURES:

- (a) Samples taken from equines participating in any activity conducted by this association shall be tested in accordance with the testing techniques and protocol adopted by The Racing Codes Advisory Board at the time of delivery of the samples to the testing laboratory.
- (b) The analysis of sample A must be completed as soon as possible but within 21 days of receipt of the sample at the laboratory.
- (c) If the result of analysis of sample A is negative, the sample may be destroyed by the laboratory.
- (d) If sample A indicates a discrepancy and confirmatory analysis of sample B is required, this must be requested by the person responsible within 10 days of the date of written advice reporting

the result of the analysis of sample A by this association to the person responsible. The analysis of sample B must be completed as soon as possible but within 21 days of the date of notification to the laboratory by the association.

- (e) If sample A indicates a discrepancy and a confirmatory analysis of sample B is refused or declined by the person responsible, it is not required that sample B be tested and all necessary documentation required to substantiate an allegation of the obtained for sample A. This documentation shall be requested on the basis of results obtained for sample A. This documentation comprise evidence of the presence of a prohibited substance to a judiciary committee hearing.

10. COSTS FOR ANALYSIS:

- (a) The cost of analysis of sample A shall be born by the association.
- (b) The cost of analysis of sample B if positive, shall be borne by the person responsible.
- (c) If sample B is found negative, the cost of analysis of this sample shall be borne by this association.

11. SECURITY OF SAMPLES:

All samples taken during anyone day should abe kept in a security locked security and should be dispatched to the laboratory at the first available opportunity, but no later than 24 hours after the collection of the sample.

12. JUDICIARY COMMITTEE HEARINGS:

- (a) When the presence of a prohibited substance is notified through the issue of certificates and any other necessary documentation by the drug detection laboratory, the management committee of the association shall convene a judiciary committee hearing.
- (b) The person responsible shall be invited to attend any hearing and to call witnesses and place all evidence in their defence and or in mitigation, to the judiciary committee. If through any circumstance, the person responsible is not able to attend the judiciary committee hearing, they must submit written statements in their defence and or to request mitigation.
- (c) If the person responsible is aged under eighteen years or is an adult person suffering some physical or mental disability which could disadvantage them at a judiciary committee hearing, they must be accompanied for the entire duration of the hearing by either a parent or a guardian.
- (d) No person holding legal qualifications recognisable within any legal system may represent persons responsible unless written permission is first asked and then obtained from the management committee. The management committee may refuse such permission without stating any reason for their decision.
- (e) No member of the judiciary committee shall have any vested interest in the outcome of the hearing on which they are empowered to adjudicate and shall approach all hearings in a fair and unbiased manner.
- (f) Full records of all judiciary committee hearings shall be kept (proceedings to be tape recorded in conjunction with written secretarial minutes).
- (g) The person responsible shall be advised by the association secretary of the findings of the judiciary committee by certified, priority paid, receipted mail at their last recorded address.

**13. PENALTIES FOR BREACHES OF THE VETERINARY REGULATIONS:
FOR THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE.**

- (a) First offence resulting in a positive test - 6 months suspension from all privileges of the

P.H.P.A. including all pintos registered in the person - responsible's name not being permitted to being shown in any registered pinto class at any show includes all pinto classes at all agricultural shows.

- (b) Second offence resulting in a positive test - expulsion of membership for life for the person responsible. All pintos registered in the person responsible's name are not permitted to be shown while registered in that person's name, these pinto's files are to be placed in the inoperable file. If these pintos are sold and the new owner becomes a financial member and horses ARE TRANSFERRED INTO THEIR NAME & transfer fee paid, then their files will be returned to the operable file and will be permitted to be shown in all pinto classes at any show.
- (c) For feature of any prize or award will be effective in relation to the activity where the sample was taken which resulted in a positive test for either first or second offence.
- (d) If the person responsible is not the registered owner of the pinto/s then that person is not permitted to show any pinto as in "a" for a 1st offence, and for a 2nd offence, not permitted to show a pinto in registered pinto classes for life and will be refused pinto membership for life.

14. APPEALS:

- (a) The person responsible may lodge a request for an appeal against the findings and the penalty imposed by the judiciary committee within 14 days of the receipt of the notice of this findings and imposed penalty.
- (b) Any request for an appeal must be in writing addressed to the secretary of the association and clearly state the grounds on which the appeal is requested.
- (c) The association shall consider the request for an appeal based solely on the grounds submitted by the person responsible and may refuse or permit an Appeal.
- (d) Should the association permit an appeal, the appeal shall be heard by the management committee of the association at a venue, date and time to be advised with 14 days notice to the person responsible.
- (e) The person responsible may attend the appeal hearing in order to present their case or if unable to attend the appeal hearing may present their case to the appeal hearing by way of written submission.
- (f) If the persons responsible is aged under eighteen years or is an adult person suffering some physical or mental disability which could disadvantage them at an appeal hearing, they must be accompanied for the entire duration of the hearing by either a parent or a guardian.
- (g) No person holding legal qualifications recognisable within any legal system may represent persons responsible at an appeal hearing.
- (h) Any member of the management committee having any vested interest in the outcome of the appeal hearing shall declare that interest and shall be stood down from the management committee for the appeal hearing.
- (i) The findings of the appeal hearing are final and shall be notified to the person responsible by the association secretary within 7 days of the appeal hearing having finalised their decision.
- (j) Full records of the Appeal Hearing shall be kept.