



GOULBURN VALLEY REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION INC.

GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT

All Goulburn Valley Reining Horse Association (GVRHA) members, administrators, officials, trainers, competitors, volunteers and spectators must meet the following requirements in regard to conduct and behaviour in any way relating to the sport of reining;

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in Reining (including all competitors, officials and administrators) regardless of gender, ability, sexual orientation, age, cultural background or religion.
- Be aware of and abide by the NRHA Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse
- Be fair, considerate, honest and act appropriately in all dealings
- Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions
- When providing a service, seek to provide a quality service
- Be aware of and comply with NRHA standards, rules, regulations and policies
- Avoid any conduct using privileged information to gain personal or commercial advantage
- Respect the spirit of the rules of the sport (including and without limitations, nation and international guidelines which govern the sport of Reining) and fair play and behave accordingly.
- Not use your involvement with any association or organization to promote your own beliefs, behaviour or practices where these are inconsistent with NRHA.
- Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with persons under the age of 18 years, as your words and actions are an example.
- Refrain from any form of harassment, bullying, abuse, violence, intimidation or vilification of others, especially via the use of social media
- Refrain from any behaviour that may bring GVRHA, NRHA, and its members or the sport of Reining in disrepute
- Not engage in conduct that is (in GVRHA's reasonable opinion) unethical, unbecoming or likely to cause harm to the reputation of GVRHA, its members or the sport of Reining
- Comply with all relevant Australian Laws (Federal and State) including anti-discrimination, occupational health and safety and child protection laws
- Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured
- Be a positive role model
- Contribute to a safe sporting environment and respectful culture which is accepting of individual differences and behave accordingly
- Understand the consequences if your breach NRHA standards, rules, regulations and policies referred to in the NRHA Handbook
- Condemn the use of violence or abuse in any form, whether it is by other spectators, competitors, trainers, officials or volunteers
- Do not consume or be affected by alcohol or other substances such that it impairs your judgement or the safety of your horse, yourself or others
- Do not take, consume or be affected by illicit substances
- Feel at ease to report any issue to GVRHA Management Committee for action
- GVRHA committee reserve the right to approve or decline GVRHA membership applications and Show entries at their discretion.