



Code Of Conduct and Regulations

Hendra Pony Club grounds

Code of Conduct and Regulations

Hendra Pony Club grounds

1.1 Objectives

This Code of Conduct promotes the primary interests of horse welfare and public safety at the Hendra Pony Club grounds.

1.2 General

- (a) This Code of Conduct may be altered or added to from time to time at the sole discretion of the Hendra Pony Club Executive, and any such alterations will be advised to Users.
- (b) All Users must adhere to this Code of Conduct as well as to any Sub-lease and/or Shared Facilities Agreements entered into.
- (c) It is a condition of use that all Users agree to be bound by this Code of Conduct.



Take pride in how far you've come. Have faith in how far you can go.

Entry to Hendra Pony Club grounds

2.1 Entry, Vehicles and Parking

- (a) Access to the Hendra Pony Club grounds is shared by Club members, participants and Users, as well as industry service providers, visiting instructors and members of the public.
- (b) Pedestrians and horses have right of way at the Hendra Pony Club grounds at all times.
- (c) A User must not park or leave a vehicle parked within the Hendra Pony Club grounds after closing time except with the written permission of an Executive Committee member.
- (d) The Club is entitled to require payment of a fee determined by it, but not exceeding \$100, for the opening of a gate to permit entry to the Hendra Pony Club grounds.
- (e) A User must not drive a motor vehicle within the Hendra Pony Club grounds contrary to any sign and a speed limit of 10km' s per hour is to be maintained.



2.3 No domestic pets

- (a) The User will not allow any dog, cat or any domestic or exotic animal which is not a horse or pony to be brought onto or kept on the Hendra Pony Club grounds.
- (b) The User will not tether a dog to the fence of the grounds.



2.4 Smoking

The User acknowledges that the Hendra Pony Club grounds are a smoke-free sporting club grounds and that Users are not permitted to smoke on the grounds, other than in Designated Smoking Areas.



2.5 Noise

The User must not engage in any disruptive behaviour or make any excessive noise on the Grounds or in the vicinity of horses.

2.2 Bringing horses into the Hendra Pony Club grounds

No person shall bring a horse into the Hendra Pony Club grounds unless all of the following have been completed and provided:

- (a) Written approval from an Executive Committee member
- (b) property of origin form;
- (c) declaration of animal health form;
- (d) current vaccination certificate for tetanus and strangles and Hendra Virus;
- (e) signed acceptance of the terms of this Code of Conduct; and
- (f) any other form or item as required.



Courage is being scared to death, but saddling up anyway.

Rider Safety and Safety around horses

3.1 Warning

The Hendra Pony Club advises and Users acknowledge that contact with horses and horse riding is a dangerous recreational activity which involves a significant risk of harm, including injury and death. Users acknowledge that they come into contact with any horse on the Hendra Pony Club grounds at their own risk.

The Hendra Pony Club allows agistment for both mares and geldings many of whom can be unpredictable. Horses have a pecking order of dominance in a herd and the dominate horse can be called an Alfa horse. An Alfa horse can boss other horses around especially at feed time or if they take an interest in one horse. It is natural for mares to come into season a few times a year and when introduced to a new gelding. Some mares can be very bossy when in season..

Horses are unpredictable animals and caution is required at all times to minimise the risk of injury or damage.. Loud noises or surprises can startle and distress horses who may strike-out without warning.

Should a dangerous horse incident occur Users should advise an Executive Committee member of the incident in writing, for investigation and resolution as appropriate.

3.1 Rider and Horse Safety

- (a) Users must conduct themselves in consideration and respect for Hendra Pony Club riders and horses.
- (b) A professional level of conduct that does not endanger any rider or horse must be maintained at all times.
- (c) Users acknowledge that horses are flight animals who are inquisitive, unpredictable and easily distressed.
- (d) Users are prohibited from actively seeking to engage or have contact with horses. Horses on the grounds are owned by individual Hendra Pony Club members and are not to be petted, fed, ridden or man-handled in any way.
- (e) Users acknowledge that they may come to serious harm or injury or death as a result of contact with horses.
- (f) Information on personal safety and conduct around horses is to be included in all Site Induction Information sessions and paperwork.
- (g) Users acknowledge that site induction is their responsibility and a Hendra Pony Club Committee Executive member is to be consulted.



You play football? That's cute.

Identification, Access, Keys, Gates and Clubhouse enclosure

4.1 Identification

To promote security on the Grounds all Users must be able to provide satisfactory identification to Hendra Pony Club members as required.

4.2 Access

Users are permitted access to the Grounds and any approved facilities as outlined in their Sub-lease and/or Facilities Access Agreements. Speed limits and noise reduction measures must be maintained at all times.

Users vehicles and equipment must be secured within their approved facilities when not in use.

4.3 Keys

- (a) All Users are entitled to two sets of keys to the Grounds. A key register must be maintained and keys made available for audit purposes annually.
- (b) Keys may not be sold, transferred, duplicated or loaned.
- (c) Lost keys must be reported promptly to an Executive Committee Member.

4.4 Gates

Entry and internal gates must be kept secured at all times. Entry gates must be locked when there are no members on the grounds. For safety sake, when in doubt entry gates should be locked regardless.

4.5 Club house enclosure

Horses are prohibited from entering the clubhouse enclosure and care must be taken to ensure internal gates to that area are secured at all times. Should horses enter that area an Executive Committee Member must be advised immediately so action can be taken to muster the horses out as quickly, and safely, as possible. Users should **NOT** attempt to remove horses themselves.



I am his eyes, he is my wings, I am his human, he is my horse

General Rules



5.1 General Rules

- A) The User acknowledges that sections of the grounds may be closed on occasions for renovations, during periods of wet weather, or in preparation for an event, or at the discretion of the Pony Club.
- B) Users are required to observe signage where-ever erected.
- C) Users have a responsibility to report immediately any damage to the facilities and if the padlock at the main entry gate is unusable or damaged.
- D) Littering is prohibited. Users are to ensure all litter is deposited into waste bins provided.
- E) Horses are not permitted in the club house enclosure.
- F) No User may exercise or ride a horse without permission from an Executive Committee member.
- G) Users agree to respect other users of the grounds
- H) Show jumping equipment is not to be moved or if it is moved it must be returned to its original position. No ground rails are to be left on the ground when jumps are not in use (ground rails should have one end placed on a cup to lift it off the ground to promote grass growth).

5.2 Duty to report Incidents

- (i) accidents (physical injuries);
- (ii) serious incidents (near misses included) where there is no actual physical injury;
- (iii) incidents involving property damage

Are to be reported immediately (or as soon as is reasonably possible) to an Executive Committee member. An Incident Report may need to be completed.

If you climb into a saddle, be ready for the ride of your life.

Code Of Conduct and Regulations

Hendra Pony Club grounds

Acknowledgement of Users:

I, _____, acknowledge that I have read and understand the Code of Conduct and I agree to abide by these conditions. Furthermore I agree to ensure that all employees, workers, volunteers and visitors abide by these conditions.

Access to and use of the Hendra Pony Club grounds is outlined in the attached Facilities Access Agreement.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

For: _____

Expiry date: _____

Facilities Access Agreement

Hendra Pony Club grounds

User: -----

Purpose: -----

Operational Hours: -----

Facilities:	Main arena	<input type="checkbox"/>	Toilets	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Lights	<input type="checkbox"/>	Club house	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hill top arena	<input type="checkbox"/>	Club house shed	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sporting arena	<input type="checkbox"/>	Power	<input type="checkbox"/>
	North paddock arena	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	North paddock shed	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Other facilities or Hendra Pony Club equipment to be used:

Entry Key number (s) -----

Charges agreed to: -----

Payment arrangements: -----



In riding a horse we borrow freedom