NZ Cowboy Challenge Association Code of Conduct



Purpose

This code of conduct aims to reflect the principles, values, and responsibilities outlined in the constitution of the New Zealand Cowboy Challenge Association Incorporated, providing a framework for the behavior and expectations of its members. This includes council members, judges and those responsible for hosting and organising Cowboy Challenge events, including Point Approved events, public demonstrations and clinics as an NZCCA sanctioned event.

1. General Conduct

- 1.1 All members of the New Zealand Cowboy Challenge Association Incorporated (NZCCA) shall conduct themselves in a manner that upholds the values and objectives of the association as outlined in its constitution.
- 1.2 Members shall treat each other, officials, volunteers, and the public with respect and courtesy at all times, both during association events and in any interactions related to the association.
- 1.3 Members shall refrain from engaging in any behavior that may bring the association into disrepute.

2. Compliance with Rules and Regulations

- 2.1 Members shall familiarize themselves with and abide by all rules, regulations, policies, and guidelines established by the NZCCA, including those outlined in the official Rule Book.
- 2.2 Non-members participating in Cowboy Challenges shall adhere to the rules and regulations of the association as outlined in the Constitution, Code of Conduct, and Rule Book, even if they are not NZCCA members.

3. Sportsmanship and Fellowship

- 3.1 Members shall promote good sportsmanship and fellowship among riders, officials, and participants in Cowboy Challenges.
- 3.2 Members shall uphold the principles of fair play, honesty, and integrity in all aspects of their involvement in the sport of Cowboy Challenges.

- 3.3 The NZCCA is committed to fostering an inclusive and equitable environment where all individuals, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, ability, or background, are valued and respected.
- 3.4 Members shall actively promote diversity, equity, and inclusion within the association and its activities, working to eliminate discrimination, harassment, and bias in all forms.

4. Responsibilities as Members

- 4.1 Members shall contribute positively to the promotion and development of Cowboy Challenges in New Zealand.
- 4.2 Members shall actively support the objectives of the association, including the regulation, oversight, and promotion of Cowboy Challenges as a sport.

5. Financial Responsibilities

- 5.1 Members shall fulfill their financial obligations to the association, including payment of annual subscriptions or membership fees, in a timely manner.
- 5.2 Members shall not use association funds or resources for personal gain or benefit, nor shall they expend association funds on purposes outside of New Zealand.

6. Compliance with Decision-Making Process

- 6.1 Members shall comply with decisions made by the Executive Council and the general membership of the association, as ratified at Annual General Meetings.
- 6.2 Members shall not influence association decisions for their personal gain or benefit, nor shall they engage in conduct that undermines the integrity of the decision-making process.

7. Reporting and Resolution of Issues

- 7.1 Members who become aware of any violations of this code of conduct or other breaches of association rules and regulations shall report such incidents to the appropriate authorities within the NZCCA.
- 7.2 Any disputes or grievances arising between members shall be addressed through the association's established disciplinary procedures, with due regard for fairness, impartiality, and procedural justice.

8. Amendments and Updates

8.1 This code of conduct may be amended or updated by resolution at Annual General Meetings of the NZCCA, subject to the provisions outlined in the association's constitution regarding the alteration of rules.

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