

CODES OF CONDUCT

The Pony Club Association of Victoria's Code of Conduct outlines behaviours that are expected of every person involved in our organisation, as well as identifying the types of behaviours that will not be tolerated.

It applies to members, officials, adult supporters, coaches, instructors, spectators, family, friends, administrators and other members of our diverse pony club community.

It applies to all PCAV, Zone and Club sanctioned activities.

The Pony Club Association of Victoria's Code of Conduct supports everyone to have fun in a friendly and inclusive environment.

Our Values and Behaviours

Respect and recognition

- I treat others as I would like to be treated
- I treat everyone with dignity, courtesy and respect
- I appreciate performances by all participants
- I value and recognise good behaviours and the contribution of all
- I communicate openly and provide constructive supportive feedback

Caring

- The welfare of the horse is paramount
- I am considerate of others
- I encourage others to participate but I don't force the issue
- I never resort to verbal abuse, harassing behaviour, hostility or aggression

Integrity

- I am open, honest and trustworthy
- I do what I say
- I am a Good Sport and encourage others to do the same
- I do not make any disparaging or belittling remarks about others
- I abide by the Code of Conduct

Inclusion

- I support and help others
- I am flexible and responsive to people's needs
- I work collaboratively to achieve the best outcomes
- I encourage the participation of all regardless of ability, age, gender, sexual orientation, race, culture or religion
- I contribute towards an enjoyable and safe environment for all.

Our Values and Behaviours are central to the Pony Club Association of Victoria's Code of Conduct. They ensure that we focus as much on HOW we do things as on WHAT we do by putting Values and Behaviours at the core of pony club participation.

Our Responsibilities

Club Members

Embrace and act in accordance with the Code of Conduct Role model and share your knowledge of this Code

Consider and uphold the welfare of the horse in any activity in which you participate

Raise situations that you think might be a breach of this Code with your Club or Zone's officials. Encourage others to raise their concerns.

Officials, Parents, Guardians, Coaches, Instructors, Administrators, Observers and Supporters

Keep the Code of Conduct accessible for future reference

Embrace and act in accordance with the Code of Conduct Role model and share your knowledge of the Code

Lead by Example

Raise situations that you think might be a breach of this Code with your Club or Zone's officials. Encourage others to raise their concerns

Encourage an environment where others can raise their concerns

Manage behaviour that is inconsistent with this Code

Getting Advice

Your Club's officials are your most direct source of information and action.

Breaching the Code of Conduct

PCAV, Zones and Clubs treat breaches of this Code seriously.

If you breach this Code, or assist someone else to breach the Code, the breach will be investigated.

If it is determined that a breach has occurred, your Club, Zone or PCAV, as appropriate, will address the behaviour in line with the circumstances of the individual case. This could include coaching the people involved to assist them to recognise why the behaviours are inappropriate and Code of Conduct
