



Clydesdale Cross Sport Horse Association Inc.

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CODE OF ETHICS

Upon joining the CCSHA, members are bound by the following Code of Ethics and any person who breaches the Code may be subject to disciplinary action, including cancellation of membership.

As a member of the CCSHA, I will -

GENERAL

- Undertake to support the CCSHA and promote the Clydesdale Cross Sport Horse
- Strive to improve my knowledge and understanding of equine behaviour, training and care
- Practice horsemanship to the best of my ability and within the limits of my expertise
- Avoid slander or defamation of fellow members or CCSHA officials and refrain from actions or business practices which may result in dishonour upon my peers or the CCSHA
- Abide by the *Code of Conduct for CCSHA Events and Competitions* and *CCSHA Social Media Policy*

WELFARE

- Ensure that all horses under my care are properly controlled, housed, fed, watered, exercised and receive proper veterinary care
- Refrain from and where possible prevent any acts of cruelty or mistreatment of horses and will also protect animals in my care from undue physical and psychological stress
- Commit to the fact that the well-being of horses in my care will take precedence over the needs and demands of clients, breeders, trainers, riders, organisers, etc. and this guiding principle will remain paramount in any action or decision making process
- Abide by the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986, as well as any Code Of Practice relevant to my State of residency (e.g. Code of Practice for the Welfare of Horses in Victoria)

SELLING / REHOMING

- Inform any potential purchasers / new owners / leasees of any and all ailments and provide information on the care, housing, feeding and other requirements of the animal
- Ensure that any horse sold or leased by me is in a state of good health and I will not knowingly, falsely advertise or mislead any person regarding the performance, behaviour, history, suitability or health of the horse

BREEDING

- Breed primarily for the purpose of improving quality and / or performance of the Clydesdale Cross Sport Horse

- Be responsible in my selection of breeding stock, maintain accurate stud records and engage in practices which reduce the incidence of hereditary disease and undesirable traits and promote the quality, versatility and integrity of the Clydesdale Cross Sport Horse
- Deal honestly and fairly with the public and other members of the industry and avoid misrepresentation of my services, facilities, qualifications or experience
- Deal honestly and fairly with the public and other members of the industry and avoid misrepresentation of my stock's performance, behaviour, history, suitability or health
- Quote correctly and accurately before the start of any breeding agreement, making the client fully aware of the fees, including a comprehensive list of all additional costs that may be incurred (e.g. pregnancy scans, agistment, feed, etc.)
- Foal Record or register all foals bred by me or at the very least, provide CCSHA registration information and documentation to the new owner