# **QUEENSLAND YARD & UTILITY TRIAL ASSOCIATION INC**



TITLE:

VERSION: 1

Code of Conduct

## 1.0 Statement

- 1.1 The Queensland Yard & Utility Trial Association Inc (QYUTA) recognises that its members must, whilst in public, represent QYUTA and its values. All members agree to abide by this Code of Conduct and all QYUTA policies.
- 1.2 This Code of Conduct is to be read inconjuction with QYUTA's policies.
- 1.3 This Code of Conduct has been adapted from the Code of Conduct developed by the South Australian Yard Dog Association Inc.
- 2.0 Coverage
- 2.1 This Code of Conduct applies to:-
  - (a) members;
  - (b) volunteers;
  - (c) judges; and & Utilit
  - (d) trial organising committees, and
  - (e) livestock/dog trainers.
- 2.2 For the purposes of this policy, the listing at paragraph 2.1 above shall be referred to collectively as Handlers and Members.

## 3.0 Condition of Dogs

- 3.1 All dogs are to be presented in a good, fit and healthy condition at all times.
- 3.2 A bitch visibly in pup and/or in the last 3 weeks of their pregnancy can not be trialled.

## 4.0 Transport of Dogs

- 4.1 Dogs are not to be over crowded in vehicles and trailers.
- 4.2 Dogs are to be safely secured when being transported.
- 4.3 Trailers and cages transporting dogs are to be kept clean and well ventilated with water to be regularly offered to dogs.

#### 5.0 Behaviour of Handlers

- 5.1 Handling and disciplining dogs in a manner that offends the public will not be tolerated at QYUTA affiliated trial and events.
- 5.2 Handlers and Members threatening dogs on the trial ground will be reprimanded, have points deducted and/or be disqualified.
- 5.3 Handlers and Members must not inflict pain or cause wilful distress to any animal.
- 5.4 Handlers and Members are required to be respectful towards officials, other members, handlers and spectators and behave in a sportsman like manner at all times.
- 5.5 Handlers and Members must always present themselves for competition and official business in a state of sobriety and not affected by drugs. (refer POL 9 Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy).
- 5.6 Handlers and Members must not engage in any action or dialogue that may be deemed discrimination or sexual harassment (refer POL 6 Anti-Discrimination & Harassment Policy)
- 5.7 Handlers and Members must not inflict verbal or physical abuse upon another member, competitor, official or spectator (refer POL 10 Bullying & Cyberbullying Policy).
- 5.8 Handlers and Members must refrain from smoking on the trial yards including the backyards (refer POL 8 Smoke Free Environment Policy).
- 5.9 Handlers and Members agree to abide by QYUTA's Social Media Policy (POL 5). This policy aims to provide some guiding principles for Handlers and Members to follow when they engage in social media use.