

**SHOW HORSE COUNCIL OF AUSTRALASIA Inc.**  
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# **NATIONAL SADDLE HORSE REGISTER RULES**

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**1.0 OBJECTIVES**

- 1.1 To provide a National Registration Scheme for Saddle Horses.
- 1.2 To ensure every horse on the Register is uniquely identified.
- 1.3 To provide a Registration Certificate which may be used to identify the horse.
- 1.4 To provide an affordable Registration system. Where the owner/s are not required to be members of any particular organisation.

**2.0 DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 Horse - The term **“horse”** in this Registration Scheme shall refer to a horse, galloway or Pony.
- 2.2 Owner - The term **“owner”** shall refer to the legal owner &/or part owners of the horse.
- 2.3 Show Horse Council - The term **“Show Horse Council”** shall refer to the Show Horse Council of Australasia Inc.
- 2.4 Registrar - The **“Registrar”** is the person in control of Show Horse Council of Australasia Inc. National Saddle Horse Register.

**3.0 REGULATIONS**

- 3.1 Horses shall be owned &/or Leased &/or Transferred only by a member or members of the Show Horse Council of Australasia Inc. as shown in SHC Register of Members, Where the horse is owned by two or more people then all must be members of the Show Horse Council..
- 3.2 N.S.R. registered horses currently being shown are required to hold a current Annual, Provisional or Life S.H.C. Measuring Certificate. The Show Horse Council reserves the right to insist that a horse be presented for measurement. Failure to present the horse for measurement may result in suspension &/or withdrawal of the horse's Registration.
- 3.3 **A horse can only be registered by its legal owner or owners.** Where a horse is leased, on Receipt of a Formal Lease Agreement, the Registrar shall issue a document of Proof of Lease to the Lessee.
- 3.4 The Registration Application Form shall be fully and correctly completed.
- 3.5 The Registration of the horse shall be for the life of the animal.
- 3.6 Registration Certificates shall carry provision for the Transfer of ownership of the horse. All transfers of ownership shall be recorded by the Registrar. For the transfer of ownership to be recognised the appropriate area of the Registration Certificate shall be completed by both Seller and buyer. The Certificate accompanied by the required Fee shall be returned to the Registrar within twenty-eight (28) days of the date of sale.

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- 3.7 The description of the horse on the Registration Application Form shall be verified by an independent person. The independent person shall be a practicing Veterinary Surgeon OR a person approved by the Show Horse Council. The person verifying the description of the horse shall not be the Owner &/or Part Owner &/or member of their family/families.
- 3.8 Performance Cards will be available from the Registrar, a nominal fee may apply.
- 3.9 The Show Horse Council reserves the right to request the horse be presented so that its description may be verified at any time. Failure to present the horse may result in suspension &/or withdrawal of the horse's Registration.
- 3.10 Failure to show the horse in the correct Class or Category or Event at any Show &/or other type of Competition may result in the horse's Registration being suspended &/or withdrawn.
- 3.11** *"Where the original Registration Certificate is lost, defaced or damaged a duplicate Replacement Certificate may be obtained by the owner or owners completing an "Application For Replacement of National Saddle Horse Registration Certificate" Form and forwarding it to the Registrar together with payment of the Fee required for that service. The duplicate Certificate shall be clearly marked and dated to show when the original Certificate was replaced.*
- 3.12 No person other than the Registrar may alter or amend any information or detail on a horse's Registration Certificate. Papers altered by other persons will be deemed invalid and may result in suspension or withdrawal of the horses Registration.
- 3.13 For Show Horse Council purposes, in relation to any Application/Transfer/Lease Document relating to N.S.H. Registration, if all information and signature requirements have been provided according to the rules the authenticity of the Papers shall not be challenged.
- 3.14 The Show Horse Council reserves the right to suspend &/or withdraw the Registration of any horse at any time.
- 3.15 Registration Papers remain the property of the Council and may be recalled upon request.

#### **4.0 THE REGISTRAR**

- 4.1 The Registrar shall work for and follow the directions of the Show Horse Council.
- 4.2 The Show Horse Council may employ a person as Registrar and pay the person accordingly for their services OR the Hack Council may appoint a person, (not necessarily a member of the Show Horse Council or a Hack Association) and may pay the appointed person an honorarium or commission as agreed by the Council to administer and maintain the Register.
- 4.3 All enquiries and Registration Applications shall be, whenever possible, responded to within twenty eight (28) days.
- 4.4 Any problems and discrepancies shall be reported to the Show Horse Council.

#### **5.0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION AND COMPLETION OF FORM**

- 5.1 The horse shall be branded with an owners or breeders registered brand &/or year of foaling and Stud or Breeder identification number &/or be micro chipped (*a copy of the Micro chip identification document to accompany the Application..*)
- 5.2 The Brand/s shall be clearly shown at the position where they appear on the sketches (in black).

- 5.3 All white markings shall be clearly shown on the sketches including views from both near and off sides and forelegs and hind legs front and rear views. **The white markings shall be shaded black**, markings must be accurate.
- 5.4 All hair whorls (or crowns) are to be shown as small circles “O” in black.
- 5.5 Scars shall be shown by an “X” (in black).
- 5.6 Muscle indentations (prophets thumb) shall be shown as “circled X” (in black).
- 5.7 The description of the horse shall be verified by a practicing Veterinary Surgeon or a person eligible under Clause 3.7. This person shall sign the Application Form to confirm that the description of the horse is a true and accurate record of the horse as presented
- 5.8 The completed Form shall be forwarded by the Applicant, together with the required Fee, to The Registrar, within twenty eight (28) days of Verification of the horse, a further verification of the horse will be required if this condition is not adhered to.
- 5.9 *Where an Application is made to register a horse with the same name as a horse already registered, the re-issue of the name may be approved at the discretion of the Show Horse Council providing that: the horse bearing the original name is not less than 20 years of age & the name does not include a Stud Prefix.*

*Where a horse is less than 20 years of age: Approval from the owner of the horse holding the original name must be supplied in writing or proof provided that the horse is no longer actively competing in order for the name (which does not include a Stud Prefix) to be re-issued..*

### **NATIONAL SADDLE HORSE REGISTRATION FEES as from 1/7/11**

Proof of Membership of Affiliated Show Horse Council Associations &/or Members of Interstate Constituent Affiliates to be provided.

• <b>NEW Registration Applications</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>GST Incl.</b>
• <b>REPLACEMENT Registration Applications</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>GST Incl.</b>
• <b>Transfers</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>GST Incl.</b>
• <b>Name change</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>GST Incl.</b>
• <b>Lease Lodgment</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>GST Incl.</b>