

ADELAIDE PLAINS EQUESTRIAN CLUB INC POLICIES

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ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY:

The Adelaide Plains Equestrian Club (“APEC”) is committed to the health and wellbeing of all animals involved in club events/activities. Any form of abuse will not be tolerated, and APEC will always abide by the South Australian Animal Welfare Act 1985.

(<https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/lz/path=%2Fc%2Fa%2Fanimal%20welfare%20act%201985>)

Any person deemed to have abused or is seen to be abusing any animal will face disciplinary action from the APEC committee as outlined in the APEC constitution.

1. Depending on the severity of the abuse the offending member may be asked by a committee member to leave the event, be banned for a period determined by the committee, or be permanently expelled from APEC.
2. Where deemed necessary, the APEC committee will report the incident to a Police Officer and/or an Animal Welfare Officer as pursuant with the South Australian Animal Welfare Act 1985.
3. Any APEC member who believes an animal or animals are being abused at an APEC event must report the incident to a committee member as soon as possible so the matter can be dealt with. The APEC committee member is responsible for determining if abuse is occurring/has occurred and has the authority of the APEC constitution to begin disciplinary action as deemed appropriate.
4. All events of animal abuse at an APEC event must be brought to the attention of the APEC committee.
5. The health and wellbeing of participants and their horses in APEC activities is of primary concern.

REVIEW / CONSULTATION

The review of this policy is the responsibility of the Adelaide Plains Equestrian Club Committee. This policy will be reviewed at least every three years.

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