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SOUTHERN CAMPDRAFTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED



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## GENERAL INFORMATION
## RULES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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# NATIONAL CAMPDRAFT COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA LTD

## RULES OF CAMPDRAFTING

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF CAMPDRAFT LIVESTOCK

## CODE OF PRACTICE FOR COMMITTEES OPERATING A CAMPDRAFT

## MEMBER PROTECTION POLICY / CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY

(SEE NCCA WEBSITE FOR FULL POLICY)

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Under the Rules of Campdrafting the Board of the National Campdraft Council of Australia Adopts the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy, effective from 1 January 2021, and found here on the Sport Integrity Australia website as the anti-doping policy for the sport of Campdrafting In Australia.

**Membership agreement/Event entry**

I have read and understood and agree to abide by the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy.

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## SOUTHERN CAMPDRAFTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED OBJECTS

**(Adapted from the SCA Memorandum and Articles of Association 1983)**

**The objects of the Association are:**

(a) To promote the sport of Campdrafting throughout the Commonwealth and encourage, stimulate and educate public opinion in respect of the same.

(b) To provide courses and facilities to practice campdrafting and to become proficient at same.

(c) To encourage and develop the planning, development and training of people and horses in new techniques applicable to campdrafting.

(d) To take part in, arrange and promote lectures, demonstrations and competitions for campdrafting and to instruct and form classes for instruction and to issue pamphlets and books for the purpose of bringing about knowledge of the principles of campdrafting.

(e) To form or assist in the forming of Clubs and other bodies including committees to promote and encourage campdrafting and the holding of demonstrations and competitions.

(f) To form branches, sub-branches, committees and to affiliate with clubs and other Associations and bodies involved, interested in promoting campdrafting.

(g) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with or amalgamate with any other Association or Organisation whether incorporated or not, whose objects are similar to those of the Association.

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## NATIONAL CAMPDRAFT COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA
## CAMPDRAFT RULES

### INTRODUCTION

The following rules are mandatory to NCCA member Associations. The aim is to have uniformity of Campdraft rules Australia-wide.
Association Rule books should be set out in the same way, i.e. competition rules, and the status of horse and riders.
The Association wanting to change or alter a rule, must initially write to the NCCA, who will then circulate the proposed changes to member bodies. The NCCA will co-ordinate discussion and bring about a resolution of the proposed changes.
The NCCA recognizes that each Association will have their own rules pertaining to; awarding of points, encouragement draft qualifications, rookie horse, protective headgear, order of entries etc.

### 1. JUDGING - GENERAL

**1.1** When selecting a Campdraft course, the Judges should try to set a course, which will allow competitors to compete in an attacking and attractive manner. Under no circumstances should a Judge attempt to set a hard or difficult course as this practice only produces sub-standard drafting, which is unattractive to spectators and is not in the best interest of promoting the sport.

**1.2** The Judge should address the competitors prior to the commencement of a draft.

**1.3** Maximum points are: horse work 70 points; cut out 26 points; course 4 points to give a total of 100 points. Whole points must be used with the exception of cut-out run-offs or cutout shootouts.

**1.4** A minimum of five cattle must be provided in the camp yard at all time, excluding the Junior Draft, Junior cut-out, Juvenile and Encouragement Draft, unless prior approval is received from the Association and advertised 72 hours prior to event.

**1.5** Yard clearing and spelling procedures are to be specified at the beginning of the draft.

**1.6** A competitor may discuss in a polite manner with the judge ,Only course points. THE JUDGES DECISION SHALL BE FINAL

**1.7** When multiple judges are used, individual scores should be announced prior to the aggregate score.

**1.8** A member needs to be 18 years of age to judge a campdraft event.

**1.9** In Campdrafting one eyed horses are not to be used. 28th June 2022

### 2. JUDGING - CUT OUT / CAMP

**2.1** The Judge should order the removal from the camp of unsound or distressed cattle or cattle that may interfere with the competitor's cutout and immediately replace the same number with sound cattle.

**2.2** The competitor must not ***"try out" or work*** a beast until instructed by the

Judge to commence their cut out.

**2.3** Once a competitor starts to work a head of stock, they accept it as sound.

**2.4** If a Judge deems it necessary to interrupt a competitor's cut-out, a fresh beast may be selected if so desired; the original beast chosen must first be removed from the camp and replaced with a fresh beast with all previous faults carried forward.

**2.5** Cutout points will be held by the horse whether it scores outside or not.

**2.6** Disputes over foul-ups at the cutout gate will be settled by the Judge.

**2.7** In the event of the beast breaking out of the face of the camp before the competitor calls for the gate, they must follow it. If the Judge considers the competitor has been unduly disadvantaged and has not significantly contributed to the breakout, a re-run may be awarded.

**2.8** In the case of a breakout of cattle from the camp, the number of replacement cattle is to equal the number of breakout cattle.

**2.9** Where a re-run is awarded in relation to rules 2.7 and 2.8, the competitor shall receive the lesser of the two cutout scores with the previous faults carried forward.

**2.10** In any run-off for cut-out prizes, each horse's score must be announced as soon as the individual cut-out is completed. A fresh beast must be added after each cutout.

**2.11** A committee using the two-camp system must clearly state on their program that the system will be used and also advise any prospective Judge.

**2.12** A cutout is not complete until both beast and rider have exited the camp through the front gate.

**2.13** In the event of a beast jumping out of the side or back of the camp where a re-run is required the competitor will start with the same amount of cattle with previous faults carried forward.

**2.14** In the event of a beast being distressed, showing lameness or baling up and attempting to horn a horse, the judge shall terminate the cut-out. In this case no re-run will be awarded.

**2.15** In the event of a beast exhibiting bleeding as a result of a competitors actions, the judge will terminate the round, and no re-run shall be awarded. Where a beast exhibits bleeding through no fault of the competitor, the judge has the discretion to award a rerun.

## 3. DISQUALIFICATION

A competitor will be disqualified for:-

**3.1** Losing a beast twice into the cattle, or, at the discretion of the judge losing control of the beast for the second time.

**3.2** Unnecessary delay while selecting a beast.

**3.3** Changing beast after being clear of the cattle.

**3.4** Calling for the gate with more than one beast in front of the horse and subsequently taking more than one beast out of the camp.

## 4. JUDGING - COURSE

**4.1** The time limit for completion of the course will be 40 seconds and the start of a run is when a horse exits the cut out.

**4.2** The maximum points for the course will be 4 points. Points for the course shall be allocated as follows: 2 points for the first peg; I point for the second peg; 1 point for the gate.

**4.3** The course shall be either left or right hand at the discretion of the judge and should be set to allow attractive campdrafting suited to the particular arena's size and condition.

**4.4** The competitor is allowed 2 attempts at **any one** objective. **(1st Sep 2022).**

**4.5** A missed peg must be completed before attempting the next peg.

**4.6** In the event of a split peg it will be classed as a missed peg and a competitor be allowed a second chance at the peg and, if successful, will be allocated points for the peg.

**4.7** The first peg must be completed in order for the competitor to receive horse work points. The first peg is complete when the line between the first and second peg is recrossed. However, if either horse, rider or beast knock down a peg while negotiating the course, the competitor shall "go on" to the next peg and points will not be allotted for that peg or any subsequent peg, including the gate.

**4.8** The second peg is completed when the line between first and second peg is re-crossed by the beast, horse and rider.

**4.9** In the case of a deliberate knockdown peg or deliberate split peg the competitor will be disqualified.

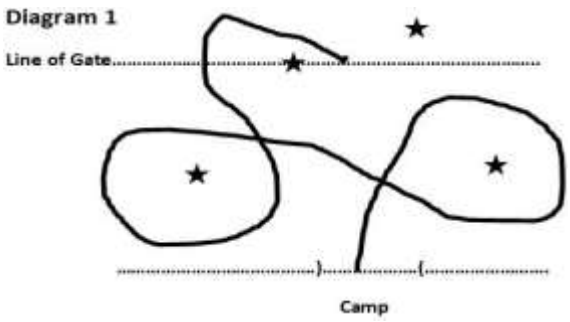
Clarification of a Knocked down peg

Knock down of a peg that has PVC Pipe over electric fence posts. When the PVC pipe is on the ground it is classed as a knock down peg.

**4.10** The line of the gate is a line parallel to the front of the camp, which passes through the left-hand peg of the gate for a right-hand course.

At the judges discretion the gate may be offset.

Diagram 1 shows the line of the gate for a right-hand course.




**4.11** Only one attempt to complete the gate is allowed once the beast and competitor have crossed the line of the gate.

If the attempt is unsuccessful the judge shall terminate the round and score the competitor, provided that in the opinion of the judge, the competitor has control of the beast.

**4.12** If beast and competitor fail to cross the line of the gate, a second attempt to cross the line of the gate is required. On the second attempt, the beast and competitor must cross the line of the gate to be scored (time permitting).

**4.13** A horse that clips a beast when changing sides shall be penalized, however a horse that badly hits a beast over the hocks or runs up the rump of a beast will be disqualified.

**4.14** Provided the first peg is completed, a competitor in control of his/her beast when time has lapsed regardless of position on course must be scored.

**4.15** In the event of a beast being distressed, showing lameness or bailing up and attempting to horn a horse, the judge shall terminate the round and score the competitor (providing the first peg has been completed.) In this case no re-run can be awarded.

**4.16** Where the judge terminates an outside run due to interference or safety concerns and the competitor is awarded a restart, the competitor will start again with the lesser of the two cutout scores with the original entitlement of cattle with their previous cutout faults carried forward.

**4.17** In the event of a beast exhibiting bleeding as a result of a competitors actions, the judge will terminate the round and no re run be awarded. Where a beast exhibits bleeding through no fault of the competitor, the judge has the discretion to award a rerun.

**4.18** A stockwhip shall only be used to commence an event or terminate a run.

## 5. DISQUALIFICATION

A competitor will be disqualified for:

**5.0** Being assisted in their run by another competitor/ rider. i.e., Another rider/ competitor on the course hazing the beast for the competitor.

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**5.1** Knocking down the first peg by either horse, rider or beast.

**5.2** Losing control of the beast in the arena.

**5.3** Running a beast into the arena fence.

**5.4** Running a beast around the back or past the gate before completing the first and second pegs.

**5.5** Running a beast outside of the second peg before completing the first peg.

**5.6** Running a beast through the gate from the front.

**5.7** Running a beast past the gate on the wrong side.

**5.8** Failing to have control of the beast after passing behind the gate.

## 6.TERMINATION OF ROUND

The competitor shall cease to work the beast when:-

**6.1** The timekeeper's whistle has blown to terminate the round.

**6.2** The judge terminates the round.

## 7. OTHER DISQUALIFICATIONS

A competitor will be disqualified for:-

**7.1** Turning tail to the beast. A tail turn is a turn executed by a horse in the opposite direction of the beast's line.

**7.2** Badly hocking a beast or running up its rump.

**7.3** A fall of the horse or rider causing loss of control.

**7.4** Ill-treating either the beast or horse.

**7.5** Refusal to compete on sound available stock.

**7.6** Not being present on the third call.

**7.7** Horse bucking or rearing out of control.

**7.8** Excessive or harsh use of a bit or spurs. No whip or switch may be used.

**7.9** Competitor is not considered to be in safe control of their horse.

## 8. CLASSES OF HORSES

**There will be five classes of horses:-**

**8.1** Futurity Horse

**A.** A Futurity campdraft is for horses aged up to a maximum of 5 years and under.

**B.** A horse's age will be determined as at the 1st of August each year.

**C.** Unregistered horses must be accompanied by a veterinarian certificate or accredited equine dentist stating the age of the horse, obtained at the owners and/or riders expense.

**8.2** Rookie Horse

A Rookie Horse is a horse which has not started in a campdraft prior to the commencement of the relevant Associations competition season, with the

exception of Junior, Futurity and Sale incentive campdrafts.

**8.3** Maiden Horses
A Maiden horse ceases to be a maiden if it has won an event in any class or contest except Junior, Juvenile, Associate, Futurity, Old Buffers and Encouragement campdrafts or Team events.

**8.4** Novice Horses
A Novice horse is a horse that has won first prize in a Maiden, Maiden 4 Maiden, Novice, Ladies, Men's or a restricted campdraft and remains a Novice until the horse has won a further ***three*** Novice drafts. A horse that has won an Open campdraft ceases to be a Novice. A horse can win ***four*** Novice drafts if it has not won first prize in a Maiden. Should a horse win a Maiden 4 Maiden and Maiden which is run in conjunction this shall be counted as two wins.

**8.5** Open Horses
An Open horse is a horse that has won a first prize in an Open campdraft, or has completed its Novice status.

The above will be as of the 24th of June, 2025 and will not be considered retrospective.

## 9. STATUS OF HORSE OR RIDER

**9.1** Any event advertised as a Campdraft, either in written or verbal form of advertising, shall change the status of a horse whether the event is affiliated with a recognized Campdraft Association or not.

**9.2** For a competition to be deemed a campdraft either entry fees are charged or prize money given with the exception of any of the following -

**A.** Any individual incentive and or award for the highest scoring class of rider and or horse in any event or round.

**B.** Any individual incentive and or award for the highest scoring breed or sex of horse in any event or round.

**C.** Any individual award determined by the committee.

**D.** Where the above awards and or incentives are given and no additional entry fee is charged for any campdraft event, a horse or rider status will not be altered.

**E.** **The above will be as of the 24th of June 2025 and will not be considered retrospective.**

**9.3** Restricted Campdrafts
A win in a registered Breed Society campdraft, or invitation campdraft will alter the status of the horse as per the status of the event. If the class is unspecified the status will be determined by the highest status of horse that competes.

**9.4** The status of a horse winning *a campdraft* will be determined by the highest class of horse that competes with the exception of Juniors, Juveniles, Ladies, Men's, Old Buffers, Associates, Futurities, Rookie horses and Encouragement camp-drafts. The winner attains the status of the highest class of horse participating.

Any event that is a subsequent event to a first round, the horse will break status with those exceptions from rule 9.4 to the highest class of horse in the subsequent event.
For example, where a campdraft takes a Maiden 4 Maiden and or Maiden and or Novice final out of the Open campdraft the winner of the Maiden 4 Maiden and or Maiden and or Novice final shall break horse and rider status to Novice. The win shall be recorded as per Rule 8.4.

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**9.5** The first round of any campdraft must be completed before any winner can be decided. Where two or more horses tie for first place the winner shall be determined by a run-off, however under exceptional circumstances, a draw will determine the winner of the Campdraft if a run-off is not possible, with only the winner breaking status.

**9.6** As a positive response to committees that wish to run a cattle-type contest without damage to a horses' status, the NCCA will accept the following types of contest without any penalty to the winning horse.

**(a)** Cattle Working Contest - Contest I
If Cutout and Horse-work points are allocated by the judge of the contest then both the first and second pegs must be removed from the course. The gate is optional to the committee.

**(b)** Cattle Time Trial - Contest 2
The normal campdraft course may be used so long as the winner is determined on a "time" basis and the judge allocates neither Cutout nor Horse-work points.

**9.7** Team Drafts
Team Drafts do not affect the status of any horse.
Teams Drafts must be judged by an Open Judge. Cattle welfare in addition to Horse and Rider safety must be adhered to as per the SCA Campdraft rules.

**9.8** At campdraft training days no horse's status will be broken.

**9.9** Status of Horses and Riders at a Fixture

**9.10** At a fixture, the Rider and Horses status will be as at the beginning of each Event at that fixture.

## 10. COMPETITOR STATUS

**10.1** Junior Rider: Shall be aged from 8 years and under13 years.

**10.2** Juvenile Rider: Shall be aged from 13 years and under 17 years.

**10.3** Associate Rider: Shall be aged from 17 years and under 21 years.

**10.4** Encouragement Rider: Shall be 17 years and over. Has not won an Open age draft (i.e. Maiden, Novice, Open, Ladies, Associates) or a restricted draft as in 9.3 and 9.4
A win will not alter the status of the horse.
Competitors cease to be eligible to compete after winning One (1) Encouragements, or one (1) open age campdraft, or placing 3 times in open age campdraft.
Drafts for Encouragement riders may be further restricted by age, geography (e.g. Shire), status of horse (e.g. Maiden horse) or sex.

Each Association may have age restrictions for the following competitor statuses:

**10.5** Maiden Rider: Must not have won a Campdraft that breaks a horses status i.e. Maiden, Maiden 4 Maiden, Novice, Open, Restricted Open,
Ladies or a Restricted draft as in 9.3

**10.6** Novice Rider: Must not have won an Open Campdraft and does not qualify as a Maiden Rider.

**10.7** Open Rider: Must have won an Open or Restricted Open Campdraft.

**10.8** Master Rider: Is a rider aged 55 years or over.
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**10.9** Lady Rider: Female Rider. Each Association may apply an age restriction.

## 11. GENERAL RULES

**11.1** Dress

Competitors must be suitably attired and mounted for presentations. At all times in competition, campdraft competitors must wear a hat or safety helmet, boots, a collared, buttoned long-sleeved shirt and long trousers. Caps are not permissible. Competitors must be neat and presentable.

**11.2** Saddlery

Competitors are allowed to ride in saddlery of their own choice, and horses can be worked in any bits, bosals or hackamores; however, the horse must have free use of its head, and any type of head tie-down, running reins, head checks, etc. must not be used. The judge has the right to call on any competitor to inspect their gear and if the gear is illegal, the competitor is compelled to remove the offending article before competing.

**11.3** Spurs

Suitable spurs are allowed but no whip of any kind may be carried or used by a competitor in a campdraft.

**11.4** Nosebands

All nosebands attached to the bit are to be a minimum of 20ml in width and of leather construction.

**11.5** Rings with Stops

Rings with Stops can be used in Junior, Juvenile, Encouragement, Maiden and Ladies drafts.

**11.6** Illegal Entries

Persons found guilty of an illegal entry of a horse must return all winnings relating to the offence to the committee where the offence took place and the guilty party, including the horse, may be suspended for a minimum of three calendar months.

**11.7** Substitution

Changes of rider between rounds is only permissible under special circumstances, e.g. sickness, injury, family sickness, bereavement and the like. No rider points will be allocated where a change of rider occurs. Any campdraft that imposes

restrictions on rider status cannot have a substitute rider.

**11.8** Insufficient Full Scores

i) The cumulative score from each round be carried forward into subsequent rounds.

ii) See below:

A. Those competitors on a full score carried forward from an elimination round shall have preference in aggregate placings over those carried forward on Cut Out scores only.

B. In the case of two or more full rounds and a final, those going into the final on a com- bination of full scores will have preference in aggregate placings.

If there are insufficient full scores to fill final placings, the committee may use Cut Out scores only to fill minor placings.

**11.9** Placings in an Event

If there are two or more horses on the same score at the conclusion of an event or final of an event, placings will be decided on the run off score.

**11.10** First Round Runs

All horses are allowed no more than one first round start per event.

**11.11** Stallion Containment Requirements

Minimum Stallion Containment Requirements
In daylight hours you may either:

A. Stallions to be double tied. Stallions to have an exclusion perimeter erected around the horse and area they are tied to exclude any possible interaction between the stallion and another horse or human.
OR
B. Stallions to be enclosed by panels. Stallions can be free to roam inside panel area when an exclusion perimeter is erected around the panelled area to exclude any possible interactions between the stallion and another horse or human.
Only one horse is allowed per enclosure.
Panels must be a minimum of 1500mm in height. Panels must be constructed using an equivalent of 4 bars of 25mm box or pipe equivalent as a minimum. Panels must be anchored securely to a solid object i.e. truck, post or tree.

At night:
The same rules apply to daylight hours with the addition for a stallion that is in panels must have at least one additional form of restraint e.g.: tied up, hobbles, sideline.

**11.12** Suspension of a Member

If a member is suspended from one Member body of the NCCA that individual is suspended from all affiliated NCCA Member organisations.

**11.13** If action is taken by an NCCA member body against a judge the NCCA and other member bodies are made aware of such action.

## 12. SMALL ARENA CAMPDRAFTING

**12.1** Small Arena Campdrafting

Small arena campdrafting is conducted under the same rules as large arena campdrafting.

The recommended minimum width of the arena will be 40 metres, and the recommended minimum length will be 70 metres.

## 13. Comments

Any work using the arena fence and work taking the beast outside the course proper and returning to commence the course will be penalized and judged accordingly in horse work points. It will be up to the judge to determine when a rider has lost control and end the work.

## NCCA DRUGS AND WELFARE POLICY FOR HORSES USED IN CAMPDRAFTING

The NCCA recognises the importance of sound animal welfare policies, which prevent the use of animals which are not fit for competition. Fitness may be gauged as appropriate physical fitness or lack of suitability for competition due to injury or disease.

The NCCA recognises that animals used in competition must be treated in a humane manner and that the NCCA does not condone the ill treatment or abuse of any animals whilst competing at campdrafts.

1. The following provisions regarding conduct shall apply to any event whether in competition or practice.

   (a) Inhumane treatment or abuse of a horse in any manner whilst in the arena or on the grounds is prohibited. Inhumane treatment includes, but is not limited to, the following:

   (i) Riding of a crippled, injured or lame animal.
   (ii) Riding of a horse with a health abnormality, which could result in the horse's undue discomfort or distress.
   (iii) Abuse of an animal which includes excessive jerking, spurring, whipping or any other act intended to cause trauma or injury to the animal.

   (iv) Any act of abuse or intent to abuse an animal whilst in the campdraft arena or on the grounds or the vicinity which could also endanger the safety of other persons or animals will not be tolerated and the persons may be subject to disciplinary action.

2. If the Campdrafting Committee discovers inhumane treatment or abuse of a horse it may immediately bar the responsible party and horse from further participation from the event. This decision should be based on consultation with a veterinary surgeon. In the event that a Veterinary Surgeon is not available then the committee shall consult with the judge(s) of the event before any action is taken under this rule.

3. Administration of a drug or drugs while on the grounds or the vicinity of camp-drafting grounds, including the arena, practice area or stables is strictly prohibited with following provisos:

(a) Any horse winning an event may be swabbed. Other horses will be chosen at random before the running of an event, and they will be swabbed at the completion of the event. The number chosen will depend on the number of entries in the event.

(b) All testing will be by blood sample. Entry to any event will be contingent on permission for such blood samples to be obtained. The blood test will be an accurate determination of drug levels in the blood stream (not a screening test). A registered drug-testing laboratory will perform the test. Blood samples will only be taken by veterinarians using tamper proof sample kits supplied by the testing laboratory.

(c) A veterinarian must gazette all drugs that he has prescribed and administered to a horse up to 10 days prior to competition. This information must include a statement that ***the horse is fit for competition, the reason the drug has been given, the drug administered. The dose, the route of administration and the date and time that the last dose of the drug was administered.***
All of these conditions are mandatory. Any horse found to have a positive swab in the absence of a Veterinarian' s certificate will be reported to the governing Associations Drug Committee.

(d) The result of drug tests will be reported to the governing Associations Drug Committee who on advice from the testing laboratory will determine whether any of-fence has been committed and what penalty will be imposed. Drug levels that are not high enough to have influenced the performance of the horse will not attract any penalty. These levels will be taken from internationally published data. All results of negative tests will be destroyed.

(e) The cost of these tests will be borne by the governing Associations except where such a test is positive in which case the cost will be borne by the owner and/ or rider. In the event that a committee discovers or has a complaint made to them regarding in-humane treatment, abuse or any drug administration not in accordance with the above rules, the governing Associations shall be notified and a hearing to con-sider disciplinary action against the responsible party (s) shall be scheduled.

## NCCA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF CAMPDRAFT LIVESTOCK

### 1. INTRODUCTION

**1.1** This Code is intended to compliment and support existing legislation. The staging of campdrafts and the conduct of those involved are subject to the relevant legislative requirements in each State.

**1.2** The rules for the care, treatment and welfare of campdraft livestock are to be observed by all campdraft personnel at each campdraft affiliated with the NCCA and their member Associations.

**1.3** If, for any reason, there is a conflict between the rules of competition and the code for the care and treatment of campdraft livestock then the latter shall pre-vail, without qualification.

**1.4** Any competitor failing to comply with the animal welfare rules of the NCCA including unnecessary roughness to livestock during competition in the opinion of the judges shall be disqualified from the event.

## 2. CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

**2.1** It is the policy of the National Campdraft Council of Australia that animals used in campdraft shall be treated humanely and with proper consideration for their health and welfare.

**2.2** The rules for the conduct of campdraft events shall be consistent with this policy and shall be specifically designed to prevent cruelty and minimize the risk of unintentional injury or mistreatment

**2.3** The voluntary Code of Conduct shall be binding on the National Campdraft Council of Australia, its officers, members and affiliated campdraft committees.

## 3. CAMPDRAFT CATTLE

**3.1** All cattle used in campdrafting must be a suitable size and in a healthy, strong condition, as dictated by normal circumstances for open range cattle in that particular region.

**3.2** Female stock, which is in an obvious pregnant condition, must not under any circumstances be used in any campdrafting event.

**3.3** Assembly of stock must be in stock-proof Yards. All yards and loading ramps must be constructed and maintained to minimize stress and inconvenience.

**3.4** All cattle presented by the Committee for use in competition must be fed and watered and transported in accordance with normal husbandry methods for cattle in transit by droving or motor transport.

**3.5** Shelter from heat, wind and cold is not considered necessary for cattle except in extreme conditions of climate.

**3.6** At the completion of unloading stock a representative of the promoting committee to inspect stock and any injured animals to be treated and placed in a situation to relieve stress as soon as practical.

**3.7** During each and every event, a representative of the committee will supervise the use of stock to ensure the continued suitability of stock for use during such event.

**3.8** When an animal is deemed to be in a state of distress requiring euthanasia, the person responsible for the animal must ensure that it is carried out as soon as possible, humanely and results in immediate death. Euthanasia must be performed only by persons competent in the method used and licensed where appropriate.

**3.9** In campdrafting events, cattle may only be used once at the same venue. Except in exceptional circumstances.

**3.10** The judge must order the removal from the camp of unsound cattle or distressed cattle.

**3.11** All horses shall be presented in body condition and soundness satisfactory to the judge of the campdraft. The judge must disqualify from competition any horse not meeting their requirements.

**3.12** The judge must disqualify any competitor causing unnecessary distress to either horse or beast in any campdraft.

## 4. AREAS TO MONITOR FOR ANIMAL WELFARE CONCERNS

**4.1** Arena surfaces preparation.

**4.2** Fitness & training of horses in Campdrafting events.

**4.3** Ensuring Cattle are not overworked following completion of a Campdraft run.

**4.4** Tack & Equipment used by competitors.

**4.5** Climate conditions.

## NCCA CODE OF PRACTICE FOR COMMITTEES OPERATING A CAMPDRAFT

These requirements have been specifically written to address improvement in the Committees of Campdrafts and public liability insurance issue.

This Code of Practice states the requirements for those Associations that seek to up-grade to meet a standard that is acceptable by both.

### *Risk and Prosecution*

Following a statutory (legislative) requirement will provide you with a defense in a prosecution for a breach of an obligation (i.e. duty of care).
Following an advisory standard or industry code of practice will also provide you with a defense in a prosecution for breach of an obligation.
If you do not follow an advisory standard or industry code of practice, you must show that you took reasonable precautions and exercised proper diligence in choosing a way to manage exposure to the risk, or that the breach happened as a result of factors over which you had no control.

These requirements are designed to help Committees meet their obligations.
Committees may also need to undertake specific risk assessments.

### General

These requirements are aimed at reducing or eliminating risks to both participants and spectators in campdrafting events. They do not include special rules that Associations may impose, such as those relating to the running of events, arena size or set-up, competition rules, disqualification and so on.

This Code only addresses risks related to the use of horses at campdrafts and the need to control unintended interactions between horses and people. In addition, there are a number of other risks that are associated with horses at campdrafts.

These include but are not limited to:-

- Injury due to physical conditions (e.g. slips, trips, falls)
- Environmental injuries (e.g. sunstrokes, insect bites)
- Property damage (e.g. a damaged car).

In order to comply with this code, operators will need to comply with the general requirements and the specific requirements for the activities they undertake.

Notwithstanding any provisions of this code, all Committees have a duty of care to all participants, staff, and spectators. Each individual Committee should review the operations at their campdraft to ensure they meet this requirement.

This code does not specifically address requirements under State and Local Government legislation. Committees are advised to check carefully with the relevant authorities.

**General Requirement for all Campdrafts**
**Horse and Rider Equipment**

1. All riders under the age of 18 years must wear properly fitted helmets (includes use of the chinstrap) that comply with current AS/NZS standards (3838) and are less than five years old from the date of manufacture.
2. Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times when riding. This footwear must enable removal of the foot from the stirrup iron. It must also prevent the foot sliding forward and through the stirrup iron.
   When handling horses (i.e. not riding) footwear should be worn that provide strong protection to the top of the foot.
   Leather boots are preferred. Open-toed sandals and thongs are not to be worn.

3. All Associations should advise participants on footwear and dress requirements.

4. All equipment (e.g. saddles, bridles) used with the horse should be in good repair and correctly fitted.
5. Saddles must be securely attached to the horse in a manner that keeps the saddle properly in place. A saddle must have at least two points of attachment.
   suitable attachments are a double buckle girth, girth and surcingle, or double wrapped latigo.

**Buildings and Grounds**

1. Committees should ensure buildings used as part of a campdraft, comply with appropriate state and local government safety regulations. Particularly in relation to fire control systems, food preparation areas and waste disposal.
   All buildings that are not used for campdraft activities should be kept secure to prevent unauthorized entry.
2. Where practical, all grounds should have a secure perimeter that reduces the likelihood of horses or cattle escaping. Where fencing is not practical, alternate means should be provided for avoiding uncontrolled stock gaining access to roads.
3. In order to reduce the potential for uncontrolled, and unsafe, interactions between horses, cattle, humans and property (including vehicles), signs should be installed that indicate :-
4. Areas the public are permitted and where access is restricted.
5. Potential dangers to the safety of both humans and horses.

6. Where campdrafts involve moving stock on public roadways, signs must be installed to adequately warn motorists of the use of the road by horses, riders and cattle.

7. All camp-drafts should have access to a First Aid kit. All officials and staff should be made aware of the location of the kit. At least one clearly identified person must he nominated to provide first aid during all of the events at a campdraft.

8. All premises must have an effective communication link for contacting emergency services. All officials and staff should be aware of the location of the communication

link.

9. Committees must, as far as practicable, ensure all areas are free of hazards, particularly slip, trip and fall hazards, that may cause injury to horses, riders, staff and the public.

**Staff**

1. Staff involved with horses and cattle must be such that they can confidently man-age and handle interactions between horses, cattle and humans so that accidents, to themselves, spectators or competitors, are avoided.
2. Staff not involved with stock must be able to carry out their duties both efficiently and safely.
3. Consideration must be given to legal age limits for being in charge of an activity.

**Horses**

1. Owners and/ or riders of horses are responsible for ensuring the safety of the public is not com-promised by horses that show dangerous behaviour. Owners must take all necessary action to isolate or control such horses.

2. It is the horse owners and/ or riders responsibility to ensure, as far as possible that horses and riders are matched to each other for the activities being undertaken.

3. Each operation must promote humane conduct of horse use and management, with proper consideration for the horses' health and welfare.

4. In situations where spectators and members of the public can gain access to horse areas, information must be readily available advising of the potential risks associated with horses and horse activities.

5. Advice should include any restrictions applying to behaviour, prohibited areas or specific actions that may lead to injuries.

6. Advice should be readily available in a clear and easy to understand form.

7. Advice could be in the form of signs, notices, on the backs of tickets or in public address announcements.

8. Operators should provide areas for spectators that are clearly separated from those areas where horse activities take place. Separation would most likely be achieved by fencing, which must act as effective physical deterrent.

9. Where fencing is not practical, alternate means must be provided for avoiding un-controlled interactions.

10. Uncontrolled interactions can result in severe injuries to horses, riders, staff, and spectators.

11. All accidents (physical injuries), or serious incidents where there is no actual physical injury, and incidents which may have the potential for psychological trauma (e.g. a horse bolting), that are brought to the attention of staff or that require treatment by staff are to be recorded in an incident report.

12. Incident reports are to be reviewed, and actions taken are to be recorded. Incident reports and reviews are to be retained for a minimum of seven years. Insurance advice is that many claims arise three or more years after an accident, and the incident report can provide invaluable evidence of what occurred. Names and

addresses of witnesses are also important.

13. Committees should develop a set of processes that address the issue of a participant or member of the public failing to comply with a reasonable direction, the intention of which is to prevent possible injuries or accidents.

14. All Committees should endeavour to develop a culture of continuous improvement, through the use of staff and volunteer training, event reviews, activity reviews re-view of incident report statistics to improve the safety and enjoyment of staff competitors, horses, and spectators.

**General**

Since campdrafts can include a range of non-horse related activities that may impinge on the safety of participants and spectators, an additional set of requirements has been included to address these risks.

1. All areas must have their surfaces flat and clear of obstacles, rubbish, potholes and similar dangers.

2. Where steel fencing is used as a barrier, it must be correctly assembled and securely fastened in accordance with the manufacturer's directions.

3. Where star droppers or posts are used for temporary fencing they must be capped with plastic caps.

4. Electrical cables, hoses, ropes or similar items must not be laid on the ground in areas accessible to the public, or in walkways used by horses.

5. Walkways and passageways must be free from obstructions and be kept clean. Horse droppings are to be removed from internal walkways as soon as possible.

**Horses**

1. At all times, horses must be either under control (e.g. being led or ridden) or stabled / contained whilst at a campdraft event.

2. All riders should not engage in, or be knowingly involved in, cruelty to a horse.

3. Where adverse environmental conditions occur a 'grounds officer' must decide on changes to the program, to ensure activities can continue without significantly increasing the risks of injuries to either horses or riders. E.g. Temperatures over $40^0$C or below $5^0$C, Dust storms, Fog or rain sufficiently heavy to cause the surface to become slippery with standing water.

4. Each event must have a judge responsible for control of horses and cattle in the arena and for determining questions or disputes arising from conduct in the arenas or for the condition of the arenas

**Other requirements**

1. Each event should appoint a risk manager to evaluate the risks to the event and institute appropriate measures to control the risks. (Using the requirements in this Code as a starting point).

2. Each event must appoint a 'security officer' who is responsible for ground, property and personal protection.

3. The organiser is responsible for establishing, promulgating and training staff in procedures for handling unruly or intoxicated persons.

4. Organisers must institute a responsible service of alcoholic beverages and comply with the liquor licensing laws.

5. Organizers are responsible for establishing, promulgating and training staff in procedures related to fire control and evacuation.

6. Dogs must either be excluded from the event or kept on a leash or securely tied up at all times.

7. All exits from buildings are to be clearly signposted and remain unobstructed.

8. All electrical wiring or installations must be carried out by a licensed electrician and comply with AS/NZS 3000 and AS/NZS 3002.

9. All electrical boxes on poles or posts in arenas and marshalling areas are to be fenced off.

10. Where designated horse washing areas are used, the public must be excluded from the area.

11. For all Campdraft events and associated activities St John Ambulance Officers or similar must be in attendance at all times whilst events are in operation.

12. Free and unobstructed access to the site must be available for emergency vehicles.

# SOUTHERN CAMPDRAFTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED

## A. GENERAL RULES

### 1. AFFILIATION FEES:

The level of the fees are determined by the Directors at the start of each season and are payable by the affiliated committee prior to the running of their campdraft along with the appropriate insurance fee. Committees will be advised of the fees levels at the start of each season. The SCA season runs from 1st July to 30th June each year.

### 2. MEMBERSHIP VERIFICATION:

Affiliated committees must check membership of competitors by verifying from the list provided from the SCA office once nominations close. If a member is not on this list their nominations are not to be accepted.

### 3. MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Requirement 1
   All Clubs are to have:
   A minimum of a fully-stocked and well-maintained moderate risk first aid kit or equivalent in an appropriate and accessible location when conducting any outdoor Club activity.

2. Reliable telephone service.

**Requirement 2**

At practice days NOT involving the use of cattle, a minimum of ONE current certified level 2 First Aid provider or equivalent must be in attendance whilst event is in progress.
Where State Ambulance is greater than 50 kilometres away, requirement 3 shall apply.

**Requirement 3**

At practice and school days involving the use of cattle, a minimum of ONE currently certified level 3 first aid provider must be in attendance while the event is in progress.
Where State Ambulance is greater than 50 kilometers away requirement 4 shall apply.

**Requirement 4**

At campdrafts, a minimum of ONE current certified level 3 first aid provider must be in attendance while the event is in progress.
The provider must have a minimum of the following equipment: a fully-stocked and well-maintained moderate risk first aid kit or equivalent; supplementary oxygen equipment, resuscitation equipment; a defibrillator.

**Requirement 5**

At Campdrafts more than 50 Kilometers from State Ambulance Service, a minimum of ONE currently certified Certificate IV in Emergency Medical Response (EMT) provider must be in attendance while event is in progress. The provider must have a minimum of the following equipment. A fully stocked and well-maintained moderate risk first aid kit or equivalent, supplementary oxygen equipment, defibrillator.
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**Please note:**

- First Aid providers must NOT be participating at all times in the event.
- Level 2 providers are to have minimum training of HLTAID011 Provide First Aid. or higher qualifications.
- Level 3 providers are to have minimum training of HLTAID014 Provide Advanced First Aid or higher qualifications.
- Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) minimum training of Certificate IV in Health Care (Ambulance) or equivalent.
- First Aid providers Current qualifications and Certificates must be forwarded by the Club to SCA Secretary 14 days before the event.
- Practice days include schools, training days and fun days.
- Clubs include all groups/individuals and businesses that affiliate with the SCA.

**3a. DOCTORS CLEARANCE**

A competitor that receives medical treatment at an event for concussion or is concussed is automatically suspended from competition for the equivalent of 14 days. A medical clearance must be provided after this period. **20 August 2023**

Whilst a Competitor is receiving compensation due to a campdraft injury they cannot resume riding or compete at an SCA fixture until compensation has ceased.

**4. DRESS & SADDLERY:**

**(a)** Campdraft competitors must wear a collared, front-buttoned shirt with long sleeves and long trousers in competition at all times. Competitors must be neat and presentable. A Director or judge has the power to disallow a competitor from competing if he or she is not properly dressed. e.g. T-shirts, singlets, polo shirts or bare tops are not allowed).

**(b)** Nosebands & Cavesson: All Nosebands and Cavesson must be of leather construction, and a minimum width of 20 mm. Nosebands should have at Least 2 finger clearance.

**(c)** No Junior or Juvenile members are permitted to ride without a saddle (bareback) or helmet on the grounds of an SCA affiliated event. **12 November 2024**

**(d)** No Members are permitted to ride as a pillion passenger on horseback. (Double-dinking). **16 August 2026**

**5. SCA HELMET REQUIREMENTS:**

BSI Kitemarked: SAI Global marked: SAI GLOBAL SEI marked: SEI

Helmets must be worn when competing in any Southern Campdrafting Assoc Ltd Affiliated Campdraft or Practice Event. Hardhats worn must have the chin strap securely fastened at all times. Anyone under the age of 18 years must wear a Helmet at all times whilst riding a horse. Helmets should be replaced after severe impact or

after 5 years whichever is sooner.

Caps must not be worn under a helmet or whilst on the arena.

**Helmets worn must conform with one of the current approved safety standards:**

- Current Australian standard AS/NZ 3838 (2006 onwards) provided they are SAI global marked.
- Current American standards ASTM **FI163** (2004a or 04a onwards) provided they are SEI marked, or SNELL E2001.
- Current British standard PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) provided they are BSI Kitemarked.
- Interim European Standard VGI (01.040: 2014-12) with or without BSI Kitemark.

**6. INCORRECT NOMINATING:**

Persons incorrectly nominating and competing in any restricted class, when in fact either horse or rider is ineligible to compete in such class, shall be deemed to be guilty of misbehaviour and will be subject to the imposition of penalties as laid down in the rules of the Association.

**7. SUBSTITUTING:**

Changes of Rider between rounds is only permissible under special circumstances, i.e.. (Sickness, injury, family sickness, bereavement and the like). No rider points will be allocated where a change of rider occurs. However, the horse is the only one eligible for points in that draft. At no stage can a horse be substituted.

**7a. SCRATCHINGS:**

Requests for withdrawal from any event, and the return of nomination fee will not be considered unless made at least one day in advance. (Except in the case of injury or extenuating circumstances. Refer to page 58 Entries – I ).

**8. SUSPENSION DISQUALIFICATION:**

(a) Any competitor found guilty of “ringing a horse in”, cheating in any way, attempting to defraud a committee or promoter, abusing or threatening any judge or other official, will be liable to suspension or disqualification, depending on the nature and se-verity of the offence.

(b) Any competitor found guilty of the offences set forth in the above rule hereof should have his or her entries refused by all affiliated committees for such period, as the SCA committee shall determine.

(c ) Any member who has been disqualified by this Association must pay all outstanding fees and fines to the SCA Secretary and obtain clearance before being allowed to compete at drafts affiliated with this Association.

(d) A competitor will be disqualified for:
Being assisted in their run by another competitor/ rider. I.e., Another rider/ competitor on the course hazing the beast for the competitor. **20 August 2023**

**9. APPEALS AND PROTESTS:**

Appeals and protests by any competitor on matters pertaining to a campdraft in progress shall be heard by the committee conducting such campdraft in conjunction with a Director or Directors of the SCA who may be in attendance. If the competitor concerned is dissatisfied with the decision arrived at, he or she has the right of

appeal in writing to the SCA Secretary.

**10. FINALS:**

Compulsory finals are to be run in Open, Novice, Ladies and Maiden Campdrafts, and there is to be a minimum of 6 competitors. Finals in all other events are to be at the discretion of the committee.

**10a. Rule 1.**

If a competitor competes on a horse in the final in the incorrect order, it will result in disqualification from the final round of that entry and the entry it replaced.

**Rule 2.**

If a competitor competes on a horse in the final in the incorrect order, it will result in disqualification from the final round.

**11. SHARED PLACES:**

**(a)** A shared first place must be finalized in all drafts by a runoff. In the event of a multiple runoff for first place the horses will be placed according to the result of the run-off. A fresh beast should be added for each run.

**(b)** Minor equal placings in drafts will be split with respect to prizes and points.

**(c)** Where no competitor scores in a draft the event will not be rerun and the Committee retains all prizemoney and trophies.

**12. JACKPOT:**

Jackpot is a competition where there is no advertised prize-money, and the winner takes all prize-money.

**13. SWEEPSTAKES PRIZEMONEY:**

Sweepstakes is a competition where there is no advertised prize-money, the committee may retain a maximum 40% of entry fees and the remaining 60% becomes the prize pool to be split at the committees' discretion. The recommended prize-money breakup is 1st 35%, 2nd 24%, 3rd 16%, 4th 12%, 5th 8%, 6th 5%.

The Cattle Levy is deducted from the prize-money with the exception of Junior and Juvenile events prior to doing the 60/40 split.

*It is acceptable for committees to top up prize pool for one event out of entry money for another. For example, an Open for Open event attracting 30 runs may need extra prize money supplemented from a Maiden or Novice event that attracts in excess of 100.*

**14. RECORDS:**

The SCA Secretary shall keep a record of all results of affiliated campdrafts.

**15. ROLE OF DIRECTORS:**

**(a)** Directors are available to affiliated campdraft committees for assistance and advice as to the conduct and presentation of competitors at a campdraft.

**(b)** Directors shall co-operate with campdraft committees (e.g. offer suggestions as to possible improvement to facilities or stock for their particular event.)

**(c)** Directors have the authority to control unacceptable behaviour of competitors at

drafts (such as being over mounted, inebriated while competing, abusive language or creating a nuisance). Individual Directors have the authority to disallow a competitor, behaving in an unacceptable manner, from competing at the campdraft where the misbehaviour has occurred. A comprehensive written report of the circumstances leading to a Director, or Directors becoming involved and the Directors subsequent action must then be presented at the next Committee meeting where the Directors actions will be reviewed and the matter reconsidered, with respect to the penalty imposed and possible further disciplinary measures.

**(d)** Directors of the SCA have the overriding Authority to enforce the stopping of a draft if the standard of the ground is deemed to be unsafe for competitors or the requirements as per other Rules of the Association are not met, in particular the Medical Requirements.

**(e)** Recommendation for Life Membership of the Association will not be considered for members who are still active members on the Board of the Association. Directors would only be considered after retiring from the Board.

**16. STARTING AND FINISHING TIME FOR DRAFTS**

Campdrafting cannot commence prior to sunrise or the advertised sunrise time for the area.

Campdrafting must cease immediately the sun sets below the horizon or on an overcast day the advertised sunset time for the area.

**17. STOPPAGE OF A FINAL ON SUNDAY DUE TO EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

If the final of an event cannot be completed due to Exceptional Circumstances (i.e., Poor light, bushfires, flood etc.) then a winner can be determined by the first-round score. This Rule cannot be invoked unless all competitors entered have had the opportunity for a first-round score.

If a tie for first place is indicated then the winner can be determined by the toss of a coin.

The status of a Horse will change as for a point scoring event.

**18. GROUND CONDITION**

a. All campdraft grounds are to have a prepared surface cultivated to a safe standard for competition. Grounds are to be scarified prior to any competition. Also Refer to Rule 16(d).

b. A tractor and Implement are to be available on the ground at all times whilst a campdraft is in progress.

**19. MISCONDUCT OF DIRECTORS:**

If a Director is acting in a manner derogatory to the sport, he should be reported to the SCA President or Secretary.

**20. JUDGES:**

**(a)** Judges at an affiliated SCA campdraft must be a **FULL** financial member of the SCA, ABCRA, ACA or GCA.

**(a-1)** For the removal of doubt a Full Financial Member is defined as follows:

1. *A member who has paid their annual Membership fees in full to their respective associations. This payment of membership fees must have been in respect to the season in which the Judging is to occur.*
2. *A life member of any of the above associations. 20th August 2023*

**(b)** The recommended minimum fee to be paid to judges is 15c per kilometre each way by the shortest route and the judging fee is a minimum of $30 per day plus accommodation.

**(c)** The Association does not limit affiliated committees to the number of judges

they are to use. Committees should try to avoid overlong judging periods.

**(d)** All Judges are to be selected from the SCA Accredited Judges List or an approved Judges List from another Association. Committees must seek approval from SCA Judges Panel when appointing Judges.

**(e)** If an unlisted Judge, Judges an event the event will be a non-points scoring draft.

**(f)** Judges' names should be printed on all programs wherever possible.

**(g)** At the judges discretion and only under exceptional circumstances the judge has the right to allow less than 6 head of cattle in the camp.

## 21. COMPLAINTS REGARDING JUDGING:

**(a)** Any competitor who is dissatisfied with a judge's decision on the competitor's performance in an event may immediately request the judge to explain the decision. The competitor must accept the explanation without argument, but if still not satisfied, may submit a written report to the SCA Secretary.

**(b)** Only competitors, campdraft committees or Directors may formally lodge complaints to the SCA regarding the performance of a judge. The concerns are to be in writing and forwarded to the SCA Secretary within 2 weeks of the campdraft at which the judging led to the concerns.

## 22. HORSE / DOG CONTROL:

On all campdraft grounds owners of loose unattended horses and dogs are eligible for a fine or disqualification or both.

## 23. STALLION CONTROL AT DRAFTS

All Stallions are to be double tied by neck strap and halter and enclosed in a panelled yard on all campdraft grounds.
Only 1 horse is allowed per enclosure.
Panels must be a minimum of 1500mm in height.
Panels must be constructed using an equivalent of 4 bars of 25mm box or pipe equivalent as a minimum. Panels must be anchored securely to a solid object i.e. truck, post or tree.
Stallions may be unrestrained in a panelled yard during daylight hours only.
An additional tape barrier must be erected at a minimum of 1 metre outside the panelled yard at all times.
Mini/ Junior members are not permitted to ride Stallions. Juvenile members may only ride Stallions when competing in drafts and when not competing the Stallion is to be under Adult supervision or suitably restrained at all times.

## 24. USED CATTLE:

In campdrafting events, cattle may only be used once at the same campdraft except in exceptional circumstances. In that instance, competitors must be advised and if they do not wish to compete, entry money is to be refunded.

## 25. SCHOOLS, FUN DAYS & TRAINING DAYS

All schools, fun days & training days affiliated with the SCA must abide by the Medical requirements as per Rule 3 and Rule 9 Protocol for SCA Endorses Schools/ Clinics in this Rule book.

## 26. NON-SMOKING AND ALCOHOL-FREE ZONE

All Clubs affiliated with the SCA shall designate areas for spectators to watch the competition of Campdrafting that is safe and free from all forms of smoking and the consumption of Alcohol. The area shall be defined by signage that clearly states, "Smoking and consumption of Alcohol is Prohibited".

## B. POINTS AWARDS / RIDER / HORSE CATEGORIES

### 1. COMPILATION OF CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

**(a)** To be eligible to receive Championship points a competitor must be a member of this Association and an SCA affiliated committee must conduct the campdraft.

**(b)** To be eligible for Championship points an event must be advertised. **Advertising must be at least 14 days prior to the event, by announcement at a prior draft, SCA Magazine or Web site.** www.campdraft.org.au Any addition to the program that is not advertised will not be eligible for SCA Championship points.

**(c)** Events changed from the advertised program that are subsequently opened up to a wider range of competitors, e.g.: Novice for Novice changed to an open Novice, will not be a points scoring event.

**(d)** The Southern Campdrafting Associated Limited championships will be decided on the allocation of points awarded as follows; **Junior, Juvenile, Ladies, Maiden and Rookie:** 6 points for first, 5 points for second, 4 points for third, 3 points for fourth, 2 points for fifth and 1 point for sixth.
**Novice:** 8 points for first, 7 points for second, 6 points for third, 5 points for fourth, 4 points for fifth and 3 points for sixth.
**Open:** 10 points for first, 9 points for second, 8 points for third, 7 points for fourth, 6 points for fifth and 5 points for sixth.

**(e)** Definition of a Winner and placegetters in an event is any competitor who has received the minimum of a camp score in an event. This also applies to the allocation of Championship points.

**(f)** This method applies to all approved Open, Novice, Maiden, Ladies, Encouragement, Junior and Juvenile Campdraft events in each year ending June 30th.

**(g)** All competitors or Owners are required to complete a Horse Registration Form for all Horses entered in any Campdrafting event run by any Committee or Organisation that is affiliated with the Southern Campdrafting Association. Forms are available from the Secretary of the Association or from any Affiliated Campdraft Committee.

**(h)** Competitors must have their Horses Registered to gain SCA Championship Points for any SCA Awards or prizes.
A period of 28 days only will be given for Championship Points to be accumulated prior to Registration.

**(i)** Members and horses may compete at campdrafts conducted by unaffiliated committees, but any placing received at such campdrafts will not be counted in SCA championship points.

**(j)** **Definition of a Point Scoring Season** a minimum of 25% of the Campdrafts listed on the season Calendar must be run to constitute a points scoring season and have Championship Points allocated. A proviso will also apply that no points will be allocated whilst any State in Australia has travel restrictions across State Borders.

### 2. CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS:

(I) Champion Open Horse of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(II) Champion Novice Horse of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(III) Champion Maiden Horse of the Southern Camp drafting Association Limited.
(IV) Champion Rookie Horse of the Southern Camp drafting Association.

(V) Champion All-Round Horse of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(VI) Champion Rider of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(VII) Champion Lady Rider of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(VIII) Champion Juvenile Rider of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(IX) Champion Junior Rider, 8 years and under 13 years of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited.
(X) **Champion Rookie Rider, 17 years and over of the Southern Campdrafting Association Limited. (refer to 3.k). 27th May 2018.**

**3. POINTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

**(a)** Champion Open Horse will receive points won in approved Open Drafts only.

**(b)** Champion Novice Horse will receive points won in approved Novice, and Open Drafts only. At the commencement of the season a horse must be either Novice or Maiden class.

**(c)** Champion Maiden Horse will receive points won in approved Maiden, Novice, and Open Drafts only. At the commencement of the season a horse must be maiden class.

**(d)** Champion Rookie Horse will receive points won in approved Maiden, Novice and Open Drafts only. The horse must be nominated within 28 days of their first camp-draft, and the horse must be a Maiden class and never previously competed in a campdraft event.

**(e)** Champion All Round Horse will receive points won in approved Maiden, Novice, Open, Junior, Juvenile and Ladies Campdrafts, but must gain points in two or more classes of drafts to be eligible for this award.

**(f)** Champion Rider will receive points won in approved Maiden, Novice, and Open Drafts only.

**(g)** Champion Lady Rider will receive points won in approved Ladies Drafts only.

**(h)** Champion Juvenile Rider, 13 years and under 17 years, will receive points won in approved Juvenile Drafts only.

**(i)** Champion Junior Rider, 8 years and under 13 years, will receive points won in approved Junior Drafts only.

**(j)** NB: Due to changes of wins in NCCA Rule structure for Encouragement Rider, the Board has decided to disband the Champion Encouragement Rider Title. 27th August 2017
However Committees may still run Encouragement Events for competitors 17 years and over, no Championship Points will be allocated.
Approved Encouragement Drafts only.

(A maximum of two rides per competitor is allowed in each Encouragement Draft class. Maiden, Novice and Open horses may be entered, and a win will not alter the status (class) of the horse or rider. This draft should be run in place of local drafts).

**(k)** Champion Rookie Rider shall be any Rider 17 years who has broken their Encouragement Status as per current SCA Rules. A Rookie Rider will be eligible for Cham-pion Rookie Rider Awards in their <u>first full year of competition AFTER breaking their Encouragement Status.</u> Ie. Breaks Encouragement status during 2017-2018 season means ROOKIE year will be 2018-2019 season. Points will be allocated from SCA approved Maiden, Novice and Open

Campdraft Events. Eligible Rookie Riders must nominate as an SCA Rookie Rider and be recorded as such by the SCA Office within 28 days of their first Campdraft.

**4. AGE LIMITS**

Mini members : are 5 and under 8 years old and are allowed to participate in Southern Campdrafting Association affiliated clinics/ schools and camps although must have a parent or legal guardian present at all times. Mini members are to be riding independently off the lead.

**Mini members are NOT permitted to compete in campdraft events.**
**20th August 2023**

Eight years is the minimum age a rider is allowed to compete in Southern Campdrafting Association affiliated campdrafts.

Juniors cease to be awarded points on attaining the age of 13 years and may only compete in Junior events.

Juveniles cease to be awarded points for Juvenile events on attaining the age of 17 years.

Encouragement Riders cease to be eligible to compete in Encouragement Drafts once they have won one (1) Encouragement Draft, One (1) Open age Campdraft or placed three (3) times in Open Age Drafts or The Champion Encouragement Rider Award.

**5. PRIZEMONEY**

Where prize- money is listed on a program, an approved Campdraft must carry the following minimum total prize-money.
An approved Open Campdraft must carry a minimum total prize money of $500.
An approved Novice Campdraft must carry a minimum total prize money of $350
An approved Maiden Campdraft must carry a minimum total prize money of $200.
An approved Ladies and Encouragement Campdraft must carry a minimum total prize-money of $200.
An approved Juvenile Campdraft must carry a minimum total prize money of $100.An approved Junior Campdraft must carry a minimum total prizemoney of $50.

**6. RESTRICTIONS ON CAMPDRAFTS:**

**(a)** Points will be allotted in drafts that are restricted to their class, with the exception of non advertised Sweepstakes, Jackpot, Top 20 or the like.

**(b)** No drafts can be run in conjunction.

**(c)** A win in a contest held at the conclusion of a campdraft school or practice day will not alter the status of a horse provided that only participants of the school or practice day compete. No prizemoney or ribbons are to be awarded.

## C. PROCEDURE FOR COMMITTEES

The Rules of the Association are drawn up for the purpose of assisting competitors, judges and all affiliated bodies in conducting their campdrafts. Affiliated committees and members must abide by the rules and the constitution of the Association in their entirety.
All Schools and Clubs affiliated with the SCA must be incorporated and must hold

Public Liability coverage with the SCA.

**1. RESULTS:**

Secretaries of all affiliated campdraft committees are requested to forward to the SCA Secretary a list of competitors and horses gaining first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth placings, (irrespective of the number of placings awarded by the committee) together with score sheets showing a full list of competitors together with membership number.

Committees who do not furnish their result sheets and levies to the SCA Secretary within 14 days from the date of the campdraft, will be charged a late penalty fee of $50.00. After 28 days a late penalty fee of $100.00 will be imposed.

**2. DATE ALLOCATION:**

**(a)** Requests for dates must be forwarded to the SCA Secretary by 30th June each year. Once dates have been applied for they cannot be changed without SCA approval. Campdraft committee secretaries must apply on behalf of their committee to the SCA for re-allocation of a new date.

**(b)** New campdrafts that are not on the SCA calendar must be advertised See SCA Rule B 1(b) page 35.

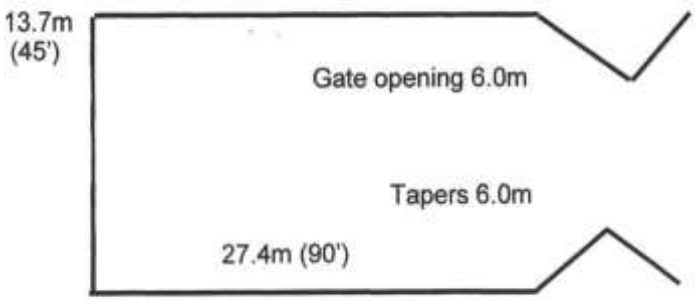
**3. TIMEKEEPER:**

The timekeeper must have an appropriate whistle or buzzer in order to clearly indicate when time is up.

**4. CAMPDRAFT YARDS:**

The recommended size for campdraft yards is 27.4m x 13.7m (90' x 45') with a 6.0m (20') taper on the front of the yard and a 6.0m (20') opening.

Refer to diagram.




**5. COURSE**

The course shall be set as near as possible to the following dimensions as arena conditions permit.

The minimum distance for the course size is as follows for a left-hand course:

*19 m from the front gates of the camp to the line between the first and second peg.

*14m from the centre mark to Left peg,

*16m from centre mark to right peg.

*40m from 2nd peg to the 1st peg of the gate.

*9m for the width of the gate.

The two gate pegs and the 2nd peg should be in a straight line.

The 1st peg should be approximately 32m from your 1st gate peg.

1st and 2nd pegs should be in a straight line parallel to the front of the camp.

Campdraft pegs should be a minimum height of 1000mm and a maximum width of 220mm only.

*No fence shall be closer than 30M to any peg except for exceptionally small arena's when the judge should set the course to give maximum working room. If any peg is closer than 30M to the fence the judge must state so in his/her address.

**6. COMPETITORS GATE ENTRY:**

No gate entry fee is to be charged to Competitors on the day of the Campdraft Event at SCA affiliated Campdrafts.

**7. ENTRIES:**

**(a) I** Campdraft committees may reserve the right to reject the entry of any competitor who has violated the general rules, who has been dishonest in competition or who has proven to be undesirable in any recognized draft. All committees are obliged to reject entries from persons who at any time are serving a period of disqualification imposed on them by the SCA or NCCA member Associations

**II** **Note - From 1st July 2026**

Weekend Membership will be available and paid via the members portal.

**16th December 2025**

**III Unfinancial Member**

If a Member is not financial and compete at an event, a suspension of 13 months will be enforced.

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**(b)** The Association recommends that entries open on a Monday and close one week prior to the commencement of the draft and the opening and closing date be clearly stated on the Program.
Sorting or restricting entries by postmark is not acceptable.

**(c)** In Junior, Juvenile, Ladies and Encouragement Drafts, two rides per competitor only are to be permitted.

**(d)** Where entries for Encouragement drafts exceed 60, entries are to be divided into 2 separate drafts. ( Entries of 90 or over split into 3 drafts).

**(e)** Where entries for Maiden drafts exceed 140, entries are to be divided into 2 separate drafts. 16 August 2026

**(f)** Where entries for Novice drafts exceed 200 entries maybe divided into 2 separate drafts.

**(g)** All entries are to run in the order in which they appear on the draw sheet, otherwise entries may be disqualified.

**(h)** All nominations including the name of horse must be lodged with the Secretary of the club before commencement of the draft.

**(i)** Committees may apply full or part thereof of entry fees as a deposit on all drafts on their program.

**(j)** A cattle levy may be charged on entries but must be clearly stated on the program and is not refundable when cancellation is made from eight (8) days prior to the Campdraft.

**(k)** When a Committee accepts any form of prepaid Entries. All forms of payment must not be deposited/banked until **15 days** prior to the campdraft. Committees have a right to seek approval from the Board at least one month prior to advertising their program for an earlier deposited/banking time frame for large Events only in extenuating circumstances. **13th December 2023**

**(l)** Campdraft Committees have the right to impose a financial penalty per entry if the Committee is not advised of a cancellation **8 days** prior to the draft.

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**(m)** If a Campdraft is cancelled due to bad weather and the Cattle for the draft have been YARDED by a committee, then the committee have the right to retain the advertised Cattle Levy.

**(n)** **Double Entry at Draft:**
It is not permissible for members to enter more than one draft on the same day. In the event that this is found to be the case the member will forfeit their entry fees and be scratched from both events the Double Entry occurred. On the first offence a warning will take place, and should a member be found to repeat the offence a 13-month ban will be imposed. **14th March 2024**

**(o)** **Children Under 8 years on Arena:**
Children under 8 years are not allowed on arena whilst an event is in progress.

**(p)** Prizemoney cheques are to be presented within 6 months, or they will be cancelled by the Club and considered a donation.

## 8. RECOMMENDATIONS:

**(a)** All committees must endeavour to avoid the situation in campdrafting where competitors compete under different conditions because of changes in cattle and lack of daylight.

**(b)** Committees should ensure that cattle supplied from different sources and being used in the one campdraft be marked and boxed where possible.

**(c)** Committees who wish to conduct Sweepstakes or Jackpot events shall only do so after the advertised program of usual events have been concluded.

**(d)** Committees who wish to run an event under lights must advise the SCA and the lights must be inspected and approved by 2 Directors, a minimum of 3 days prior to the Draft. **See page 38 for NCCA guidelines regarding lighting.**

## 9. CONDUCTING DRAWS:

**(a)** A completely separate draw should be made for campdraft finals.

**(b)** A second round in any campdraft must be a new draw.

## 10. PROTOCOL FOR SCA ENDORSED SCHOOLS/CLINICS.

1) Proposed Schools/Clinics must run with an established SCA Affiliated Club.

2) The Club hosting the proposed School/Clinic must notify the SCA Office of the names of the proposed Clinician at least 4 weeks prior to the School.

3) Clinicians must be approved by the SCA Committee.

4) The Grounds for the Proposed event to be run on must meet the SCA Ground protocols for a Campdraft and Risk Assessment Form must be completed by a Director.

5) All SCA Rules will still apply including First Aid, Hardhats and Animal Welfare.

## 11. RECIPROCAL RIGHTS MEMBERSHIP

Each Association as members of the NCCA will be supporting the other in enforcing penalties; namely, when a competitor is either suspended or his/her member-ship cancelled, that competitor will be ineligible for membership or draft permit in the other Associations.

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COMPETITOR

All competitors shall compete with integrity and sportsmanship. The spirit of the sport is based on fair and friendly competition with respect for fellow competitors. Committees have the right to expect '**courtesy** '**and** '**co-operation** '**from competitors at all times.**

**Competitors shall,**

1. Accept the program set by a committee.
2. Abide by nomination requirements set out by a committee.
3. Accept judge's decision. A competitor may only discuss with the judge
   (a) ONLY course points, or
   (b) In a polite manner, aspects of the judges ruling on their run.
4. Compete in accordance with the policy statement in the SCA's "Code of Conduct for the Care and Treatment of Campdraft Livestock."
5. Abide by rules and provisions of the SCA at all times.
6. Adhere to dress code.
7. A competitor shall not present him/herself under the influence of Alcohol or Drugs.
8. Be present when called to enter the camp, disqualified after (3) calls.
9. Acknowledge the judge when advised to start run.
10. Call out clearly wishing to exit camp.
11. Stop immediately the whip or whistle has gone.

**The SCA will act upon:-**

**1.** (a) Complaints by competitors against another competitor will only be accepted in writing, with three (3) signatures on all pages submitted,
(b) By a letter from the organising committee,
(c) Or the judge.
If action against that competitor is warranted, a letter of warning, suspension from competing for a minimum of three (3) months and *I* or membership cancellation, are options the SCA will adopt.

**2. Illegal entries.**
Rule 11.7 Persons found guilty of an illegal entry of a horse must return all winnings relating to the offence to the committee where the offence took place and the guilty party, including the horse, may be suspended for a minimum of three calendar months.

**3. Unacceptable behaviour** e.g. Mistreatment of horse, abusive and bad language etc., in competition by a competitor can lead to disqualification by the judge for that run and subsequent runs in that draft.
**Riotous or other behaviour at any SCA Campdraft is considered a civil matter and should be dealt with by the appropriate authorities.**

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR JUDGES

1. Must be listed on the official SCA Judges List to be able to judge an SCA affiliated draft.

2. A judge should abide by the rules at all times.

3. A judge shall judge in accordance with the SCA's "Code of Conduct for the Care and Treatment of Campdraft Livestock."

4. A judge should conduct herself/himself in a manner fitting and proper to one afforded the honour of officiating at any SCA approved or sponsored contest.

5. A judge who has put their self forward to be a judge should make the effort to judge if approached.

6. A judge, who after accepting an assignment, fails to officiate without reasonable notice or reason, will be subject to removal from the Official list as well as disciplinary action.

7. A judge should appear at the grounds in good time to communicate with the committee, yardmen etc., and to note the setting out of yards etc. It is the ultimate responsibility of the judge to see the draft runs to its full potential. It is the judge's prerogative to dictate numbers of cattle in the camp and cattle handling procedures, but this should be done in consultation with the commit-tee, taking into account normal practice for the area. The judge should have the right of crowd control where necessary to give equal and maximum opportunity to all competitors.

8. Judges should give an address to the competitors over the PA system.

9. A judge should dress in a manner befitting the position, bearing in mind that he/she is setting an example to contestants. The wearing of caps, sneakers, or t-shirts is not permissible.

10. A judge will not present him/herself under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

11. Any misconduct on the part of the judge at any SCA contest, the use of abusive or bad language, showing favouritism to, or discrimination against, either an individual or a horse performing in the contest, or any other action unbecoming to one in this position, either on the grounds or elsewhere during the entire show, will make a judge subject to disciplinary action. Such judge may be disciplined, placed on probation or suspended from the SCA for an indefinite time.

12. A complaint against a judge must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the SCA within 14 days of the campdraft taking place. Any such complaint shall set out the grounds of the complaint and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of those grounds, and be signed by at least 3 persons, who shall state their involvement in such draft — e.g.: SCA Director, SCA Judge, Competitor or Spectator.

13. A current judges list is available from the Secretary of the SCA on request.

14. Committees are encouraged to engage more than one judge for the full pro-gram, depending on nominations.

**SOUTHERN CAMPDRAFTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED.**
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| Ken Webb | (dec'd) | Warren Faulder | (dec'd) |
| Gerald Ventry | (dec'd) | Bob Whyman | (dec'd) |
| Yvonne Faulder | (dec'd) | Cliff Reed | (dec'd) |
| Lea Buckmaster (nee Faulder) | | Jack Williams | (dec'd) |
| Sonny Roots | ( dec'd) | Beryl Smith | (dec'd) |
| Phyllis Sutton | | Reg Edwards | (dec'd) |
| Lex Webb | (dec'd) | Jim Hoy | (dec'd) |
| Keith Whitsed | | Alan Pascoe | (dec'd) |
| Tom Ventry | (dec'd) | Greg Day | (dec'd) |
| Jim Matthews | (dec'd) | Ollie Cox | (dec'd) |
| Nellie Coleman | | Alan Coleman | (dec'd) |
| Stephen Baxter-Posthumous | | Trish Baxter | |
| Clive Cottrell | | Dennis Heywood | |
| Tony Bowden | | Marilyn Bowden | |
| Jamie Dowling | | | |

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GUIDELINES

# CAMPDRAFT LIGHTING & YARD/ARENA DIMENSIONS

LIGHTING: 500 - 700 lux is the lighting level range we have seen achieve the best results; LED lighting can achieve this much easier than traditional lighting and also much lower power demand to operate. The other issue separate to the pure light rating is the height of the lighting towers. There will be a range of limiting factors including local geography, council planning requirements etc., but if lights of the magnitude to achieve that rating (500 lux) are too low it can inhibit visibility 30m towers have been able to avoid this, but local circumstances really do play a part in this.
If the future use of the venue may see either television or streaming at night, then a higher rating would be required; north of 1000 for perfect vision through the lens.
YARD/ARENA: All dimensions need to be relevant to the area and type of cattle you are drafting. Recommended min height for arena 1600 high fence. Camp 1.8 high fence min. Width 15-17 meters. 30-35 meters depth (including the taper at the front of the camp). Please also consult the association you affiliated with and local drafts in your area.

**7th December 2022**

**NATIONAL CAMPDRAFT COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA**
**MEMBER PROTECTION POLICY**

1. **Policy statement**
   The National Campdraft Council of Australia is committed to providing a sport and work environment free of harassment. We believe that anyone who works for us or represents us, and everyone with whom we deal, has the right to be treated with respect and dignity. The National Campdraft Council of Australia will not tolerate harassment in our Organisation. We will take all complaints of harassment seriously, and will ensure they are dealt with promptly, seriously, sensitively and confidentially. Disciplinary action can be taken against a person who is found in breach of this policy.

2. **Application of**
   This policy applies to all Campdrafters, Instructors, employees, administrators, officials, volunteers and members of the National Campdraft Council of Australia.
   This policy applies to behavior occurring both within and outside the course of the National Campdraft Council of Australia's business, activities and events, when the behavior involves individuals associated with the National Campdraft Council of Australia and negatively affects relationships within our sport and work environment.
   This policy applies to harassment occurring between any participants in the National Campdraft Council of Australia
   The Chairman of the National Campdraft Council of Australia accepts that the elimination of harassment leads to a more stable, productive and successful Sport of Campdrafting under The National Campdraft Council of Australia.

3. **Confidentiality**
   The National Campdraft Council of Australia management and officers responsible for implementing this Member Protection Policy will keep confidential the names and details related to abuse, discrimination and/or harassment complaints, unless disclosure is necessary as part of the disciplinary or corrective process.

4. **Responsibilities**
   The National Campdraft Council of Australia is responsible for taking all reasonable steps to prevent harassment in our Sport of Campdrafting and for ensuring our policy is well known throughout all Associations affiliated with the National Campdraft Council of Australia.
   This means we will take whatever steps necessary to ensure that everyone associated with the National Campdraft Council of Australia knows:
   - what harassment means
   - that it is against the law
   - that it will not be tolerated.

While the National Campdraft Council has ultimate responsibility for ensuring that the sport of Campdrafting is free of harassment, each Affiliated Campdraft Association will accept day-to-day responsibility for implementing this policy.

Full Policy Details are available on the NCCA website or on request from the NCCA Secretary.