

ABHA CAPRICORN COAST CIRCUIT - AFFILIATE GROUND RULES

1. Affiliate Details

- Affiliate Name: ABHA Capricorn Coast Circuit
- Incorporate Association: Yes
- Club Constitution: Current constitution lodged with relevant State authority has been supplied.
- Optional Club membership Offered: Yes

2. Membership Requirements & Fees.

2.1 Eligibility for Awards

- Club Membership is required to be eligible for End of Year or Series Award.

2.2 Membership Fees

Open Membership: \$50.00

Junior Open Membership (Under 18): \$50.00

Junior Membership (Under 18): \$20.00

Assisted (8-10 year old) Junior Membership: \$20.00

Peewee Membership: \$20.00

Tiny (7 & Under): \$5.00

Family Membership Deals: Not offered

3. Events Conducted

3.1 Core ABHA Events

- Open Divisional (Junior Open members permitted)
- Junior Divisional
- 10 & Under - Unassisted
- Tiny Tots - Non competitive (7 & Under, assisted and unassisted).



3.2 Additional Events

- Side Pots
- Senior Horse (16 years & older)
- Classic, Dash 4 Cash
- Riding for Disabled

Capricorn Coast is solely responsible for all management, conduct and dispute resolution relating to non-core events. Capricorn Coast Circuit agrees to these terms.

4. **End-of-Year / series point System.**

4.1 Participation

Capricorn Coast Circuit runs an End-of-Year/ Series Point Score System.

4.2 ABHA Requirement

Affiliates must use the official ABHA Point System as per the ABHA Rule Book:

1st - 5 points

2nd - 4 points

3rd - 3 points

4th - 2 points

5th - 1 point

4.3 Capricorn Coast Circuit Notes:

Capricorn Coast Circuit has historically used a 10-1 points system due to a large entry numbers.

Our club has been running a 10 to 1 points system for around 10 years or more because we have such big numbers attend our events.

This system has always run perfectly for us to enabling riders to be consistent in their divisions plus moving up into other divisions. We would like to keep this rule for our club.



4.4 Eligibility Criteria

Open divisional: 10 - 1 point system per division

Junior divisional: 10 - 1 point system per division

10 & Under Unassisted: 10 - 1 point system

Tiny Tots: Prizes only

4.5 Tie-Breaker rules

- Countback on number of wins per division
- If still tied: count back on seconds
- If still tied: clean - slate run-off

4.6 Horse & Horse/rider Combinations Rules

1. Our Circuit points are awarded as a horse & rider combination which includes all side pots. The Capricorn Coast Classic weekend is non-points event.
2. Competitors must enter the arena in control without excessive force and whipping. Reasonable time will be given for a troubled horse to enter the arena on monthly club meets, however at the Classic & Finals 3D, there will be a time limit. (2 minutes).
3. Our points are awarded to 10th place in each division. 1 point for 10th place in a division and 10 points for a win, with points decreasing by one point back to 10th place. Day membership is not awarded points. Points will skip from day members onto the next competitor.
4. A controlled walk-through entrance is required when entering the arena. You must not start your run until your whole horse has walked through into the arena. Horses that run in, must be corrected before starting their run or Disqualification will occur. At the Committee's discretion.
5. Video evidence is allowed to be shown to the judge/committee at any Capricorn Coast event for review of Disqualified Competitors who should be Disqualified. Only video evidence on a clear large screen such as an Ipad may be used. \$50 to be handed into the committee when making a video claim. Should the claim be upheld the \$50 will be refunded.



6. In the large camp draft arenas, Ridgeland's /Paradise Lagoons for safety of competitors there is a 12m-15m outside the line from the measured drum pattern. Any horse and rider that run outside of these lines will be disqualified. All competitors will be shown in a meeting on the day of the event so everyone understands the rule prior to the event running.

7. All horse and rider combinations **MUST** be nominated under the same name all year whether it be the horse's paddock name or registered name, If the horse has an ABHA ID they must be nominated under that name **ALL YEAR**. If this has not happened by mistake the member is to contact the committee to change the horse's name in the draws before commencement of the event. Once the event has commenced the horse's name will stay as it is in the draw. Points will be awarded as two different horse and rider combinations and *WILL NOT* be merged if not correct.

8. Any outstanding invoices owing to the Capricorn Coast Circuit will not be able to compete at any event until the invoice is paid in full.

5. Refund Policy

- Refunds are available with a medical or veterinary certificate, or due to weather.

6. Arena & Venue Rules

- Dogs must be on a lead at all times.
- Dogs are not permitted near canteen areas.
- Competitors and spectators must clean up after themselves and their horses.

7. Futurity, Maturity & Sidepots

- Capricorn Coast Circuit conducts Futurity and Maturity events.
- - All aged horses must have an ABHA ID Number.
- - Sidepots offered include aged horse sidepots and Senior Horse (16 years & older) sidepot.

8. ABHA Disclaimer

- All affiliates and members of the Australian Barrel Horse Association (ABHA) are bound by the ABHA Constitution and the ABHA Rule Book. Compliance with these governing documents is mandatory. No Capricorn Coast Circuit ground rule, policy, condition of entry, or event directive may conflict with, amend, override, or deviate from any provision of the ABHA Constitution or Rule Book. In the event of any inconsistency, the ABHA Rule Book prevails.

