



## THE INCORPORATED SOCIETIES ACT 1908 RULES OF THE NEW ZEALAND PINTO HORSE SOCIETY (INC)

**1. Name** - The name of the Society is New Zealand Pinto Horse Society (Incorporated).

**2. Objects** - The objects for which the Society has been established are:

- (A) To preserve, improve, standardise and promote the coloured horses known as Pinto.
- (B) To classify and register all eligible animals in New Zealand.
- (C) To compile and publish a register of all eligible animals.
- (D) To promote shows for exhibition of registered stock within classifications established by the Society.
- (E) To disseminate and make available to members all relevant information and literature and to provide lectures and instructions.
- (F) To associate with all other breeds or associations for the betterment of the Society.
- (G) To provide social contact between members.
- (H) To assist members in obtaining maximum enjoyment and benefit from the Pinto horse.
- (I) To cultivate and promote understanding and courtesy and to develop self discipline and responsibility in all matters equestrian.

**3. Pecuniary Gain** - The income and property of the Society howsoever derived shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in these rules and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the members of the Society. Provided that nothing herein shall prevent the payment in good faith of reasonable and proper remuneration to any officer or servant of the Society or to any member of the Society in return for any services actually rendered to the Society nor prevent the payment of interest at a rate not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being charged by the banker for overdrawn accounts on money lent or reasonable and proper rent for premises demised or let by any members to the Society.

**4. Members** - The Society shall consist of members each being a person interested in any manner in the Pinto horse. The signatories to these rules shall be the first member.

### **5. Classes of Members**

- (A) Ordinary Adult Member – Any person 18 years of age or over having joined the Society and paid the annual subscription payable by such members shall be an ordinary adult member.
- (B) Ordinary Junior Member – Any person 17 years of age and under having joined the Society and paid the annual subscription payable by such member shall be an ordinary junior member. Junior members shall not be entitled to hold office or vote at any meeting.
- (C) Family Membership – For families consisting of two or less adults and their dependent children under 17 years of age.
- (D) Honorary Member – The committee may by a simple majority confer on any member or other person Honorary membership in recognition of special service to the Society including noteworthy furtherance of all or any of the Society's objects. The Honorary member shall not be required to pay annual subscriptions.

**6. Membership** - Membership shall be open to all persons who subscribe to the objectives of the New Zealand Pinto Horse Society Inc, agree to abide by its rules and regulations upon their written application to the Secretary of the Society signed by themselves and on payment of the annual subscription.

Membership can be declined on the grounds of monies outstanding, maltreatment of horses, have previously been expelled as a financial member, unworthy conduct including misuse of Social Media involving the Society, unacceptable behaviour at competitions, abuse or unacceptable behaviour towards other members, officials or volunteers representing the Society either verbal, via email, text or other social media. Unacceptable behaviour will be decided by the current committee if it caused distress to the person the behaviour was aimed at. Misleading statements regarding other members, committee members and officials will also be regarded as unacceptable behaviour.

**7. Entrance Fee** - No entrance fee shall be payable.

**8. Annual Subscriptions** - Every member shall on or before the first day of August in each year and every year pay to the Society an annual subscription fixed by resolution at the Annual General meeting.

**9. Resignation of Members** - Any member may resign from their membership by giving to the Secretary notice in writing or via email to that effect and every such notice shall unless otherwise expressed take effect as from the date of such notice.

**10. Expulsion of Members** - The Society may at any time by letter or e-mail invite any member to retire for breach by him/her of this constitution e.g. monies outstanding, unworthy conduct including misuse of Social Media involving the Society, unacceptable behaviour at competitions, abuse of officials and maltreatment of horses. A question of expulsion at a Special General meeting to be held within one calendar month from the date of such letter or email sent. At such meeting the member whose expulsion is under consideration shall be allowed to offer an explanation in writing or via email and thereupon two thirds of the members present shall vote for his/her expulsion. They shall forthwith, without releasing him/her from any liability to the Society, cease to be a member and forfeit all rights title and interest and shall have no claim against the Society for reimbursement of any annual subscription or any part thereof.

**11. Alteration of Rules**

(A) These rules may be altered, added to, rescinded or otherwise amended by resolution passed by a three fourths majority of those present at an Annual or Special General Meeting of which fourteen days notice has been given.

(B) Every such notice shall set forth the purpose of the proposed alteration, addition, rescission or other amendment.

(C) Duplicate copies of every such alteration, addition, rescission or amendment shall forthwith be delivered to the Registrar in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

**12. Annual General Meeting** - An Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held once in every calendar year at such time being not more than 15 months after the holding of the last preceding Annual General meeting either via e-mail votes or at a venue appointed by the committee for the purpose of receiving and it thought fit adopting the President's report and the Treasurer's report including a balance sheet income and expenditure account or profit and loss account for the preceding year and any report or reports from the Committee and for the purpose of the election of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar and up to seven Committee members, if such election is required, to hold office as herein provided and for the purpose of transacting such other business as shall have been specified in the notice convening the meeting or as may be brought forward without notice by unanimous consent of the meeting not being business of which notice is required by the rules.

**13. Special General Meeting** - The President or in his/her absence or inability the Vice President may at any time for any special purpose call a Special General meeting and he/she shall do so forthwith upon a requisition in writing of any seven members stating the purpose for which the meeting is required. The meeting can be held at a venue appointed by the committee or via e-mail.

**14. Committee Meeting** – Seven days notice is deemed to be served and not less than two committee meetings shall be held in each year via e-mail at such times and places as the President or in his/her absence or inability the Vice President shall direct for the purposes of transacting the business of the Society and deciding upon such resolutions as shall be duly submitted at the meeting.

**15. Notice of Business** – Fourteen days notice (exclusive of the day on which the notice is served or deemed to be served but inclusive of the day for which the notice is given) specifying the place the day and the hour of meeting or if it is to be held via e-mail and in the case of Annual or Special General meetings specifying the business to be transacted thereat shall be given of any Annual, Annual General, or Special General meeting of the Society to such persons as are entitled to receive such notice from the Society. Members can be notified via e-mail or post.

**16. Service of Notices** - Every notice required to be given to the members or any of them shall be deemed to have been duly delivered if posted to them in a pre-paid letter addressed to them at their last known address. Or e-mailed to them at the last known e-mail address.

**17. Procedure at Meetings** - At all meetings the President shall take the chair and in his absence the Vice President and in the absence of both the President and the Vice President the members of the committee present shall elect one of their members to take the chair. Every member shall be entitled on every motion to one vote exercised in person or by proxy. In the case of an equality of votes, the Chairperson at that time shall have a casting vote as well as a deliberative vote.

**18. Proxy Votes** - Proxy votes may be recorded at a Committee meeting, Special General and Annual General meeting of the Society on matters appearing on the agenda for such meeting or any adjournment thereof, and a copy of such Special or Annual General meeting agenda has been posted or e-mailed to members not less than 14 days prior to the first call of such meeting.

Proxy votes at committee meetings may only be exercised by another duly appointed committee member and can be sent via e-mail, 24 hours before the commencement of the meeting. Proxy votes may be counted towards quorum numbers at meetings.

A proxy vote form for a Special General and Annual General Meeting of the Society must be for completed and signed by the member with exact voting requirements in order for the vote/s to be counted. The Secretary must receive the voting form no later than two days prior to the meeting.

**19. Voting Rights** - Only financial members shall be entitled to vote at any Annual or Special meeting of the Society. Members shall have the following votes according to their membership classification.

- (A) Ordinary adult members – One Vote
- (B) Family members – Each Adult to have one vote
- (C) Ordinary junior members – No vote

**20. Quorum** - At all committee meetings four members shall constitute a quorum, at the Annual General Meeting ten members shall constitute a quorum and at a Special General Meeting seven members shall constitute a quorum. Proxy vote/s may be counted towards the numbers of members attending the meetings. This allows Society and Committee members unable to attend to have their say

**21. Appointment of Officers** - At the first meeting of the Society and at every Annual General meeting held thereafter the Society shall elect a committee of the following officers, a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer/Secretary and up to nine committee members. Members may send via post or e-mail any concerns to the Secretary two days before any meeting or as date advertised.

**22. Vacancies on the Committee** - The committee shall have power to appoint a member to fulfil any casual vacancy on the committee until the next Annual General meeting and any member so appointed shall retire at the next Annual General meeting together with the rest of the committee by all and all or any of the retiring committee shall be eligible for re-election. An agenda must be presented to all committee members one week prior to the meeting and committee members notified via email or online website and all proxy votes along with comments to be in 24 hours prior to the meeting.

**23. Duties of the Committee** - It shall be the duty of the committee generally to conduct the affairs of the Society and to keep usual and proper books of account properly posted up and other records of the business of the Society and to notify members of intended meetings and the business to be transacted thereat and to prepare and submit to the Annual General meeting a report, balance sheet and statement of accounts for the preceding year. Meetings of the committee may be convened by letter, e-mail or website at such times and places as the President or in his/her absence, inability or refusal to act, the Secretary shall appoint and four persons shall be a quorum. The committee is to maintain a minimum of six members, including position holders, with a maximum of 12. They endeavour to have a balance of membership from both Islands. If a committee member does not attend meetings in person, or via e-mail or internet they may be removed from the committee. Committee members are required to be present at meetings, missing no more than two meetings in a row or four throughout the year, unless the committee is contacted and excuses the member at their discretion.

**24. Common Seal** - The common seal of the Society shall be held by the Secretary or person appointed by the Committee who shall be responsible for the safe custody and control thereof.

**25. Use of Common Seal** - Whenever the common seal of the Society is required to be affixed to any deed, documents, writing or other instrument, the seal shall be affixed pursuant to a resolution of the committee or of the Society by the President and any one other member of the committee thereby authorised to affix the seal and the persons so affixing the seal shall at the same time sign the document to which the seal is affixed.

**26. Control and Use of Funds** - All monies received by or on behalf of the Society shall forthwith be paid to the credit of the Society in an account with the ASB Bank or other Bank or Savings Bank from time to time to be fixed by the Society. All cheques or withdrawal slips drawn on the account shall be signed by one signatory of the account.

**27. Investment of Funds** - The Society may from time to time invest and re-invest in such securities and upon such terms as it shall think for the whole or any part of its funds which shall not be required for the immediate business of the Society.

**28. Borrowing Powers** - The Society shall in addition to the other powers vested in it have the power to borrow or raise money from time to time by the issue of Debentures, Bonds, Mortgages or any other securities founded or based on all or any of the property and/or rights of the Society or without any such security and upon such terms as to priority and otherwise as the Society shall think fit but the powers of so borrowing or raising money shall not be exercised except pursuant to a resolution of the Society passed at a committee meeting.

**29. Disposition of Surplus Assets** - In the event of the Society being wound up the surplus assets after payment of the Society's liabilities and the expenses of the winding up shall be forwarded to an organisation with similar aims as determined by the members of the Society.

**30. Regulations** - The Society shall from time to time by resolution in committee meeting make, amend or rescind regulations not consistent with these rules governing procedure at its meetings and the conduct of the affairs of the Society.

**31. Registered Office** - The registered office of the Society shall be situated at such place as shall be decided by the committee. Notice of the change of registered office shall be duly sent to the Registrar.

**32. Interpretation** - In these Rules except where a different intention appears, Act means Incorporated Societies Act 1908, Society means New Zealand Pinto Horse Society (Incorporated) incorporated under these Rules. President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Committee persons means respectively the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Committee persons of the Society, Meeting means a meeting of the Society, member means a member of the Society.

**33. Social Media** – The Society treat all social media postings, blogs, status updates and tweets as public comment Postings (written, photos or videos) must be family-friendly and feature positive Society news and events. No personal information about our members can be disclosed without their permission. No statements will be made that might bring the Society into disrepute, must not offend, intimidate, humiliate or bully another person, must not be misleading, false or injure the reputation of another person, should respect and maintain the privacy of members. Abusive, discriminatory, intimidating or offensive statements will not be tolerated. Offending posts will be removed and those responsible will be blocked from the site. Members must conduct themselves appropriately when using electronic communication to share information with other members or posting material on public websites, Social media connected to the Society

## REGULATIONS

- 1. Registration Rules** - Application for registration will only be accepted from financial members of the New Zealand Pinto Horse Society (Inc). Application must be made on forms supplied by the Society. All details must be completed fully, in readable print and signed. If all requirements are not met i.e. correct photos etc the application will be returned to the applicant with an administration fee deducted. You must be the legal owner or leasee of the horse to apply for registration. If the horse is leased a Lease Notification form must be completed
- 2. Registration Certificates** - These are issued by the Society to all members for a specific horse upon receipt of payment, photos and application form. Numbers will be shown on certificates – PT....
- 3. Registration Requirements** – Pinto's or Pintaloosa's with either known or unknown parentage which meet the colour and Pattern requirements. Horses must have definitive white markings on the body, not including face or below the elbow and stifle on the legs as per diagram below. Horses may be white and any other colour such as Bay, Black, Brown, Chestnut, Grey, Palomino, etc.

Only colour visible on a dry horse from a minimum of 2 metres away shall be considered.

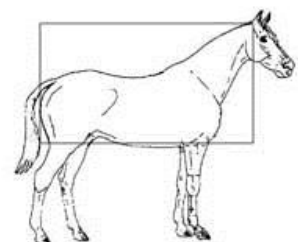
Pintaloosa's must have the minimum patch requirements + spots to be eligible for registration as a Pintaloosa

**The lesser of the two colours should meet one of the following:**

**Miniature** - current or estimated mature height 96.52cm (38 inches) & under  
Patches to total no less than A6

**Pony** - current or estimated mature height to be over 96.52cm & under 148cm  
Patches to total no less than A5

**Hack** - current or estimated mature height to be over 148cm  
Patches to total no less than A4



**Pattern Categories** A horse can only be registered in one category Tobiano, Tovero, Overo or Pinaloosa. Sabino marked horses are not eligible for registration if in doubt colour coat testing (pattern) will be required to be provided.

**Categories are**

Pinto - Tobiano, Tovero, Overo

Pinaloosa - showing Appaloosa or Palouse markings i.e. patches and spots.

4. **Artificial Markings** - Any horse photographed with artificial markings will be rejected for registration and the owner may be barred from the Society. When a protest is filed questioning the eligibility on the grounds of having artificial coat markings and this protest is deemed valid by a classifier or committee member, the Society has the right to suspend registration until such time as to determine whether or not the horse has been artificially coloured
5. **Breeding Regulations**  
It is the duty of each owner to keep proper records of stud breeding activities, including particulars and dates of service and foaling. Mare Service Certificates to be forwarded to the Registrar at time of registration of the foal
6. **Branding or Micro chipping** - Branding (either fire or freeze) or Micro chipping is considered optional by this Society. The horse should be branded on the near shoulder with the breeders registered brand, off shoulder with the breeding number over the year of foaling. If the horse is already branded, no additional brand or alteration is allowed. A vet certificate is required for confirmation of the Microchip number
7. **Artificial Insemination** - The Society accepts fresh, chilled or frozen semen as acceptable forms of AI. AI must be certified by the inseminator at the time of AI. A signed Insemination Certificate from Veterinarian or AI Technician, or a Service Certificate from the stallion owner (if inseminating) are acceptable.
8. **Gelding** - When an animal is gelded such facts to be reported to the Society. This is done by obtaining from the Registrar the necessary Gelding Notification form at the current fee
9. **Death** - When an animal has died such facts to be reported to the Society
10. **Prefixes, Suffixes & Naming of Horses** - Every financial owner shall record a name when registering a horse. Once a horse is registered, the name cannot be changed either by the breeder or new owner except by applying to the Society for approval and at a set fee. Stud Prefixes cannot be changed, without permission from the Stud. The maximum length of a registered horse's name must not exceed thirty five letters including the prefix or suffix and spaces. Members may register a Stud Prefix or Suffix by obtaining from the Registrar the necessary Application for Stud Prefix/Suffix at the current fee. The Society can refuse to accept names which are likely to be confused with other horse's names. A Prefix or Suffix will be required in some cases only to prevent duplication of names
11. **Change of Ownership** - A Change of Ownership form can be supplied by the Registrar or downloaded from the website. The Registration Certificate if in existence should accompany the completed Change of Ownership form to the Registrar in order for the horse to be recorded in the name of the new owner. When ownership of a registered animal is transferred, the vendor at the time of the transfer shall give the buyer the Registration Certificate and Transfer duly signed by him/her. Where the vendor sells a mare in foal he/she must provide the buyer with a Service Certificate. On a Change of Ownership Form of any horses registered in joint ownership, all signatures of joint owners must appear  
  
Previous owners may notify the Society's Registrar that the registered horse has changed ownership and forward the new owners address in order for forms to be posted or e-mailed to new owner. The purchaser will forward the completed Change of Ownership form and Certificate to the Registrar together with the current Change of Ownership fee
12. **Replacement or Corrected Registration** - A Replacement Certificate is a new Registration Certificate issued when the original has been lost, destroyed or defaced. The Society to be provided with the original certificate if in existence before a replacement can be issued. A Corrected Certificate is a new Registration Certificate issued when there is a change in colour, markings, breeding details, foaling date, and change from stallion to gelding, removal or addition of scars or brands
13. **Age of the Horse** - The age of the horse shall be computed on the basis of a calendar year starting on 1<sup>st</sup> August of the year foaled. It is a weanling during the calendar year in which foaled and yearling in the first calendar year following its foaling date, regardless of the date and year foaled i.e. horse foaled 27 Nov 2007 or 13 April 2008 automatically become yearlings at 1 August 2008

The only exception to this rule is e.g. the foal of a mare covered on or after 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008 will be deemed to commence its first year of life on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2009 regardless of its date of birth, provided that date of birth is consistent with such covering and a signed Insemination Certificate from Veterinarian or AI Technician, or a Service Certificate from the stallion owner is provided

- 14. Protests** - All protests at NZ Pinto Horse Society competitions must be submitted in writing to the show Secretary no later than half an hour after the incident that gave rise to the protest. A deposit of \$50 must accompany all protests. If the protest is found to be valid the deposit shall be refunded. If a protest is found invalid the deposit shall be retained by the Society
- 15. Shows** - At all Pinto Society run shows, rules will be set by the organising show committee and must be obeyed. All competitors must be current financial members and horse registrations up to date. NZ Pinto Horse Society run shows must comply with all NZ Pinto Horse Society current Rules and Regulations

Current Official RAS Height Certificates are required for height stipulated classes.

Best Colour and Pattern Class is judged purely on the markings exhibited, conformation is not considered. Pattern should ideally be 50/50 distribution of colour to white

- 16.** You must choose to enter your horse into either Pinto Saddle Hunter or Pinto Show Horse. Once chosen you cannot change classification for that season. Only applies to classes with these classifications.