

New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc.



Affiliated Club Requirements

NZMHA OFFICIAL RULE BOOK

The Constitution and Rules of the NZMHA lay down the basic criteria for an Affiliated Club or Society under:

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY – Article 4

d Affiliated Clubs/Societies Inc. A miniature horse club or society may apply in writing on the prescribed form for affiliation to the New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc under the following criteria:

- (i) The rules and show rules of the applicant club or society shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution, General Rules and Show Rules of the New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc.*
- (ii) The applicant club or society shall have a minimum of 8 (eight) NZMHA members (including life members but excluding registered handlers). The application for affiliation shall be accompanied by a list of all officers of the club and its members. No club or society may seek or hold affiliation to the New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc. When already affiliated to any other New Zealand Miniature Horse body.*
- (iii) An affiliation applicant fee is payable upon application.
The affiliated club or society shall pay an annual levy, payable to the New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc 31 October of each year. This fee shall be placed in a fund for the advertising and promotion generally of the Miniature Horse.*

(iv) In considering an application for affiliation the Council shall consider any other matters which may be relevant to the application including the following:

- A The name of the applicant club or society.*
- B. Other affiliated clubs or societies within the same region*
- C. Any evidence or representations in support or opposition to the application which the Council may hear in its absolute discretion.*

The Council may approve or decline the application without reason or may defer the application and request the applicant club or society to amend its rules in such a manner as the Council may direct for the application to proceed

(v) Termination of affiliation – breach of any of the above conditions at any time may result in withdrawal of affiliation.

Additional Conditions that NZMHA Council require Affiliated Clubs to adhere to:

Fees:

The fees are:

- Affiliation Application Fee - \$50.00 plus GST (once only)
- Annual Levy Per Club of \$50.00 plus GST

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SHOWS

- All Shows must be run in accordance with NZMHA'S show rules
- All show dates must be applied for and approved by NZMHA
- May run NZMHA Hi Point and NZMHA Gelding Incentive Shows provided the shows are pre-approved by NZMHA and meet the criteria of these competitions
- Show manager is to complete show report form and return to the NZMHA Secretary along with the Show Levies
- Show report, Results and Show Levies must be returned with 21 days of the close of show.

BENEFITS

- Each club is covered by NZMHA's public liability insurance policy
- Show schedules should be posted on the NZMHA website
- NZMHA may assist with the finance of shows (at NZMHA Council discretion)
- NZMHA regularly sources international judges which may then be offered for Affiliated clubs to utilize (fee may be payable at NZMHA Council discretion)
- NZMHA bulk purchasing arrangement are available to Affiliate clubs (where such arrangements are in place).
- May be offered the opportunity to host the NZMHA Showcase Show in conjunction with the NZMHA Regional Delegate. Where multiple Affiliated Clubs exist in a Region and they each want to run the Showcase Show, NZMHA Council in conjunction with the NZMHA Regional Delegate will work with the Affiliated Clubs to determine a fair and equitable resolution

REQUIREMENTS

- Full members of the Affiliated Club must own or lease a horse registered with NZMHA
- Only full members of Affiliated Clubs can have a vote
- Full Members of an Affiliated club must reside in the same NZMHA Region as the Affiliated Club
- All Affiliated Club Committee members must be Financial Members of NZMHA
- NZMHA Regional Delegates may attend the Affiliated Clubs Committee meetings.
- Premier Shows must be run after 15 January unless prior approval is sought from Council.
- All meetings including Affiliated Club AGMs must be held in a public venue

2022/2023 Season Incentive

Incentive for this season only – NZMHA will reimburse clubs \$5.00 per club member who is an NZMHA financial member – excluding registered handlers.

Clubs will be able to apply for this incentive once in the season by 1 December 2022 OR by 1 March 2023. A form will be posted on the NZMHA Website for this purpose.

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