

## **HDOC MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT:**

Horsham Dog Obedience Club strives to provide an enriching training environment for all members and their dogs that is free of discrimination, harassment and bullying. Horsham Dog Obedience Club considers all of these behaviours to be unacceptable and such behaviour will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

HDOC is run and managed solely by volunteers, comprising the Committee, Instructors and affiliated Life Members. It is expected that all volunteers and members of HDOC are treated with respect.

It is expected that members will not engage in behaviour or media usage that may be interpreted as threatening, abusive, intimidating or prejudicial, when in relation to HDOC.

HDOC members attending training or other events must conduct themselves in an appropriate and pleasant manner when interacting with all other club members, volunteers and animals.

HDOC value existing members, attracting new members and encouraging community participation and seeks to provide a safe, productive and fun environment for all members and their dogs.

**Failure to adhere to the Code of Conduct may result in immediate suspension from all HDOC training and associated events; resulting disciplinary actions may follow.**

## **HDOC CLUB TRAINING RULES:**

- ✦ All members must wear their membership nametag when attending training or other HDOC events
- ✦ Members must dress appropriately to attend any HDOC event or training, this includes closed heel and toe footwear ie. No thongs
- ✦ Bitches in season and sick/injured dogs are not allowed on the training grounds
- ✦ Except when engaged in off lead exercises, dogs must be on a lead at all times
- ✦ Dog droppings must be picked up and placed in the bin immediately by handlers
- ✦ Smoking is not permitted on training grounds
- ✦ A dog that bites or shows undue aggression must be reported to a HDOC club official; any incidents that do occur will be officially recorded
- ✦ The use of spiked or electronic collars is strictly forbidden
- ✦ Children under the age of 12 years of age must be under supervision whilst at HDOC events
- ✦ All members must sign the attendance book prior to the commencement of training
- ✦ Members are not permitted to enter the Haven Primary School grounds or the Haven Tennis Club courts
- ✦ Members are permitted to play on the playground equipment however this is at their own risk
- ✦ Dogs may not be tethered to any furniture but may be appropriately tethered to fences if required
- ✦ There will be no training if the weather forecast for the Sunday is 36°C and above
- ✦ Members must adhere to the HDOC Social Media and Internet Policy
- ✦ If instructed by a HDOC official, a member must wear the prescribed hi-vis vest and fit their dog with a HDOC space jacket or they will not be permitted to attend HDOC training or events

## **HDOC IMAGES RELEASE:**

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