



# Stroud Show

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## Stroud Show Animal Welfare and Animal Biosecurity Policy

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***The Stroud Show Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Policy has been developed to ensure best animal welfare practices by all competitors and exhibitors and to minimise the risk of the spread of animal diseases.***

As well as this policy, all competitors, exhibitors and Stroud Show must act in accordance with –

- The New South Wales Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979/200
- NSW Department of Primary Industries
- Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Land Transport of Livestock) Standards 2013 No 2
- NSW Code of Practice for animals used in rodeo events
- Australian Bushman’s Campdraft and Rodeo Association Ltd -  
    ABCRA Welfare Policy for Horses Used In Campdrafting and Rodeo  
    ABCRA Rodeo Animal Welfare Code
- Dogs NSW Regulations Part II Shows
- Agricultural Societies Council of NSW Ltd

### **Definitions:**

***Stroud Showground*** – includes all of the grounds, showrings, rodeo and campdraft rings, car parks and surrounds located at Cowper Stroud NSW 2425

***Stroud Show*** – includes the total duration of the show and prior and post show dates to include set up and pack down. Includes all events and exhibits throughout the Show.

***Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer*** – A person elected by the Stroud Show Committee to oversee animal welfare and biosecurity matters

***Animal Nursery*** – a display of animals either provided by Stroud Show or third party business

***Committee*** – a person elected to Stroud Show

## 1.0 General –

1.1 No animal will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse and or cruelty while housed and exhibited at Stroud Showground. This includes, but is not limited to –

- beaten, kicked, killed, wounded, pinioned, mutilated, maimed, abused, tormented, tortured, terrified or infuriated,
- over-loaded, over-worked, over-driven, over-ridden or over-used,
- exposed to excessive heat or excessive cold, or
- inflicted with pain

1.2 All animals will be provided with clean water and sufficient food for their duration of their stay at Stroud Showground

1.3 No animals will be offered for sale, give away or by raffle.

1.4 Any animal that is displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

1.5 Any incidence of inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty to animals will be investigated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer and other members of the Committee, eg President and the decision is final. Any incident will be recorded and maybe subject to further or immediate investigation by NSW Police or NSW RSPCA.

1.6 Any incident of biosecurity will be investigated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer and other members of the Committee, eg President and the NSW Department of Primary Industry and a Veterinarian will be notified.

1.7 In any incident, Stroud Show and its Committee or Members will not be liable for any veterinary or burial fees.

1.8 Administration of a drug or drug to any animal that may assist in an unfair advantage or mask injury, anxiety or ailment while on Stroud Showground is prohibited and can be subjected to investigation and testing by a Veterinarian at the owner's expense.

1.9 All movements of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs attending Stroud Show will be recorded with the Department of Primary Industries

1.10 All cattle, sheep and goats have to be identified with an NLIS tag (except dairy goats) and must be accompanied by an NVD or a Transported Stock Statement. Pigs over 25 kg must either be branded (preferred), or have an NLIS ear tag attached. Small pigs (<25kg) must have an NLIS ear tag. All pigs must have a PigPass NVD with them.

1.11 All movements of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs will comply with NLIS –

- by scanning all cattle devices
- recording cattle movements to and from the show as mobs (if scanning not possible) using 'Mob-based in transfers' and 'Mob-based out transfers' functions
- recording sheep and goat movements to and from the show as mobs using the 'Mobbased movement onto PIC' and 'Mob-based movement off PIC' functions
- recording all pig movements to and from the show as mobs on the PigPass database

1.12 All competitors competing in horse events must sign a waiver form and provide a PIC number

1.13 Any animal on Stroud Showground that is suspected of showing illness or being contagious will be reported immediately to the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer, judge or Committee member.

## **2.0 Dog Show**

2.0 Puppies under the age of 8 weeks are not permitted on the showground

2.1 Any dog that is displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

2.2 No dog will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while exhibited, competing or housed at Stroud Showground.

2.3 All dogs must be provided with fresh water

2.4 It is the obligation of each owner, exhibitor and handler at a show to take all such steps as may be necessary to ensure that any dog under that person's care or control or for which that person is responsible does not behave in an aggressive manner.

2.5 Any incidents of aggressive behaviour will be investigated and may be reported to Dogs NSW

## **3.0 Rodeo**

3.1 No animal, including but not limited to, bucking stock, pick up animals, steers and horses will be subjected to any form of inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while participating, housed, drafted or loading for and unloading from transport.

3.2 No prohibited items as defined in the NSW Code of Practice for animals used in rodeo events, such as, but not limited to, locked and sharpened spurs, prohibited electrical devices will be used at Stroud Show.

3.3 Electrical cattle prods will only be used as defined in the NSW Code of Practice for animals used in rodeo events

3.4 All animals will be provided fresh water at all times while yarded and sufficient food during the event

3.5 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

3.6 Any animal deemed not fit to compete by way of, but not limited to, injury, illness or exhaustion by a judge, Animal Welfare Officer or member of Stroud Show Committee will be removed from the event and if necessary, veterinary treatment provided at the owner's expense.

## **4.0 Dog Trials**

4.1 No animal will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground.

4.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

## **5.0 Cattle Show**

5.1 No animal will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground.

5.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

## **6.0 Dog High Jump**

6.1 No dog will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground.

6.2 No dog will attempt a height more than twice.

6.3 No dog will be lifted by the neck or collar to complete the jump

6.4 Any dog displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

## **7.0 Poultry Exhibits**

7.1 No poultry will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground.

7.2 All poultry will be provided with fresh water at all times and sufficient food for the duration of exhibition

7.3 All poultry will be housed in cages of a suitable size of the bird in which they can stand and turn around.

7.4 Any poultry displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

## **8.0 Animal Nursery**

8.1 No animal will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while displayed or housed at Stroud Showground.

8.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

8.3 All animals will be provided with fresh water at all times and sufficient food for the duration of housing and exhibition

8.4 The petting zoo will be displayed in an area of the showground that minimises noise

8.5 Shelter will be provided at all times for all animals

8.6 Animals will be supervised at all times

8.7 Any animal showing signs of stress while being displayed or handled will be placed in a time out area or removed from Stroud Showground

## **9.0 Showjumping**

9.1 No horse will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse, including but not limited to the use of unnatural aids such as whips and spurs, or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground

9.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

9.3 Any horse deemed not fit to compete by way of, but not limited to, injury, illness or exhaustion by a judge, Animal Welfare Officer or member of Stroud Show Committee will be removed from the event and if necessary, veterinary treatment provided at the owner's expense.

## **10.0 Campdraft**

10.1 No horse will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse, including but not limited to the use of unnatural aids such as whips and spurs, or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground

10.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

10.3 Any horse deemed not fit to compete by way of, but not limited to, injury, illness or exhaustion by a judge, Animal Welfare Officer or member of Stroud Show Committee will be removed from the event and if necessary, veterinary treatment provided at the owner's expense.

## **11.0 Horse Show and Sporting**

11.1 No horse will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse, including but not limited to the use of unnatural aids such as whips and spurs, or cruelty while competing or housed at Stroud Showground

11.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

11.3 Any horse deemed not fit to compete by way of, but not limited to, injury, illness or exhaustion by a judge, Animal Welfare Officer or member of Stroud Show Committee will be removed from the event and if necessary, veterinary treatment provided at the owner's expense.

## **12.0 Other Animal Exhibits – any animal being displayed, exhibited or competed by a third party business**

12.1 No animal will be subjected to inhumane treatment, abuse or cruelty while displayed or housed at Stroud Showground.

12.2 Any animal displaying clinical signs or is suspected of carrying an infectious disease or possibly contagious, will be quarantined immediately in an area designated by the Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Officer.

## **References –**

The New South Wales Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979/200

<https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1979/200>

Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Land Transport of Livestock) Standards 2013 No 2

<https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/animal-welfare/general/codes-of-practice/land-transport-standards>

NSW Code of Practice for animals used in rodeo events

<https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/animal-welfare/general/codes-of-practice/rodeo-code>

ABCRA Welfare Policy for Horses Used In Campdrafting and Rodeo

<http://www.abcra.com.au/files/uploaded/file/AWC%20Campdraft.pdf>

ABCRA Rodeo Animal Welfare Code

<http://www.abcra.com.au/files/uploaded/file/AWC%20Rodeo.pdf>

Dogs NSW Regulations Part II Shows

<https://www.dogsnsw.org.au/media/3032/part-02-show-dec19.pdf>

National Livestock Identification System At Shows

[https://www.agshowsnsw.org.au/files/NSW\\_DPI\\_NLIS\\_letter\\_to\\_shows\\_8.3.19.pdf](https://www.agshowsnsw.org.au/files/NSW_DPI_NLIS_letter_to_shows_8.3.19.pdf)