1. ANY NON-ABHA MEMBER RIDING HORSES OR WARMING UP A COMPETITOR'S HORSES WILL RESULT IN A DISQUALIFICATION OF THE COMPETING MEMBER. THIS RULE TO BE ACTIVELY ENFORCED

2. COMPETITION IS FOR MEN OR WOMEN

3. WESTERN DRESS CODE APPLIES: SUITABLE LONG-SLEEVED SHIRT & JEANS, BOOTS, HELMET OR WIDE BRIMMED HATS ONLY – NO BALL CAPS. COMPETITORS UNDER 18 ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR APPROVED HORSE RIDING HELMETS. FOR ALL EVENTS.

4. COMPETITORS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE WHIP MORE THAN TEN (10) TIMES DURING A RUN: A MAXIMUM OF 2 BETWEEN THE START AND 1ST BARREL, MAXIMUM OF 2 BETWEEN 1ST & 2ND BARREL, MAXIMUM OF 2 BETWEEN 2ND & 3RD BARREL AND MAXIMUM OF 4 BETWEEN 3RD BARREL & HOME.

5. HORSES ARE TO ENTER THE ARENA IN CONTROL WITHOUT THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE AND WHIPPING. THE COMPETITOR MUST HAVE FULL CONTROL OF THE HORSE AT ALL TIMES. A TIME LIMIT OF 60 SECONDS TO ENTER THE ARENA IS APPLIED TO ALL MARTIN SADDLERY CLASSIC EVENTS AFTER WHICH THE HORSE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EVENT.

6. IN THE CASE OF THE ELECTRIC TIMER FAILING, THE COMPETITOR WILL HAVE THE OPTION OF ACCEPTING THE TIME FROM THE BACK UP CLOCK OR CHOOSING A RE-RUN (Refer rule 8, if a drum is knocked). ONCE THE COMPETITOR HAS NOTIFIED THE JUDGE OF THEIR DECISION, THAT DECISION WILL BE FINAL.

7. IF A KNOCKED DRUM OCCURS DURING A RUN AND TIMERS FAIL THE 5 SEC PENALTY WILL CARRY OVER TO THE RE-RUN.

8. RIDERS MUST BE DEEMED IN CONTROL OF THEIR HORSES DURING THE COURSE OF THEIR RUN. COMPETITORS MUST BE GIVEN ONE WARNING IF THE ARENA DIRECTOR/JUDGE DEEMED THE HORSE TO BE OUT OF CONTROL.

9. THE ABHA CAPRICORN COAST CIRCUIT IS SANCTIONED BY THE AUSTRALIAN BARREL HORSE ASSOCIATION AND WILL THEREFORE ENDORSE ALL ABHA RULES.

10. EXHIBITIONS RUNS HAVE A 40 SECOND TIME LIMIT. IF NOT PRESENT WHEN CALLED, EXHIBITION RUN WILL BE CANCELLED.

11. *DISQUALIFICATIONS* - (AUTOMATIC)

a. USE OF WHIP/ QUIRT OR HAND MORE THAN TEN (10) TIMES DURING A RUN: A MAXIMUM OF 2 BETWEEN THE START AND 1ST BARREL, MAXIMUM OF 2 BETWEEN 1ST & 2ND BARREL, MAXIMUM OF 2 BETWEEN 2ND & 3RD BARREL AND MAXIMUM OF 4 BETWEEN 3RD BARREL & HOME. – PLEASE SEE ABHA AMENDEND RULE 20-07-23

b. ILLEGAL PATTERN- COMPETITORS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR NOT FOLLOWING THE PATTERN; CONSISTING OF A CLOVERLEAF PATTERN OF ONE RIGHT TURN AND TWO LEFTS OR VICE VERSA. PLEASE SEE RULE 3 PAGE 18 OF THE ABHA RULE BOOK.

12. *DISQUALIFICATIONS* - (AT THE JUDGES DISCRETION.)

a. ILL TREATING A HORSE

b. HITTING A HORSE AROUND THE HEAD.

c. NOT FOLLOWING AN APPROVED COURSE.

d. COMPETITOR LOSING CONTROL OF THE HORSE.

e. CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN ABHA MEMBER

13. ALL STALLIONS MUST BE DOUBLE TIED BY NECK STRAP AND HALTER ON THE GROUNDS.STALLIONS WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE UNRESTRAINED IN PANEL YEARDS THROUGH DAYLIGHT HOURS ONLY. STALLIONS MUST BE DOUBLE TIED AT NIGHT. PANELS MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 1500MM IN HEIGHT WITH A MINIMUM OF 4 BARS. PANELS MUST BE CONTRUCTED OF A MINIMUM OF 25MM BOX, OR PIPE EQUIVALENT. PANELS MUST BE ANCHORED SECURLEY TO A SOLID OBJECT I.E. TRUCK, POST, TREE. STALLIONS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A VISIBLE BLUE RIBBON TIED INTO THE MANE AND/OR TAIL TO HELP INDENTIFY STALLIONS TO OTHER MEMBERS.

14. ALL DOGS MUST STAY AT YOUR CAMP – NO DOGS IN AUSTADIUM

15. VIDEO EVIDENCE PERMITTED ON LODGEMENT OF A PROTEST, WITH A $50 ADMIN FEE. THE JUDGE AT *THE KATIE B ABHA QLD TITLES 2020* EVENT WILL BE CONSULTED AND A REVIEW WILL TAKE PLACE. ONLY VIDEO EVIDENCE ON A CLEAR LARGE SCREEN SUCH AS AN IPAD MAY BE USED. SHOULD THE CLAIM BE UPHELD, THE $50 WILL BE REFUNDED.

16. THE ORGANIZER'S HAVE THE RIGHT TO ALTER OR DELETE FROM THE PROGRAM

17. THE PEE WEE EVENT IS A NON-ASSISTED EVENT. ANY PARENT OR GAURDIAN WHO INTERRUPTS THE RUN BY TOUCHING THE COMPETITOR, TACK OR THE HORSE, OR RUNNING ALONG IN FRONT OR BESIDE THE HORSE. ONCE THE CHILD HAS PAST THE TIMERS AND COMMITTED TO THE RUN WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICTION. *PLEASE TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN ENTERING AS THERE IS A LED EVENT IN THE PROGRAM ALSO.*