

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN YARD DOG ASSOCIATION CODE OF CONDUCT

Adopted 2015

All members and competitors involved in any aspect of the South Australian Yard Dog Association Inc agree to abide by this Code of Conduct.

1. Condition of dogs:

- All dogs are to be presented in a good healthy condition at all times.
- A bitch visibly in pup &/or in the last 3 weeks of their pregnancy cannot be trialled.
- A bitch visibly lactating cannot be trialled.

2. Transport of dogs:

- Dogs are not to be over crowded in vehicles and trailers.
- Dogs are to be safely secured when being transported.
- Trailers & cages transporting dogs are to be kept clean & well ventilated with water to be regularly offered to dogs.

3. Behaviour of handlers and members:

- Handlers disciplining dogs in a manner that offends the public will not be tolerated at SAYDA Inc venues and events.
- Handlers threatening dogs on the trial ground will be reprimanded, have points deducted or be disqualified.
- Handlers & members must not inflict pain or cause wilful distress to any animal.
- Handlers & members are required to be respectful towards officials, other members, handlers & spectators & behave in a sportsmanlike manner both on & off the trial venue.
- Handlers & members must always present themselves for competition & official business in a state of sobriety.
- Handlers or members must not engage in any action or dialogue that may be deemed as discrimination or sexual harassment.
- Handlers & members must not inflict verbal or physical abuse upon another member, competitor, official or spectator.
- Any breaches of Conduct must be presented to the Judge, Convenor, and Disputes Committee for a resolution on the day.

4. Members etiquette:

- Handlers should be considerate when exercising their dogs.
- All dog droppings are to be appropriately disposed of.
- Dogs are to be under control at all times.