



By-Laws

1. PLAYERS

1.1 **Eligibility for Nationals** - only Australian Citizens or Australian permanent Residents be eligible to play in Australian National Championships (6/9/93)

1.2 **Definition of age** - In any event involving age, a players age will be that as at 31st December of the preceding year, so that any player turning 16 or 21 from the 1st January to 31st December, will not assume that age until the following season. (18/5/02)

Where an age limit is set for Players it shall be deemed to be that player's age is at the beginning of the Calendar year. (18/5/02)

1.3 **Overseas Visitors** – Any overseas Team or group of players, coaches or umpires wishing to participate in Polocrosse in any State of Australia must seek approval from both the PAA and the relevant State Association at least 30 days prior t their arrival in Australia.

Any overseas person wishing to participate in Polocrosse in Australia, eg: play, coach or umpire within a State must seek approval form that State Association at least 30 days prior to their arrival in Australia. In these instances the State Association shall advise the PAA immediately of such approval.

1.4 **Visiting Overseas** – Any Polocrosse team or group of players, coaches or umpires being registered with a State Association within Australia wishing to participate in Polocrosse overseas shall seek approval from both their State Association and the PAA at least 30 days prior to their departure for overseas.

Any person or persons being registered with a State Association within Australia wishing to participate in Polocrosse overseas shall seek from their State Association at least 30 days prior to their departure for overseas. In these circumstances the State Association shall advise the PAA immediately of such approval.

1.5 **Helmets mandatory** – every person mounted on a horse at Polocrosse is required to wear the approved Australian Standard Polocrosse helmet at all times.

1.6 **Dress** – Players to wear white trousers and white helmets (18/5/02)

1.7 **Overseas Players Insurance** – Any player from overseas countries playing in Australia must join and register as member or not play. (30/04/03)

1.8 **Blazers** – Intermediate and above Australian International teams will be required to have an Australian Blazer.

- 1.9 **Privacy Agreement** – The following agreement to be signed by all members.
The Polocrosse Association of Australia Inc will only use and disclose your personal information for the purposes for which it was collected and in accordance with the principles of the Privacy Act 1988. Your personal information will not be used and disclosed for other purposes without your consent. (30/04/03)

2. GRADING

- 2.1 **Grading of Players** – We adopt a grading system graded from 0 to 10, with 10 being an international player and 0 a beginner and that we work towards introducing that scheme within a reasonable time as a working model. (24/04/93)

3. GROUNDS

- 3.1 **Filed Lines** – Plough for lines not to be used except in special circumstances when approval of the State Executive Committee must first be obtained.

4. INSURANCE

- 4.1 **Compulsory** – All States must be in the National Insurance Scheme. (10/4/99)

5. RULES AND UMPIRING

- 5.1 **TEST Series Umpires** – Umpires for an International Test series to be included with the Australia Team (18/5/02)
- 5.2 **Nationals Umpires** – For future Nationals States be asked to nominate non plying umpires. (18/3/03)
- 5.3 **Misconduct** – Any Accredited coach/umpire who has breached the Code of Ethics or has been suspended will automatically have their accreditation suspended. The suspension will be reviewed subject to them showing cause. (18/1/03)

6. NATIONALS

- 6.1 **Tournament Committee** – comprises National President, State President, Club President and the Australian Chief Umpire.

7. COACHING

- 7.1 **Professional Coaches** – We permit professional coaches to operate within our Sport subject to them providing proof of their professional indemnity insurance cover of \$2 million and that they be registered through their State Associations to the Nationals Association as professional coaches. (24/4/93)
- 7.2 **Misconduct** – Any Accredited coach/umpire who has breached the Code of Ethics or has been suspended will automatically have their accreditation suspended. The suspension will be reviewed subject to them showing cause. (18/1/03)

7.3 Syllabus Ownership - Syllabuses will not be supplied to other countries.
(29/10/02)

8. CHAMPIONSHIPS

8.1 Australian Zone Championships – Allocation for Australian Zone Championships be made 2 years ahead and that the application to host the Championships to come from the State Associations.

8.2 Australian Zone Championships – These to be held bi-annually in alternate years to the Australian Championships. (18/5/02)