

# STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL

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IT IS THE GOAL OF NJPEA TO PROVIDE A WORTHWHILE AND ENJOYABLE SHOW ATMOSPHERE. OUR GOALS INCLUDE PROVIDING A COMPETITIVE VENUE THAT FOSTERS GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP, SOUND JUDGMENT, AND CAMARADERIE AMONG OUR EXHIBITORS.

Horse Management; stabling, feeding and training must be compatible with good horse management and must not compromise welfare. Any practices which could cause physical or mental suffering, in or out of competition will not be tolerated.

Training Methods: Horses must undergo training that matches their physical capabilities and mental maturity for their respective discipline. They must not be subjected to any training methods which are abusive or cause fear or pain.

Farriery and Tack: Foot care and shoeing must be in high standard, tack must be properly fitted to avoid risk of pain or injury.

Health: No horse showing symptoms of disease, lameness, or other significant ailments or pre-existing conditions should compete or continue to compete when to do so would risk it's welfare. Veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

Code of Conduct: PHBA members, non-members, exhibitors, trainers, owners, and their representatives along with spectators, shall be orderly, responsible, sportsmanlike, and humane in treatment of their animals. Unsportsmanlike and irregular conduct, profane, indecent, illegal, and inhumane behaviors are grounds for show management to ask offenders to leave the show grounds in order to preserve the decorum of the show.

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NJPEA is committed to:

Upholding the welfare of horses, regardless of value, as a primary consideration in all activities. We require that horses be treated with kindness, respect, and the compassion they deserve and are never mistreated. We will work to ensure that owners, trainers, and exhibitors or their agents use responsible care in the handling, treatment and transportation of their horses as well as horses owned and placed in their care for any purpose. Any individual whose acts/ behavior goes against these principals and rules as set by NJPEA & PHBA will be asked to leave the show grounds.