

AMATEURS

Over the last few months we have been receiving numerous queries in regards to “what can an Amateur do and what can’t they do”

We hope the following clarifies the situation and if there are any other queries please do not hesitate to contact the AQHA Office 02 6762 6444

1. An Amateur **CANNOT** have received remuneration or compensation for showing, training or assisted in training any horse; or instructing any other person in riding, driving, training or showing a horse in competition at any time in the previous 3 calendar years.
2. An Amateur **CANNOT** ride, exercise or lunge a horse at a show in the immediate marshalling area or show arena, unless that horse is owned by them or their immediate family as described in rule 61.3.
3. An Amateur **MUST** pay their own entry fees, stable fees, camping fees and any other direct show expenses including but not limited to: Gate Fee, Insurance fee, Venue levies, event facility fees.
4. Amateurs **CAN** transport other peoples horses to shows or events.
5. An Amateur **CAN** only ride/exhibit their own horse or a horse owned by their immediate family (see Rule 61.3) in ANY EVENT. Eg. Green rider, Rookie, improver, aged horse classes, amateur classes.
6. An Amateur **CAN** lead a horse owned by someone else at a show or event to the marshalling area or back to the stable block.
7. An Amateur **CAN** hold a horse that is owned by someone else at a show or event.
8. Amateurs **CAN** receive remuneration/compensation for Judging, banding horses, washing horses, cleaning stables, blackening hoofs, fitting false tails etc. as long as the remuneration/compensation is not mentioned in Item 1 above.