## **ANNEX 6:**

NZ PONY CLUBS ASSOCIATION DRESSAGE RULES (additional to ESNZ Dressage Rules)

### Introduction

The following are additional requirements to ESNZ Dressage Rules for NZPCA Dressage competitions. At Area Dressage Trials or NZPCA Dressage Championships, refer to NZPCA Dressage Championships and Area Dressage Trial Regulations. Reference should also be made to NZPCA General Regulations.

**A. Ground Jury, Appeal Committee** and for lodging **Objections** refer to NZPCA Dressage Championships and Area Trials Regulations 10, 11, 22 and Annex E.

### B. Arena:

Arena borders must be of one type e.g. rope, picket, plastic chain, plastic pipe etc but not a combination of any of these. Rope arenas may be used at rallies and pony club competitions, but for safety reasons the ropes should be able to be readily released from the standards. Plastic chain must have 'break points' in the chain approximately every 25m. The rope or chain must be at least 45cms and not more than 60cms above the ground.

NB Electric fence standards and tape are not suitable.

## **C. Identification Numbers:**

Are required to be worn at all times whilst at the venue of the NZPCA Dressage Championships. (Refer NZPCA Dressage Regs 17.4.) They are not required at branch, club or area dressage competitions.

# D. Jewellery:

Earrings, ear studs and any exposed jewellery must be removed or taped for safety reasons. Tongue studs must be removed.

## E. Hair:

Long hair must either be contained in a hairnet or plaited pony tail.

# H. Gear Safety Inspection:

Refer to the current ESNZ Dressage Rules, NZPCA Dressage Championships & Area Trial Regulations and current NZPCA General Regulations (19.3). At branch, club and area dressage competitions, all competitors must have one compulsory Gear Safety Inspection before their first test of the day. It is the rider's responsibility to make sure their gear has been inspected by a Gear Safety Inspector before starting. Failure to do so risks elimination.

#### F. Stewards:

A Chief Steward and Assistant Steward(s) will be appointed for NZPCA Dressage Championships. Pony Clubs do not need to appoint a Chief Steward for their events.

# G. Minimum Standard of Medical Cover required for all NZPCA Dressage Competitions:

Please refer to NZPCA General Regulations 24.4 and Schedule 3