INTERNATIONAL ANDALUSIAN AND LUSITANO HORSE ASSOCIATION

CODE OF ETHICS

The International Andalusian and Lusitano Horse Association ("IALHA" / "the Association") has both the right and the duty to establish standards of ethical conduct for its members in order to further the association’s mission, enhance the image of equestrian sports and to foster a positive environment for our members, trainers, exhibitors and horses. These standards define ethical practices, delineate unethical practices and encourage sportsmanship, fair play and professional conduct.

All members are bound by and agree to comply with this Code of Ethics, as well as with the rules and regulations of USEF, USDF and other partner associations where applicable. Members are expected to know, understand and comply with these regulations and codes of conduct. Members are encouraged to inform their agents, trainers, handlers, employees and assigns of the Association’s Code of Ethics and urge their compliance in the performance of their duties on behalf of the member. The USEF Rule Book in the United States and/or the EC Rule Book in Canada regarding conflicts of interest for judges and exhibitors shall govern IALHA.

IALHA membership is a privilege, not a right. Violation of the IALHA Code of Ethics may result in formal charges and sanctions including, but not limited to, restriction, suspension or revocation of IALHA membership and privileges.

1. Each member of the Association shall abide by the IALHA Code of Ethics and all other rules and regulations of the Association, including but not limited to the Association's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

2. As the actions of our members reflect upon the reputation and integrity of the Association and the Andalusian breed, members shall at all times conduct themselves with honesty and integrity.

3. Members shall at all times provide for the health, welfare, and comfort of the horses in their care.

4. Members shall refrain from engaging in or facilitating any disparaging, contemptuous or harassing conduct directed toward association staff, members, officers, directors, exhibitors, advertisers, sponsors, suppliers, contractors and judges.
5. Members shall refrain from making any attempt to influence the decisions of horse show judges.

6. Members shall always display good sportsmanship in the show ring and refrain from any intentional actions that interfere with, impede or otherwise negatively impact the performance of other exhibitors.

7. Members shall not use IALHA logos, graphics, photographs or other copyrighted material without prior written authorization from the Executive Committee or the Board of Directors or as provided for in materials disseminated for public use by the Association.

8. Members shall not breach a duly executed confidentiality agreement.

9. Members shall refrain from any effort to influence the actions of the Ethics Committee and/or the Board of Directors regarding a pending ethics complaint.