



Operating Rules

In the interest of safety, fun and quality polo, the Poway Polo Club has established these Operating Rules to enhance the play and atmosphere for our players, guests, and horses.

1. All participants at Poway Polo Club activities must sign a Release of Liability Form prior to participating in Club activities.
2. A Membership Contact Form must be kept up-to-date with the Club Secretary.
3. All members must read and adhere to the Poway Polo Club and PVRA Bylaws and Operating Rules.
4. Members are entitled to bring a guest to participate in Club Activities. After participating in three club practices, guests must join the Club to continue participation during Club Activities.
5. The playing rules established by the United States Polo Association (USPA) will govern all tournament play and will be the framework for governing practice chukker play.
6. Please have both a red and blue shirt to wear during club chukkers. All players are encouraged to wear white pants at weekend practice chukkers and are mandatory tournament play.
7. All players must wear appropriate riding boots and helmet when playing. Knee pads and eye protection are recommended.
8. Protection and safe treatment of all horses is a priority of the Club. Tails must be tied and protection must be used on the front legs (recommended for hind legs) during any practice chukkers or games.
9. Horses showing vices, unruly behavior or creating unsafe situations (on or off the field) may be excluded from use during club sanctioned activities.
10. Players will take responsibility for cleaning up after yourself and your horse.
11. Civility and respect are required on and off the field. Foul language is not acceptable. Players will always respect the umpires, fellow club members and guests.
12. Players will strive to be ready to play at scheduled times, assist in club duties as available and assist their fellow members in need.
13. If the parent or legal guardian of a participating minor is not available to supervise their child during club activities, they agree for the adult in charge to act on their behalf.

ARENA ETIQUETTE

PVRA arenas and facilities are available for the use and enjoyment of ALL members of PVRA. Please observe GOOD SENSE AND COMMON COURTESY in the use of these facilities. Persons riding or otherwise working with horses during unscheduled arena hours should share the facilities with other members whenever possible.

VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS

1. These Operating Rules have been established to ensure the smooth operation of Poway Polo Club events and all members are expected to abide by them.
2. Violations of these rules should be reported to a Board Member of the Club.
3. Members found to be in substantial or repeated violation of these rules shall be subject to discipline in accordance with Article VI, Section F of the Poway Polo Club Bylaws.

By signing below, we agree to abide by the conditions set forth in the Poway Polo Club Bylaws, Poway Polo Club Operating Rules, and Poway Polo Club Release of Liability.

Signature: _____ **Print:** _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if minor under 18): _____ **Date:** _____