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MISSION STATEMENT

- To record, and preserve, the pedigrees of the Australian Quarter Horse while maintaining the integrity of the breed.
- To provide beneficial services for its Members which enhance and encourage Quarter Horse ownership and participation.
- To develop diverse educational programs, material and curriculum that will position the AQHA as one of the leading organisations in the Australian Equine Industry.
- To generate growth of the AQHA membership via the marketing, promotion, advertising and publicity of the Australian Quarter Horse.

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PLEASE NOTE:

By resolution of the Board, these Regulations and Rules shall become effective on and from 1st August 2018, and therefore all Regulations and Rules heretofore in force are hereby repealed. *All State and Federal Laws can override our Rule Book*

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