



SINGAPORE POLO CLUB

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE HIRING OF CLUB POLO PONIES **(EFFECTIVE 28th JULY 2016)**

- 1) If available, the monthly hire of polo ponies, is available to Charter Members and/or their spouses only.
- 2) Ad-hoc hire, subject to availability and the approval of the Polo Captain, is applicable for members and their guests, visiting polo players and/or visiting teams; all such persons are expected to hold an internationally recognised polo handicap, or currently be taking polo instruction at the Club.
- 3) The charges for the leasing /advance booking/ ad hoc hire of polo ponies (Grade A or B) is as follows: -
 - Grade A: S\$100, Grade B: S\$85 for ad-hoc riding - 30 minutes of riding (30 minutes including not more than a maximum of 15 minutes at pace).
 - Grade A: S\$100, Grade B: S\$85 for ad-hoc stick & ball - 20 minutes of stick and ball (20 minutes including not more than 10 minutes maximum at pace).
 - Grade A: S\$150 per weekday chukka; S\$200 per weekend chukka; S\$250 per tournament chukka
 - Grade B: S\$120 per weekday chukka; S\$170 per weekend chukka; S\$220 per tournament chukka
 - Grade A: S\$100, Grade B: S\$85 per arena chukka
 - All charges listed above are inclusive of 7% GST. Non-members will be charged 50% above the indicated rates.
 - S\$1,500 per month for a weekday lease: Polo for 3 chukkas per week (2 chukkas on Tuesday and 1 chukka on Thursday or vice versa) plus one session of stick and ball on Wednesday afternoon limited to 20 minutes.
 - S\$2,000 per month for a weekend lease: Polo for 3 chukkas per week (2 chukkas on Saturday and 1 chukka on Sunday or vice versa) plus one session of stick and ball on Friday afternoon limited to 20 minutes. For tournaments, you will have first priority to the leased club horse but the horse will be restricted to 1 chukka per day and an additional fee of \$75 per tournament chukka.
 - S\$1,000 per month for riding lease (only riding): Limited to 30 minutes of riding for 3 times a week. Scheduled before the start of the month. There will be no replacement ride if you missed a ride. Afternoon rides are only available on Wednesday and Friday.

An additional 7% GST charge will be applicable to the above-mentioned leases.
- 4) In the case of monthly or longer term leases, should the horse become lame or otherwise unplayable during the term of the lease, the lessee is obliged to continue to pay the full cost of the lease (and additionally any vet charges) until the horse has fully recovered or is once again playable unless - in the opinion of the Polo Captain/Polo Sub-committee - the condition or cause was completely unrelated to the lessee's normal use of the horse in question. This obligation will continue until the end of the original term of the lease. No replacement horse will be provided during the remaining term of the lease.
- 5) Ad-hoc hiring of Club horses refers to the booking of a horse(s) on the day of polo on a first-come, first-served basis. Once a horse has been allocated, it will be deemed to be a confirmed booking and, in the event of cancellation of polo due to unsuitable ground and/or weather conditions, the lessee will nonetheless be obliged to pay 25% of the chukka hire charges. The closing time for the reservation of a horse(s) for polo is 1.00pm on each polo day. The Club reserves the right to discontinue or reject ad hoc bookings on specified horses without prior notice.
- 6) Advance booking of Club horses is available up to three (3) days before the day of polo. Once a horse has been allocated, it will be deemed to be a confirmed booking and in the event of cancellation of polo due to unsuitable ground and/or weather conditions, the lessee will be obliged to pay 50% of the chukka hire charges. Advance booking of horses is limited to a maximum of two (2) polo ponies. The Club reserves the right to discontinue or reject advance bookings on specified horses without prior notice.
- 7) For tournaments, once a player has requested a Club horse and the horse has been allocated, he or she will still be obliged to pay 25% of the chukka hire charges in the event that polo is cancelled on the day of the tournament due to unsuitable ground and/or weather conditions.
- 8) The Polo Captain/Manager has the ultimate discretion to decide whether a horse is fit to play and his decision will be final.
- 9) A leased horse will be for the sole use of the member leasing the horse. No assignment or transfer is allowed (including to a spouse or child). The leasing charges will be billed to the member's club account at the end of each month.
- 10) If the lessee is considered by the Polo Captain/Manager (in his sole discretion) to be causing either injury or harm to the horse, the lessee will be responsible for all resulting costs and the lease terminated forthwith.
- 11) The lessee must ensure proper care and handling of the horse during the period of lease. Proper attire/equipment is to be worn when riding Club horses at all times.
- 12) The Club reserves the right to void a lease at anytime during the period of a lease.
- 13) While the Club will endeavour to allow the lessee to continue to use the allocated horse during tournaments in which the lessee wishes to participate, the Club reserves the right to use the horse as it deems most appropriate for the tournament. If the club exercises this right, the lessee is relieved of responsibility for the welfare of the horse and payment for the period of the tournament; charges to be pro-rated accordingly.
- 14) If the lessee is not using the leased horse on the days/times stipulated in the lease, the horse may be used at the discretion of the Club.
- 15) If polo is cancelled on the day/time of the lease, the lessee may ride one leased Club horse for every 2 chukkas booked.
- 16) No spurs are allowed at any time when either riding or playing polo on Club horses without the express permission of the Polo Captain/Manager. During stick and ball, all club horses must have either boots or bandages on at least both the forelegs.
- 17) Stick and ball practice on a leased horse must not be for more than 20 minutes (including a maximum of 10 minutes at pace). Riding should not be for more than 30 minutes (including a maximum of 15 minutes at pace, or 20 minutes of any exercise other than walking). Warming up of a leased horse by the lessee before polo is restricted to a maximum of five (5) minutes.