

H.B.O.C. Event Participation Rules

Participants at all events run by the Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club are asked to respect the following general rules.

- Leave your dogs and other pets at home – many events are held on private properties where the landowners ban visitors dogs. (Dogs on leads are also banned.)
- Leave gates as you find them – we encourage everybody, children included, to climb over a closed gate at the hinged end, rather than open it.
- Do not smoke at events – cigarettes pose a significant fire risk.
- Take all rubbish home.
- All buildings, sheds, stock yards and machinery are out-of-bounds, unless the event has permission to enter. Children cannot play in these areas.
- If you open a gate while driving to or from an event it is your responsibility to make sure the gate is closed.
- If you notice any damaged property or livestock behaving strangely, report it to the officials at the finish.

Our club is dependent on the goodwill of private landowners, who generously allow us to use their properties for our sport. Please help us keep our landowners happy, as failure to follow these rules can result in us losing access to these properties.