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CONCESSION DRIVER TERMS & CONDITIONS

This policy establishes the term of a drivers claim, what is a win, the threshold of wins allowed prior to losing the right to claim, the minimum front of the races where a claim can be used and the restrictions on races where a claim cannot be used.

The change to the term and wins stems from a decline in retention of drivers in the sport and to provide drivers that have had limited success with further opportunities to maintain their involvement.

The revised terms and conditions are:

| Term | Condition |
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| Term/Wins | <p>a) 5 years from attainment of an initial B Grade Drivers Licence* or the driver reaches the age of 23, whichever is the latter.</p> <p>(*If applicable, the term will end at the conclusion of the 5th racing season after the attainment of an initial B Grade Drivers Licence)</p> <p>A concession claim will be afforded for the first 250 wins</p> |
| What is a Win? | A win will count whether or not a concession has been claimed. (A dead-heat does not count as a win). |
| Minimum Front | M0 C2 R2 – TM0 T2 TR2 |

| Term | Condition |
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| Restrictions (Claim cannot be used) | C0/C1 & R0/R1 races plus T0/T1 & TR0/TR1 races 2YO & 3YO races Special Handicap Conditions Discretionary Handicaps Claiming Races Conditioned Races NSW Breeders Challenge Races Classic Events A race with prizemoney ≥ \$30,000 Races specified from time to time by HRNSW in conjunction with the conducting club |

All conditions are subject to annual review.

DEFINITIONS

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| Career Penalty | A penalty of one class imposed to adjust the Career Class of a horse. |
| Career Race | A race with stakemoney greater than \$3,000 but not exceeding the threshold amount for a Metropolitan race |
| Dead Heats | A driver shall not incur any penalty as provided by these Rules for dead-heating for first placing in a race. |
| Drivers Concession | A horse driven by a concession driver claiming a concession will have its classification reduced by one class for that race. |
| Graduation Penalty | A penalty of one class imposed to adjust the Graduation Class of a horse. |
| Graduation Race | A race with stakemoney greater than \$1,500 but not exceeding \$3,000. |
| Metropolitan Penalty | A penalty of one class imposed to adjust the Metropolitan Class of a horse. |
| Metropolitan Race | A race with specified stakemoney in excess of the metropolitan threshold amount that is set by a State's Controlling Body for application within the State for the 12 months period commencing 1 st September each year. |

POLICY STATEMENT

NB. The metropolitan threshold amounts set by the respective State Controlling Bodies for the 2011/12 racing season are:

NSW - \$14,999
Queensland - \$9,999
South Australia - \$14,999
Tasmania - \$14,999
Victoria - \$14,999
Western Australia - \$14,999

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| Out Driving Claim | When a concession driver wins their final concession claim race in a year at a meeting where they have further driving engagements, the driver will be permitted to claim the relevant concession/s for the remainder of such meeting and any other meeting on the same day only. |
| Penalty Free Race | A race with stakemoney of \$1,500 or less. |