

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) - DRIVER'S COLOURS

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CBy notice to the Harness Racing Industry on 11 December 2020, Trainers and Drivers were reminded that all drivers from 18 December 2020 must wear the colours listed in the official racebooks.

HRNSW further explained that any requests from owners, trainers or drivers to utilise an alternate set of colours should be made in writing to HRNSW Stewards.

HRNSW Steward remind all Trainers and Drivers of their requirements under the Australian Harness Racing Rules (AHRR).

Relevant Rules – Colours

272. (1) The connections of a horse may make application to the Controlling Body for the registration of colours.

(2) The application is to be made in the manner and form and be accompanied by such documentation, information and fees as the Controlling Body may determine.

(3) The application may be refused by the Controlling Body without assigning any reason.

(4) Subject to sub rule (6) registration shall remain in force for such time as is determined by the Controlling Body.

(5) Registration may be granted subject to terms and conditions and these may be varied by the Controlling Body during the currency of the registration.

(6) Registration shall lapse forthwith if a term or condition of registration is not complied with.

(7) A person shall not start a horse in a race at a meeting unless the driver is dressed in registered colours.

(8) If for some reason the colours described in the race book are unavailable, club colours approved by the Controlling Body shall be worn.

(9) Each club shall keep and maintain in good condition not less than 2 sets of approved club colours.

(10) Colours registered in the name of a person who has been disqualified shall not be used in a race during the period of disqualification.

(11) Notwithstanding sub rule (7) and sub rule (8) the Stewards may give such directions as they think fit about the colours to be worn or the advertising to be displayed in a race.

(12) A person who fails to comply with sub rule (7) or with a direction given under sub rule (11) or who is responsible, whether wholly or in part, for a breach of sub rule (8) or (10) is guilty of an offence.

272A. An application for registration of colours shall be made to the Controlling Body on form R272-A.

For further information on this matter contact: HRNSW INTEGRITY DEPARTMENT (02) 9722 6600

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