

NSW THREE-YEAR-OLD CONCESSIONS

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Following feedback from the recent Handicapping and Programming Roadshows across NSW, the Board and Management of Harness Racing NSW (HRNSW) have made an immediate change to the concessions applied to three-year-old (3YO) horses.

For all meetings in NSW an eight (8) point concession will be applied to the National Rating (NR) in ALL Open Age races. This concession will be applied to all 3YO horses, regardless of current rating.

This concession is not limited, and may be applied down to the current base level of NR30.

- For Example:**
- A 3YO horse starting with a rating of NR50, will be assessed at a rating of NR42 after the concession is applied.
 - A 3YO horse with a current NR of 41 will be assessed at a rating of NR33 after the concession is applied.
 - A 3YO horse with a current NR of 57 will be assessed at a rating of NR49 after the concession is applied.

The eight (8) point 3YO claim will be applied automatically.

All other concessions remain as they currently are:

- Claims cannot be used in 2YO and 3YO races, and any race where the conditions stipulate concessions may not be claimed.
- Only two (2) concessions may be applied (Drivers, mares or 3YO) to any horse. Maximum 13 concession points.
- Drivers and Mares concessions may not be claimed in any race that is NR55 or below.

This is to be applied to all races conducted in NSW from Monday 7 March 2022 (nomination dates from Thursday 3 March).

This concession DOES NOT carry forward to any races conducted outside of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.

HRNSW is to further consider the aspects of the National Rating Points Handicapping system and respond back the industry in due course.

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