



CONCESSION DRIVER TERMS & CONDITIONS

The HRNSW Board made amendments to the Concession Driver Terms & Conditions at its meeting of 28 January 2014.

Background

The Concession Driver Terms and Conditions have had many changes over the years to better fit the NSW racing environment.

Since the last changes in July 2012 there have been changes to the landscape of racing in NSW.

These changes have been brought about by the programming of multiple conditioned events, races for R1 and better horses at Tier 3 meetings being framed by the Handicapping Panel and the Reduction In Class Rule has taken its full effect, meaning that a small percentage of the horse population progresses to C4 or better.

Due to the above facts, Concession Drivers are receiving fewer opportunities to use their claim and hence trainers have been provided with less opportunity to drop their horses back in class and therefore HRNSW needs to reconsider the Conditions.

Amendments

The Conditions have been amended whereby now the minimum front of races is changed from C2 to C1, from R2 to R1, from T2 to T1 and from TR2 to TR1.

The above changes will bring the minimum fronts of the races in line with both the Mares Automatic Drop Back Clause Policy and the Australian Handicapping Rules.

Furthermore Concession Drivers can now be utilised in divided stakes events (i.e. races programmed as R1 or better) and in conditioned events where there is no determined front of the race (i.e. For horses assessed no better than C2 that have not won more than \$1,000 in their last 4 starts).

New Conditions – effective 1 March 2014

Term	Condition
<i>Term</i>	<i>5 years from attainment of an initial B Grade Drivers Licence* or the driver reaches the age of 23, whichever is the latter. (*If applicable, the term will end at the conclusion of the 5th racing season after the attainment of an initial B Grade Drivers Licence)</i>
<i>What is a Win?</i>	<i>A win will count whether or not a concession has been claimed. (A dead-heat does not count as a win).</i>
<i>Wins</i>	<i>250 (for the Term)</i>

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<i>Term Extension</i>	<p><i>Should a driver not win 50 races during the Term then they will receive a two year Term Extension.</i></p> <p><i>The Term Extension will end upon whichever of the following occurs first:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) a driver wins the 50th race of their career</i> <i>b) at the conclusion of the 2nd racing season of the Term Extension</i> <p><i>Term Extensions are not retrospective and commence with drivers coming out of their Term on 31 August 2012.</i></p>
<i>Minimum Front</i>	<i>M1 C1 R1 – TM0 T1 TR1</i>
<i>Restrictions (Claim cannot be used)</i>	<p><i>M0, C0 & R0 front races plus T0 & TR0 front races</i></p> <p><i>2YO & 3YO races</i></p> <p><i>Special Handicap Conditions</i></p> <p><i>Discretionary Handicaps</i></p> <p><i>Claiming Races</i></p> <p><i>NSW Breeders Challenge Races</i></p> <p><i>Classic Events</i></p> <p><i>A race with prizemoney ≥ \$30,000</i></p> <p><i>Races specified from time to time by HRNSW in conjunction with the conducting club</i></p>

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