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NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

CHANGES TO HRNSW DRUG & ALCOHOL POLICY

Following a review of the HRNSW Drug & Alcohol Policy, the following additions have been made to the Policy and are effective immediately:

6 – ALCOHOL TESTING

6.1 Initial Test – Level recorded exceeds 0.02%:

Pursuant to the Rules, in the event a person provides a breath sample which records alcohol at a concentration in excess of 0.02% on a breath analyser, the person shall be detained and advised they will be subjected to a further confirmation test.

During this time the person shall be observed and not permitted to ingest any fluid or substance.

After no longer than 15 minutes have elapsed, the person shall be subjected to a further breath test as a confirmatory test.

In the event this confirmatory test records a reading which records alcohol at a concentration in excess of 0.02% on a breath analyser, the Stewards will deem the person to have created an offence under Rule 250(1)(a).

The person shall be informed he has breached the Rules and advised he is stood down from work. If the person is a Driver, he shall be stood down from driving and informed he must provide a clear sample prior to driving again.

The person should also be informed the finding will result in a Stewards' inquiry.

6.2 DRIVERS- In the event the Initial Test OR the Confirmatory Test records 0.02% or below:

The person shall be informed he has not breached the Rules.

If the person desires to continue to drive, he shall be questioned regarding the ingestion of alcohol during the previous 24 hours and additionally with regard to the amount of sleep during that period.

If the circumstances allow, and at the sole discretion of the Stewards, the person may continue to be tested.

The person may only be permitted to continue to drive on this day if he has provided a sample recording 0.00% (clear sample) and if he satisfies the Stewards his comprehension and/or motor skills (his faculties) are NOT impaired.

Note: A Driver shall NOT be permitted to work;
(i) if circumstances prevent the Stewards from continuing to test the Driver (in order to obtain a clear sample);
(ii) the Driver fails to provide a clear sample; or
(iii) in the opinion of Stewards, his functions or cognitive skills are impaired.

6.3 Notwithstanding the above, any driver who has not provided a sample recording 0.00% (clear sample) at least thirty (30) minutes prior to the advertised time of the first race in which he has been declared, unless expressly permitted by the Chairman of Stewards, shall not be permitted to fulfil any engagements at the race meeting.

GRANT ADAMS Chairman of Stewards