

11 December 2017

## **NOTICE TO INDUSTRY**

## **CHANGES TO HRNSW HEAT POLICY**

Following a review of the HRNSW Heat Policy, changes have been made to the Policy and are effective immediately. The changes to the Policy include the following with respect to Trainers:

## 3. TRAINERS POLICY

- 3.1 Where the Stewards have directed that the HRNSW Heat Policy shall apply at a race meeting, a Trainer may, **BEFORE** 9.00am and on the day of the race meeting, seek permission from the Stewards to withdraw the horse from its engagement.
  - Upon approval to withdraw from its engagement, the horse will not be permitted to start in any trial or race within a period of two <u>clear</u> days from the date of the race meeting.
  - Unless otherwise ordered by the Chairman of Stewards no additional penalty or embargo shall apply.
- 3.2 Upon application to the Chairman of Stewards a horse may be withdrawn after the official scratching time provided the Trainer can demonstrate that the prevailing weather conditions at the location of his registered stable on the day of the race meeting, or the day prior, or that transport to and/or from the venue of the race meeting will have a detrimental effect on the well being of the horse.
  - Upon approval to withdraw from its engagement, the horse will not be permitted to start in any trial or race within a period of two <u>clear</u> days from the date of the race meeting.
  - The Stewards will determine what, if any, additional penalty or embargo shall apply.
- 3.3 A horse may be withdrawn for heat stress on arrival at the track by order of the Stewards, in consultation with the On Course Veterinarian, Stewards and the Trainer.
  - Upon approval to withdraw from its engagement, the horse will not be permitted to start in any trial or race within a period of two <u>clear</u> days from the date of the race meeting.
  - The Stewards will determine what, if any, additional penalty or embargo shall apply.
- 3.4 If the prevailing conditions are extreme on race day, all horses that have been floated should be checked by an Official Veterinarian on arrival at the track.
- 3.5 At the request of the Stewards or a Trainer, or their representative, any other horse may also be subject to pre-race Veterinary inspection.
- 3.6 At the discretion of the Stewards horses may not be required to parade and identification procedures shall be conducted in the stalls.
- 3.7 Horses may be sent out onto the track for their preliminary at the discretion of Stewards in lieu of normal 10 minute requirement.
- 3.8 Any Trainer who has any concerns regarding their horse's condition, post race, should immediately notify Stewards to enable Veterinary examination and, if necessary, assistance to be available.

## GRANT ADAMS Chairman of Stewards