



## AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF RACING

### Amendment No 129 – Issued 2 December 2013

The Racing Victoria Board have approved the following amendments to the Local Rules of Racing, effective from 1 January 2014.

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##### **LR 60B BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

##### **LR 60B Qualification for hurdle races**

- (1) Prior to a horse participating in its first Official Hurdle Trial, that horse must have schooled to the satisfaction of a Steward over three Approved Hurdles.
- (2) Subject to LR 60B(3), a horse is qualified to accept in a hurdle race if it has:
  - (a) previously completed the course to the satisfaction of the Stewards in a jumping race at a registered race meeting in Victoria and trialled to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in one Official Hurdle Trial in Victoria over at least 10 Approved Hurdles and over a distance of at least 2800 metres; or
  - (b) trialled to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in two consecutive Official Hurdle Trials in Victoria with one trial being over at least eight hurdles and a distance of at least 2400 metres, and the other trial being over a distance of at least 2800 metres and over at least 10 Approved Hurdles; or
  - (c) trialled to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in one Official Hurdle Trial in Victoria over at least 10 Approved Hurdles and a distance of at least 2800 metres, if, having been approved:
    - (i) interstate or overseas to compete in a hurdle race; or
    - (ii) in Victoria to accept in a hurdle race in the previous racing season;it has yet to start in a hurdle race or has failed to complete the course in a hurdle race; or
  - (d) completed the course in a hurdle race at a registered race meeting outside Victoria, and then trialled in Victoria to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel, over at least 10 Approved Hurdles and a distance of at least 2800 metres; or
  - (e) completed a hurdle race in South Australia to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in the same calendar year.

**LR 60C BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

**LR 60C Qualification for steeplechases**

- (1) Subject to LR 60C(2), a horse is qualified to participate in a steeplechase race if it has:
- (a) previously completed the course to the satisfaction of the Stewards in a steeplechase race at a registered race meeting over modular steeplechase obstacles and trialled to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel on at least one occasion over a minimum distance of 2800 metres and over at least 10 Approved Steeplechase Obstacles; or
  - (b) completed the course in a steeplechase race at a registered race meeting, or outside Victoria, over non-modular steeplechase obstacles and then trialled to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel over a minimum distance of 2800 metres and over at least 10 Approved Steeplechase Obstacles; or
  - (c) completed the course to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in two hurdle races at a registered race meeting and trialled in Victoria to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel on one occasion over a minimum distance of 2800 metres and over a minimum of 10 Approved Steeplechase Obstacles; or
  - (d) completed a steeplechase race in South Australia to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in the same calendar year; and

in addition to the above:

~~(e)~~ for qualification to participate in a steeplechase race at Warrnambool, a horse must have, prior to the race, schooled around the steeplechase course at that racetrack.

[(1) amended 5/3/07, 1/8/07, 8/7/08, 7/8/08, 5/2/09, 4/3/10, 7/4/11, 1(d) renumbered to (e) 1/1/14 and new 1(d) added 1/1/14]

- (2) Where a horse has qualified to accept in a steeplechase race in a previous jumps racing season, that horse is not qualified to accept in a steeplechase race in any future jumps racing season unless it has:
- (a) completed a further trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel over at least eight Approved Steeplechase Obstacles and a distance of at least 2400 metres; or
  - (b) completed a steeplechase race in South Australia to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel in the same calendar year of the jumps racing season.

Note: The trial required by LR 60C(2)(a) must take place following the completion of the previous jumps racing season and as directed by the Jumps Review Panel.

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