



2024 SPORTSBET CAULFIELD CUP (G1)

MELBOURNE RACING CLUB
SPORTSBET CAULFIELD CUP (G1)
SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER 2024
2400 Metres – 147th of Series
Standard Handicap conditions at Caulfield Racecourse, Melbourne, Australia

PRIZEMONEY

Of \$5,000,000 & \$150,000 trophies

First \$3,000,000 and trophies valued at \$150,000 to owner, trainer, jockey and strapper
Second \$700,000
Third \$350,000
Fourth \$200,000
Fifth \$150,000
Sixth \$120,000
Seventh \$120,000
Eighth \$120,000
Ninth \$120,000
Tenth \$120,000

NOMINATIONS

Fee \$1,100

Entries close at 12 Noon (Melbourne Time) on Tuesday 6 August 2024 at:

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Overseas Entries may be lodged at the offices of International Racing Bureau (IRB), Newmarket, United Kingdom; France Galop, France; Singapore Turf Club (STC), Singapore; Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC), Hong Kong; Japan Association for International Racing and Stud Book (JAIRS) or Japan Racing Association (JRA), Tokyo, Japan; New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing Inc (NZTR), Wellington, New Zealand.

LATE NOMINATIONS

Fee - \$6,600

Any horse not previously nominated may be nominated before 12 Noon on Tuesday 13 August, 2024.

HANDICAPS

Handicaps will be declared not later than Tuesday 17 September 2024.

BENCHMARK WEIGHTS

3YO C&G 49.5kg; 3YO Filly 48.0kg
4YO E&G 57.5kg; 4YO Mare 56.0kg (NH Bred 4YO allowed 1kg)
5YO+ C&G 59.0kg; 5YO+ Mare 57.5kg

MINIMUM HANDICAP WEIGHT

3YO 49.0kg 4YO&Up 50.0kg

For the purpose of elimination:

Each horse handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group) shall be appended with a weight below, equal to, or above the benchmark weight for that horse, as the case may be.

Each horse handicapped on the minimum weight (for its age group) shall be appended with a weight figure that is not more than 9.0kg below the benchmark weight for that horse, and is not less than or equal to the appended weight figure for a horse of the same age and gender handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group).

Such appended weight figure below, equal to, or above a horse's benchmark weight shall not affect the weight to be carried in the race by any horse.

MAXIMUM WEIGHT

There is no maximum weight for this race.

MINIMUM TOP WEIGHT

AR 167 (1) provides that the top weight in any Group 1 handicap in Australia must not be less than 58kg when weights are released.

AR 167 (2) exemption provides that there is no minimum top weight required at the declaration of acceptances.

WEIGHT ALLOWANCES

No allowances for apprentices.

DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE & SCHEDULE OF FEES

All declarations of acceptance are to be forwarded to Racing Australia by the designated time (Melbourne, Australia time).

FIRST DECLARATION

12 Noon Tuesday 10 September 2024 Fee \$2,200

SECOND DECLARATION

12 Noon Tuesday 24 September 2024 Fee \$3,300

THIRD DECLARATION

12 Noon Tuesday 8 October 2024 Fee \$4,400

FINAL DECLARATION

10.30am Tuesday 15 October 2024 Fee \$37,500

RIDER NOTIFICATION

10.30am Tuesday 15 October 2024

2024 GUIDELINES

These guidelines are intended to make it absolutely clear that horses do not qualify to gain entry to the field for the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup, rather they provide for horses to be eliminated there from.

Only performances in flat races of 1600 metres or further shall be taken into account in satisfying the elimination clauses for the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup.

EXEMPT RACES The winners of the 2024:

- Underwood Stakes
- Naturalism Stakes
- Turnbull Stakes
- Herbert Power Stakes
- The Might and Power
- Mornington Cup
- Sheema Classic (UAE)
- Jockey Club Stakes (UK)
- Champions and Chater Cup (HK)
- Meguro Kinen (JPN)
- Q22 (QLD)
- Grand Prix de Chantilly (FR)
- Hardwicke Stakes (UK)
- Princess of Wales's Stakes (UK)

Shall not be eliminated from the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup, provided that in the case of a dead-heat for first, the Committee may exercise its absolute discretion as to which horse or horses involved in the dead-heat shall be exempt from elimination.

PENALTIES

The winner, after declaration of weights, of any internationally recognised Listed handicap, Group handicap or Graded handicap race run over a distance of 1600 metres or further (2024 Herbert Power Stakes excepted) is to carry such additional weight (if any) for each win as the Handicapper shall determine.

Provided that, in lieu of re-handicapping, should such winner be a horse on the minimum handicap weight (for its age group) the Handicapper may, at his discretion, instead amend the originally appended weight figure against the benchmark weight downwards, to a figure that is not less than or equal to the appended weight figure for a horse of the same age and gender handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group).

Any such amendments referred to above shall not affect the weight to be carried in the race. In these circumstances, any extra weight to be imposed on any horse, or in lieu of re-handicapping, any amendment to the appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for a horse shall be declared by the Handicapper not later than five (5) working days after such win.

CLAUSE ONE

Horses which have not on or after 1 August, 2023 up to the time of final acceptances:

- a) won or been placed second or third in an Internationally recognised Group 1 or Grade 1 or Group 2 or Grade 2 race or Group 3 or Grade 3 race on the flat of 1600 metres or further, or
- b) won an Internationally recognised Listed race on the flat of 1600 metres or further, or
- c) won the Ebor Handicap (UK)

Shall be eliminated in order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for each individual horse.

For the purposes of sub-paragraph (a) above, wins, second, third, fourth and fifth placings in any internationally recognised Group, Graded or Listed race shall be taken into account, provided that \$60,000 (AUD) or more was received for any such win or placing.

Provided however, that prizemoney acquired as follows will not be taken into account when assessing prize money for any of these elimination clauses:

- d) Prizemoney acquired by a horse(s) in any race restricted to horses sold at a particular sale or bred, trained or sold in a particular region or state, and
- e) Bonuses and/or incentives received by a horse in respect of any race.

Further, provided that past winners of the Sportsbet Caulfield Cup, W.S. Cox Plate and Melbourne Cup will not be eliminated under this clause.

CLAUSE TWO

Should the number of horses exceed the number of horses required to be eliminated from the race after the operation of Clause One (or any part thereof), then such elimination shall be effected by order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for each individual horse within this clause.

In the event that two or more horses whose appended weight figure below the benchmark weight are the same, such elimination shall be effected by order of the lowest peak international rating (as determined at the sole discretion of RV Handicapping) of the preceding 12-month period, from 19 October 2023.

In the event two or more horses whose appended weight figure below the benchmark weight and peak international rating is the same, such elimination shall be affected by order of lowest aggregate prizemoney received in the relevant performances as listed under Clause One.

Horses equal in each of these respects shall be eliminated at the discretion of the Committee.

The rules of racing of Racing Victoria apply to this race.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All owners, including those involved in syndicates, trainers and all licensed persons shall abide by and accept any and all decisions of the Committee taken in respect of the elimination conditions for the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup; such decisions are final and conclusive for all purposes and shall not be capable of challenge in any legal proceedings.
2. In the event of a horse being eliminated from the field only the final declaration fee will be refunded, unless the Committee otherwise determines.
3. The Committee reserves to itself the absolute right to make, from time to time, any alteration, variation or modification to the elimination clauses, terms and conditions of and governing the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup including the right to alter the date and/or time for receiving entries, payments and the making of declarations.
4. The Committee reserves to itself the right to reject at any time, or otherwise to seek further information in respect of any entry submitted for the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup.
5. The Committee reserves to itself the prerogative to declare a field, or field size, which may be less than the prescribed safety limit but which, in the opinion of the Committee, is in keeping with the reputation and International status of the race.
6. All currency amounts stated are in Australian dollars (\$AUD) and the exchange rate for the purpose of the elimination clauses and conditions of entry are to be applied as at the first working day in January in the calendar year in which such prize money was earned.
7. Reference to the race being “Internationally recognised” means a race published by the International Cataloguing Standards Committee in part 1 of the International Cataloguing Standards as receiving Black Type (Group, Graded or Listed status) for the year such race was run.
8. All entry and acceptance fees quoted are in Australian Dollars (\$AUD) and inclusive of Goods & Services Tax (“GST”). All prize money amounts quoted are in \$AUD and exclusive of GST and any required GST amount will be added by the Club to any sum of money payable to an entity registered for GST as identified by its Australian Government approved Australian Business Number (“ABN”).
9. All dates and times quoted are in Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) / local Melbourne time.

EMERGENCY ACCEPTORS

Provision may be made for the naming of up to 4 horses as emergency acceptors to replace horses scratched or withdrawn after final acceptances but only up to 7:30am on the day on which the 2024 Sportsbet Caulfield Cup is conducted.

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