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**RACING VICTORIA LIMITED**  
**BOOKMAKERS' LICENCE LEVY RULES 2012**  
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# Racing Victoria Limited

## Bookmakers' Licence Levy Rules 2012

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### 1. Preliminary

#### 1.1 Title

These Rules may be cited as the Bookmakers' Licence Levy Rules 2012.

#### 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of these Rules is to make provisions for the matters as set out in section 91B of the Racing Act.

#### 1.3 Authorising provision

These Rules are made pursuant to section 91B of the Racing Act, subject to approval by the Minister pursuant to section 91D of that Act.

#### 1.4 Operation

These Rules and any amendments to them come into operation only when approved in writing by the Minister under section 91D of the Racing Act.

#### 1.5 Transitional provision

##### 1.5.1 Definitions

In this Rule 1.5:

**Approval Day** means the day on which these Bookmakers' Licence Levy Rules 2012 come into operation under Rule 1.4.

**Former Rules** means the Bookmakers' Licence Levy Rules 2001 of Racing Victoria and the Bookmakers' Licence Levy Rules 2009 of Racing Victoria immediately before the Approval Day.

##### 1.5.2 Commencement

These Rules come into operation and effect on and from the beginning of the Approval Day.

1.5.3 [This clause has been deleted due to the repeal of section 91B(3) of the Racing Act on 26 September 2012.]

##### 1.5.4 Preservation of effect, decision, rights, and obligations

Everything done, arising, or suffered under the Former Rules is deemed to have been done, arisen, or suffered under these Rules and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

- (a) **Appointments:** all appointments of any persons (including but not limited to Authorised Officers and an Approved Printer) made under or pursuant to the

Former Rules are deemed to have been made, and to continue in effect, under or pursuant to these Rules.

- (b) **Decisions made and action taken under the Former Rules:** all decisions made, action taken, and discretions and powers exercised under or pursuant to the Former Rules are deemed to be fully effective and to continue in force as if properly and validly made or taken under or pursuant to these Rules.
- (c) **Licences, permits, etc:** all approvals, registrations, authorisations and any other rights or privileges granted under or pursuant to the Former Rules are deemed to continue in full force and effect and upon the same terms and conditions as if properly and validly made under or pursuant to these Rules.
- (d) **Rights, entitlements, obligations, and liabilities:** all rights, entitlements, obligations, and liabilities (including of a pecuniary nature) arising, accruing or incurred under or pursuant to the Former Rules are deemed to have arisen, accrued or been incurred under or pursuant to these Rules.
- (e) **Penalties and disabilities:** all penalties, disabilities, disqualifications, suspensions, and obligations of any kind (including fines and other pecuniary obligations) imposed, incurred, or arising under or pursuant to the Former Rules are deemed to be imposed, incurred or to arise under or pursuant to these Rules.
- (f) **Inquiries, investigations, and proceedings:** all inquiries, investigations and other proceedings of any nature initiated or conducted under or pursuant to the Former Rules are deemed to be initiated or conducted under or pursuant to these Rules.

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## 2. Definitions and Interpretation

### 2.1 Definitions

In these Rules:

**Approved Betting Event** has the same meaning as in Chapter 4, Part 5 of the Gambling Regulation Act.

**Approved Printer** means a person approved by the Directors pursuant to Rule 8.1 as a printer of and distributor of Betting Tickets.

**Betting Book**, except in Rule 6.7, includes a record of a Betting Transaction or of the issue of a Betting Ticket by means of a Computerised Betting System.

**Betting Ticket** includes any document or thing purporting to be or usually or commonly known as a betting ticket or giving or purporting to give or usually or commonly understood to give any right, title, chance, share, interest, authorisation, or permission in or in connection with any Betting Transaction.

**Betting Transaction** means a contract between the Bookmaker and a Customer, by which a bet or wager is placed with and accepted by the Bookmaker in relation to a Victorian Race or Approved Betting Event (or a contingency related to a Victorian Race or Approved Betting Event).

**Cash Out Bet** means a Betting Transaction under which, prior to the conclusion of the betting event that is the subject of the Betting Transaction, the Customer elects to receive a financial benefit from the Bookmaker that may differ from the return the Customer would

have received from the Betting Transaction had it been calculated or determined in accordance with:

- (a) the odds (either express or implied) which formed the basis of the Betting Transaction; and/or
- (b) the ordinary rules and conditions of the bet type that formed the basis of the Betting Transaction.

For the avoidance of doubt, the financial benefit the Customer can receive may represent a full or partial settlement of the Betting Transaction. In the event of a partial settlement, the return on the remainder of the Betting Transaction will be calculated via (a) or (b).

**Cash Bet** means a Betting Transaction in respect of which the total amount of the Betting Transaction is paid to or otherwise held by the Bookmaker before or at the time that the Betting Transaction is entered into.

**Commencement Date** means the date on which the Bookmaker obtains a Licence for the Period.

**Credit Bet** means a Betting Transaction other than a Cash Bet.

**Customer** means any person or entity, including any bookmaker or Relevant WSP, who enters a Betting Transaction with a Bookmaker.

**Directors** means the directors of Racing Victoria acting as a board.

**Free Bet** has the meaning given in Part D of Schedule 1.

**Future Bet** means a Betting Transaction that constitutes Future Double Betting or Future Win/Place Betting but not Future Sports Betting.

**Future Double Betting** means betting made by the nomination of a horse or greyhound or a combination of two horses or two greyhounds on the chance that such horse or horses or greyhound or greyhounds will fill first place or fill first, second or third places in two specified races providing at least one of the races is decided at a race meeting conducted on a day after the day the Betting Transaction is entered.

**Future Sports Betting** means betting made by the nomination of a result of an Approved Betting Event under section 4(1)(b) of the Racing Act where the result is to be decided 35 days or more after the day on which the Betting Transaction is entered.

**Future Win/Place Betting** means:

- (a) a Betting Transaction entered into with a Bookmaker who is authorised by Racing Victoria to accept future win/place bets; and is
- (b) a Betting Transaction where the result is to be decided 35 days or more after the day on which the Betting Transaction is entered; and is
- (c) a Betting Transaction made by the nomination of a horse or greyhound on the chance that such horse or greyhound will fill first place or fill first, second or third place in a specified race, or a Betting Transaction made by the nomination of a horse or greyhound on the chance that such horse or greyhound will fill first place in three specified races;
- (d) but does not include a Betting Transaction made when the Bookmaker is operating under a club betting permit issued by the Minister.

**Gambling Regulation Act** means the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003* (Vic) as amended from time to time.

**Greyhound Race** means a race in which greyhounds compete.

**GST** means goods and services tax pursuant to the GST Law.

**GST Act** means *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth).

**GST Law** has the meaning given in the GST Act.

**Harness Race** means a race in which horses compete moving at a gait generally known as pacing or trotting.

**Levy** means a Bookmaker's Licence Levy imposed in accordance with these Rules and includes any interest and penalties imposed in accordance with these Rules and any GST payable by a Bookmaker in accordance with Rule 3.3.

**Licence** means a club bookmaker's licence as defined in section 84 of the Racing Act which is granted to a Registered Bookmaker by Racing Victoria under the Club Bookmakers' Licence Rules.

**Month** means a calendar month or, where appropriate or relevant, a part of a calendar month.

**Non-VTR Betting** has the meaning given in Part B of Schedule 2.

**Other Racing** means a Harness Race, Greyhound Race and/or a thoroughbred horse race other than a Victorian Race, whether taking place in Australia or in another jurisdiction.

**Other Racing Event** means an event or race involving Other Racing.

**Past The Post Payout** means where with respect to a Betting Transaction on a Victorian Race between a Bookmaker and a Customer:

- (a) following completion of the Victorian Race but prior to the declaration of correct weight, the Customer receives a payment from the Bookmaker with respect to the Betting Transaction;
- (b) subsequent to the payment described at (a), there is an amendment made to the official results of the Victorian Race (due to the disqualification of a horse(s) or otherwise); and
- (c) despite the circumstance described at (b), the Customer retains the payment described at (a).

**Penalty Unit** means the amount as specified for the purposes of Victorian legislation from time to time.

**Period** means 7th September 2021 to 31st July 2022, and every 12 month period commencing 1 August and ending 31 July thereafter.

**Promotional Offer** means any offer or inducement made or communicated by a Bookmaker to Customers or potential Customers in relation to the making of a Betting Transaction which, if the Betting Transaction was entered into between a Customer and the Bookmaker, the following two paragraphs would apply:

- (a) the Customer would, or may, receive a financial benefit from the Bookmaker or a third party under or in respect of the Betting Transaction (**Financial Benefit**); and
- (b) the amount or value of the Financial Benefit (when aggregated with all other moneys paid to or credited to the Customer in relation to the Relevant Transaction, if any) would exceed the amount that the Customer would have received had the return to the Customer from the Betting Transaction been calculated or determined in accordance with:
  - (i) the odds (either express or implied) which formed the basis of the Betting Transaction; and/or
  - (ii) the ordinary rules and conditions of the bet type that formed the basis of the Betting Transaction,

but excludes Cash Out Bets and Past The Post Payouts.

**Provision of Information Guidelines** means guidelines published by Racing Victoria and amended from time to time, which detail the type, form, and frequency of reporting that the Bookmaker must comply with.

**Race Meeting** has the meaning given in Part D of Schedule 1.

**Racing Victoria** means Racing Victoria Limited ACN 096 917 930.

**Relevant WSP** means a Wagering Service Provider who has obtained, and holds, a current publication and use approval from Racing Victoria in accordance with Ch 4, Pt 2, Division 1A of the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003* (Vic), and until 16 August 2024, includes Tabcorp.

**Rules** means these Bookmakers' Licence Levy Rules 2012 as amended from time to time.

**Rules of Racing** means the rules of racing lawfully made and adopted by Racing Victoria from time to time.

**RVL Website** means the official website of RVL, currently at the URL <https://www.racingvictoria.com.au/>

**Sports Betting** means betting by way of wagering on any Approved Betting Event pursuant to section 4(1)(b) of the Racing Act.

**Tabcorp** means Tabcorp Holdings Limited ACN 063 780 709.

**Victorian Race** means a thoroughbred horse race:

- (a) scheduled to be held; or
- (b) held,

in the State of Victoria under the Rules of Racing.

**Wagering Service Provider** means a wagering service provider as defined in Chapter 4, Part 2, Division 1A of the *Gambling Regulation Act*.

## 2.2 Interpretation

Unless the context requires to the contrary:

- (a) words and expressions used in these Rules have the meaning ascribed to them in the Club Bookmakers' Licence Rules and the Racing Act; and



- (b) these Rules shall be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the *Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984 (Vic)*.

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### 3. Bookmaker's Licence Levy

#### 3.1 Imposition

- (a) A Bookmaker is liable to pay the Levies each Month as calculated in accordance with Rule 3.2.1 in respect of all Betting Transactions in relation to Victorian Races (or contingencies related to Victorian Races).
- (b) A Bookmaker, who is licensed to conduct Non-VTR Betting, is liable to pay the Levy for each Month as calculated in accordance with Rule 3.2.2 in respect of all Betting Transactions constituting Sports Betting and Non-VTR Betting.

#### 3.2 Calculation

##### 3.2.1 Levy on Betting Transactions in relation to Victorian Races

In respect of all Betting Transactions conducted by Bookmakers in relation to Victorian Races (or contingencies related to Victorian Races), the Levy is calculated in accordance with Schedule 1.

##### 3.2.2 Levy on Betting Transactions constituting Non-VTR Betting

In respect of all Betting Transactions constituting Non-VTR Betting conducted by Bookmakers (or contingencies related to Non-VTR Betting), the Levy is calculated in accordance with Schedule 2.

#### 3.3 GST

##### 3.3.1 Amounts exclusive of GST

- (a) Unless expressly included the consideration for any supply under or in connection with the Rules does not include GST.
- (b) To the extent that any supply under or in connection with these Rules is a taxable supply and GST is not expressly included in the consideration, the recipient must pay, in addition to the amount payable for that supply an amount (**additional amount**) equal to the amount of that consideration multiplied by the rate at which GST is imposed in respect of the supply. The recipient must pay the additional amount at the same time as the consideration to which it is referable.

##### 3.3.2 Tax invoice

Racing Victoria will issue a tax invoice to the Bookmaker for any supply made by Racing Victoria to the Bookmaker under these Rules.

##### 3.3.3 Registration

Each Bookmaker must adhere to the GST Law for the purposes of registration.

##### 3.3.4 Reimbursements

- (a) If either Racing Victoria or the Bookmaker is entitled under these Rules to be reimbursed or indemnified by the other party for a cost or expense incurred

in connection with these Rules, the reimbursement or indemnity payment must not include any GST component of the cost or expense for which an input tax credit may be claimed by the party being reimbursed or indemnified.

- (b) If an adjustment event occurs in relation to a taxable supply under these Rules, Racing Victoria must provide an adjustment note to the Bookmaker within 7 days of becoming aware of the adjustment and any payment necessary to give effect to the adjustment must be made within 7 days after the date of receipt of the adjustment note.

#### 3.3.5 Interpretation

Words and meanings used in this Rule which have a defined meaning in the GST Law have the meaning as this Rule 3.3 as in the GST Law unless the context indicates otherwise.

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## 4. Payment of the Levy

### 4.1 Direct Debit

Except where otherwise approved by the Directors, payment of the Levy by a Bookmaker must be made by direct debit by Racing Victoria pursuant to a direct debit request and a direct debit service agreement which the Bookmaker must enter into with Racing Victoria.

### 4.2 Time for payment

#### 4.2.1 Levy pursuant to Rule 3.2.1

The Levy payable under Rules 3.2.1 must be paid to Racing Victoria no later than ten (10) days after the end of each Month.

#### 4.2.2 Levy pursuant to Rule 3.2.2

- (a) With respect to the Levy due pursuant to Rule 3.2.2, at the conclusion of each Month Racing Victoria will, in accordance with the principles set out in clause 3.2.2 and Schedule 2 (and acting reasonably), calculate the Bookmaker's Non-VTR Assessable Turnover and Non-VTR Gross Revenue for the Period up to the end of the relevant Month (**Calculation Period**) and issue an invoice for an amount (**Invoice Amount**) calculated in accordance with Part A of Schedule 2 as if the Calculation Period was the Period (after deducting from the Invoice Amount, for the purposes of the relevant invoice, all amounts previously invoiced for the relevant Period under this clause). At the end of the Period, Racing Victoria will conduct a reconciliation of the Levy actually payable under Rule 3.2.2 against amounts invoiced under this Rule 4.2.2(a) and will issue an invoice for any part of the Levy which has been underpaid.
- (b) Subject to Rule 4.2.2(a) and any payments made by the Bookmaker pursuant to that Rule, the Levy payable under Rule 3.2.2 must be paid to Racing Victoria no later than fourteen (14) days after the end of each Month.

### 4.3 Unpaid Levy

If the Levy payable by a Bookmaker or any invoice issued is not paid when due under Rule 4.2 because of a default by the Bookmaker, then:

- (a) the unpaid amount becomes a debt due and payable to Racing Victoria and may be recovered by Racing Victoria from the Bookmaker in accordance with these Rules and section 91B(4) of the Racing Act; and
- (b) the Bookmaker must pay interest on the unpaid amount at the penalty rate of interest for the time being payable under the Penalty Interest Rates Act 1983 computed from the date that the amount became due and payable until the amount (including interest) is paid in full.

#### 4.4 Suspension of Licence

If the Levy or any invoice remains unpaid more than seven (7) days after the date upon which it became due and payable the Directors may suspend the Bookmaker's Licence and any approval for an Approved Substitute until the Levy or invoice and accumulated interest is paid in full.

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## 5. Betting Tickets

### 5.1 Bookmaker to write or issue

#### 5.1.1 Cash Bets Generally

A Bookmaker who makes a Cash Bet with a person on a Racecourse must:

- (a) **Manual Betting Tickets:** where the Bookmaker has the approval to operate a manual betting system, immediately:
  - (i) write out a Betting Ticket in respect of each such Betting Transaction;
  - (ii) cancel the Betting Ticket by entering on the Betting Ticket the particulars of the Betting Transaction; and
  - (iii) issue the Betting Ticket to the Customer; or
- (b) **Computerised Betting System:** immediately issue a Betting Ticket to the Customer by means of a Computerised Betting System.

Penalty: not more than 5 Penalty Units

#### 5.1.2 Future Betting

If a Cash Bet referred to in Rule 5.1.1 is a Future Bet and the Bookmaker has the approval to operate a manual betting system:

- (a) the writing or denoting of more than one Future Bet on a Betting Ticket as prescribed by the Directors for that purpose is sufficient compliance with Rule 5.1.1; and
- (b) the Bookmaker must cause carbon copies of all the entries made on the original part of the Betting Ticket to be made simultaneously on the duplicate and triplicate parts respectively and must deliver the original part of the Betting Ticket to the Customer.

Penalty: 5 Penalty Units.

## 5.2 Telephone or Internet Betting

The requirements of Rule 5.1 with respect to the writing out or issuing of Betting Tickets, other than Future Bet Betting Tickets, do not apply to Betting Transactions made using a method of communication approved under section 4A of the Racing Act.

## 5.3 Requirements regarding Betting Tickets

A Bookmaker must not use or issue a Betting Ticket for the purposes of Betting unless:

- (a) **Form of Betting Ticket:** the Betting Ticket:
  - (i) has been manufactured by an Approved Printer in the form and dimensions prescribed by the Directors; or
  - (ii) is issued by means of a Computerised Betting System and is in the form and dimensions prescribed by the Directors; and
- (b) **Name and sequential number:** the Betting Ticket:
  - (i) has the Bookmaker's name and a sequential number printed on the Betting Ticket; and
  - (ii) does not bear the name of another Bookmaker.

Penalty: not more than 5 Penalty Units

## 5.4 Special requirements regarding Future Bet Betting Tickets

- (a) A Future Bet must be recorded on a Future Bet Betting Ticket.
- (b) Not more than 6 Future Bets may be entered on any one Future Bet Betting Ticket and a separate Future Bet Betting Ticket must be issued to each Customer.
- (c) All Future Bet Betting Tickets must be produced in triplicate.
- (d) Each part of a Future Bet Betting Ticket, other than a Future Bet Betting Ticket issued by means of a Computerised Betting System, must be distinguished by colour, an identifying mark or otherwise from any other part of the same Future Bet Betting Ticket.
- (e) A Future Bet Betting Ticket must not be issued unless it has a sequence number printed on each part of the Future Bet Betting Ticket.

## 5.5 Prohibition on possession and transfer of Betting Tickets

### 5.5.1 Possession of another Bookmaker's Betting Tickets

A Bookmaker must not possess a Betting Ticket on which the name of some other Bookmaker is or has been printed, unless the Betting Ticket is held by the Bookmaker in respect of a Betting Transaction entered into with the other Bookmaker.

Penalty: not more than 5 Penalty Units

### 5.5.2 **Transfer to another Bookmaker**

A Bookmaker or a person on behalf of a Bookmaker must not sell or transfer a Betting Ticket to any other Bookmaker or to a person on behalf of any other Bookmaker, other than for the purpose of collecting the amount of any winning bet represented by the Betting Ticket.

Penalty: not more than 5 Penalty Units.

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## **6. Betting Books**

### **6.1 Details of Race meeting, Approved Betting Event, etc**

- (a) The Bookmaker must write or otherwise clearly indicate on the top of each page of a Betting Book, or record by means of a Computerised Betting System:
- (i) the name and date of the Race meeting at which that Bookmaker is carrying on his or her vocation as a Bookmaker;
  - (ii) the Bookmaker's own name;
  - (iii) the names of all Bookmaker's Key Employees and other employees or assistants assisting him or her;
  - (iv) the name of the part of the Racecourse in which that Bookmaker is operating; and
  - (v) except in the case of a Computerised Betting System, the series and commencing number of his or her Betting Tickets.
- (b) Before recording a Betting Transaction on an Approved Betting Event, a Bookmaker must write or otherwise clearly indicated on the page of his or her Betting Book or record by means of a Computerised Betting System the name of the event and any additional information that will clearly identify the nature of the Betting Transaction.

### **6.2 Recording of Betting Transactions**

#### **6.2.1 Betting Transactions other than Future Bets**

In respect of all Betting Transactions made with a Bookmaker (whether as a Cash Bet or a Credit Bet) other than Future Bets, the Bookmaker must forthwith enter in a Betting Book or cause a Bookmaker's Key Employee employed in that behalf to enter forthwith in a Betting Book:

- (a) particulars of the Betting Transaction, including figures representing dollars and fractions of a dollar;
- (b) the number of the Betting Ticket issued to the Customer in respect of the Betting Transaction; and
- (c) in the case of a Credit Bet, the surname, and initials of the Customer.

#### **6.2.2 Future Bets**

In respect of all Future Bets made with a Bookmaker (whether as a Cash Bet or a Credit Bet), the Bookmaker must:

- (a) cause to be entered forthwith (and by no later than the commencement of the event the subject of the Future Bet) in his or her Betting Book:
  - (i) the name of the Future Bet event;
  - (ii) the numbers and names of the competitors in each leg of the event;
  - (iii) the amount of the Future Bet in figures (representing dollars and fractions of dollars);
  - (iv) the number of the Betting Ticket issued in respect of the Future Bet; and
  - (v) in the case of a Credit Bet, the surname and initials of the Customer; and
- (b) keep in respect of each Future Bet made with the Bookmaker a triplicate copy of the Betting Ticket written or issued and cancelled pursuant to Rule 5.1 and lodge a triplicate copy with Racing Victoria at the conclusion of the race meeting at which the Future Bet was made with the Bookmaker.

### **6.3 Betting Transactions with other Wagering Service Providers**

- (a) If a Bookmaker enters a Betting Transaction with any Wagering Service Provider (whether or not that entity or person is a bookmaker who holds a Licence or is a Relevant WSP), the Bookmaker must, whether payment is then made or not, enter or cause to be entered in his or her Betting Book:
  - (i) particulars of the Betting Transaction entered into;
  - (ii) identifying details of the Wagering Service Provider with whom the Betting Transaction is entered into;
  - (iii) the number of the Betting Ticket (if any) received by him or her;
  - (iv) whether that Betting Transaction was entered into with:
    - (A) a bookmaker; or
    - (B) a Wagering Service Provider (who does not hold a Licence or is or is not a Relevant WSP); and
  - (v) if the Betting Transaction was entered into by way of a telephone account, details of the telephone account and transaction sufficient to identify the account and the Betting Transaction.
- (b) Nothing in this Rule 6.3 in any way limits any obligation under these Rules on the part of a bookmaker with whom the Betting Transaction is placed to enter particulars of the Betting Transaction in his or her Betting Book.

### **6.4 Recording results**

Immediately after each race or event has been decided a Bookmaker must indicate in his or her Betting Book:

- (a) the competitors obtaining first, second and third places; and

- (b) the total amounts held by the Bookmaker and payable by him or her in respect of the race or event.

## **6.5 Separate identification**

All entries must be made in Betting Books so that separate races or events and separate race meetings are clearly defined.

## **6.6 Penalty for failure to enter correct details**

Every Bookmaker who:

- (a) fails to enter forthwith or fails to cause any Bookmaker's Key Employee or Approved Substitute or any other person employed by him or her to enter forthwith in the Betting Book of such Bookmaker the particulars with respect to every Betting Transaction entered into by such Bookmaker as required by these Rules; or

- (b) knowingly makes or causes to be made any false entry in such Betting Book;

is liable for a penalty of not more than 10 Penalty Units.

## **6.7 Special requirements regarding manual Betting Books**

### **6.7.1 Form**

Manual Betting Books must be in the form prescribed by the Directors.

### **6.7.2 Correcting errors**

- (a) When an erroneous entry in relation to any Betting Transaction is made in a manual Betting Book, the erroneous entry must be ruled through and the correct entry must be made immediately below.

- (b) Subject to Rule 6.7.2(a), no alteration or erasure of an entry relating to any Betting Transaction in a manual Betting Book may be made.

### **6.7.3 Pages to be used in numerical order**

- (a) A Bookmaker must use the pages in a manual Betting Book in numerical sequence.

- (b) A Bookmaker must not remove or allow to be removed an original sheet from a manual Betting Book except for the purpose of:
  - (i) forwarding or delivering the original sheet to Racing Victoria; or
  - (ii) making an original blank sheet or sheets available for use by another Bookmaker for the purpose of enabling that other Bookmaker to conduct his or her vocation, provided that the Bookmaker removing the original sheet notifies an Authorised Officer within seven (7) days.

### **6.7.4 Unused pages to be delivered if ceasing to be a Bookmaker**

A person who ceases to be a Bookmaker who has in his or her possession or under his or her control an unused page from a manual Betting Book must deliver the unused page to Racing Victoria within 14 days of so ceasing.

#### 6.7.5 **Unauthorised possession**

Every Bookmaker or other person subject to these Rules who without the authority of the Directors (the proof of which authority shall lie on the defendant) makes or sells or supplies or has in his or her possession without lawful excuse any book or paper purporting to be a Betting Book or part of a Betting Book in the prescribed form or simulating or resembling such a Betting Book or part of such a book is liable to a penalty of not more than 10 Penalty Units.

#### 6.7.6 **Improper form of Betting Book**

Every Bookmaker or person employed by or acting for a Bookmaker, including an Approved Substitute, who:

- (a) uses as a Betting Book any book or paper other than a Betting Book in the prescribed form; or
- (b) contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Rule 6.7 relating to the use of Betting Books,

is liable to a penalty of not more than 10 Penalty Units.

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## **7. Reporting by Bookmakers**

### **7.1 Provision of information at race meetings**

A Bookmaker must at each race meeting:

- (a) provide and make available to an Authorised Officer, including by providing access to the Bookmaker's Betting Book and Computerised Betting System and all information contained therein, details of all Bets and the aggregate amount of all Bets (both Cash Bets and Credit Bets) made by the Bookmaker at the race meeting; and
- (b) provide to an Authorised Officer the prescribed part or parts of all Betting Books used by the Bookmaker at the race meeting.

For the avoidance of doubt, this includes the records prescribed in the Provision of Information Guidelines.

### **7.2 Further information and Levy adjustments**

#### **7.2.1 Racing Victoria may require information**

An Authorised Officer may require any Bookmaker to furnish within such time as the said Authorised Officer thinks fit such further or other information or particulars (verified, if so required by the Authorised Officer, by statutory declaration), and to provide access to the Bookmaker's records (including the Computerised Betting System), as the Authorised Officer considers necessary in order to satisfy himself or herself of the correctness or otherwise of:

- (a) information obtained from the Bookmaker pursuant to Rule 7.1; or
- (b) the entries in the Betting Book of the Bookmaker,

and the Bookmaker must furnish the same accordingly.



### 7.2.2 **Adjustment to Levy**

When Racing Victoria is satisfied, after considering such further or other information or particulars (if any) furnished to it as required by Rule 7.2.1, or as required under the Club Bookmakers' Licence Rules, that in respect of any Month insufficient Levy has been paid, or Levy has been paid in excess, Racing Victoria may:

- (a) amend or cause to be amended the amount of the Levy payable by the Bookmaker; and
- (b) require payment by the Bookmaker (and the Bookmaker must so pay) any further Levy which has become chargeable or may refund to the Bookmaker any Levy which has been paid in excess.

### 7.3 **Evasion**

Any Bookmaker who with intent to evade the payment of the whole or part of any Levy payable under these Rules by any means or device evades or attempts to evade the payment of such Levy is liable to a penalty of not more than 10 Penalty Units and in addition a penalty of not more than double the amount of Levy that should have been paid, and in addition to such penalty the Directors may suspend his or her Licence for a period of up to six (6) months.

### 7.4 **Failure to comply**

Any Bookmaker who:

- (a) is guilty of any contravention of or failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Rule 7 or of any requirement of the Directors or of an Authorised Officer thereunder; or
- (b) in any statement under this Rule 7 or in answer to any such requirement knowingly supplies any incorrect, incomplete, or misleading information or particulars,

is guilty of a breach of these Rules, and for every such breach (where no penalty is expressly provided therefor) is liable to a penalty of not more than 10 Penalty Units.

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## 8. **Production and Issue of Betting Tickets**

### 8.1 **Approved Printer**

#### 8.1.1 **Approval**

The Directors may in writing authorise or approve a person or persons carrying on the trade or business of a printer (but must not authorise any person who is a Bookmaker or Bookmaker's Key Employee) as an Approved Printer of Betting Tickets.

#### 8.1.2 **Revocation**

The Directors may at any time revoke an approval given under Rule 8.1.1 by notice in writing forwarded by registered post to the last known address of the Approved Printer and the revocation takes effect on the expiration of two (2) days from the posting of the notice.

## **8.2 Printing**

An Approved Printer must not print a Betting Ticket unless it is printed on a blue background pattern, whether or not composed of words or characters, but it is not necessary for a background to be printed on the parts of the ticket where the sequence number and the Bookmaker's name is printed.

## **8.3 Supply by Approved Printer**

- (a) An Approved Printer must not supply Betting Tickets to a person or overprint any name or other particulars for a person other than to or for a person who is, or the duly accredited agent of a person who is, the holder of:
  - (i) a current Registered Bookmaker's Certificate; or
  - (ii) approval from Racing Victoria to be an Approved Substitute.
- (b) A person requesting an Approved Printer to supply or overprint Betting Tickets must produce a current Requested Bookmaker's Certificate, or written approval from Racing Victoria to be an Approved Substitute if requested by the Printer, and the Printer may refuse to overprint or supply Betting Tickets to that person if the person does not produce a certificate or written approval when requested.

## **8.4 Spoilt or mis-used Betting Tickets**

If any Betting Tickets, while in the possession of an Approved Printer, are inadvertently spoiled, obliterated or by any means rendered unfit to be supplied to a Bookmaker, the Approved Printer must immediately destroy such Betting Tickets.

## **8.5 Approved Printer's Betting Tickets register**

An Approved Printer must maintain a register in which the Approved Printer must enter particulars of:

- (a) all Betting Tickets supplied to Bookmakers; and
- (b) the balance of Betting Tickets from time to time on hand.

## **8.6 Supply of Betting Tickets**

An Approved Printer must within seven (7) days of the end of each calendar month provide in a form prescribed by the Directors a statement of all Betting Tickets issued (whether to a Bookmaker or not), which statement must include:

- (a) the full name of every Bookmaker to whom Betting Tickets have been issued;
- (b) the date of issue;
- (c) the serial numbers of the Betting Tickets issued to each Bookmaker; and
- (d) the range of the sequential numbers of the Betting Tickets issued.

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## **9. Production and Inspection**

### **9.1 Production and inspection of records**

An Authorised Officer may require any Bookmaker or any of his or her employees at any reasonable time or at any place to produce for inspection any Betting Tickets whether written out or not, the Computerised Betting System or any manual Betting Books and other documents and things relating to the making and recording of Betting Transactions (including any racebook, card, paper or thing which the Authorised Officer believes on reasonable grounds to have been used to record any Betting Transactions) in his or her possession or control and may inspect and at his or her discretion impound or take any extracts from any such Betting Ticket, Computerised Betting System, Betting Book or document.

### **9.2 Examination**

Every Bookmaker must when so required by an Authorised Officer produce to Racing Victoria for examination and for retention by Racing Victoria for so long as the Authorised Officer deems necessary any Betting Book or Future Bet Betting Tickets and duplicates thereof.

### **9.3 Assistance**

A Bookmaker, Bookmaker's Key Employee or any other employee or assistant of a Bookmaker must provide any and all reasonable assistance requested by an Authorised Officer for the purpose of ascertaining whether the provisions of these Rules are being observed.

### **9.4 Penalty**

- (a) Every person who fails, neglects or refuses to produce for inspection any documents or Computerised Betting System or to give any assistance when so required pursuant to this Rule 9 or who delays or obstructs any Authorised Officer in carrying out his or her powers or duties under these Rules is liable to a penalty of not more than 10 Penalty Units.
- (b) Where the Directors believe on reasonable grounds that a Bookmaker has failed, neglected, or refused to produce for inspection any documents or Computerised Betting System or to give any assistance when so required pursuant to this Rule or has delayed or obstructed any Authorised Officer in carrying out his or her powers or duties under these Rules the Directors may suspend the Bookmaker's Licence for a period of up to six months.

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## **10. Application of Proceeds of the Levy**

The amount of the Levy received by Racing Victoria, including interest on late payments and fines imposed under the Rules but excluding the amount that is paid to the Bookmaking Development Fund established in compliance with section 91C of the Racing Act, shall be retained and applied by Racing Victoria or distributed at the discretion of Racing Victoria as grants to the Victorian thoroughbred racing clubs.

**Made by the Directors of Racing Victoria Limited  
Chairman**

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# Schedule 1 Levy on Victorian Racing

## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 Basis of Levy

- 1.1.1 Each Bookmaker which enters into Fixed Odds Bets in relation to a Race Meeting in a Month will be liable for a Levy calculated in accordance with clause 2 of this Schedule 1 on the FO Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker on that Race Meeting.
- 1.1.2 Each Bookmaker which enters into Tote Derivative Bets in relation to a Race Meeting in a Month will be liable for a Levy calculated in accordance with clause 3 of this Schedule 1 on the TD Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker on that Race Meeting.
- 1.1.3 In addition, each Bookmaker which enters into Fixed Odd Bets or Tote Derivative Bets during a Month will be liable for a Levy calculated in accordance with clauses 5 and 6 (as the case may be) of this Schedule 1 on the Net Revenue of that Bookmaker for the Month.
- 1.1.4 Each Bookmaker which enters into Oncourse Bets in relation to a Race Meeting in a Month will be liable for a Levy calculated in accordance with clause 4 of this Schedule 1 on the OB Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker on that Race Meeting
- 1.1.5 Each Bookmaker who enters into a Multi Event/Multi-Leg Bet in respect to a Victorian Race which occurs outside a Month but which results within the Month will pay a Levy in relation to the Eligible Portion of that Betting Transaction calculated in accordance with:
  - (a) clause 7.1 of this Schedule 1 in the case of Fixed Odd Bets; and
  - (b) clause 7.2 of this Schedule 1 in the case of Tote Derivative Bets.

### 1.2 General Principles

- 1.2.1 In calculating the Levy payable by any Bookmaker under this Schedule 1 which are referable to a Race Meeting during a Month, only Betting Transactions entered by the Bookmaker (and not by any Related Entity of the Bookmaker) should be taken into account.
- 1.2.2 In calculating a Levy under this Schedule 1, it is the intention that any Free Bets entered into by the Bookmaker will not attract a Levy and, except to the extent specifically referred to, will be ignored for the purposes of calculating , FO Assessable Turnover, TD Assessable Turnover, FO Net Revenue or TD Net Revenue.
- 1.2.3 In calculating the FO Assessable Turnover or the TD Assessable Turnover in relation to a Race Meeting under clauses 2.2, 3.2, or 4.2 of this Schedule 1:
  - (a) All Oncourse Bets entered into by the Bookmaker will be ignored; and
  - (b) if AB is greater than the sum of Bets Taken and EPMB, the FO Assessable Turnover or the TD Assessable Turnover (as the case may be) for the Race Meeting will be nil.

1.2.4 RVL may from time to time (and at its absolute discretion), give a notice in writing to the Bookmaker reducing the figures referred to in some or all of clauses 2.1, 3.1, 4.1, 5.1, 6.1, 7.1, 7.2 and 8 of this Schedule 1. The reduction may be for a specified period or an unspecified period.

1.2.5 The ability of RVL to give a notice under clause 1.2.4 of this Schedule 1 is in addition to its power under the Act to vary Publication and Use Approvals.

## 2. Levy on Fixed Odds Bets Turnover

### 2.1 Levy on Fixed Odds Bets Turnover taken on the Race Meeting

The Levy payable on Fixed Odds Bets entered into by the Bookmaker on the Race Meeting will be the result of the following formula:

$$\text{FOF} = \text{FOTO} * 0.016 * \text{DF}$$

where:

FOF = the Levy payable in relation to Fixed Odds Bets Turnover taken on the Race Meeting.

FOTO = the FO Assessable Turnover for the Racing Meeting calculated in accordance with clause 2.2 of this Schedule 1.

DF = the Discount Factor applicable to the Bookmaker determined in accordance with clause 8 of this Schedule 1.

### 2.2 Calculation of FO Assessable Turnover

2.2.1 The FO Assessable Turnover of any Bookmaker for a Race Meeting requires the calculation of each of the following amounts, using for this purpose only Betting Transactions which are Fixed Odds Bets and which related to, or resolved on, Races at the Race Meeting:

- (a) Work out **Bets Taken** on the Race Meeting.
- (b) Work out **EPMB** for the Race Meeting.
- (c) Work out **AB** for the Race Meeting.

2.2.2 Once these amounts have been determined, work out the FO Assessable Turnover as follows:

$$\text{FO Assessable Turnover} = \text{Bets Taken} + \text{EPMB} - \text{AB}$$

## 3. Levy on Tote Derivative Bets Turnover

### 3.1 Levy on Tote Derivative Bets Turnover taken on the Race Meeting

The Levy payable on Tote Derivative Bets entered into by the Bookmaker on the Race Meeting will be the result of the following formula:

$$\text{TDF} = \text{TDTO} * 0.02 * \text{DF}$$

where:

<p><b>TDF</b> =</p>	<p>the Levy payable in relation to Tote Derivative Bets taken on the Race Meeting</p>
<p><b>TDTO</b> =</p>	<p>the TD Assessable Turnover for the Racing Meeting calculated in accordance with clause 3.2 of this Schedule 1.</p>
<p><b>DF</b> =</p>	<p>the Discount Factor applicable to the Bookmaker determined in accordance with clause 8 of this Schedule 1.</p>

### 3.2 Calculation of TD Assessable Turnover

3.2.1 The TD Assessable Turnover of any Bookmaker for a Race Meeting requires the calculation of each of the following amounts, using for this purpose only Betting Transactions which are Tote Derivative Bets and which related to, or resolved on, Races at the Race Meeting

- (a) Work out **Bets Taken** on the Race Meeting.
- (b) Work out **EPMB** for the Race Meeting.
- (c) Work out **AB** for the Race Meeting.

3.2.2 Once these amounts have been determined, work out the TD Assessable Turnover as follows:

$$\text{TD Assessable Turnover} = \text{Bets Taken} + \text{EPMB} - \text{AB}$$

## 4. Levy on Oncourse Bets Turnover

### 4.1 Levy on Oncourse Bets Turnover taken on the Race Meeting

The Levy payable on Oncourse Bets entered into by the Bookmaker on the Race Meeting will be the result of the following formula:

$$\text{OBF} = \text{OBTO} * 0.005$$

where:

<p><b>OBF</b> =</p>	<p>the Levy payable in relation to Oncourse Bets taken on the Race Meeting</p>
<p><b>OBTO</b> =</p>	<p>the OB Assessable Turnover for the Racing Meeting calculated in accordance with clause 4.2 of this Schedule 1.</p>

4.2 Calculation of OB Assessable Turnover

4.2.1 The OB Assessable Turnover of any Bookmaker for a Race Meeting requires the calculation of each of the following amounts, using for this purpose only Betting Transactions which are Oncourse Bets and which related to, or resolved, on Races at the Race Meeting

- (a) Work out **Bets Taken** on the Race Meeting.
- (b) Work out **EPMB** for the Race Meeting.
- (c) Work out **AB** for the Race Meeting.

4.2.2 Once these amounts have been determined, work out the OB Assessable Turnover as follows:

OB Assessable Turnover = Bets Taken + EPMB – AB

5. Levy payable on Net Revenue from Fixed Odds Bets

5.1 Levy payable on Net Revenue from Fixed Odds Bets for the Month

The Levy payable on Fixed Odd Bets entered into by the Bookmaker on the Race Meetings held during each Month will be the result of the following formula:

FONRF = (0.5\*A\*0.16) + (0.7\*B\*0.16) + (0.9\*C\*0.16) + (D\*0.16)

where:

FONRF = the Levy payable in relation to Fixed Odd Bets taken on the Race Meetings during the Month

A = the sum of the FO Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to the Race Meeting, less than or equal to \$2.5 million.

B = the sum of the FO Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to the Race Meeting, greater than \$2.5 million but less than or equal to \$5 million.

C = the sum of the FO Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the

Relevant Time in relation to the Race Meeting, greater than \$5 million but less than or equal to \$15 million.

D =

the sum of the FO Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to each Race Meeting, greater than \$15 million.

For the purposes of this clause 5:

- 5.1.1 the calculation of **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** may result in a negative number in which case that element of the formula will be deemed to be nil; and
- 5.1.2 if **FONRF** is a negative number, it will be deemed to be nil and no Levy will be payable under this clause 5.1. However, the Bookmaker will not be entitled to any payment from RVL.

## 5.2 Calculation of FO Net Revenue

- 5.2.1 The FO Net Revenue of any Bookmaker for a Race Meeting requires the calculation of each of the following amounts, using for this purpose only Betting Transactions which are Fixed Odds Bets relating to the Race Meeting:
  - (a) Calculate the **Assessable Turnover** for the Race Meeting by summing the FO Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker for the Race Meeting.
  - (b) Work out **Free Bets Paid** by the Bookmaker at the Race Meeting.
  - (c) Work out **Bets Paid** by the Bookmaker at the Race Meeting.
  - (d) Work out **Bet Back Revenue** received by the Bookmaker in respect of the Race Meeting.
  - (e) Work out **Other Revenue** received by the Bookmaker in respect of the Race Meeting.
- 5.2.2 Once these amounts have been determined, work out the **Pre-Tax Net Revenue** as follows:
  - Pre-Tax Net Revenue = Assessable Turnover – Bets Paid – Free Bets Paid + Bet Back Revenue + Other Revenue.
- 5.2.3 Work out the **GST Adjustment** on the Pre-Tax Net Revenue.
- 5.2.4 Work out the **Net Revenue** as follows:

Net Revenue = Pre-Tax Net Revenue – GST Adjustment



**6. Levy payable on Net Revenue from Tote Derivative Bets**

**6.1 Levy payable on Net Revenue from Tote Derivative Bets for the Month**

The Levy payable on Tote Derivative Bets taken by the Bookmaker on the Race Meetings held during each Month will be the result of the following formula:

$$\text{TDNRF} = (0.5 \cdot A \cdot 0.2) + (0.7 \cdot B \cdot 0.2) + (0.9 \cdot C \cdot 0.2) + (D \cdot 0.2)$$

where:

TDNRF =	the Levy payable in relation to Tote Derivative Bets taken on the Race Meetings during the Month.
A =	the sum of the TD Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to the Race Meeting, less than or equal to \$2.5 million.
B =	the sum of the TD Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to the Race Meeting, greater than \$2.5 million but less than or equal to \$5 million.
C =	the sum of the TD Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to the Race Meeting, greater than \$5 million but less than or equal to \$15 million.
D =	the sum of the TD Net Revenue for each Race Meeting, if any, held during the Month where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker was, at the Relevant Time in relation to each Race Meeting, greater than \$15 million.

For the purposes of this clause 6.1:

- 6.1.1 the calculation of **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** may result in a negative number in which case that element of the formula will be deemed to be nil; and

6.1.2 if **TDNRF** is a negative number it will be deemed to be nil and no Levy will be payable under this clause 6.1. However, the Bookmaker will not be entitled to any payment from RVL.

## 6.2 Calculation of TD Net Revenue

**6.2.1** The TD Net Revenue of an Bookmaker for a Race Meeting requires the calculation of each of the following amounts, using for this purpose only Betting Transactions which are Tote Derivatives Bets relating to the Race Meeting:

- (a) Calculate the **Assessable Turnover** for the Race Meeting by summing the TD Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker for the Race Meeting.
- (b) Work out **Free Bets Paid** by the Bookmaker at the Race Meeting.
- (c) Work out **Bets Paid** by the Bookmaker at the Race Meeting.
- (d) Work out **Bet Back Revenue** received by the Bookmaker in respect of the Race Meeting.
- (e) Work out **Other Revenue** received by the Bookmaker during the in respect of the Race Meeting.

6.2.2 Once these amounts have been determined, work out the **Pre-Tax Net Revenue** as follows:

$$\text{Pre-Tax Net Revenue} = \text{Assessable Turnover} - \text{Bets Paid} - \text{Free Bets Paid} + \text{Bet Back Revenue} + \text{Other Revenue.}$$

6.2.3 Work out the **GST Adjustment** on the Pre-Tax Net Revenue.

6.2.4 Work out the **Net Revenue** as follows:

$$\text{Net Revenue} = \text{Pre-Tax Net Revenue} - \text{GST Adjustment}$$

## 7. Levy Payable on the Eligible Portion of certain Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets

### 7.1 Fixed Odds Bets

The Levy payable on the aggregate of the Eligible Portions of all Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets (which are Fixed Odds Bet) in respect of Victorian Races which occur outside the Month but where that Betting Transaction resulted within the Month as a consequence of a Victorian Race or other event which occurred within the Month (Resulting Multi-Period EPs) is the result of the following formula:

$$\text{FOMBF} = \text{RMPEP} * 0.025 * \text{DF}$$

where:

PMMBF = the Levy payable under clause 7.1 of this Schedule 1.

RMPEP = the Resulting Multi-Period EPs for the Month relating to Fixed Odds Bets.

**DF** = the Discount Factor applicable to the Bookmaker determined in accordance with clause 8 of this Schedule 1.

## 7.2 Tote Derivative Bets

The Levy payable on the aggregate of the Eligible Portions of all Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets (which are **Tote Derivative Bets**) in respect of Victorian Races which occur outside the Month but where that Betting Transaction resulted within the Month as a consequence of a Victorian Race or other event which occurred within the Month (**Resulting Multi-Period EPs**) is the result of the following formula:

$$\text{TDMBF} = \text{RMPEP} * 0.03 * \text{DF}$$

where:

**TDMBF**  
= the Levy payable under clause 7.2 of this Schedule 1.

**RMPEP**  
= the Resulting Multi-Period EPs for the Month relating to Tote Derivative Bets.

**DF** = the Discount Factor applicable to the Bookmaker determined in accordance with clause 8 of this Schedule 1.

## 8. Discount Factor

8.1 For the purposes of calculating a Levy under this Schedule 1, the Discount Factor or DF is:

8.1.1 Where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover at the Relevant Time is less than or equal to \$2.5 million, 0.5.

8.1.2 Where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover at the Relevant Time is greater than \$2.5 million but less than or equal to \$5 million, 0.7.

8.1.3 Where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover at the Relevant Time is greater than \$5 million but less than or equal to \$15 million, 0.9.

8.1.4 Where the Aggregated Assessable Turnover at the Relevant Time is greater than \$15 million, 1.0.

## 9. Definitions

In this Schedule :

9.1 words and expressions defined in the Conditions will have the same meaning when used in this Schedule; and

9.2 the following words and expressions will have the following meanings:

**AB** means the aggregate amount paid, or contracted to be paid, by the Bookmaker under Betting Transactions on Victorian Races during a Month which constitute Bet Backs with a Relevant WSP.

**Aggregated Assessable Turnover** means the sum of the PM Assessable Turnover, FO Assessable Turnover, OB Assessable Turnover and TD Assessable Turnover of the Bookmaker for each Race Meeting in the Approval Period which occurred prior to the Relevant Time.

**Bet Back** means the amount of any betting transaction which is made by the Bookmaker on the "backers" side of a betting transaction for the purpose of reducing or laying-off the Bookmaker's liability on a Victorian Race or on Victorian Races held as part of the same Race Meeting.

**Bet Back Revenue** means the aggregate amount of all winning Bet Backs made by the Bookmaker with Relevant WSPs in respect of Victorian Races during a Month, but excluding rebates and commissions received by the Bookmaker in respect of those Bet Backs.

**Bets Paid** means:

- (a) the aggregate of all moneys paid or credited to Customers by an Bookmaker in respect of winning bets under Betting Transactions other than amounts paid to Customers in relation to winning Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets and Cash Out Bets;
- (b) EPWMB;
- (c) the aggregate of all Jackpots Created; and
- (d) Cash Out Bets Paid,

but excluding:

- (e) all amounts paid or credited to Customers by way of, in connection with, or by way of economic equivalence to, commissions, rebates or incentives;
- (f) all amounts paid to Customers in relation to or in accordance with the terms of any Promotional Offer in excess of the aggregate amounts that would have been paid to the Customers had the return to the Customers from the relevant Betting Transactions in respect of which the Promotional Offer had been made or communicated been calculated or determined in accordance with the odds (either express or implied) which formed the basis of the relevant Betting Transactions and/or the ordinary rules and conditions of the bet type that formed the basis of the Betting Transactions;
- (g) Pooling Fees, taxes, product fees, payments made to racing industry bodies or other costs of the Bookmaker; and
- (h) Free Bets Paid,

in each case during a Month.

**Bets Taken** means the aggregate of all amounts paid or contracted to be paid to the Bookmaker under Betting Transactions placed on Victorian Races at a Race Meeting other than amounts paid or contracted to be paid to the Bookmaker in relation to Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets. For the avoidance of doubt, Bets Taken:

- (a) includes the amount of any Betting Transaction which is made by another wagering service provider to lay-off that wagering service provider's liability;

- (b) will be adjusted to reflect any adjustment of the face value of a Betting Transaction to correct an operator error or a systems error;
- (c) includes all amounts paid, or contracted to be paid, by Customers to the Bookmaker under Betting Transactions, regardless of whether those amounts are ultimately received by the Bookmaker;
- (d) includes all amounts paid or contracted to be paid to the Bookmaker in relation to Betting Transactions involving two or more contingencies, all of which resulted at the Race Meeting;
- (e) will not be adjusted to deduct any amount paid, refunded or credited to the Customer by the Bookmaker in relation to a Promotional Offer or a non-winning Bet Taken including, for example, "money back offers", but will be adjusted to reflect a refund of a validly cancelled Betting Transaction under any applicable Law; and  
excludes:
  - (f) Free Bets;
  - (g) all amounts paid to or credited to the Bookmaker by way of, in connection with, or by way of economic equivalence to, commissions, rebates or incentives in relation to the Bets Taken;
  - (h) the amount of any Pooling Fees;
  - (i) the amount of all Jackpots Allocated; and
  - (j) the amount of any Seeding by the Bookmaker,

in each case in relation to the Race Meeting.

**Cash Out Bets Paid** means the aggregate amount paid or credited to Customers by any Bookmaker in respect of Cash Out Bets, except amounts paid or credited to Customers in relation to Cash Out Bets that are also Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets and/or Free Bets.

**Eligible Portion** means, in relation to a Victorian Race which is one of the contingencies forming part of a Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet, the amount calculated as follows:

the amount paid, or contracted to be paid, to the Bookmaker under the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet  $\times \frac{1}{AC}$

where **AC** means the number of contingencies within the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

**Eligible Winning Portion** means, in relation to a Victorian Race (**Relevant Winning Race**) which is one of the contingencies forming part of a Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet, at the election of the Bookmaker (such election to be made in writing to RVL prior to the Commencement Date), either:

- (a) the amount paid or credited to a Customer under the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet  $\times \frac{VRO}{AO}$

where:

**VRO** means the odds set by the Bookmaker under the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet for the Relevant Winning Race; and

**AO** means the sum of the odds set by the Bookmaker for all legs of the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet; or

- (b) the amount paid or credited to a Customer under the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet
- $$\times \frac{1}{AC}$$

where **AC** means the number of contingencies within the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

**EPMB** or **Eligible Portion of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet** in respect of a Race Meeting, means the aggregate of the following:

- (a) the **Eligible Portion** of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which resulted on a Victorian Race at the Race Meeting; and
- (b) the Eligible Portion of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet where:
- (i) a Victorian Race at the Race Meeting (**Relevant Race**) was one of the contingencies forming part of the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet; and
  - (ii) the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet resulted on an event (other than the Relevant Race) which occurs within the same Month as the Relevant Race.

For the avoidance of doubt, EPMB **excludes** the Eligible Portion of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet in respect of a Race Meeting, which:

- (c) meets the criteria in paragraphs (a) and/or (b); and
- (d) where a Free Bet is used to place the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

**EPWMB** or **Eligible Winning Portion of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet** in respect of a Month, means the aggregate of the following:

- (a) the Eligible Winning Portion of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which resulted on a Victorian Race at a Race Meeting during the Month;
- (b) the Eligible Winning Portion of each Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet where:
- i. a Victorian Race at the Race Meeting (**Relevant Winning Race**) was one of the contingencies forming part of the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet; and
  - ii. the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet resulted on an event (other than the Relevant Winning Race) which occurs within the same Month as the Relevant Winning Race,
- (c) the aggregate of amounts paid or credited to Customers in relation to all Cash Out Bets that are also Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets; and

does not include:

- (d) Eligible Winning Portion of Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which was placed using a Free Bet.

**Fixed Odds Bet** means a Betting Transaction other than a Tote Derivative Bet.

**FO Assessable Turnover**, in relation to a Race Meeting and an Bookmaker, means the amount calculated in accordance with clause 2.2 of this Schedule 1.

**Free Bet** means a Betting Transaction where the Customer does not make a financial contribution at the time the Betting Transaction is made. Includes Parimutuel Free Bets and Non-Parimutuel Free Bets. For the avoidance of doubt, a Free Bet does not include any Betting Transaction:

- (a) which constitutes a bad or doubtful debt of the Bookmaker;
- (b) in respect of which payment is subsequently waived, compromised, released or forgiven by the Bookmaker; or
- (c) where there is an amount paid, refunded or credited to the Customer by the Bookmaker in relation to a non-winning Bet Taken including, for example, "money back offers"

**Free Bets Paid** means the net aggregate of all moneys paid or credited to Customers by any Bookmaker in respect of winning **Free Bets** including:

- (a) the amounts paid or credited to Customers in relation to the Eligible Winning Portion of Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets that were placed using a Free Bet; and
- (b) the amounts paid or credited to Customers in relation to a Free Bet that is also a Cash Out Bet,

after any adjustments such as retention of the initial Free Bet stake have been accounted for.

**GST Adjustment** means the net GST actually payable by the Bookmaker in respect of all of the transactions taken into account in determining the Pre-Tax Gross Revenue for the Race Meeting.

**Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet** means a Betting Transaction where:

- (a) the result of the Betting Transaction depends on the combined outcome of a number of events;
- (b) a Victorian Race is at least one of the events on which the outcome of the Betting Transaction depends; and
- (c) in the event that all of the contingencies of the Betting Transaction relate to Victorian Races, at least one of the Victorian Races occurs at a different Race Meeting from the other Victorian Races.

**OB Assessable Turnover**, in relation to a Race Meeting and an Bookmaker, means the amount calculated in accordance with clause 4.2 of this Schedule 1.

**Oncourse Bets** means Betting Transactions entered into by any Bookmaker while operating a physical bookmaking stand at an Australian race meeting with members of the public in person (including via any agent), or by means of telephone betting or through an online portal offering prices from multiple bookmakers who are also operating a physical bookmaking stand at an Australian race meeting. For the avoidance of doubt, **Oncourse Bets** do not include,

- (a) in the case of Victoria, Betting Transactions entered into by the holder of the Victorian Wagering and Betting Licence under the Act with customers physically present on a racecourse Bets; and
- (b) in the case of other States and Territories in Australia, Betting Transactions entered into by any Bookmaker which is not operating a physical bookmaking

stand at a race meeting held in that State or Territory but which is authorised under any law to enter into Betting Transactions with customers physically present at the relevant race course.

**Other Revenue** means:

- (a) other revenue received or derived by the Bookmaker in connection with Race Meetings during the Month of the kind or nature specified in the Special Conditions (if any); and
- (b) in the case of any Bookmaker which is a Betting Exchange, any commissions and other fees charged by the Betting Exchange in relation to the Race Meeting.

**Race Meeting** means a meeting of Victorian Races.

**Relevant Time** means in relation to a Race Meeting, 12.01am on the day of the Race Meeting.

**Seeding** means an amount allocated by the Bookmaker to a wagering pool for a specified bet type on a Victorian Race at the Race Meeting which does not have any associated Betting Transactions and does not relate to a Jackpot Created.

**Tote Derivative Bet** means a Betting Transaction in respect of which the odds provided or quoted by the Bookmaker are derived from or calculated or expressed to be by reference to Totalisator Odds.



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## Schedule 2 Levy on Non-VTR Betting

### PART A - Calculating the Levy for Non-VTR Betting

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#### 1. Application

1.1 This Levy will only apply to:

1.1.1 Any **Non-VTR Betting Transaction**, and

1.1.2 That **Non-VTR Betting Transaction** was made via a **Telephone Betting System** or **Internet Betting System**.

#### 2. Calculations

2.1 Prior to determining the levy payable, the calculations detailed in paragraphs 2.2 and 2.3 must be worked out.

#### 2.2 Calculating the Non-VTR Assessable Turnover for the Period to date

2.2.1 Calculate the **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** for the Period.

- (a) Work out **Non-VTR Bets Taken** for the Period. To work out the **Non-VTR Bets Taken** you will need to work out:
  - i. the **Non-VTR Single Bets Taken** for the Period;
  - ii. the **Non-VTR EPMB** for the Period;
  - iii. the **Non VTR Free Bet Turnover**.
- (b) Work out **Non-VTR Bet Back Turnover** for the Period.
- (c) **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover = Non-VTR Bets Taken – Non-VTR Bet Back Turnover**

#### 2.3 Calculating the Non-VTR Gross Revenue for the Period to date

2.3.1 Calculate the **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** for the Period.

- (a) Calculate the **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** in accordance with paragraph 2.2.1.
- (b) Work out **Non-VTR Free Bet Turnover** for the Period.
- (c) Work out **Non-VTR Bets Paid** for the Period. To work out the **Non-VTR Bets Paid** you will need to work out:
  - i. the **Non-VTR Single Bets Paid** for the Period; and
  - ii. the **Non-VTR EPWMB** for the Period.
- (d) Work out **Non-VTR Winning Bet Back Revenue** for the Period.
- (e) **Non-VTR Pre-Tax Gross Revenue = Non-VTR Assessable Turnover – Non-VTR Free Bet Turnover – Non-VTR Bets Paid + Non-VTR Winning Bet Back Revenue.**

- (f) Work out GST Adjustment.
- (g) Non-VTR Gross Revenue = Non-VTR Pre-Tax Gross Revenue – GST Adjustment

### 3. Levy on Non-VTR Betting

3.1 Is the **Non-VTR Gross Revenue**, calculated per paragraph 2.3, \$5,000,000 or more?

3.1.1 **Yes** – Proceed to 3.2.

3.1.2 **No** – Proceed to 3.3.

### 3.2 Non-VTR Revenue Levy

3.2.1 The Levy is calculated in accordance with whichever Revenue Bracket the **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** falls in:

Revenue Bracket		Levy			
3.2.2	\$0	3.2.3	\$4,999,999	3.2.4	Refer to paragraph 3.1.2
3.2.5	\$5,000,000	3.2.6	\$9,999,999	3.2.7	\$90,000
3.2.8	\$10,000,000	3.2.9	\$19,999,999	3.2.10	\$150,000
3.2.11	\$20,000,000	3.2.12	\$29,999,999	3.2.13	\$210,000
3.2.14	\$30,000,000	3.2.15	\$49,999,999	3.2.16	\$300,000
3.2.17	\$50,000,000	3.2.18	Plus	3.2.19	\$360,000

### 3.3 Non-VTR Turnover Levy

3.3.1 The Levy will be calculated in accordance with whichever Turnover Bracket the **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** falls in:

Turnover Bracket		Levy			
3.3.2	\$0	3.3.3	\$24,999,999	3.3.4	\$0
3.3.5	\$25,000,000	3.3.6	\$34,999,999	3.3.7	\$3,000
3.3.8	\$35,000,000	3.3.9	\$49,999,999	3.3.10	\$6,000
3.3.11	\$50,000,000	3.3.12	\$99,999,999	3.3.13	\$15,000
3.3.14	\$100,000,000	3.3.15	\$149,999,999	3.3.16	\$30,000
3.3.17	\$150,000,000	3.3.18	Plus	3.3.19	\$60,000

## 4. General Principles

4.1 In calculating the Levy under this Part A referable to a Period, only Non-VTR Betting Transactions entered by the Bookmaker (and not by any Related Entity of the Bookmaker) should be taken into account.

4.2 For the avoidance of doubt, the calculations detailed in paragraph 2 will need to be made each Billing Date, for a total of twelve (12) times during the Period. The Non-VTR Gross Revenue generated each Billing Date will increase as the Bookmaker nears the end of the Period. However, the Bookmaker will only be invoiced the gap between a new bracket and

what they have already paid in the prior brackets. See paragraph 5 for an example as to how this billing structure will operate.

## 5. Billing Period Example

### 5.1 August

5.1.1 At the end of August, the Bookmaker's:

- (a) **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** for the Period to date is \$2,000,000; and
- (b) **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** for the Period to date is \$26,000,000.

5.1.2 Considering that the **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** is under \$5,000,000, paragraph 3.1 states the **Turnover Levy** will apply. Considering the Bookmaker's **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover**, paragraph 3.3.1 indicates that the levy payable is \$3,000.

### 5.2 September

5.2.1 At the end of September, the Bookmaker's:

- (a) **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** for the Period to date is \$3,000,000; and
- (b) **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** for the Period to date is \$31,000,000.

5.2.2 The **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** is under \$5,000,000 and therefore the **Turnover Levy** will apply. The Bookmaker has remained in the \$3,000 **Turnover Bracket** listed in paragraph 3.3.1. Therefore, considering the Bookmaker has already paid \$3,000 at the end of August, there will be nothing payable by the Bookmaker at the end of September.

### 5.3 October

5.3.1 At the end of October, the Bookmaker's:

- (a) **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** for the Period to date is \$4,000,000; and
- (b) **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** for the Period to date is \$42,000,000.

5.3.2 Similar to August and September, the **Turnover Levy** will apply, due to the **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** being under \$5,000,000. However, the Bookmaker has moved up a **Turnover Bracket**. So, the levy payable, according to paragraph 3.3.1, is \$6,000. Considering that the Bookmaker has already paid \$3,000 over the course of the Period so far, this is deducted from \$6,000 and the remainder (\$3,000) is payable by the Bookmaker at the end of October.

### 5.4 November

5.4.1 At the end of November, the Bookmaker's:

- (a) **Non-VTR Gross Revenue** for the Period to date is \$7,000,000; and
- (b) **Non-VTR Assessable Turnover** for the Period to date is \$40,000,000.

5.4.2 Unlike August, September and October, the **Turnover Levy** will not apply. The **Revenue Levy**, in accordance with paragraph 3.2.1 indicates that the levy payable is \$90,000. However, over the course of the Period so far, the Bookmaker has already paid \$6,000. So, this amount is deducted from \$90,000 and the remainder (\$84,000) is payable by the Bookmaker at the end of November.

## PART B - DEFINITIONS

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### 6. In this Schedule:

6.1 words and expressions defined in the Rules will have the same meaning when used in this Schedule; and

6.2 the following words and expressions will have the following meanings:

**Billing Date** is the end of each month during the Period. **GST Adjustment** means the net GST actually payable by the Bookmaker in respect of all the transactions taken into account in determining the Non-VTR Pre-Tax Gross Revenue for the Period.

**Implementation Date** the date in which Schedule 2 implemented, no earlier than 1 August 2021 or as any other date thereafter as determined by Racing Victoria.

**Internet Betting System** has the same meaning as the Bookmakers' Internet Betting Rules 2001.

**Non-VTR Assessable Turnover**, in relation to a Period, is the amount determined in accordance with paragraph 2.3.

**Non-VTR Bet Back** means the amount of any betting transaction which is made by the Bookmaker on the "backers" side of a betting transaction for the purpose of reducing or laying-off the Bookmaker's liability on Non-VTR Betting in a Period.

**Non-VTR Bet Back Turnover** means the aggregate amount paid, or contracted to be paid, by the Bookmaker under Betting Transactions on Non-VTR Betting which constitute Non-VTR Bet Backs with a Relevant WSP.

**Non-VTR Bets Paid** means:

- (a) Non-VTR Single Bets Paid; and
- (b) Non-VTR EPWMB,

but excluding:

- (c) all amounts paid or credited to Customers by a Bookmaker in respect of winning Free Bets under Non-VTR Betting regardless of whether the Free Bet was a Non-VTR Singles Bet or a Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet;
- (d) all amounts paid or credited to Customers by way of, in connection with, or by way of economic equivalence to, commissions, rebates or incentives;
- (e) all amounts paid to Customers in relation to or in accordance with the terms of any Promotional Offer in excess of the aggregate amounts that would have been paid to the Customers had the return to the Customers from the relevant Betting Transactions in respect of which the Promotional Offer had been made or communicated been calculated or determined in accordance with the odds (either express or implied) which formed the basis of the relevant Betting Transactions and/or the ordinary rules and conditions of the bet type that formed the basis of the Betting Transactions; and
- (f) taxes, product fees, payments made to racing industry bodies or other costs of the Bookmaker,

in each case in relation to a Period.

**Non-VTR Bets Taken** means:

- (a) Non-VTR Single Bets Taken;
- (b) Non-VTR EPMB; and
- (c) Non-VTR Free Bet Turnover,

in each case in relation to a Period.

**Non-VTR Betting** means Sports Betting and/or betting by way of wagering on any Other Racing Event.

**Non-VTR Betting Transaction** means a contract between a Bookmaker and a Customer, by which a bet or wager is placed with and accepted by the Bookmaker on Non-VTR Betting.

**Non-VTR Eligible Portion** means, in relation to Non-VTR Betting which is one or more of the contingencies forming part of a Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which resulted during a Period, the amount calculated as follows:

the amount paid or contracted to be paid, to the Bookmaker under the Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet x  $\frac{AN}{AC}$

where **AN** means the number of contingencies that constitute Non-VTR Betting; and

where **AC** means the number of contingencies within the Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

**Non-VTR Eligible Winning Portion** means, in relation to Non-VTR Betting (**Relevant Winning Bet**) which is one or more of the contingencies forming part of a Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which resulted during a Period, the amount calculated as follows:

the amount paid or credited to a Customer under the Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet x  $\frac{AN}{AC}$

where **AN** means the number of contingencies that constitute Non-VTR Betting; and

where **AC** means the number of contingencies within the Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

**Non-VTR EPMB** means the aggregate of the Non-VTR Eligible Portion of each Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which resulted during that Period.

**Non-VTR EPWMB** means the aggregate of the Non-VTR Eligible Winning Portion of each Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which resulted during a Period.

**Non-VTR Free Bet Turnover** means the face value of a Non-VTR Betting Transaction where the Customer does not make a financial contribution at the time the Non-VTR Single Bet or Non-VTR Multi Event/Multi Leg Bet is made. For the avoidance of doubt, a Non-VTR Free Bet does not include any Betting Transaction:

- (a) which constitutes a bad or doubtful debt of the Bookmaker;

- (b) in respect of which payment is subsequently waived, compromised, released or forgiven by the Bookmaker; or
- (c) where there is an amount paid, refunded or credited to the Customer by the Bookmaker in relation to a non-winning Non-VTR Bets Taken including, for example, "money back offers".

**Non-VTR Gross Revenue**, in relation to a Period, is the amount determined in accordance with paragraph 2.3.

**Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet** means a Betting Transaction where:

- (a) the result of the Betting Transaction depends on the combined outcome of a number of events; and
- (b) Non-VTR Betting is at least one of the events on which the outcome of the Betting Transaction depends.

**Non-VTR Pre-Tax Gross Revenue** means the amount calculated in accordance with paragraph 2.3.1.

**Non-VTR Single Bet** means a Non-VTR Betting Transaction that does not include Non-VTR Multi Event/Multi Leg Bets.

**Non-VTR Single Bets Paid** means the aggregate of all moneys paid or credited to Customers by a Bookmaker in respect of winning Non-VTR Single Bets during a Period. For the avoidance of doubt, Non-VTR Single Bets Paid does not include amounts paid to Customers in relation to winning Non-VTR Multi Event/Multi Leg Bets.

**Non-VTR Single Bets Taken** means the aggregate of all amounts paid or contracted to be paid to the Bookmaker in respect of Non-VTR Single Bets during a Period. For the avoidance of doubt, Non-VTR Single Bets Taken:

- (a) includes the amount of any Betting Transaction which is made by another Bookmaker to lay-off that Bookmaker's liability;
- (b) will be adjusted to reflect any adjustment of the face value of a Betting Transaction to correct an operator error or a systems error;
- (c) includes all amounts paid, or contracted to be paid, by Customers to the Bookmaker under Betting Transactions, regardless of whether those amounts are ultimately received by the Bookmaker;
- (d) includes all amounts paid or contracted to be paid to the Bookmaker in relation to Betting Transactions involving two or more contingencies, all of which resulted during that Period;
- (e) will not be adjusted to deduct any amount paid, refunded or credited to the Customer by the Bookmaker in relation to a Promotional Offer or a non-winning Non-VTR Single Bets Taken including, for example, "money back offers", but will be adjusted to reflect a refund of a validly cancelled Betting Transaction under any applicable law; and
- (f) excludes all amounts paid to or credited to the Bookmaker by way of, in connection with, or by way of economic equivalence to, commissions, rebates or incentives in relation to the Non-VTR Single Bets Taken;

(g) excludes the amounts paid or contracted to be paid to the Bookmaker in relation to Non-VTR Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets,

in each case in relation to the Period.

**Non-VTR Winning Bet Back Revenue** means the aggregate amount of all winning Non-VTR Bet Backs made by the Bookmaker with Relevant WSPs in respect of Non-VTR Betting in a Period, but excluding any rebates and commissions received by the Bookmaker in respect of those Non-VTR Bet Backs.

**Revenue Bracket** means the set groups with fixed upper and lower limits listed in paragraph 3.2.1.

**Telephone Betting System** has the same meaning as the *Bookmakers' Telephone Betting Rules 2001*.

**Turnover Bracket** means the set groups with fixed upper and lower limits listed in paragraph 3.3.1.