



GUIDELINES FOR NON-RV EMPLOYED FARRIERS ATTENDING RACE MEETINGS

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Racing Victoria (RV) Official Race Day Farriers providing services on race days are required to monitor all horses and ensure that all runners comply with the Australian Rules of Racing, specifically AR 107, AR 206 and LR 47A, B and C and LR 85.

Farriers provide an important service at race meetings. All work done by farriers at race meetings is of interest to the public – whether it is done before a race, at the barriers or after the horse has competed. Currently the only notification of work done by farriers is when a horse is attended to by an RV Official Raceday Farrier.

The work currently performed by private farriers is not reported, which we consider to be unsatisfactory.

Accordingly, to ensure that information about any work done by private farriers on the racecourse on raceday is appropriately reported:

- a. any private farrier seeking permission to attend to a horse on the racecourse on raceday must be licensed;
- b. any private farrier that attends a race meeting for the purpose of attending to a horse on course must present to the Stewards on arrival on course;
- c. any private farrier must present to the Official RV Raceday Farriers prior to attending to any horse on course. The Official RV Raceday Farrier may then accompany the private farrier when they attend to a horse;
- d. all farriery work should be reported by the Official RV Raceday Farrier as soon as practicable to the Veterinary Services Team so the Stewards can be advised; and
- e. any private farrier may not attend to a horse after it has entered the mounting yard prior to racing.