

# AMENDMENT TO RULES OF RACING Amendment No 206 – Issued 27 June 2022

The Racing Victoria Board has approved the following amendment to the Victorian Local Rules of Racing.

## AMENDMENT TO THE VICTORIAN LOCAL RULES OF RACING: LR 64D

#### **VACCINATION REQUIREMENT**

#### **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT**

On 18 June 2022, the Victorian Government announced that directions requiring general employees to work from home unless they are double-vaccinated would be lifted and that vaccination policies are now the responsibility of individual workplaces.

The Racing Victoria Board has therefore advised that it is retiring its COVID Vaccination Policy and Victorian Local Rule 64D in line with these recent changes.

Accordingly, the Racing Victoria Board has approved the deletion of LR 64D effective from 27 June 2022.

# LR 64D BE DELETED AS FOLLOWS:

## **LR 64D Vaccination Requirements**

- (1) Subject to LR 64D(2), a person must not enter or remain in a Designated Racing Participant Area while a registered meeting is being held, unless the person:
  - (a) for the purposes of any registered meeting held on or following the First Vaccination Date, but prior to the Full Vaccination Date, can show Evidence of being at least Partially Vaccinated; and
  - (b) for the purposes of any registered meeting held on or following the Full Vaccination Date, can show Evidence of being Fully Vaccinated.
- (2) LR 64D(1) does not apply to a person who, within 3 days in advance of the registered meeting, has:
  - (a) to the satisfaction of Racing Victoria, produced:
    - (i) a medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner certifying that because of a specified medical contraindication as set out in the Public Health Directions, the person to whom the certificate has been issued cannot safely have a COVID-19 vaccine; and
    - (ii) a certified COVID-19 test result confirming that the person has tested negative to COVID-19 within 3 days of the commencement of the registered meeting; or
  - (b) otherwise complied with any other direction or order made by the Stewards with respect to biosecurity precautions required to be taken by a person from time to time.
- (3) For the purpose of LR 64D:
  - (a) COVID-19 vaccine means a vaccine to protect a person against COVID-19 that has been registered or provisionally registered by the Therapeutic Goods Administration.
  - (b) Designated Raceday Participant Area means an area of the Course:

- (i) used by persons involved in the participation, operation and management of a race meeting, including but not limited to the tie up stalls, parade ring, mounting yard, jockey rooms, Stewards' rooms and racetrack; or
- (ii) as otherwise designated by the Stewards.
- (c) Evidence means:
  - (i) a form of government issued photo identification showing the person's name and place of residence; and
  - (ii) a digital certificate or other evidence from the Australian Government that the person is Partially Vaccinated or Fully Vaccinated.
- (d) First Vaccination Date means the date determined and proclaimed by Racing Victoria as such for the purpose of this rule.
- (e) Full Vaccination Date means the date determined and proclaimed by Racing Victoria as such for the purpose of this rule.
- <u>Fully Vaccinated</u> means having received the prescribed number of doses of a COVID-19 vaccine as recommended by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) for full COVID-19 vaccination.
- (g) Partially Vaccinated means having received a dose of a COVID-19 vaccine that is less than the number of doses of a COVID-19 vaccine as recommended by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) for Full Vaccination.
- (h) Public Health Directions means the COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccination (Workers) Directions made under the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 (Vic), which commenced on 7 October 2021, and as amended from time to time (including, for clarity, any successive Directions with a different name).

#### Amendment effective from 27 June 2022

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