AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF RACING

Amendment No 150 – Issued 16 April 2015

The Australian Racing Board has approved the following amendment to the Australian Rules of Racing, effective from 30 March 2015.

AMENDMENT TO THE AUSTRALIAN RULES OF RACING

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

The ARB has amended the definition of ‘Official Racing Laboratory’ to now include the Institute of Biochemistry, German Sport University, Germany and reflect the change in name of the Horseracing Forensic Laboratory, United Kingdom to the Sport and Specialised Analytical Services, United Kingdom.

Amendment effective from 30 March 2015

AR 1 DEFINITION OF ‘OFFICIAL RACING LABORATORY’ BE DELETED AND REPLACED AS FOLLOWS:

“Official Racing Laboratory” means an analytical racing laboratory that is accredited by the National Association of Testing Authorities or by a similar authority in an overseas country, and is approved by the Australian Racing Board and published in the Racing Calendar.

Note: The following have been approved by the Australian Racing Board:

Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory, Sydney
Queensland Government Racing Science Centre, Brisbane
Racing Analytical Services Limited, Melbourne
Racing Chemistry Laboratory, Chemistry Centre (W.A.), Perth
The Hong Kong Jockey Club Racing Laboratory, Sha Tin, Hong Kong
New Zealand Racing Laboratory Services Limited, Avondale, Auckland, New Zealand
Horseracing Forensic Laboratory, Fordham, Ely, Cambridgeshire, United Kingdom
Australian Sports Drug Testing Laboratory, Sydney
ChemCentre, Western Australia
National Measurement Institute (NMI), Sydney (trace element analysis)

Institute of Biochemistry, German Sport University, Cologne, Germany
The Racing Victoria Board has approved the following amendment to the Rules of Racing, effective from 27 March 2015.

AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL RULES OF RACING

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

The Racing Victoria Board has approved an amendment to the Local Rules (under AR 1) regarding the definition of “Official Trial”. This amendment provides that Official Trials are deemed to be a race for the purposes of WorkCover insurance to allow apprentices riding in Official Trials to be covered by Racing Victoria’s WorkCover insurance.

Amendment effective from 27 March 2015

AR 1 DEFINITION OF ‘OFFICIAL TRIAL’ BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

“Official Trial” means a trial:
   (a) that is approved and advertised by the Principal Racing Authority;
   (b) that is conducted in accordance with the conditions set by the Principal Racing Authority;
   (c) that is supervised by the Stewards; and
   (d) for which official entries are taken and results are officially recorded.

“Official Trial” is deemed, for the purpose of the Rules and section 17(3)(a) of Schedule 1 of the Workplace Injury Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2013 (Vic), to mean a horse race conducted as part of a race meeting under the Rules of Racing of Racing Victoria.
The Australian Racing Board has approved the following amendment to the Australian Rules of Racing, effective from 1 May 2015.

**AMENDMENT TO THE AUSTRALIAN RULES OF RACING**

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT**

The Australian Racing Board has recently introduced a requirement that safety vests also be an Approved vest in addition to meeting either the European Standard EN 13158 or the ARB Standard 1.1998.

In deciding whether to grant Approved status to a safety vest, the ARB applies a public interest test.

As a result of satisfying both requirements, the VIPA I vest has now been added to the Approved list and can be worn by riders from 1 May 2015.

**Amendment effective from 1 May 2015**

**AR 87B(2) BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

AR 87B

(1) Every rider shall when mounted on a horse wear a properly fastened Approved or permitted safety vest the standard of which has been prescribed by Order of the Board. Provided that every such Approved or permitted safety vest shall be in a satisfactory condition and shall have attached to it a manufacturer’s label that states that it complies with the relevant standard prescribed by the Board.

(2) Notwithstanding compliance with subrule (1), no safety vest may be worn in a race, official trial or jumpout unless it is an Approved safety vest. Such Approved Level 1 safety vests are: Hows Racesafe, Ozvest, Racelite Pro, Vipa, VIPA I and USG Flexi Race.

To view the current version of the Rules of Racing, please visit the following link to the Racing Victoria website: [http://www.racingvictoria.net.au/p_Rules_of_Racing.aspx](http://www.racingvictoria.net.au/p_Rules_of_Racing.aspx)