



AMENDMENT TO RULES OF RACING

Amendment No 162 – Issued 22 August 2016

The Racing Victoria Board has approved the following amendments to the Victorian Local Rules of Racing, effective immediately from 1 August 2016.

AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL RULES OF RACING:

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

The Racing Victoria Board has approved amendments to Local Rules relating to the requirements for programs of race meetings.

Previously LR 12(1) provided for a maximum of nine races on any one day. Such rule is now redundant given the modern nature of race programs and division of races where a number of race meetings have more than nine races run.

LR 12(2) previously required programs at all race meetings to include at least one flat race in which Apprentices were not permitted to claim their allowance. The intent of the rule is to protect riding opportunities for senior riders against claiming apprentices.

In 2012 with the support of the ATA, VJA and TROA the rule was amended to exclude Non-TAB meetings. This meant that the program for Non-TAB meetings did not have to include at least one race in which apprentices were permitted to claim.

Agreement has now been reached with the ATA, VJA and TROA to further reduce the reach of the rule by providing that rule only apply to Metropolitan Race Meetings (defined in LR 1), effective 1 August 2016. It should be noted that apprentices will not be able to claim in all races run at non-metropolitan meetings as numerous feature races including black-type and high stake races will still be non-claiming.

Amendments effective from 1 August 2016

LR 12 BE DELETED AND REPLACED AS FOLLOWS:

LR 12 Requirements for programs of race meetings

- ~~(1) **Maximum of nine races:** Unless otherwise approved by the Directors no Racing Club may conduct more than nine races on any one day.~~
- ~~(2) **Program must include one non-claiming flat race:** The program for each race meeting other than a Non-TAB Race Meeting, must include at least one flat race in which Apprentices are not permitted to claim.~~

[LR 12 Requirements for programs of Metropolitan Race Meetings](#)

[The program for each Metropolitan Race Meeting must include at least one flat race in which Apprentices are not permitted to claim.](#)

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