1. **OBJECTIVE**

1.1 The objective of this policy is to outline the principles for transferring a programmed race meeting to Tapeta Park Devonport track within the thoroughbred industry in Tasmania.

2. **POLICY**

2.1 **TRANSFERRING RACE MEETINGS**

In the event of any grass track being deemed unsuitable for racing or for any other reason, Tasracing may transfer a race meeting to Tapeta Park Devonport anytime prior to final acceptances being taken or after final acceptances.

2.1.1 Race meetings will be transferred in instances where Tasracing, in conjunction with the Stewards, determine that the grass track is unsuitable for racing.

2.1.2 Race meetings may be transferred if there is uncertainty related to a track’s ability to undertake a meeting and with due consideration to forthcoming weather, it may be deemed unsuitable.

2.1.3 Race meetings may be transferred for other reasons not described by 2.1.1 and 2.1.2.

2.1.4 Determination on the transfer of a meeting can be made up until 12.00 midday on the last working day before the race meeting.

2.1.5 If a race meeting is transferred to Tapeta Park Devonport, the following race distances will apply:

- 2.1.5.1 Race distances of 900 metres will remain 900 metres
- 2.1.5.2 Race distances of 1000 metres will remain 1000 metres
- 2.1.5.3 Race distances of 1100 metres and 1200 metres will be altered to 1150 metres
- 2.1.5.4 Race distances of 1400 metres will be altered to 1350 metres
- 2.1.5.5 Race distances of 1600 metres will be altered to 1650 metres
- 2.1.5.6 Race distances of 2100 metres will be altered to 1880 metres
- 2.1.5.7 Race distances of 2200 and 2400 metres will be altered to 2360m

2.1.6 In the event of a meeting transfer, trainers will be afforded the opportunity to scratch without penalty and all scratching fees waived.

2.1.7 Horses that gained a start as a result of the Ballot Out List and are subsequently scratched due to the meeting being transferred will retain their position on the Ballot Out List.
2.1.8 For horse’s that are scratched in accordance with 2.1.6, the declared jockey will not be eligible for scratching payments.

2.1.9 Should the field sizes exceed the safe barrier limit of Tapeta Park Devonport, horses are to be eliminated in ballot order as published by RISA.

2.1.10 Should horses be equal in ballot order, horses are to be eliminated by lot, by RISA.

2.1.11 Should the transferred meeting include a feature race (equal to or over $25,000 in total stakes), due consideration will be given to abandoning the race on the transferred card and conducting the feature race at a later date at the original programmed venue.

2.1.12 A meeting transfer is subject to approval by Racing Services Tasmania Stewards, Sky Channel, the Devonport Racing Club and the affected Club.

**TASRACING DISCRETION**
Notwithstanding any of the above, all decisions are subject to the final determination of Tasracing.