

## **TRAINER & OWNER REFORMS (TOR)**

### **NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO STANDARD TRAINING AGREEMENT (STA)**

*Approved & adopted by Tasracing 26th July 2018 - Effective 1st August 2018*

#### **Summary:**

Since the commencement of the TOR in August 2017, Racing Australia has been continually monitoring the effectiveness of its processes and agreements, including via feedback from Principal Racing Authorities and industry participants.

Racing Australia is now amending the STA to address issues that have arisen during the TOR's first year of operation.

A summary of the amendments to the STA is set out below.

- **Clause 1.1** – To identify the effective date (1 August 2018) of the revised STA.
- **Clause 3.1 & 3.3** – For consistency with amendments to TOR Rule 3 (effective 1 August 2018).
- **Clause 8.1(d)** – A trainer's right to retain horse identification documents only applies where the defaulting owner/s has an interest in more than 50% of the horse (but does not apply to the thoroughbred identification card).
- **Clause 8.1(h)** – A trainer's right to sell a defaulting owner's interest in a horse is only permitted where: (a) the trainer has filed a valid Enforcement Action Application with Racing Australia; or (b) a Training Disputes Tribunal has made an order in favour of the trainer but the owner has not complied with that order.
- **Clause 8.2** – A trainer's right to sell a defaulting owner's interest in a horse ceases if payment of the outstanding debt is made during the notice period. If the interest is not sold within 60 days of being offered for sale, the trainer must comply with the notice/sale process again.
- **Clause 14** – New provision that requires a trainer and owner/s to attempt to resolve, including through mediation, any disputes not concerning payment (i.e. which are not covered by the TOR) before commencing legal proceedings.

The revised STA is available at [www.racingaustralia.horse](http://www.racingaustralia.horse)

**Date of effect: 1 August 2018**