
HPOL0075

1. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to outline the process to determine the barrier draw for Graduation Penalty races.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 A Graduation Penalty race is a race with stakemoney greater than \$1,500 but not exceeding \$3,000. A Graduation Penalty race is often referred to as a restricted penalty race as wins in these races do not affect a pacer's career penalty assessment.

Occasionally \$3,000 Graduation Penalty races are added to race meetings after acceptances have been received. This occurs when:

- A two year old race with four or five acceptors is reduced to \$3,000
- Sufficient acceptors are received to program a \$3,000 race for the balloted horses.

3. POLICY

3.1 In the event of any race being reduced to a graduation penalty race (\$1,501 – \$3,000) after acceptances have closed, or a new graduation penalty race being programmed from the acceptances received, the barrier draw will remain the same as advertised for the race the horses originally accepted for.

3.2 In the event of a \$3,000 race for ballots comprising ballots from two or more advertised races involving two or three C classes, the barrier draw will be PBD/C.