

TPOL0021

1. OBJECTIVE

- 1.1 The objective of this policy is to outline the principles for postponed and/or abandoned race meetings within the thoroughbred industry in Tasmania and define the subsidies payable (if any).

2. POLICY

2.1 DISRUPTED RACES OR RACE MEETINGS

2.1.1 In the event of disruption to a race meeting and in consultation with the relevant club and ORI, Tasracing will endeavour to postpone the affected races.

2.1.2 In the event of a race being declared void by Stewards, Tasracing will endeavour to reschedule the affected race.

2.2 SUBSIDY

2.2.1 When a race, which is declared void by the Stewards, is not rerun or rescheduled then the payment of prize money allocated to that race shall be distributed evenly among the relevant owners of the horses that competed in that event.

2.2.2 Feature Races with prizemoney of \$50,000 or more are an exception to clause 2.2.1. The Owners subsidy as outlined in clause 2.2.8 will remain payable for these races.

2.2.3 When a race meeting is postponed or abandoned prior to the time stipulated in clause 2.2.4 there will be no subsidy payable.

2.2.4 When a race meeting is postponed or abandoned, as per the stipulated times referred to in clause 2.2.4, subsidies will vary based on the following time frames prior to official check in:

Day meetings before 7:30am on the race day
Night meetings before 12noon on the race day

Horses stabled within the same region as the scheduled meeting	2hrs
Horses stabled within an adjoining region	3hrs
Horses stabled within the furthest region	Nil

an owners subsidy (with the exception of clause 2.2.5) will be forwarded to the trainers of horses eligible to compete, who are denied that opportunity at the time of the postponement or abandonment.

2.2.5 Horses that have raced prior to the postponement or abandonment of the race meeting will not be eligible for the subsidy.

2.2.6 When part of a meeting is abandoned at any stage during the conduct of a race meeting, with the exception of a 'Feature Race' with prizemoney of \$50,000 or more, an owner's subsidy to the value of \$400 per horse shall be forwarded to the trainers of the horses eligible to compete at the time of the abandonment.

2.2.7 When part of a meeting is abandoned at any stage during the conduct of a race meeting and any of those races are a 'Feature Race' with prizemoney of \$50,000 or more, Tasracing will endeavour to reschedule the affected race/s. The Owner's subsidy as outlined in clause 2.2.8 will remain payable.

2.2.8 **OWNER'S SUBSIDY**

The subsidy will be calculated on a regional basis.

The regions are defined, as in the ordinary understanding of South, North and North West of Tasmania. In accordance with clause 2.2.4, the following subsidies shall apply:

Horses stabled within the same region as the scheduled meeting	\$200
Horses stabled within an adjoining region	\$250
Horses stabled within the furthest region	\$350

Example 1:

An owner whose horse is stabled in the North West, competing at a Hobart race meeting would be subsidised the amount of \$350.

Example 2:

An owner whose horse is stabled in the North of the state, competing at a Devonport race meeting would be entitled to a \$250 subsidy.

2.2.9 **LOCAL JOCKEY SUBSIDY**

In accordance with clause 2.2.4, a subsidy will also be provided to jockeys under the terms of the Local Jockey Travel Subsidy.

2.2.10 **INTERSTATE JOCKEY SUBSIDY**

In accordance with clause 2.2.4, a subsidy will also be provided to jockeys under the terms of the Interstate Jockey Travel Subsidy.

2.3 **FORCE MAJURE**

2.3.1 This policy shall not apply in the event of an extraordinary event or circumstance beyond the control of Tasracing, such as a war, strike, riot, crime, or an event described by the legal term *act of God* (such as hurricane, flooding, earthquake, volcanic eruption, etc.).

2.3.2 Notwithstanding any provision of this policy, Tasracing reserves the right to make the final determination in relation to any aspect of the execution or interpretation of this policy and/or the payment of subsidies.

2.4 **FUNDING**

2.4.1 In the event that a race or race meeting is abandoned, stakes money allocated to the race or meeting will be distributed to the divided race pool fund (DRP) for future use.

2.4.2 In the event that a race or race meeting is postponed or abandoned, funding for the subsidies will be utilised from the DRP.