



TASMANIAN THOROUGHBRED TRACK RULES

DEFINITIONS:

Tasracing	Tasracing Pty Ltd
ORI	Office of Racing Integrity
BTC	Brighton Training Centre
DTC	Devonport Training Centre
LTC	Longford Training Centre
Centres	All Tasmanian Training Centres (BTC, DTC, LTC)

- The Brighton Training Centre (BTC), Devonport Training Centre (DTC) and Longford Training Centre (LTC), is available for use only if a person has the requisite ORI licence, or Interstate equivalent, as required by the Australian Rules of Racing.
- All persons using the Centres are bound by the Australian Rules of Racing and Tasmanian Local Rules. Persons will not use the Centre unless approved by Tasracing. (*The Rules*)
- All persons using the Centres shall be subject to the direction of Tasracing, ORI Stewards and the Tasracing appointed Track Supervisor.
- The Track Supervisor, Office of Racing Integrity and Tasracing have the power to restrict access to the Centres for any persons at any time.
- All persons using the Centres shall ensure all gates used to enter or leave the complex are closed immediately after use.
- Unless otherwise notified by Tasracing or Track Supervisor the following shall apply:**
 - Track Times: Track opens at 5am and closes at 11am.**
 - Trial days (DTC and LTC): Track opens 5am and closes at 10am**
 - Saturdays and Public Holidays: Track opens at 5.30am and closes at 10am.**
 - Sundays: Closed unless prior arrangement with Tasracing**

Please note: All horses must have exited track by Track closure times.
- The Track Supervisor will keep a report detailing all horses that work at the Centres.
- Barriers are to be used **only** in daylight hours or as directed by the Track Supervisor.
- The Track Supervisor will report to Tasracing on Trainers or other licensed persons who are not complying with these Rules. Any trainers or licensed persons who are not complying with these rules may be referred to ORI Stewards.
- The Track Supervisor is in charge of safety at the Centres and may refuse access to the track for any horse or rider that in his opinion may cause a hazard to other users.
- No person will be permitted to ride trackwork or engage in jumpouts, unless wearing an approved helmet, with the chin strap correctly fastened; approved riding boots and a correctly fastened safety vest that complies with the relevant Australian Standard. [AR. 122\(1\)-\(4\), AR. 123](#)
- All visitors or persons working at the Centres must wear Class D/N high visibility safety garments as specified in AS/NZS 4602. 1-2011 (or its replacement), or high visibility safety garments as approved by the Stewards, at all times during training hours, or whenever around the stalls and/or when working with horses. From 1 April 2022, all visitors or persons working at the Centres must only wear Class D/N high visibility safety garments as specified in AS/NZS 4602. 1-2011. When mounted on a horse, all riders must wear safety equipment including helmets (plus safety warning light when required) and safety vests, which must conform to the standards approved by Racing Australia. Clothes, footwear, apparel and equipment approved by Racing

- Australia, Tasracing or the Stewards must be worn by riders. Safety equipment, clothing, footwear and apparel may be inspected by the Track Supervisor. Persons that do not comply with these obligations will be required to leave the Centres immediately.
13. All persons performing trackwork before daylight must ensure that one light is attached to the nearside of the helmet, above ear height and clearly visible to the Track Supervisor. [AR. 122\(5\)](#)
 14. Helmet lights must be worn and active at all times consistent with track lighting. When track lighting is turned off helmet lights can also be switched off.
 15. For safety reason, training times can be restricted to limited horses due to lighting, fog, lightning or severe weather conditions, at the discretion of the Track Supervisor. If at any time the track is deemed unsafe by the Track Supervisor all training will cease. This will include the track, barriers and swimming pool.
 16. Day use trainers must use the designated stripping stalls and parking areas as directed by the Track Supervisor.
 17. **Stripping Stalls**
 - a. All horses must be tied up correctly if not being led.
 - b. Lunging is not permitted in this area.
 - c. Horses must be scraped down and washed in this area only, not in day stalls.
 18. Every horse, whilst present on course, must wear a bridle or head collar with bit attached. [AR. 124](#)
 19. All horses must be identified if requested by Track Supervisor prior to commencing work.
 20. Horses must not be left unattended at any time.
 21. Only one horse is permitted to be led at any one time.
 22. The number of horses working on track is at the discretion of the Track Supervisor.
 23. The number of horses which may work abreast at anytime is as determined by the Track Supervisor.
 24. **Entry to Track**
 - BTC – Via the Laneway adjacent to the Track Supervisor Tower
 - DTC – Via the Laneway adjacent to the Track Supervisor Tower
 - LTC - Via the Laneway adjacent to the Track Supervisor Tower
 25. **Exit from Track**
 - BTC – Via the Laneway adjacent to the Track Supervisor Tower
 - DTC – Via the walk back track at the 1880m chute
 - LTC - Via the Laneway adjacent to the Track Supervisor Tower
 26. All horses must enter and exit training tracks at a walking pace only via the designated entry and exit points. This includes all persons using the barriers and pools.
 27. All work must be in the anti-clockwise direction unless otherwise approved.
 28. **Sand Track –**
 - BTC** - All *'fast'* work must be on the *'Inside'* of the track, whilst all *'slow'* work must be on the *'Outside'* of the track
 - DTC** - All *'fast'* work must be on the *'Inside'* of the track, whilst all *'slow'* work must be on the *'Outside'* of the track
 - LTC** - All *'fast'* work must be on the *'Outside'* of the track, whilst all *'slow'* work must be on the *'inside'* of the track
 29. **Grass Track - LTC** All *'fast'* work must be on the *'Inside'* of the track, whilst all *'slow'* work must be on the *'outside'* of the track

30. **LTC** - No person shall be permitted to release any training starting barriers, enact noise from training starting barriers, or jump horses out of training starting barriers when another horse conducting track work is within the 1000m to the 1400m posts of the sand track, regardless of if track work is being conducted on the sand or grass track.
31. For Safety reasons, no vehicles shall be started or moved while in close proximity to horses at any training centre. Similarly, when a vehicle has already been started and is in motion, and with horses coming into the vicinity of the vehicle, the driver must immediately stop and turn the vehicle off until the horse is well away from the vehicle. All entry/exit gates to training facilities must remain closed at all times and must only be used for their intended purpose when horses are not within close proximity of the entry/exit points. The speed limit for vehicles must not exceed 5 klm/hour at any time, with zero speed and engine off when horses are in their vicinity.
32. **Equine Pools**
The Equine Pools will be open at designated times. Closing at earlier times may be necessary on certain days. Decisions in this regard will be at the discretion of Tasracing Staff.

At no time shall any person enter the water of the Equine swimming pool.

Only persons who are authorised by the Track Supervisor are permitted to use the Horse Pool; and are only permitted to use the swimming facilities while using a life jacket supplied by Tasracing.

Only two (2) horses, that **do not** have respiratory tract problems or skin conditions, are permitted in the pool at any one time, and these horses must have head collars with a ring bit in place before entering the pool area under direct control of a responsible experienced handler that has had experience in swimming horses.

It is the responsibility of the authorised users of the horse pool to ensure that is operated in a safe manner in accordance with these rules.
33. No smoking or use of telephone and electronic devices whilst riding horses. [AR.113](#)
34. The Leading of horses behind an ATV or any other form of vehicle on any Tasracing controlled land **is strictly prohibited.**
35. The exercising of horses off lead ponies is permitted after 9:30am, The Track Supervisor reserves the right to postpone the request or allow exemption, based on numbers on track at the time of the request.
36. The horse being led must be to the offside of the lead pony. Both horses must stay to the outside of the course. Any horse wishing to pass must do so to the inside of the lead pony.
37. In the event that the lead pony and the horse being led wish to pass another horse on the track, that horse must move to the inside of the track.
38. When using the sand roll the area must be cleaned after use. No horse shall be left unattended or lunged in the rolling boxes.
39. Horses with skin or respiratory illnesses are not permitted to use the pool or sand roll and may be excluded from the centre. Trainers with horses with skin ailments using the wash must provide own scraper.
40. Tasracing reserves the right to amend or vary these Rules from time to time with any amendments to be displayed on the notice board.

TRACK INCIDENTS/EMERGENCIES PROCEDURES

In the event of a trackwork accident or trackwork rider being dislodged, a warning siren will be sounded. All riders already on track are to ease their mounts and proceed with caution. No other horses will be permitted to enter the track until all clear is given by the Track Supervisor.

Any injury, incident or near miss which occurs anywhere at the Centres must be reported immediately to the onsite Track Supervisor. The Track Supervisor is then required to complete the appropriate form and email to WHS@tasracing.com.au within 24 hours of the incident (Appendix 1 – Incident Report).

Situations that seriously endanger the health and safety of people in the immediate vicinity require notification to Tasracing.

Track rules are in accordance with the ARB rules of racing and are correct at time of printing, any alteration by the ARB will supersede incumbent rule