

Harness Policies | Children in Stables

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1. OBJECTIVE

1.1. The objective of this policy is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our licensed participants, racing officials and their extended families.

2. SCOPE

2.1. This policy applies to all Industry Participants and Racing Officials.

3. DEFINITION

3.1. Industry Participants

All persons licensed by the Office of Racing Integrity (ORI) - including but not limited to trainers, drivers and Stablehands.

3.2. Racing Officials

Includes judges, vets, track workers, attendants, club committee members, club employees and other position deemed to be a Race Official by Tasracing or ORI.

3.3. Venue

Means any Tasracing official race/trial or training centre as applicable to the location of the race meeting, trials or training session.

4. POLICY

- **4.1.** A child of an industry participant or racing official who has not attained the age of fourteen (14) years may only enter the stabling area at any Venue where that child is separated from the horse stalls by a barrier preventing direct access to the horse stalls.
- **4.2.** Industry participants and racing officials must take all reasonable steps to ensure that a child under their care and/or control and who has not attained the age of fourteen (14) years shall not enter the stabling area at any Venue unless that child is separated from the horse stalls by a barrier preventing direct access to the horse stalls.
- **4.3.** Any industry participant who contravenes the provisions of clause 4.2 is guilty of an offence. Stewards may take action if this rule is breached.
- **4.4.** Licensed participants under the age of eighteen (18) years must ensure they are displaying their ID card at all times.