

## 1. OBJECTIVE

- 1.1 The objective of this policy is to clearly define the criteria for determining whether or not a thoroughbred race is eligible to be divided.

## 2. POLICY

- 2.1 A race may be divided if 20 acceptors are received at the close of the advertised acceptance time, with the exception of 2YO races.
- 2.1.1 At the close of nominations, if a Maiden/Class 1 race has received 20 or more nominations the race may be divided. If there are sufficient acceptors to divide the race by Class, then the race is eligible to be divided by Class. In the event there is a lower number of Maiden acceptors Tasracing may place the lowest rated Class 1 horses, as determined by the Handicapper, in the Maiden division.
- 2.2 2YO races may be divided if 16 acceptors are received at the close of the advertised acceptance time.
- 2.3 Where there is a deleted race on the program, Tasracing may, at the close of the advertised acceptance time, divide another race on the program if each division has 8 or more acceptors.
- 2.4 Where there are more races eligible for division than there is capacity for on the race program, then preference is given to the class which has the least opportunity with regards to races programmed in the following two weeks.
- 2.5 While a race may be eligible for division, there is no obligation for Tasracing to divide that race. Trainers will be advised via SMS of the intention to divide a race.
- 2.6 All divides will be determined at the discretion of Tasracing.