

**BYFORD HARNESS TRAINING COMPLEX**

**Training Rules & Regulations**

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# GENERAL

1. In addition to these, the Rules of Racing Wagering W.A. (RWWA) shall bind every person using the facilities
2. RWWA reserves the right to amend any or all of these rules or add or make additional rules without prior notice, but shall forward a copy of same to each trainer with training rights at the complex within 14 days of their adoption.
3. The BHTC shall from time to time set out such fees, as it deems appropriate for the use of the facilities.
4. Wherever possible the Committee shall consult with RWWA and Breeders Owners Trainers and Reins-Persons Association (BOTRA) regarding proposed amendments to training facility rules.
5. Strictly, no domestic pets are allowed on premises.
6. RWWA and BHTC committee will review the rules every two years.

# TRAINERS, THEIR EMPLOYEES AND ASSISTANTS

1. All trainers must be licenced with RWWA. Should any trainer cease for any reason whatsoever to be licenced then the rights or privileges granted by the BHTC shall cease forthwith.
2. Every trainer shall ensure that any person assisting the trainer using the facility is licenced with RWWA and no trainer shall utilise any such person who is not so licenced.
3. Horses shall be deemed to be under the control of the nominated trainer when using the facilities.
4. It is the duty of the trainer to ensure that all persons assisting them are aware of the Training Rules and Regulations and ensuring they abide by them.
5. No person under the age of fourteen (14) years is permitted to conduct track work.
6. Every driver shall wear boots, which fully cover feet and afford reasonable protection, an approved safety vest properly fastened and a properly affixed helmet of design and material approved by the stewards of RWWA. All persons working horses prior to sunrise and after sunset shall wear an approved reflective vest.
7. Permission to use the training facilities is conditional on signed acceptance of and understanding of the Training Rules and Regulations.
8. RWWA will take action against any person found guilty of improper or insulting behavior at any time towards the committee or any member thereof or any official, in relation to his/her duties.
9. Furthermore, RWWA will take action against any trainer or his/her staff found guilty of improper or insulting behavior at any time towards any person within the racecourse precincts.

# THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF HORSES

1. All horses must enter through the approved entrances. “Entry only” and ‘’Exit only” signs to be observed.
2. All horses bought onto the BHTC must be controlled by the use of an approved bridle and wear a bit.
3. All horses are to walk on and off the training track where practical.
4. All horses, whether in cart or on jogger, are restricted to travel no faster than 10km per hour including bridle paths.

# FACILITIES

## General

1. Once the warning siren has sounded all persons must proceed with caution until the ‘All Clear’ is given.
2. No person shall remove or alter the location of any markers, machinery, equipment or obstacles owned by RWWA unless authorised by the racecourse manager or an authorised agent.
3. Availability of training tracks and facilities shall be notified on the notice board at the office – tracks may be closed without notice. Notice board practices must be strictly adhered to, and shall be deemed part of the conditions upon which training rights are granted.
4. Horse stalls must be cleaned after use, persons failing to clean up will face a penalty.

## Jog Track

1. The jog track will be open Monday – Friday from dawn to dusk, Saturday dawn to 1500Hrs and Sunday dawn to 1200 hrs. Closing of the jog track may be necessary on certain days for maintenance. RWWA Officials, in this regard, will make decisions and members will be advised.
2. Only one (1) horse may be led from a sulky at any time on the jog track. The horse must be held by hand and must have a bit in its mouth.
3. Speed limit for joggers on jog track is strictly 25km per hour.
4. Joggers to use the outside of the track at all times.
5. Joggers to be kept in good mechanical condition.
6. No noisy joggers should not be used. Vehicles must be in road worthy condition.
7. Joggers not to park or stop on jog track unless in the case of an emergency.
8. No galloping of horses on joggers.
9. Children not to hang out of window of joggers.
10. No galloping a horse whilst leading another horse, or galloping the lead horse.
11. No horse to be put on a jogger with a cart on without a driver.
12. No persons to ride or stand on joggers.
13. No alcohol to be consumed whilst driving a vehicle towing a jogger.
14. Any person driving a vehicle towing a jogger must be the holder of a current motor vehicle driver’s license and be a licensed participant in the harness industry.
15. Only one person to ride in a sulky at one time.
16. Little Richmond track is to be used for slow pace-work only, no fast work allowed.
17. All horses must enter the jog track at walking pace only.
18. Mobile phones not to be used whilst working horses. Head phones not to be used at any time.

## Main Track/Fast Track

1. All horses to work in anti-clockwise direction unless permission is given by the manager or in line with notice board instructions on the board at the office.
2. The Main Track will be open from sunrise until noon Monday to Saturday. Additionally, the track is open Monday to Friday after 4pm until dusk and on Sundays AFTER trials until 12 noon subject to Clause 3 above.
3. No reins person to alight from the sulky to adjust gear whilst on the fast track. All gear alterations must be done in the stall area.
4. When markers are placed on the Main Track, all work must be conducted outside of the markers.
5. Slow horses to move up the track to allow horses working fast pace to pass on their inside.
6. Horses warming down on infield must be at a suitable distance from the edge of track as to not cause interference to horses working (commonsense to prevail). When crossing to infield, drivers are not to leave wheel marks or interfere with flexi poles.
7. Fast work not to commence whilst flashing or red warning lights on shed are on.
8. Hours for public holidays will be advertised on the notice boards

## Equine Swimming Pool

1. Only persons who are financial members are permitted to use the horse pool.
2. It is the responsibility of the authorised users of the horse pool to ensure that the horse pool is operated in a safe manner in accordance with these rules.
3. At no time shall any person enter the water of the horse pool.
4. Horses with respiratory tract problems are notpermitted to enter the horse pool.
5. Only one horse is permitted in the pool at any one time, unless form same stable (rules list on gate).
6. Manure must be removed from the horse pool by the horse handler.

## Sand Roll

1. Only one horse may use the sand roll at any one time.
2. The gate to the sand roll must be used at all times with the handler on the outside of enclosure.
3. Horses must not be ridden in sand roll.
4. Horses are not to be left unattended at any time.
5. Horses with skin or respiratory diseases are NOT permitted to use the sand roll.
6. Manure must be removed promptly by the horse handler.
7. Gate must be closed after use.