

# INDUSTRY NOTICE

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## ***Harness Industry Participants – LICENCING AND REGISTRATION***

Participants in Tasmania's racing industry must be licenced in accordance with the relevant Rules of Racing. The Director of Racing must consider each application to determine whether applicants meet the requisite criteria to be licenced. Those who do not hold a current licence (including if it has lapsed) cannot lawfully participate in any racing related activity and may be subject to sanction. The application deadline for a new season is set approximately three weeks in advance of the new season to ensure that:

- The Office of Racing Integrity has time to process applications (allowing for the increased volume of applications at this time of year);
- Any errors or omissions by participants can be addressed; and
- Data can be entered into databases to allow flow through to participant online portals.

Incomplete or inaccurate applications may result in delays, the application being returned, or the application being denied.

This year, all applications submitted by the application deadline were processed and considered by the Director of Racing.

Where applications have been received after the deadline, staff at the Office of Racing Integrity have worked hard to ensure that applications are processed as expediently as possible in the order they are received.

The Director of Racing acknowledges that several participants have had their involvement affected because applications were not submitted until very late in the licensing season – or not at all. This is unfortunate; however it is incumbent on each participant to ensure that they are duly licenced, through the timely submission of applications.

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For further information

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