

FEES POLICY EFFECTIVE FROM 3 NOVEMBER 2021

1. BACKGROUND

This policy is made under s.102(1)(a) of the <u>Racing Act 2002</u> (Qld) ("**the Act**") and s.2B(g) of the <u>Racing Regulation 2013</u> (Qld). Those provisions require Racing Queensland (RQ), as the control body for all codes of racing in Queensland, to make a policy for the fees RQ will charge.

2. POLICY NAME

This policy is known as the Fees Policy ("Policy").

3. DATE MADE & DATE OF EFFECT

This Policy is made on 3 November 2021 and takes effect on the same day.

4. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is to provide guidance on how fees for services will be set by RQ.

5. WHO IS AFFECTED BY THE POLICY?

This Policy is a policy for all codes of racing.

This Policy applies to race Clubs, race venues, licensees, licensed wagering operators, holders of a race information authority and other Industry Participants.

6. APPLICATION

6.1. How Decisions Are to be Made

RQ will charge appropriate fees for the sound management of the Queensland racing industry. RQ's fees for services will be set according to the cost of providing the service and will be commensurate with those charged by similar organisations or organisations providing similar services. Fees are not designed merely to raise revenue.

RQ will review its fees annually and may adjust them in accordance with changes in the cost of providing the service, or anticipated increases or movements in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), whichever is higher.

RQ will advertise changes to fees through its website and the Racing Calendar at least four weeks before the new fee comes into effect. Fees must be paid in full by the due date. Late payment will attract an administration charge payable to compensate RQ for its costs in dealing with late payments. Unpaid fees beyond RQ's payment terms may cause the debtor to be placed on the forfeit list.

6.2. Roles & Responsibilities

RQ will set fees according to the reasonable cost of providing the service. RQ must advertise changes in fees. RQ must review discretionary fees if these are challenged and provide reasons supporting the reviewed fee.

Industry Participants, including race clubs, licensees, licensed wagering operators, holders of a race information authority and other industry participants must pay fees levied by RQ in full by the date they are due.

7. RULES OF RACING

Rules of Racing will not be made for and do not apply to this Policy.

8. RELATED DOCUMENTS

All Racing Queensland Policies

Fees & Payment Guide

Licence General Terms - TAB Clubs

Licence General Terms - Non-TAB Clubs

Minimum Venue Standards

Racing Act 2002

Racing Integrity Act 2016

Racing Regulation 2013

9. REFERENCES

In this Policy:

- (a) the **Act** means the <u>Racing Act 2002</u> (Qld).
- (b) **Club** means a licenced club or venue for any code of racing in Queensland.
- (c) **Industry Participants** includes anyone holding a licence, approval, or authority of any kind under the Act or the <u>Racing Integrity Act 2016</u> (Qld).
- (d) RQ means the Racing Queensland Board.
- (e) any capitalised terms defined in the Act, the *Racing Integrity Act 2016*, or an instrument made under either of them, has the same meaning as set out in that legislation or instrument, except as otherwise stated in this Policy.

10. VERSION HISTORY

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