COVID-19 RACING CODE PROTOCOLS ADDENDUM



EFFECTIVE JULY 23, 2021

Background / Summary

- 1. This Addendum replaces the previous Addendum issued effective July 16, 2021.
- 2. The purpose of this Addendum is to provide additional information to support the individual Racing Code Protocols following recent announcements by the Queensland Government.
- 3. The Queensland Government has announced that the whole of NSW will be a declared COVID-19 hotspot effective 1am July 23, 2021. Further, the Queensland Government will implement a NSW border zone to facilitate entry to Queensland for residents from that border zone, and for Queensland residents to enter the NSW border zone, for limited purposes including work.
- 4. The Queensland Government's existing face mask wearing requirements will remain in place for all persons in the Local Government Areas of Brisbane, Moreton Bay, Ipswich, Logan City, Redlands, Sunshine Coast, Noosa, Somerset, Lockyer Valley, Scenic Rim and Gold Coast. These LGAs are considered "impacted areas".
- 5. Racing Queensland will also require a face mask to be worn by any person in Core Racing Areas at all race meetings throughout the State.
- 6. It is expected that these face mask wearing requirements will remain in place until 6am July 30, 2021.

NSW Border Zone

- 7. The NSW border zone implemented by the Queensland Government facilitates entry to Queensland for residents from that border zone, and for Queensland residents to enter the NSW border zone, for limited purposes including work.
- 8. Relevant persons entering Queensland from the NSW border zone (and Queensland residents re-entering after working in the NSW border zone) will be required to complete and possess the appropriate Queensland Government border zone pass.
- 9. Relevant persons are not permitted to have been outside of the NSW border zone in the 14 days prior to entry into Queensland. If a person travels south outside of the NSW border zone and needs to enter, or return to, Queensland within the 14 days, they will be required to go into hotel quarantine.
- 10. Horses being transported from the NSW border zone to Queensland race meetings can travel and complete their journey as normal in line with the required arrival times oncourse as stipulated by the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission.
- 11. The person transporting and anyone accompanying the horse/s from the NSW border zone to Queensland race meetings must ensure they have the appropriate Queensland Government border zone pass or border declaration pass. This also applies to Queensland residents returning with horse/s after competing at race meetings in the NSW border zone.
- 12. Refer to the links below for details about the NSW border zone and requirements for relevant travel declarations and passes:

COVID-19 update | Health and wellbeing | Queensland Government (www.qld.gov.au)

Travelling to Queensland | Health and wellbeing | Queensland Government (www.qld.gov.au)





Race meetings

- 13. Patrons are able to attend all race meetings throughout Queensland. Noting that residents from the NSW border zone would not be permitted as this would not be considered work.
- 14. All persons attending race meetings in the impacted areas must comply with all Queensland Health directions.

Face masks

- 15. At race meetings in the impacted areas (i.e., the specified LGAs in point 4):
 - (a) Essential Racing Personnel: are required to wear a face mask at all times including indoors, stabling/kennelling areas, in mounting yards, behind barriers, starting boxes etc. Jockeys and drivers are not required to wear a face mask whilst racing but must wear a face mask at all other times.
 - (b) Patrons: are required to wear a face mask at all times, except when seated for eating or drinking.
- 16. At race meetings in unimpacted areas (i.e., the rest of Queensland):
 - (a) Essential Racing Personnel: are required to wear a face mask in the Core Racing Areas including indoors, stabling/kennelling areas, in mounting yards, behind barriers, starting boxes etc. Jockeys and drivers are not required to wear a face mask whilst racing but must wear a face mask at all other times in Core Racing Areas.
 - (b) Patrons: are not required to wear a face mask.

Core Racing Area access

17. Owners are permitted access to Core Racing Areas at all race meetings throughout Queensland but must wear a face mask.

Occupant Density

- 18. Occupant density requirements now revert to 1 person per 2 square metres indoors.
- 19. Racing clubs in the impacted areas are still required to follow the requirement for seated eating and drinking.

Temperature testing on arrival

20. Temperature testing of Essential Racing Personnel on arrival at all TAB race meetings across Queensland has been reintroduced and will continue during this period.

Training venues and stables/kennels

21. All persons attending training venues and stables/kennels within the impacted areas for trackwork/trials/jumpouts must wear a face mask.

