



**EMERGENCY STARTING POSITION
Effective February 1st 2020**

During the month of October HRNSW undertook a series of Regional Race Programming Sessions. At the sessions attendees were asked their opinion concerning a range of issues.

Following feedback received HRNSW undertook a survey of all stakeholders in December to gain a broader view.

With respect to Emergencies at tracks where there are two rows the question and outcome was as follows:

To ensure there are the maximum number of starters off the front row and for safety reasons that there are not more horses starting from the back row do you agree that Emergencies should draw outside the Starters and then take the Barrier vacated by Scratching's (i.e. Emergency 1 draws 11, Number 4 is Scratched, the Emergency Starts from Barrier 4)

- i. Yes I agree
- ii. No the Emergency should be drawn in the field
- iii. I believe there should be no Emergencies

Replace SCR	In Field	No Emergencies	Responses			
			Replace			
Total	Total	Total	Total	SCR	In Field	No EM
234	151	25	410	57.1%	36.8%	6.1%

Based on the feedback received Emergencies will be drawn outside the starters and will take the place of a Scratched horse.

The first Emergency will take the place of the first scratched horse, the second Emergency will take the place of the second scratched horse, except when the Emergency is an ODM, RODM or made EODM it will start from the outside of the second row.

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