

REGISTERED RACES & OFFICIAL TRIALS

DETAILS OF COVERAGE

- A compulsory \$2 (from 1 July 2023) fee will be charged on every starter, to be invoiced to the trainer for all registered races and official trials conducted in New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.
- Sulky Recovery Scheme (SRS) coverage will commence from the time a sulky is presented in the parade ring, prior to the race and will cease once the horse and sulky exit the track at the completion of the allocated registered race or official trial.

PRESENTATION OF SULKIES

- Sulkies that are deemed to be non-compliant with respect to AHRR 273 (2) (c) (d) (e) by a HRNSW Steward or Club Official will not be covered by the SRS:
 - (2) A person shall not present to start or start a horse in a race in gear (for the purposes of the SRS this translates to sulkies) which in the opinion of the Stewards is:
 - c) Of inferior quality;
 - d) In poor order or condition;
 - e) Of insufficient strength and quality to cope with the stresses likely to be imposed upon it in a race.

In addition, AHRR 271 & AHRR 271A (as set out below) also apply to the presentation of sulkies:

- AHRR 271 : only sulkies of the type, dimensions and materials approved by the Controlling body may be used;
- AHRR 271A : A sulky shall conform to the standards set out in the document adopted by Harness Racing Australia entitled "Standard For Safety and Performance of Sulkies" and subtitled "The Sulky Standard".

WHAT IS COVERED

- Sulkies (where written off) are covered to the value of 80% of the original Tax Invoice or assessed value of the sulky, however; coverage is limited to a maximum of \$8,000. The assessed value will be at the discretion of HRNSW and the valuation will be based on information provided to HRNSW officials. Written off sulkies must be supported by written confirmation from the manufacturer or repairer that the sulky is damaged beyond economical or safe repair and a Certificate of Destruction confirming that the sulky has been surrendered and physically decommissioned.

From **11 July 2022** (Maximum \$8,000).

- Wheels are covered to 80% of the original Tax Invoice or assessed value of the wheel, however; coverage is limited to a maximum of \$1,100 per wheel. The assessed value will be at the discretion of HRNSW and the figure will be based on information provided to HRNSW officials.

From **11 July 2022** (Maximum \$1,100).

- All repairs undertaken by a recognised manufacturer or repairer will be covered to 80% of the total invoiced repair value, but not in excess of the original purchase price of the damaged sulky.
- The sulky owner is responsible for arranging supporting documentation for written off sulkies, as well as having appropriate repairs and/or replacement of damaged items carried out. All invoices (and other relevant documentation as may be required) are to be made available to the HRNSW SRS Claims Officer on request.
- All reimbursements under the Sulky Recovery Scheme (SRS) will be remitted to the sulky owner's nominated Stakes Run bank account.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS COVERED (FOR REGISTERED RACES ONLY)

- Replacement helmets (where confiscated by HRNSW Stewards) are covered to 100% of replacement value, however; custom paint work and overseas shipping are not reimbursable, only the base helmet value.

- Safety vests, if damaged during removal by Paramedics following a race accident, are covered to 100% of the replacement value.
- Damaged race colours, driving trousers, skivvies (where surrendered to HRNSW Stewards or confirmed as having been removed by Paramedics following a race accident) are covered to 100% of replacement value.
- Additional items may be covered for damaged incurred during official trials if the items (when supported by a Trial Report) are presented to a HRNSW Steward or Club Official.
- Invoices covering the items replaced are to be submitted to the responsible HRNSW SRS Claims Officer before reimbursement under the SRS will be considered.

WHAT IS NOT COVERED

- Theft;
- Accidents occurring in or around the stabling complex;
- Accidents resulting from travel to and from the race meeting;
- Sulkies and wheels with any signs of non-race damage, faulty workmanship, or sulkies where it is evident that the Sulky Official Identification Number (SOIN) has been tampered with, or where the SOIN is missing, may have their claims refused and future covered denied;

PRIOR TO INSURANCE COVERAGE COMMENCING

- All sulkies and wheels must be presented by the sulky owner/trainer for inspection at which time they will be registered/tagged by a HRNSW official. It is the responsibility of the owner/trainer to have the inspection carried out prior to the sulky being accepted for a claim under the terms of the SRS. Photographs/details of the sulky to be registered will be recorded by the HRNSW official and made available to the HRNSW SRS Claims Officer for registration.
- The official tag will be attached by the HRNSW official to the sulky and will act as the Sulky Official Identification Number (SOIN). All relevant details associated with the sulky will be held by HRNSW against this SOIN for SRS purposes. The owner/trainer should record the SOIN once assigned in the event that the tag becomes detached or otherwise removed. Instances of this nature are to be brought to the attention of HRNSW Stewards as soon as practical so a replacement official tag can be assigned to the affected sulky.

VALUATION

- Removal of the official tag shall void any future cover and/or claims.
- The owner must provide HRNSW with a genuine proof of purchase receipt (ie: Tax Invoice) for each registered/tagged sulky which clearly states the sulky make/model, date of purchase, price and vendors details and any warranty associated with the sulky. This Tax Invoice will provide the basis for valuation of the sulky under the SRS.
- If the owner does not have a receipt, the owner must, in the first instance, contact the vendor and request a copy of the original Tax Invoice be made available. If this is not possible, the owner must supply details of the sulky make/model, the vendor, the approximate date of purchase and any warranty and details as to why a copy of the Tax Invoice can't be produced. In the absence of a Tax Invoice, HRNSW will apply a fair market value at their discretion.
- HRNSW reserves the right to accept or refuse any claim.

FAQ'S

• **How do I make a claim?**

Immediately after the registered race it is the responsibility of the owner/trainer to have the damaged sulky assessed by a HRNSW official.

Immediately after the official trial it is the responsibility of the owner/trainer to have the damaged sulky assessed by a rial Supervisor.

- **If my sulky is damaged who repairs the sulky?**

The sulky will be assessed by a HRNSW official (if a registered race) or Trial Supervisor (if an official trial) at the race meeting or trial event whom will forward appropriate documentation to the HRNSW SRS Claims Officer. It is the responsibility of the claimant to have the sulky professionally assessed by the manufacturer or a recognised repairer and to have the sulky transported to and from such manufacturer or repairer for the purposes of such assessment if required.

Depending on individual circumstances, the HRNSW official may elect to take possession of either the sulky or items (including wheels) that have been damaged.

- **If my sulky is damaged beyond repair?**

The sulky will be assessed by a HRNSW official (if a registered race) or Trial Supervisor (if an official trial) at the race meeting or trial event whom will forward appropriate documentation to the HRNSW SRS Claims Officer. It is the responsibility of the claimant to have the sulky professionally assessed by the manufacturer or recognised agent and to have the sulky transported to and from such manufacturer or repairer for the purposes of such assessment.

Written off sulkies must be supported by both a written confirmation from the manufacturer or repairer that the sulky is damaged beyond economical or safe repair and a Certificate of Destruction confirming that the sulky has been physically decommissioned.

Sulkies are not to be physically disposed of until such time as the owner has been authorised to do so by the HRNSW SRS Claims Officer. Disposal of a sulky without HRNSW authorisation may void the claim.

- **How long will it take for my claim to be processed?**

HRNSW will process the claim and arrange remittance of the SRS funds into the owner's nominated Stakes Run bank account within twenty-eight (28) days subsequent to the receipt of all required documentation from the claimant by the HRNSW SRS Claims Officer.

- **What happens if I make a false claim or I am found to be using the SRS in a fraudulent manner?**

Each claim will be reviewed and treated on a case by case basis, however; HRNSW will take strong action against any fraudulent conduct, and this may result in considerable penalties being applied. Persons found to have acted fraudulently will be referred to the NSW Police Service.

- **Is an EXCESS payable?**

No.

- **Is the HRNSW SRS compulsory?**

Yes.

- **Does the HRNSW SRS take into consideration depreciation?**

No.

- **Are Unofficial and trackwork covered by the SRS?**

No.

- **Are tyres, discs, mud guards and dust sheets covered by the SRS?**

No.

- **What races are covered by the SRS?**

Only registered races, official trials and green trials (as drawn through the HRNSW Handicappers) qualify for coverage.

A registered race is defined as a race at a meeting conducted under the Rules of Harness Racing.

An official trial (including green trials) are those defined as being drawn by the HRNSW Handicapping Division.