

GELDING PROCEDURES - NOTIFICATION TO HRNSW

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HRNSW Stewards remind Trainers and Owners of their obligations to notify HRNSW or Stewards following a gelding procedure being performed.

Australian Harness Racing Rules (AHRR) 100 and 100A state the following:

AHRR 100. (1) A person who has a horse gelded or submits it to a medical, surgical or other procedure of a type specified by the Controlling Body or Stewards, shall notify the Controlling Body or Stewards of that fact.

- (2) Notification under sub-rule (1) shall be given within 7 days of the gelding or other procedure occurring, in writing or such other form as the Controlling Body or Stewards may determine and, if the horse is named, notification shall be accompanied by the horse's registration certificate.
- (3) Where a horse has been gelded the connections of such gelding shall not nominate such gelding for a race to be run within a period of 28 days of the horse being gelded.
- (4) A person who fails to comply with any provision of this rule is guilty of an offence.

AHRR 100A. Notification of gelding or performance of other specified procedures shall be given to the Controlling Body or Stewards in such form as the Controlling Body may determine.

In addition, HRNSW Stewards advise Trainers and Owners that the notification of a gelding procedure is to be provided in writing to HRNSW Stewards and/or HRNSW Registration department, including the details of the registered veterinarian who performed the procedure.

A link to the relevant HRNSW form is as follows: NOTIFICATION OF GELDING