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*HRNSW Board Meeting – November 2018*

### PREMIERSHIP ELIGIBILITY POLICY

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the July 2012 Harness Racing NSW Board Meeting it was resolved to apply a Policy relating to premierships and/or any recognition of honour.

At the November 2018 Harness Racing NSW Board Meeting the Policy was amended to clearly state that it relates to National, State, Club, Association & Horse Awards.

#### **POLICY**

The following Policy relates to all Horse & Participant Awards presented at the following levels:

- a) National
  - b) State
  - c) Club
  - d) Association and Accredited Bodies
1. Any licensee or horse that is disqualified during the course of a season is ineligible to win a premiership or receive any recognition of honour for that season or any season that the disqualification extends to.
  2. Further to Part 1, the licensee and/or owner(s) is ineligible to claim any trophies, medals and/or prizes (financial or otherwise) associated with the premiership or any recognition of honour for that season or any season that the disqualification extends to.
  3. If a licensee or horse is involved in a positive swab inquiry and/or an appeal involving a disqualification at the time of the announcement or presentation of a premiership or any recognition of honour, the announcement or presentation will be deferred until the final outcome is known.
  4. Should a licensee or horse be disqualified after being awarded a premiership or receiving any recognition of honour, for a matter relating to the season in question, they will be stripped of that premiership or recognition of honour and the licensee and/or owner(s) must return any trophies, medals and/or prizes (financial or otherwise) associated with the premiership or any recognition of honour for that season.
  5. Any person disqualified or warned off at the time cannot attend an awards night, ceremony or any other function relating to harness racing.