

WARNING TO TRAINERS & VETERINARIANS USE OF ALTRENOGEST IN FILLIES AND MARES

On 22 June 2018, Racing NSW provided notice to the industry in respect to the detection of trace levels of the anabolic steroid trendione and/or trenbolone in certain batches of veterinary prescription animal remedies containing the progestagen *altrenogest*, used to control the cyclical activity of fillies and mares. Racing NSW advised that, until further notice, trainers in NSW should not administer injectable products containing *altrenogest* at any time. Trainers were also advised they should not use oral *altrenogest* containing products within one clear day of racing and that these registered products must be used in accordance with the relevant manufacturer's guidelines.

Further, in February 2020, Racing NSW provided a warning to the industry in respect of the administration of progestogen containing products not manufactured or registered for use in horses (such as Regumate Oral Progestagen for pigs) resulting in trendione being detected in a post-race urine samples. The use of such products, not manufactured or registered specifically for use in horses, are prohibited from being used in racing stables when there are specific products manufactured and registered for use in horses.

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