



POLICY – TRANSPORT OF HORSES FROM VICTORIA

Wednesday, 26 August 2020

The following policy has been implemented by Racing NSW to permit horses to travel from Victoria into NSW. This policy is subject to change and Racing NSW reserves the right to amend the policy and any conditions as it considers necessary or appropriate. Participants are encouraged to monitor the Racing NSW website for any changes. For the avoidance of doubt, this policy does not permit any person to travel from Victoria into NSW without adhering to the Racing NSW's General COVID-19 protocols, with the exception of persons transporting horses.

1. Any horse currently **located in the Melbourne Greater Metropolitan Area and subject to Stage 4 restrictions** is not permitted to be transported to NSW until further notice.
2. All other horses are permitted to be transported from Victoria to NSW by using commercial or non-commercial vehicles.
3. Horses are not permitted to be transported directly from Victoria to a training stable or racecourse, but may be transported to a spelling or pre-training property that is not located on a racecourse or where horses are in training and being transported directly to a race meeting.
4. Trainers or owners must make application to Racing NSW Stewards to transport horses using the application form below. Horses must not be transported until permission is provided by Racing NSW.

Application forms must be emailed to horsetravel@racingnsw.com.au

Stable returns must be lodged by the trainer of a horse (where applicable) for any horse in work that discloses the location of the horse.

5. Prior to the loading of horses, transport operators should ensure that the transport vehicle has been cleaned, washed, and disinfected.
6. Whenever possible, vehicles should only have one person (driver) located in the vehicle and any person accompanying the vehicle is to maintain social distancing with any person on the property where the horses are being loaded. That person/s must undertake thorough cleansing and disinfection prior to leaving to travel to NSW, including the cleaning and disinfection of the vehicle cabin where persons are located.
7. Upon arrival at the property, the following unloading procedures must be implemented.
 - a. The driver is to unload horses from the vehicle and ensure that he or she maintains social distancing from any person on the property.
 - b. Any person located on the property is not permitted to enter the transport vehicle and must ensure he or she maintains social distancing from the driver.
 - c. Horses are to be placed into an outside yard or paddock (and must not be taken into a stable by the driver) designated by the property.

- d. All gear including halter and lead must be returned to the vehicle by the driver and must not be left at the property.
 - e. Any gate or other item touched by the driver should be cleaned and disinfected.
 - f. Horses are to remain in the outside yard or paddock for at least 3 hours, after which time they can be moved into another area of the property, including stables.
 - g. Following a horse being located at the property for a minimum period of 48 hours, the horse then may be transported to a racecourse or licensed stable.
8. Following the horses being unloaded at the receiving property and the transport vehicle has left the premises, an appointed COVIDSafe Officer of the receiving property, must declare using the form below that the said horses were delivered in accordance with the attached policy.
 9. Any person who fails to report the movement of a horse from Victoria or to adhere to the conditions in this policy may be subject to penalty under the Rules of Racing and the horse may not be permitted to be trained or raced in NSW.

GREATER MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA MAP





APPLICATION TO TRANSPORT HORSES FROM VICTORIA TO NSW

I _____ (Name) hereby make application to transport the horses listed below to a NSW property that is not a licensed training stable or located on a NSW racecourse. I declare that the information provided is true and correct and that the horses are not being transported from the Melbourne Greater Metropolitan Area and subject to Stage 4 restrictions.

Name or Breeding	Address travelling from	Address Travelling to	Date of travel
Name of transport operator:			

Applicant Details:

SIGNED _____ **Date:** _____

NAME: _____ **Contact No:** _____

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PLEASE ENSURE YOU OBTAIN APPROVAL FROM RACING NSW PRIOR TO TRANSPORTING HORSES.



COVID DECLARATION

I _____ (Name) declare that I witnessed the horses listed below being transported to _____ (Name of Property) by _____ (Name of transport operator) at _____ (time) on _____ (date) in accordance with section 7 of the Racing NSW COVID policy for the Transportation of Horses from Victoria.

NAME (OR BREEDNG IF UNAMED)	NAME (OR BREEDNG IF UNAMED)

SIGNED _____ **Date:** _____

NAME: _____ **Contact No:** _____