



HARNESS RACING VICTORIA

HRV SECTIONAL TIMES POLICY

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HRV Sectional Times Policy

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1. BACKGROUND

A sectional times policy contributes to a fairer racing and improves the public perception of harness racing by preventing any possibility of leading drivers from controlling the race due to different positioning in races.

2. POLICY

Pacers

The driver of the leader is required to complete the first half of the last mile in 64.0 seconds or faster.

For any race of 1750m or less there is a requirement that each quarter of the last mile be completed in 32.0 seconds or faster.

Trotters

The driver of the leader is required to complete the first half of the last mile in 65.0 seconds or faster.

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Pacers

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2. The driver of the leader is required to complete the first half of the last mile in 64.0seconds or faster.

Trotters

3. The driver of the leader is required to complete each quarter in 32.5 seconds or faster;
4. The driver of the leader is required to complete the first half of the last mile in 65.0seconds or faster.

3. EXEMPTIONS TO POLICY

The following exceptions apply to this policy:

- Races with prizemoney of \$4,500 or less;
- All two year old races;
- All three year old trotting races;
- All maiden races;
- Trotting races in excess of 2400m;
- Stewards discretion, which may include, but is not limited to, when fast prior sectional times are recorded and/or adverse weather conditions are present.