



RACING AND WAGERING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**24 February 2025**

## **Notice to Drivers**

### **Starting Procedures for Mobile Races**

Following a review of the starting procedures for mobile races, it has been identified that the starting process can be enhanced by changing the present score-up system.

The revised procedure requires all horses drawn on the front line to marshal in a circle in descending race book order in a clockwise direction. Horses on the second row are to marshal in a second circle in descending race book order in a clockwise direction immediately behind the front row circle.

After circling in the correct order, the Starter will activate the amber light and alert all drivers to come up into their positions as the mobile gradually moves forward with the widest drawn runner on the front line being the first to leave the circle and approach the barrier and come up into the correct position followed by the runner drawn to its immediate inside and so on in sequential order.

The same process applies to all horses drawn on the second line.

The revised procedures will take effect at the Gloucester Park race meeting on Friday, 28 February 2025 and will be in place for all race meetings and trials from thereon.

### **Wearing of Helmets & Vests**

When conducting recent stable and training property inspections, it has been identified that the rules of racing regarding the wearing of helmets and safety vests are not being followed at all times and all drivers are reminded that the wearing of a helmet and vest is compulsory when driving or riding a horse which includes private trackwork, bush tracks, beach work etc.

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