



Media Release

COVID-19

Harness Racing SA has been monitoring the development of the novel coronavirus (Covid-19) and its potential implications for the harness racing industry in South Australia.

The COVID-19 coronavirus has impacted businesses around the world, and we within harness racing need to ensure that its effects on the industry are both minimised, and managed in a clear and proper way.

To this end Harness Racing SA is closely monitoring the situation updates being provided by the Federal and State Governments, together with those from all relevant authorities.

HRSA is prepared to take any action required to ensure that we minimise the risks to human health and the potential disruption to harness racing.

HRSA strongly recommends that all those involved and working in harness racing follow the guidance from the Department of Health as this is the best way to contain the spread of COVID 19.

Everyone should practise good hygiene to protect against infections. Good hygiene includes:

- washing your hands often with soap and water
- using a tissue and cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze
- avoiding close contact with others, such as touching
- maintain at least 1 metre (3 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.

HRSA strongly encourages anyone experiencing the following symptoms: **Fever, Dry Cough, Muscle Aches, Tiredness and Difficulty Breathing** to seek medical intervention and to isolate yourself to prevent the spread to other people.

At this point we are proceeding with our racing programme.

As the situation continues to develop, we will update you with pertinent information.

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