

# AMENDMENTS TO AUSTRALIAN RULES OF RACING

# AR.178F(2) – Treatment records to include taking blood samples

### **Summary:**

Racing Australia believes that a trainer's obligation in respect of their treatment records should be expanded to include the taking of blood samples. This will provide Stewards with greater transparency and allow lines of inquiry into reasons for taking blood samples and the results of any analysis.

The proposed addition may also assist trainers where they seek to prove that they have not breached the race day/one clear day injection rules.

# 1. Amend AR.178F(2) as follows:

#### AR.178F.

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- "(2) For the purposes of this rule:
- (a) "treatment" includes:
  - (i) shock wave therapy;
  - (ii) acupuncture (including laser treatment);
  - (iii) chiropractic treatment;
  - (iv) the use of any electrical stimulation device (including transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS));
  - (v) magnetic field therapy;
  - (vi) ultrasound;
  - (vii) any form of oxygen therapy, including hyperbaric oxygen therapy;
  - (viii) the taking of a blood sample; and"

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