



HARNESS RACING VICTORIA

# **RACEFIELDS TECHNICAL GUIDE FOR PROVISION OF REQUIRED INFORMATION**

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This guide has been prepared to assist Approved WSPs in understanding the “required information” – Supply of data under Harness Racing Victoria’s Racefields Conditions of Approval to publish and use Victorian harness race fields.

### 1 - Daily Data Collection

Harness Racing Victoria requires a daily File (Please refer to Section 3 (**Daily/Monthly File Format**)) containing details of all Betting Transactions which have the same Result Date to be submitted by 9am (AEST) on the following day. Harness Racing Victoria anticipates that Approved WSPs will automate this process and submit to Harness Racing Victoria via **SFTP Server** hosted-by Harness Racing Victoria. (Refer to Attachment SFTP Server Guide)

For all correspondence regarding delays in-processing Daily Files please-email [wspdatafile@hrv.org.au](mailto:wspdatafile@hrv.org.au)

For all correspondence regarding IT troubleshooting and support inquiries-please email [wsp@hrv.org.au](mailto:wsp@hrv.org.au)

The naming convention for the Daily Files is:

**WSPxxx\_DDMMYYYY.csv**

Where **xxx** is the Approved WSP Unique Code (provided to Approved WSPs by Harness Racing Victoria, refer to Attachment 1); and **DDMMYYYY** is the Result Date within the file. Example file name: **WSP101\_01082014.csv**

### 2 - Monthly Data Collection

Harness Racing Victoria requires a Monthly file containing details of all Betting Transactions which have the same Result Date for the whole reported month which must be produced as a single CSV only include a single header row for the monthly data file.

The file is to be submitted by 5pm (AEST) on the 5th business day of the month, with Payment to be received by the 10th Business Day of the month. Harness Racing Victoria anticipates that Approved WSPs will submit via **SFTP Server** hosted-by Harness Racing Victoria (Refer to Attachment SFTP Server Guide).

A WSP must submit a monthly data file, which is in the same format as the daily file (Please refer to Section 3 (**Daily/Monthly File Format**) below).

For all correspondence regarding delayed processing of Monthly data files, payment and data issues email [finance.racefields@hrv.org.au](mailto:finance.racefields@hrv.org.au)

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The naming convention for the Monthly Files is:

**Monthly\_WSPxxx\_MMYYYY.csv**

Where **xxx** is the Approved WSP Unique Code (provided to Approved WSPs by Harness Racing Victoria, refer to Attachment 1); and **MMYYYY** is the Result Date within the file.  
Example file name: **Monthly\_WSP101\_082014.csv**

**3 - Daily/Monthly File Format**

A sample of the **Daily/Monthly File Format** is provided in Attachment 2.

Data should be supplied in a comma-separated values (CSV) format and otherwise as follows:

Order	Element	Type	Max length	Rules	Example
1	Approved WSP Unique ID	Numeric	3	Mandatory	010
2	Name of Approved WSP	Text	30	Mandatory	Company
3	Event Date	DateTime (dd/mm/yyyy)	10	Mandatory	10-05-2021
4	Bet Result Date	DateTime (dd/mm/yyyy)	10	Mandatory	10-05-2021
5	Venue Code	Numeric	8	Mandatory	27
6	Venue	Text	30	Mandatory	Mildura
7	Race Number	Numeric	2	Mandatory	3
8	Non PM Bets Taken (excluding Multi- Event/Multi-Leg Bets)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
9	Non PM Bets Paid (excluding Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
10	Net Customer Winnings	Currency		Betting Exchange only	1000.00
11	All Bet Backs	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
12	Bet Back Revenue	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
13	Non PM Other Revenue	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
14	Non PM EPMB Eligible Portion of Multi- Event /Multi-Leg Bets	Currency		If applicable	1000.00

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<b>15</b>	Non PM EPWMB Eligible Portion of Winning Multi-Event/ Multi-Leg Bets	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>16</b>	Non PM Free Bets Taken	Currency		If applicable	100.00
<b>17</b>	Non PM Free Bets Paid	Currency		If applicable	100.00
<b>18</b>	Non PM Count of Bets (by Race)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	350
<b>19</b>	Non PM Count of Unique Clients (by Race)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	102
<b>20</b>	Non PM Count of Unique Clients (by Meeting)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	970
<b>21</b>	Non PM Count of Unique Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	2109
<b>22</b>	Non PM Count of New Clients (By Race)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	136
<b>23</b>	Non PM Turnover (Mobile; includes Apps; Mobile Sites)	Currency		Mandatory	1000.00
<b>24</b>	Non PM Turnover (Internet Desktop)	Currency		Mandatory	1000.00
<b>25</b>	Non PM Turnover (Contact Centre)	Currency		Mandatory	1000.00
<b>26</b>	Non PM Turnover (Retail)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>27</b>	Non PM Turnover (Licensed Venue)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>28</b>	Non PM Turnover (On-course)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>29</b>	PM Bets Taken	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>30</b>	PM Bets Paid	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>31</b>	Other Revenue	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>32</b>	Jackpots Created	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>33</b>	PM Free Bets Taken	Currency		If applicable	100.00
<b>34</b>	PM Free Bets Paid	Currency		If applicable	100.00
<b>35</b>	PM Count of Bets (by Race)	Numeric	8	If applicable	350
<b>36</b>	PM Count of Unique Clients (by Race)	Numeric	8	If applicable	102
<b>37</b>	PM Count of Unique Clients (Meeting level)	Numeric	8	If applicable	970
<b>38</b>	PM Count of Unique Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric	8	If applicable	2109
<b>39</b>	PM Count of New Clients (By Race)	Numeric	8	If applicable	136
<b>40</b>	PM Turnover (Mobile; includes Apps; Mobile Sites)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>41</b>	PM Turnover (Internet Desktop)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>42</b>	PM Turnover (Contact Centre)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00

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<b>43</b>	PM Turnover (Retail)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>44</b>	PM Turnover (Licensed Venue)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>45</b>	PM Turnover (On-course)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>46</b>	Tote Derivative Bets Taken (excluding Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>47</b>	Tote Derivative Bets Paid (excluding Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets)	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>48</b>	Tote Derivative All Bet Backs	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>49</b>	Tote Derivative Bet Back Revenue	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>50</b>	Tote Derivative Other Revenue	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>51</b>	Tote Derivative EPMB Eligible Portion of Multi-Event /Multi-Leg Bets	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>52</b>	Tote Derivative EPWMB Eligible Portion of Winning Multi-Event/ Multi-Leg Bets	Currency		If applicable	1000.00
<b>53</b>	Tote Derivative Free Bets Taken	Currency		If applicable	100.00
<b>54</b>	Tote Derivative Free Bets Paid	Currency		If applicable	100.00
<b>55</b>	Tote Derivative Count of Bets (by Race)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	350
<b>56</b>	Tote Derivative Count of Unique Clients (by Race)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	102
<b>57</b>	Tote Derivative Count of Unique Clients (by Meeting)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	970
<b>58</b>	Tote Derivative Count of Unique Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	2109
<b>59</b>	Tote Derivative Count of New Clients (By Race)	Numeric	8	Mandatory	136
<b>60</b>	Tote Derivative Turnover (Mobile; includes Apps; Mobile Sites)	Currency		Mandatory	1000.00
<b>61</b>	Tote Derivative Turnover (Internet Desktop)	Currency		Mandatory	1000.00
<b>62</b>	Tote Derivative Turnover (Contact Centre)	Currency		Mandatory	1000.00
<b>63</b>	Total Count of Unique Clients if applicable (by Race)	Numeric	8	If applicable	102
<b>64</b>	Total Count of Unique Clients if applicable (Meeting level)	Numeric	8	If applicable	970
<b>65</b>	Total Count of Unique Clients if applicable (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric	8	If applicable	2109

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<b>66</b>	Total Count of New Clients if applicable (By Race)	Numeric	8	If applicable	136
<b>67</b>	Total Count of New Clients (Monthly)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>68</b>	Total Count of New Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>69</b>	Total Count of Retained Unique Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>70</b>	Total Count of Unique Clients (Monthly)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>71</b>	Total Count of Pre Play Unique Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>72</b>	In Play Bets Taken	Currency		if applicable	1234
<b>73</b>	In Play Bets Paid	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>74</b>	In Play All Bet Backs	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>75</b>	In Play Bet Back Revenue	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>76</b>	In Play Other Revenue	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>77</b>	In Play Free Bets Taken	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>78</b>	In Play Free Bets Paid	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>79</b>	In Play Count of Bets (by Race)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>80</b>	In Play Count of Unique Clients (by Race)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>81</b>	In Play Count of Unique Clients (by Meeting)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>82</b>	In Play Count of Unique Clients (Monthly)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>83</b>	In Play Count of Unique Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric		if applicable	1234

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<b>84</b>	In Play Count of New –Clients (By Race)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>85</b>	In Play Count of New Clients (By Meeting)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>86</b>	In Play Count of New Clients (Monthly)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>87</b>	In Play Count of New Clients (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>88</b>	In Play Count of Retained Unique client (by Race)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>89</b>	In Play Count of Retained Unique client (by Meeting)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>90</b>	In Play Count of Retained Unique client (by Monthly)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>91</b>	In Play Count of Retained Unique client (Financial Year to Date)	Numeric		if applicable	1234
<b>92</b>	In Play Turnover (Mobile; includes Apps; Mobile Sites)	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>93</b>	In Play Turnover (Internet Desktop)	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>94</b>	In Play Turnover (Contact Centre)	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>95</b>	In Play Turnover (Retail)	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>96</b>	In Play Turnover (Licensed Venue)	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00
<b>97</b>	In Play Turnover (Oncourse)	Currency		if applicable	1,000.00

Not all headings are relevant to each Approved WSP, however, it is important that Daily & Monthly Files submitted include the column header for each of the elements listed and columns are listed in the order of the template provided. **Nil values should be populated as zero.**

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## **4 - Definitions**

Refer to RW-AC-001 Racefields Conditions of Approval for the definitions of:

- PM - Pari-mutuel betting wagers
- Non PM - Non pari-mutuel betting wagers
- NCW - Net Customer Winnings

### **4.1 - Date Definitions**

“**Event Date**” means the date on which a Victorian Harness Race which is the subject of a Betting Transaction occurred.

“**Result Date**” means the date on which the Betting Transaction resulted (that is either won or failed)

### **4.2 - Venue Code**

A list of venue codes has been included as **Appendix A**.

### **4.3 - Bets Taken**

Bets Taken includes Betting Transactions (betting wagers) involving single or multiple contingencies, all of which resulted at a Race Meeting. This includes but is not limited to Win, Place, Trifecta, Exacta, Quinella, First Four, Head-to-Head, Margin bets and any other approved race-specific bet types. This also includes all free bets.

For the purposes of the **Daily & Monthly File Format**:

1. where a Betting Transaction relates to more than one Victorian Harness Race occurring at the same Race Meeting, the amount of the Betting Transaction is apportioned evenly across each of the Victorian Harness Races which are the subject of the Betting Transaction.
2. Bets Taken includes all Free Bets
3. Excludes the amount of all Jackpots Allocated

Any Betting Transaction involving multiple contingencies across more than one Race Meeting or events are to be excluded from Bets Taken and treated according to the rules set out below for Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bets.

No deductions are permitted for money-back offers (free bets) or similar inducements in relation to non-winning Betting Transactions.



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**4.4 - Bets Paid**

The amount paid or payable to customers in respect of winning betting wagers (transactions).

**4.5 - Bet Backs**

Bet Back means the amount of any betting transaction which is made by the Approved WSP on the "backers" side of a betting transaction for the purpose of reducing or laying-off the Approved WSP's liability on a Victorian Harness Race or on Victorian Harness Races held as part of the same Race Meeting.

**4.6 - Bet Backs Revenue**

Bet Back Revenue means the aggregate amount of all winning Bet Backs made by the Approved WSP with Relevant WSPs in respect of Victorian Harness Races at the Race Meeting, but excluding rebates and commissions received by the Approved WSP in respect of those Bet Backs.

**4.7 - Other Revenue**

Other Revenue means:

- a. other revenue received or derived by the Approved WSP in connection with the Race Meeting; and
- b. in the case of an Approved WSP which is a Betting Exchange, any commissions and other fees charged by the Betting Exchange in relation to the Race Meeting.

**4.8 - Free Bets Taken**

Free Bet means the face value of a Betting Transaction where the Customer does not make a financial contribution at the time the Betting Transaction is made.

For the avoidance of doubt, a Free Bet does not include any Betting Transaction:

- a. which constitutes a bad or doubtful debt of the Approved WSP;
- b. in respect of which payment is subsequently waived, compromised, released or forgiven by the Approved WSP; or
- c. where there is an amount paid, refunded or credited to the Customer by the Approved WSP in relation to a non-winning Bet Taken including, for example, "money back offers".

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#### 4.8 - Jackpots Created

Jackpot Created means an amount equal to the difference (Difference) between the amount of all moneys paid or credited to Customers by the Approved WSP in respect of winning bets under Betting Transactions for a specified bet type on a Victorian Harness Race at the Race Meeting and the total wagering pool available for distribution to customers for that bet type on that race where the Approved WSP is by law required to allocate the Difference to another race pool.

#### 4.10 - Tote Derivative

A Betting Transaction where the odds of the bet are determined by reference to the dividend subsequently declared by one or more totalisator (tote derivative bet).

#### 4.11 - Multi-Event / Multi-Leg Bet

Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet means a Betting Transaction where:

- a. the result of the Betting Transaction depends on the combined outcome of a number of events;
- b. a Victorian Harness Race is at least one of the events on which the outcome of the Betting Transaction depends; and
- c. in the event that all of the contingencies of the Betting Transaction relate to Victorian Harness Races, at least one of the Victorian Harness Races occurs at a different Race Meeting from the other Victorian Harness Races.

#### 4.12 - In-Play Bets

An in-play wager is any bet which is struck after the official race close time. The bet occurs whilst the race is in progress. In play bets can be any approved race-specific bet types. In-play bets need to be segregated from all other bet types so as to not double count in-play bets with PM - Pari-mutuel betting wagers, Non PM - Non pari-mutuel betting wagers or Tote Derivative betting wagers towards total turnover.

#### 4.13 - Daily Reporting of the Eligible Portion of a Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet (EPMB)

Approved WSPs must report on the Eligible Portion of a Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet that resulted on the Result Date reported in the Daily File.

The face value of a Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet is apportioned equally across the legs and the Eligible Portion of a Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet which is reported in the Daily File is the proportion relating to Victorian Harness Races on the Result Date.

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#### 4.14 - Reporting Eligible Portion of Winning Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet (EPWMB)

Approved WSPs are required to report the Eligible Portion of a Winning Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet by apportioning equally across the number of legs in the bet.

- a. the amount paid or credited to a Customer under the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet

$$\frac{1}{x}$$

**Bet AC**

where **AC** means the number of contingencies within the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

#### 4.15 - Count of Bets

A count of the number of bets placed on Victorian Harness Racing, per race. Where applicable, this should be populated for both pari-mutuel and non pari-mutuel bet types. The eligible portion of a multi bet shall be recorded as:

$$\frac{\text{VHR}}{\text{A}}$$

Where **VHR** means the number of contingencies related to Victorian Harness Racing; and **A** means the total number of contingencies within the Multi-Event/Multi-Leg Bet.

#### 4.16 - Count of Clients

A count of the number of clients to have placed a bet on Victorian Harness Racing. Where applicable, this should be populated for both pari-mutuel and non pari-mutuel bet types. The total number of unique clients is an aggregation across bet types (ensuring no client is counted twice within each bet type category).

The YTD number of unique clients is a rolling aggregation since July 1st. Ideally this would also be calculated at race level, however for simplicity this can be repeated across each race as YTD count for that meeting.

#### 4.17 - Count of New Clients

A count of the number of clients to have placed their first bet on Victorian Harness Racing (irrespective of a client's first bet date).

The monthly and YTD number of unique clients is a rolling aggregation since the 1st of the month and the 1st of July respectively.

Ideally this would also be calculated at race level, however for simplicity this can be repeated across each race as monthly and YTD count for that meeting.

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For example, a client joins a WSP in March, (related to an AFL promotion). This client bets on AFL matches across April and places their first bet on Victorian Harness Racing in May. In this example the client would be reported (at race level), as a new client for Harness racing in May.

#### 4.18 Retained Clients

A count of the number of clients to have bet on Victorian Harness Racing in the current and previous financial year.

For example, the client places a wager on Victorian Harness Racing in July 2023 and again in July 2024, this client would be counted as one (1) retained client.

#### 4.19 - Turnover by Channel

Turnover must be included (at race level), by channel. Mobile via mobile sites and apps should be distinct from turnover via the primary internet site and turnover via a contact centre. If applicable, also nominate turnover via retail, licensed venues and on-course. Not all categories will be applicable to each WSP, therefore null values should be populated with a zero value. **Free bet turnover should be included in turnover by channel.**

#### 4.20 Validation of Turnover

Non-Parimutuel

Sum Columns 8+14 = sum columns 23+24+25+26+27+28

Parimutuel

Sum columns 29 = sum columns 40+41+42+43+44+45

Tote Derivative

Sum columns 46+51 = sum columns 60+61+62

In-Play

Sum column 72 = sum columns 92+93+94+95+96+97

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**Appendix A - Venue Codes**

<b>Harness Track Name</b>	<b>Venue Code</b>
Ararat	1926
Ballarat	1933
Bendigo	1928
Birchip	1943
Boort	1929
Charlton	1930
Cobram	1931
Cranbourne	1932
Echuca	1936
Elmore	1937
Geelong	1939
Gunbower	1940
Hamilton	1941
Horsham	1942
Kilmore	1945
Maryborough	2024
Mildura	1948
Ouyen	1950
Shepparton	1952
St Arnaud	1951
Stawell	1953
Swan Hill	11481
Melton	3804
Terang	1955
Wangaratta	1957
Warragul	1958
Warrnambool	1938
Wedderburn	1956
Yarra Valley	1925