



HARNESS RACING VICTORIA

PROTECTIVE GEAR (HELMETS) – POLICY

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In the 'Dictionary' of the Australian Rules of Harness Racing, the definition of a driver, *"means a person who is on a racetrack or a registered or unregistered training track for the purpose of driving or riding a horse"*

Australian Harness Racing Rules 159A (1) and (2) refer to the requirements of a person to have an approved helmet fitted and correctly fastened when driving or riding a horse.

Australian Harness Racing Rules

159A. (1) A driver shall wear a helmet which has been approved and entered in the Register of Helmets approved by Harness Racing Australia.

(2) A driver shall at all times when driving or riding a horse keep his or her helmet correctly fastened.

Harness Racing Victoria Policy

Harness Racing Victoria (HRV) policy in relation to ARHR 159A (1) & (2) applies to any licensed person or track attendant who parades a horse in the drivers' absence, prior to or after a race / trial. The requirement is that such person is required to have a helmet fitted and correctly fastened, whilst being seated in the sulky.