

Morphettville

**TRAINING FACILITIES
REGULATIONS**



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN
JOCKEY CLUB

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Preamble

Track regulations apply at the Morphettville training facility (The Facility). These regulations, as adopted by the South Australian Jockey Club (SAJC) Board, apply to all persons attending The Facility for activity related to the training, education and/or schooling of horses.

Any person/s failing to observe these regulations shall be subject to such sanctions as imposed by the SAJC and/or Thoroughbred Racing SA Ltd (TRSA). For the purposes of these regulations it shall be sufficient for a duly authorised officer of the SAJC to act independently of the SAJC Board in relation to imposing such sanction.

The Australian Rules of Racing, TRSA Local Rules of Racing and any other Policies as amended from time to time (collectively defined as The Rules) shall apply to The Facility. All persons using The Facility are deemed, by virtue of their activity at The Facility, to be subject to The Rules.

1. Entry to and General Conditions of Use of The Facility

1.1. Who May Use or Enter The Facility

- (a) Licenced Trainers with prior approval from the SAJC
- (b) Only persons inducted to The Facility may use the Facility in accordance with Clause 2.2 of these Regulations.
- (c) All persons holding a current license issued by TRSA or another Principal Racing Authority (PRA) including (but not limited to) Trainers, Stable Forepersons, Stable Employees, Track Work Riders, Apprentice Jockeys and Jockeys.
- (d) Professionally qualified persons attending to a horse for the purposes of performing duties/functions including (but not limited to) Veterinarians, Chiropractors, Farriers and Horse Transport Operators.
- (e) Registered horse owners and their partners, children and/or siblings. Children shall be in the company and under the direct supervision and control of an adult parent or guardian at all times.
- (f) Stewards and/or officials employed by TRSA or SAJC.
- (g) Any person contracted by TRSA or the SAJC to perform or assist in performing duties in relation to the taking of samples for analysis to ensure compliance with either the rules of racing or relevant Work Health & Safety (WHS) requirements.
- (h) Registered thoroughbred race horses.
- (i) Companion horses or lead ponies with the prior permission of the Trackwork Supervisor.
- (j) All persons attending The Facility must at all times wear high visibility clothing complying with AS/NZS 4602 when riding or leading a horse, or in the tie-up stall area, without exception.
- (k) All horses must be in the care of a registered attendant at all times.

1.2. Entry/Access Points to The Facility and Tracks

- (a) All training tracks including the tie up stalls area can only be entered at points provided for this purpose.

1.3. Reference to the Rules of Racing

- (a) The Australian Rules of Racing, the Local Rules of Racing as promulgated by TRSA and any Policies issued by TRSA (collectively referred to as The Rules) should be read in conjunction with these Training Facility Regulations and apply to the use of The Facility.

1.4. First Aid Attendant

- (a) A First-Aid Attendant is available on course during the stipulated hours that training tracks are open.
- (b) The First-Aid Attendant may call for the Ambulance Service (or similar) to attend a particular incident.
- (c) Following assessment by an ambulance service, if transportation to hospital is recommended by First Aid Attendant, the individual/s shall be obliged to comply with the recommendation.
- (d) If an individual is admitted to hospital, the trainer of the horse(s) must notify the SAJC immediately.
- (e) For serious incidents the area will be secured and all training tracks in the immediate vicinity will be closed until they are moved by the First Aid Attendant and/or Ambulance Service.
- (f) The decision of whether the person may be moved is at the discretion of the First Aid Attendant, and the Trackwork Supervisor will enforce this decision.

1.5. Use of Practice Barrier Gates

- (a) The use of the practice gates will be at the discretion of the Trackwork Supervisor.
- (b) The use of these gates is subject to and conditional upon the Trainer or representative being present at all times during the period when they are used. The practice gates will be used primarily for the education of horses in the barrier.
- (c) Trainers are required to provide their own staff to load horses into the gates.
- (d) All persons attending to horses using the practice gates shall be licensed and wear an approved safety vest and helmet.
- (e) Horses are expected to jump out and gallop/canter away from the gates and return to the tie up stalls via the designated gap in the Main Sand Track when other horses are waiting to use the practice barrier gates.
- (f) When the gates are being used exclusively by one trainer at a given time, horses may be pulled up after travelling 200m away from the gates and returned to the gates along the outer rail.

1.6. Crossing of Public Roads

- (a) All persons attending to a horse are to obey traffic regulations when leading a horse across Bray St or Morphett Rd, and take due care to ensure their actions in leading a horse in a public area does not cause a safety hazard.
- (b) All horses led to and from The Facility on a public road and/or crossing a public road must be fitted with a reflective strip on a blanket or throwover strap prior to sunrise and the person leading such horse shall wear a high-visibility reflective vest at all times.

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- (c) Persons using The Facility should be aware of/or acquaint themselves with the provisions of the Road Traffic Act (1961). In particular, and without detracting from the generality of this Act, we bring to your attention that section 6 of the said Act states the following:

“Sec 6 – Drivers and Riders: Unless it is otherwise expressly stated, a reference in this Act to a driver includes a reference to a rider, and a reference to driving includes a reference to riding.”

2. Work Health & Safety and Horse Welfare

2.1. WHS Related Matters

- (a) All persons using The Facility shall at all times adhere to any Work Health & Safety (WHS) requirements of the SAJC and without detracting from the generality of any of those provisions persons using The Facility should particularly take note of the following regulations:
- Smoking.
 - Wearing of reflective equipment.
 - Wearing of safety gear by riders of horses as required by The Rules.
 - Mobile phones, iPods and MP3 players.
 - Horses suffering skin diseases, any other infectious disease or influenza.
 - Inductions.
 - Rules of Racing, all licensed persons attending The Facility in control of horses, shall comply with the SAJC’s policy in respect of being alcohol and drug free.
 - All riders must have feet in stirrups at all times whilst on horses, unless the horse is being led.

2.2. Induction

- (a) All personnel undertaking work are required to be inducted to The Facility prior to commencing work.
- (b) All visitors will be clearly identified.
- (c) It is a requirement that trainers induct their staff to The Facility.

2.3. Smoking at The Facility

- (a) Smoking while either mounted on a horse or while riding track work is strictly prohibited. Smoking is only permitted in designated area – car park located by gate B and C and near Trainers Hut

2.4. Reflective Apparel

- (a) All parties attendant at The Facility, including those riding horses must at all times wear reflective clothing or a reflective vest that comply with Australian Standard AS/NZS 4602.199 (High Visibility Safety Garments), specifically “Class D/N”.

2.5. Wearing of Helmets, Body Protectors, Safety Lights and Reflective Gear

- (a) All riders while mounted on a horse must wear the appropriate safety equipment – Body Protector and Helmet as required and described by “The Rules”. Persons required to wear any of these types of safety equipment should be aware of the standard of gear accepted as detailed in The Rules.
- (b) When mounted on a horse before daylight all riders must have attached/fitted to their helmet a safety light of the approved standard.

2.6. Identification of Horses

- (a) Horses presenting on the Training tracks shall be clearly identifiable with Trainer/s initials on the Saddle cloth.

2.7. Horses Being Led to and from The Facility and at The Facility

- (a) All horses must have a bit fitted to the mouth at all times when being led to or from, in the precinct of, or whilst at The Facility.

2.8. Lead Pony and Horse Breakers

- (a) Lead ponies will only be permitted with prior approval, and at times directed by the Trackwork Supervisor.
- (b) Lead ponies are only to use the Sydney (Inside) Sand Track.
- (c) Horse breakers will only be allowed to use The Facility with the prior approval and at such training times stipulated by the Trackwork Supervisor.
- (d) Horse breakers are not to use Pro-Ride or grass tracks, or access The Facility prior to 7.30am.

2.9. Horses Suffering from Skin Disease, Influenza or any Complaint Causing Discharge from the Nostrils

- (a) A horse showing signs of skin disease, influenza or any complaint causing discharge from the nostril(s) shall not be brought to The Facility.

2.10. Riding Boots and Safety Irons

- (a) When riding, riders must wear approved or recognised riding boots.
- (b) All saddles brought onto The Facility must be equipped with a set of safety irons.

2.11. Mobile Phones, iPods and related electronic devices

- (a) The use of mobile phones, iPods, MP3 players and other portable communication or entertainment devices is strictly prohibited whilst riding, leading or swimming a horse.

3. Fees and Debtors Policy

3.1. Training Fees

- (a) Trainers shall pay training fees ("Fee") for the use of The Facility in accordance with the schedule of fees as determined by the SAJC each year. A copy of the schedule of fees is available on request from the Club.

3.2. Debtors Policy

The SAJC Debtors Policy shall apply to all Trainers using The Facility:

- (a) The SAJC shall advise Trainers of applicable fees in relation to the use The Facility.
- (b) All Fees are subject to amendment and any changes will be made known to trainers.
- (c) Trading Terms are strictly 60 Days EOM (e.g. May account due by 30 July).
- (d) Trainers who have accounts outside of Trading Terms will charge an Administrative Fee of \$27.50 (including GST) for each week that their account remains outside of Trading Terms.
- (e) Unless payment of the outstanding balance of the account, including Administrative Fee(s), is received within 14 days approval to use the training facilities at Morphettville Racecourse will be withdrawn and access will be denied. TRSA Stewards will be notified accordingly, which may affect the status of a Trainer's License.
- (f) Upon payment of the account in full, including all Administrative Fees charged, access to the training facilities will be reinstated.
- (g) The SAJC reserves the right to withdraw credit to Trainers who breach Trading Terms. In such instances, pre-payment will be required.
- (h) Where a cheque or credit card tendered by a Trainer is dishonoured or rejected, all bank fees and costs incurred by the Club will be passed on to the Trainer.

4. Track Use

Personnel on the crossovers are to give way to horses on the tracks.

4.1. Grass Tracks

- (a) The Grass Tracks open at 4.30am and close at 8.00am on Tuesday unless otherwise notified
- (b) The direction of work shall be anti-clockwise unless permission is otherwise granted by the Trackwork Supervisor.

4.2. Pro-Ride Track

- (a) The Pro-Ride track is open at 4.30am and closes at 9.00am, Monday to Saturday unless otherwise notified.
- (b) The direction of work shall be anti-clockwise unless permission is otherwise granted by the Trackwork Supervisor
- (c) Horses completing slow work must keep to the inside of the track, with horses completing fast work working to the outside of the track at all times.
- (d) Trotting is not permitted past the 1000m marker.

4.3. Main Sand Track (Adjacent to the Pro-Ride Track)

- (a) The Main Sand Track is open at 4.30am and closes at 9.00am, Monday to Saturday unless otherwise notified
- (b) The direction of work shall be anti-clockwise unless permission is otherwise granted by the Trackwork Supervisor.

4.4. Trotting / Sydney Sand Track

- (a) The Trotting / Sydney Sand Track is open at 4.30am and closes at 9.00am, Monday to Saturday unless otherwise notified.
- (b) The direction of work shall be clockwise unless permission is otherwise granted by the Trackwork Supervisor and then only at the times and dates granted.
- (c) Lead ponies can use this track from 7:30am until 9:00am unless otherwise notified.
- (d) All horse shall trot over the Crossing.

4.5. Warm-Up Track

- a) The Warm-Up Track is open at 4:30am and closes at 9:00am, Monday to Saturday, unless otherwise notified.
- b) The direction of the track shall be clockwise.
- c) The use of the track is only to warm up horses prior to engaging in track work.
- d) Lead ponies are not permitted on the Warm Up Track.

4.6. Jump Out Track

- (a) The Jump Out Track is open at 4.30am and closes at 9.00am Monday to Saturday unless otherwise notified.

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- (b) The direction of work shall be in a straight line away from the barrier position working towards the East.
 - (c) Horses must be worked until the end of the track and return only on the sand track via the designated gap.

4.7. Schooling Lane

- (a) The Schooling Lane is open at 7.30am and closes at 9.00am Monday to Saturday when hurdles / steeplechases are available for use, unless otherwise notified
- (b) Trainers must notify the Trackwork Supervisor BEFORE their horse(s) enter the track.
- (c) The direction of work shall be in a straight line working towards the East and may be changed at the discretion of the Track Work Supervisor.
- (d) Horses completing multiple repetitions of the jumps in the schooling lane may return to the start via the designated gaps in the rail.
- (e) A maximum of 2 horses may use the Schooling Lane at any one time.
- (f) Horses wishing to use the Schooling Lane must wait until any horses using the adjacent Jump-Out Track are clear of the area before commencing schooling.

4.8. Bull Ring

- (a) The Bull Ring is open at 8.30am (8.00am on metropolitan and provincial race days) and closes at 9.00am Monday to Saturday, unless otherwise notified.
- (b) The direction of work shall be anti-clockwise unless permission is otherwise granted by the Trackwork Supervisor.
- (c) No riding shall be allowed in the Bull Ring at any time.

4.9. Early Closure of Facilities

- (a) The time that the last horse enters the tracks on days when **Official Barrier Trials are hosted at Morphettville** shall be no later than 8:15am with all tracks and facilities to close by 8:30am.
- (b) The time that the last horse shall enter the tracks when **Races are hosted at Morphettville** shall be no later than 8:40am with all tracks and facilities closing at 9am.

5. Accessing Turf Tracks

5.1. General Guidelines

- (a) The SAJC undertakes to maximise the opportunities for trainers to access the turf tracks (primarily the Course Proper and Morphettville Parks tracks) for the purpose of training horses.

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- (b) The SAJC reserves the right to close any training tracks, to facilitate repairs, maintenance or general recovery from wear and tear.
 - (c) The SAJC reserves the right to restrict access to the tracks in order to ensure local trainers are provided with first access to facilities by withdrawing access to trainers not designated as Morphettville Trainers via a Stable Return.
 - (d) The SAJC reserves the right to exercise discretion in the provision for “Special Gallops” or additional days.

5.2. Grass Gallops

- (a) Generally grass gallops will take place on Tuesday, with access to turf tracks provided on other days during the lead-up to major races or as agreed.
- (b) Access to turf tracks on days other than Tuesday may be provided in accordance with the following:
 - The Club may choose to open a turf track on an additional or different day in line with the anticipated needs of trainers leading into a period featuring numerous Black Type races.
 - A special gallop will only be granted if the Club considers the request reasonable and it will not cause undue damage, inconvenience and/or cost to the Club and its facilities. The Clubs reserves the right to deny a request.
 - The appropriate “Special Gallop” fee will apply.

5.3. Exhibition Gallops

- (a) If the SAJC receives a request from a trainer who wishes to gallop on the racing surface on a race day it may approve an Exhibition Gallop. Any decision is at the discretion of Club management on the following basis:
 - The horse must be nominated for an upcoming Group in the near future; and/or
 - An appearance of such a horse will provide the Club with an opportunity to promote an additional feature of the race day.
- (b) The Club will generally not consider allowing a galloping companion who is not similarly well performed unless under exceptional circumstances
- (c) The Club will liaise with TRSA Stewards and Racing Department to schedule the gallop in the scope of the days racing before final approval will be granted.
- (d) The Club may approach trainers to provide the opportunity to undertake an exhibition gallop in order to promote the appearance of the horse as a means of promoting the race day.
- (e) Access to turf tracks may also be provided to specific horses as part of an event leading into a major racing carnival or raceday (commonly known as “Breakfast with the Stars”) where the opportunity will be communicated to trainers of horses engaged in relevant races.

5.4. Club Jump-Outs

- (a) Unofficial Jump-Outs will consist of a field of no more than 6 horses competing in an “unofficial trial” from the starting gates galloping for a distance of no more than 800m.
- (b) Unofficial Jump-Outs will take place on a pre-determined section of a chosen track at the direction of the Racecourse Manager.
- (c) The Club reserves the right to run Jump-Outs on the Pro-Ride Track if it deems it unfeasible to use turf tracks.
- (d) Unofficial Jump-Outs will generally take place on a Tuesday morning from approximately 7.30am.
- (e) Nominations for Unofficial Jump-Outs will be taken by the Trackwork Supervisor up to and including the Monday prior by no later than 8.00am.
- (f) Additional Unofficial Jump-Outs may be scheduled with greater frequency in consultation with the ATA
- (g) Non-Morphettville based trainers will only be permitted to participate in Unofficial Jump-Outs with the express permission of the Racecourse Manager or Racing Manager.
- (h) All persons attending to horses for Unofficial Jump-Outs shall wear an approved safety vest and helmet.

5.5. Official Jump-Outs

- (a) TRSA will schedule Official Jump-Outs in addition to the established program of Official Barrier Trials in consultation with the SAJC.
- (b) Unless otherwise determined by TRSA, TRSA Stewards, two Barrier Attendants and a Starter will be present to facilitate the Official Jump-Outs.
- (c) Horses participating in Official Jump-Outs for the purpose of satisfying any requirement under The Rules will be required to be identified by TRSA Stewards prior to participating.
- (d) Riders of horses participating in Official Jump-Outs, and seeking approval, must wear race colours that allow for the horse to be readily identified.
- (e) Users of The Facility should be aware of all aspects of The Rules as they relate to Official Jump-Outs prior to nominating.

6. Horse Pool and Water Walker

6.1. Horse Swimming Pool

- (a) The swimming pool is open 7 days per week at the following times:

Morning sessions

Monday to Saturday	4.30am - 9.00am <i>4.30am - 8.30am (Barrier Trials at Morphettville)</i>
Sunday	6.00am - 9.00am

Afternoon sessions

Monday to Friday	2.00pm - 4.30pm
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- (b) Trainers must ensure that all horses using the swimming pool facility are under the care and control of a suitably qualified and licensed stable employee coached in this aspect of training.
- (c) Horses must be hosed and feet scraped prior to entering the pool to ensure they are free of dirt and sand.
- (d) Persons attending to horses in the Swimming Pool area must wear appropriate High Visibility clothing at all times.

6.2. Water Walker

- (a) The Water Walker is a privately owned and operated facility.
- (b) Trainers must ensure that all horses using the Water Walker facility are under the care and control of a suitably qualified and licensed stable employee coached in this aspect of training.
- (c) Persons attending to horses in the Water Walker area and adjacent walkways and car parks must wear appropriate High Visibility clothing at all times.

7. General Conditions in Respect of the Facilities

7.1. Grazing

- (a) No grazing shall be allowed on any racing or training surfaces or any area inside of the course.

7.2. Walking Horses on to and off of the Track

- (a) The practice of leading fractious or troublesome horses on and off the track is encouraged.
- (b) The Trackwork Supervisor may direct a Trainer to have a horse led on to and/or off of the track.

7.3. Barring of Horses

- (a) Due to ongoing and serious fractious behaviour a horse may be barred from The Facility, in consultation with the trainer of the horse.
- (b) A barred horse requires pre-approval to re-enter The Facility.

7.4. Walking Horses – Permitted Times

- (a) Walking of horses in the tie up stalls area is permitted 7 days per week at times the Swimming Pool and the Water Walker are available.
- (b) A designated walkway for horses to walk to and from Morphettville Equine Clinic (along Bray Street) will be maintained for use outside of the standard opening times, but within normal business hours.
- (c) Persons walking horses in The Facility must not move or remove gates, fences or barriers.
- (d) Persons walking horses in The Facility must wear appropriate high visibility clothing even if walking horses outside of hours when tracks are open.

7.5. Use of the Lunging Round Ring

- (a) The use of the Lunging Round Ring (adjacent Swimming Pool) is permitted Monday to Saturday between 6:30am - 9:30am, unless otherwise stated by SAJC.
- (b) Persons using the Round Yard are to consider persons passing by with horses to ensure their actions, and the behaviour of their horse, does not cause passing horses to become unduly agitated.
- (c) Not to be used as a Training / racing fitness stall.

7.6. Use of Wash Bays

- (a) The use of wash bays in the tie up stalls area is permitted at times the Swimming Pool is open.

7.7. Use of Sand Rolls

- (a) Not for use as lunging ring

7.8. Facilities Subject to Closure

- (a) The use of The Facility, especially the Grass and Sand Tracks, are subject to favourable weather conditions.
- (b) The SAJC reserves the right to close any track or facility, at any time, in its absolute/sole discretion for reasons including (but not limited to): weather; repairs and maintenance; safety concerns; conflicting events; maintenance of adjacent facilities.
- (c) In the event the SAJC deems it necessary to close a track or other facilities every endeavour will be made to ensure maximum notice is provided to users of The Facility.

8. Duties of SAJC Staff

8.1. Role of Trackwork Supervisors and Pool Supervisors

- (a) The SAJC will employ staff who have been trained and inducted to perform duties including preservation of The Rules.
- (b) SAJC staff will provide direction to users of The Facilities to ensure safety and order is maintained for users.
- (c) Users are expected to follow the reasonable direction of the SAJC while on SAJC property and failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

8.2. Handling Horses

- (a) SAJC employees should not to lead, saddle or attend to horses, including assisting with loading of horses into gates for Barrier Trials or Jump-Outs, unless appropriately licensed to do so and directly authorised to do so by the SAJC.
- (b) Trackwork Supervisors may only attend to horses in the event of an emergency when required to do so for the safety of users of The Facility and/or the general public.

9. Disciplinary Procedure and Sanctions

9.1. Failure to Abide by The Rules

- (a) SAJC staff are empowered to direct users of The Facility to abide by The Rules as prescribed in this document.
- (b) A person using The Facility and failing to abide by The Rules the person will be addressed by SAJC staff.
- (c) A breach of The Rules may result in disciplinary action being taken.

9.2. Conduct Towards SAJC Staff

- (a) Failure to follow reasonable direction of SAJC will result in disciplinary action.
- (b) Abusive, insulting, derogatory and/or defamatory language, gestures or behaviour towards SAJC staff will result in disciplinary action, including referral to TRSA Stewards for action to be taken under the Rules of Racing.

9.3. Disciplinary Procedure

- (a) Minor issues will be addressed as and when they occur.
- (b) A failure to abide by a reasonable directive from SAJC staff, will be escalated to the Manager - Racing and/or Chief Executive.
- (c) Serious incidents, including but not limited to abuse or inappropriate conduct towards SAJC staff, actions that detract from the safety of The Facility, actions that

lead to damage to SAJC property, or wilful and/or regular breaches of The Rules subsequent to warnings being issued, then:

- The user will be called before the Manager – Racing and/or CEO to show cause why they should not face serious sanctions for their behaviour; and
- The SAJC will refer the matter to TRSA Stewards for further action under the Rules of Racing.

9.4. Sanctions

- (a) The following sanctions may be imposed at the sole discretion of the Club:
 - Monetary fines
 - Suspension from using The Facility up to and including indefinite suspensions.
 - A formal warning
- (b) These sanctions may be in addition to any penalty imposed by TRSA Stewards
- (c) Should the conduct of a user involve accessing a part of The Facility that is closed (notwithstanding any safety related sanction), the SAJC reserves the right to automatically charge the user for the use of that part of The Facility at its sole discretion.
 - For the avoidance of doubt, this includes horses that use grass tracks without authorisation or express approval for the given horse, in which case a “Special Gallop” fee will automatically be charged to the Trainer of that horse.
 - In such a case further Sanction may be applied in addition to the prescribed Special Gallop fee subject to the provisions of the Disciplinary Procedure as stated in Clause 9.3.
- (d) Failure to pay monetary fines within the Terms outlined in Clause 3.2 of this document may result in the user being suspended from using The Facility.

10. Key Contacts

Trackwork Supervisors Office

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