

1. OBJECTIVE

- 1.1 The objective of this policy is to prescribe the criteria for the selection process for the Annual Thoroughbred Awards.

2. AWARD DETAILS

- 2.1 Tasracing will recognise achievements each year with awards in the following categories:

- 2.1.1 Tasmanian Leading Trainer
- 2.1.2 Tasmanian Leading Jockey
- 2.1.3 Tasmanian Leading Apprentice
- 2.1.4 DUX of Apprentice School
- 2.1.5 Tasmanian Owner Recognition Award
- 2.1.6 TAN Recognition Award
- 2.1.7 Tasracing Welfare Award
- 2.1.8 Tasracing TV on-camera Media Award
- 2.1.9 Tasracing Industry Appreciation Award
- 2.1.10 Tasmanian Leading based Juvenile Sire
- 2.1.11 Tasmanian Leading Overall Tasmanian Sire of the Year
- 2.1.12 Tasmanian Broodmare of the Year
- 2.1.13 Tasmanian Leading Filly or Race Mare
- 2.1.14 Tasmanian 2YO of the Year
- 2.1.15 Tasmanian 3YO of the Year
- 2.1.16 Tasmanian Horse of the Year

- 2.2 Joint winners for any of the Awards will be announced.

- 2.3 An ongoing Premiership table is displayed throughout the season on Racing Australia for the Trainer and Jockey categories.

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 The awards will be calculated on the Thoroughbred Racing Season, 1 August to 31 July in each year.

- 3.2 For the purpose of the awards for Juvenile Sire, Overall Sire, Broodmare, Leading Filly or Race Mare, 2YO, 3YO and Horse of the Year the horse must fall under one of the following criteria:

- 3.2.1 Tasmanian Bred and Owned (part owned) in Tasmania, or
- 3.2.2 Tasmanian Owned (part owned) for the majority of the season with at least 4 starts on Tasmanian Tracks, or
- 3.2.3 Trained by a Tasmanian registered trainer for the majority of the season with at least 6 starts on Tasmanian tracks, or
- 3.2.4 Tasmanian Owned (part owned) and trained by a Tasmanian registered trainer for the majority of the season.

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- 3.3 Any Horse, Trainer or Jockey who is disqualified or warned off from racing for any period of time during that racing season; or has their licence or registration, or any privilege attached to their licence or registration, suspended for a period of two months or more during that racing season shall be considered ineligible for any award.
- 3.4 Where any part of such period of suspension is served in more than one particular racing season, they shall be considered ineligible for any award for each particular racing season in which part of the suspension is served.
- 3.5 Tasracing has full discretion to revoke any award which has been won for any racing season if the winning horse, trainer or driver is subsequently disqualified, or warned off, or suspended for a period of two months or more resulting from a breach of the Australian Rules of Racing which occurred during that particular racing season.
- 3.6 Any Trainer or Jockey who, in the opinion of Tasracing, conducted themselves in a manner which has undermined the integrity, or reputation, or public image of racing is ineligible to win any award.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 4.1 In the calculation of all Trainer and Jockey awards a dead heat in a race is considered a win. The following awards are calculated on Tasmanian based performances only:
- 4.1.1 **Tasmanian Leading Trainer** – Number of races won.
 - 4.1.2 **Tasmanian Leading Jockey** – Number of races won.
 - 4.1.3 **Tasmanian Leading Apprentice** – Number of races won.
- 4.2 The **Tasmanian Owner Recognition Award** will be selected by the Racehorse Owners Association of Tasmania.
- 4.3 The following awards will be selected by the relevant departments at Tasracing based on performances in the related season.
- 4.3.1 **DUX of Apprentice School** – Apprentice Coach in conjunction with the Apprentice Panel
 - 4.3.2 **Tasracing Welfare Award** – Animal Welfare Department
 - 4.3.3 **Tasracing TV on-camera Media Award** – Marketing Department
- 4.4 The **TAN Recognition Award** is selected by the Thoroughbred Advisory Network.
- 4.5 The **Tasracing Industry Award** will be selected by a panel of Tasracing members from nominations submitted by industry participants.

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- 4.6 The **Tasmanian Leading based Juvenile Sire** shall be based on the amount of prizemoney won by the sire's Two and Three year old progeny during the season under review. This is based on all Australian based performances. To be eligible the sire must have:
- 4.6.1 Stood in Tasmania during the season under review, with the only exception being in the instance where the Stallion is deceased at the time of winning the award, and
 - 4.6.2 have Tasmanian bred stock of racing age.
- 4.7 The **Leading Overall Tasmanian Sire of the Year** shall be based on the amount of prizemoney won by the sire's progeny during the season under review. This is based on all Australian based performances. To be eligible the sire must have:
- 4.7.1 Stood in Tasmania during the season under review, with the only exception being in the instance where the Stallion is deceased at the time of winning the award, and
 - 4.7.2 have Tasmanian bred stock of racing age.
- 4.8 The **Tasmanian Broodmare of the Year** and **Tasmanian Filly or Race Mare of the Year** is voted on and advised by the Tasbreeders committee. The conditions are set under the Tasbreeders policy.
- 4.9 The Awards for the **Horse of the Year** categories will be determined as follows:
- 4.9.1 By the end of July of each year, Tasracing, shall invite ten (10) suitable, independent persons without conflict of interest who they consider suitable candidates to be appointed on the Horse of the Year Awards Selection Panel. Tasracing will also appoint an additional person to act as Coordinator for the panel.
 - 4.9.2 The Panel Coordinator will determine a contenders list of eligible horses for each category based on the performances for the related season. The list of contenders will be selected at the Panel Coordinators discretion but will consist of no less than three (3) horses.
 - 4.9.3 The Selection Panel will be asked to vote for their top three selections in each category in order of 3, 2, 1 points, three (3) being the first choice, two (2) second choice and one (1) third choice. The winner shall be the horse with the greatest aggregate of votes for each category.
 - 4.9.4 The Panel may allocate votes to a horse not listed in the contenders list provided by the Panel Coordinator. These horses must be eligible for the Award under the provisions of Clause 3.2.