

## Country Series Conditions 2018-19

**All races will carry the base condition of last 4 starts in NSW, unless previously Trained in NSW for previous 12 months. Horses must be trained by a Registered NSW Trainer, and have a stable return lodged with HRNSW 28 days prior to the close of nominations for the respective Heat nominated for.**

1. Horses must be stabled 100km or more by shortest road distance from Tabcorp Park @ Club Menangle.
  - a) The HRNSW Handicapping Panel will adjudicate on this aspect.
  - b) However, at the discretion of the Directors of the NSWHRC horses trained on the fringe of the 100km distance may be included, though only on application to the NSWHRC and subsequent approval.
2. The Trainer of the horse(s) which have qualified for a Final must remain as the Trainer for the Final and likewise the horse must be stabled at the Trainer's registered stables up to the respective Final. Application must be made to HRNSW for any variation to this rule.
3. A horse that wins a Heat or qualifies for the Final cannot compete in another Heat for that series.
4. A horse that qualifies for a Final cannot compete in another other CMTP-WHF series run in conjunction with the series for which it has qualified.
5. A horse that wins a Final cannot compete in another series for Financial Year 2018/19 – that is July 2018 through to June 2019.
6. The first and second placed horses in each respective Heat qualify for the respective Finals, plus the two third placed horses in the heat closest by date to the Final.
7. If less than 5 heats are conducted or a Heat is abandoned immediately before a Final the two third placed horses from the Heats conducted next closest to the Final will qualify for the Final and so on.
8. Reserves will be drawn for the Finals and will be the two third placed horses in order from the Heats conducted by date closest to the Final.
9. The Unfulfilled Engagement Rule will apply with respect to the Heats. That is a horse which has a start in a Heat of the series will be the first ballot for a subsequent Heat of the series if the first Heat has not been conducted prior to acceptances for the second Heat.
10. Overall racetimes or Mile Rates are not taken into consideration for qualification to finals.
11. All Finals will carry a Career Penalty only.
12. The NSWHRC reserve the absolute right to alter/change the conditions of this series without notice.
13. No Drivers Concession Apply
14. Any horse that qualifies for a Country Series Final cannot be nominated in any state for a race of lesser grade that is scheduled within a period of 4 days prior to the Feature Race.