



HORSE RACING IRELAND  
OWNERSHIP

# INFORMATION FOR RACEHORSE OWNERS



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# Welcome to Racehorse Ownership in Ireland

On behalf of all the team at Horse Racing Ireland, we are delighted to welcome you to Irish racing and thank you for your involvement. Racehorse owners are one of the most important stakeholders in our industry and your investment is hugely appreciated.

The Ownership Department of Horse Racing Ireland is here to assist you throughout your time as an owner. From any day to day issues that might arise or for some general advice, the team is available to ensure your experience as an owner is as enjoyable as possible.

This booklet outlines information that you might find useful during your time as an owner; from explaining the admission process on days when you have a runner, to useful resources that may be of assistance throughout your ownership journey.

Once again, thank you for registering as an owner, and we wish you all the best on and off the racecourse.

The Ownership Team







# Racecourse Admission

## AIR Cards

Upon registering as an owner, for the first time, the Association of Irish Racecourses (AIR), will issue you with AIR Cards. Your Ownership format dictates the number of AIR cards you receive. AIR Cards give race day access when you have a runner and entitle you to complimentary owner dining.\*

## Guest Admission

In addition to your AIR cards, you can request additional guest admission tickets when you have a runner. Again, your ownership format dictates the number of guest admissions you can request.

Requests can only be made by the owner or registered agent and should be made in advance of the race meeting.

For more information and to order tickets visit

**[www.racehorseownership.ie/tickets](http://www.racehorseownership.ie/tickets)**

*\*NOTE complimentary dining offerings differ depending on the racetrack you are attending.*

### AIR cards & Ticketing allocation for owners

Owner Type	AIR Card Allocation	Additional Guest/ Member Tickets
Sole Owner	4	4
Partner 1	4	2
Partner 2, 3, 4	2	2
Syndicate	4	1 per member registered with HRI
Club	4	4
Company	4	4

When requesting additional tickets please have your account number to hand and ensure you submit your request on time





# Owner Correspondences'

## Raceday Communications

When your horse is entered and declared you will receive an email from the Ownership team, on behalf of the racecourse, outlining important raceday information such as how to request tickets, owner entitlements, owner facilities available on the day as well as a complimentary Racing TV day pass.

## Congratulatory Emails

On days when you are fortunate enough to have a winner you will receive a congratulatory email from the team which will contain a link to the race replay, so you can enjoy the race over and over! Along with the winning images from the day, which you can download or print for personal use.

## Owner Events

Throughout the year the Ownership team host complimentary racedays nationwide. These informal events are open to all owners where you and your guests/members will enjoy a private area throughout the day with complimentary refreshments.

## Important Owner Updates

All key changes and notifications relevant to owners are issued via email along with end of year renewal notifications. For this reason we suggest you check your email frequently.



Please ensure you as the owner/agent keep your email updated so as not to miss any important notifications





# Your HRI Account & Management

Each registered owner with Horse Racing Ireland, will be issued with a Horse Racing Ireland account number. This account number is extremely important as all transactions will be charged to this e.g. entries and registration fees.

Owners must ensure that enough funds are in the account at all times to cover a race entry fee. Depending on the race value, on average the cost to run a horse comes to €350. A race entry can be refused if the account is overdrawn.

All prizemoney will be automatically credited to the owners' Horse Racing Ireland account the night after the race takes place. These funds are then available for withdrawal seventeen days from the day of the race to allow for the standard drugs testing procedures to be completed. Upon request from the owner, this prizemoney can then be credited to the owners personal bank account.

## RÁS (Racing Administration System)

RÁS, is the online system which allows owners to access and view their account in a similar manner to an online banking system. An owner can view their balance, top up their account, make a lodgement or withdrawal, and view past statements as well as many other useful features.

In addition to the finance function you can also manage items such as horse records, authority to acts, naming applications and more.

RÁS logins are issued monthly, should you require your logins in the interim please email [clientaccounts@hri.ie](mailto:clientaccounts@hri.ie) or call +353 (45) 455 444

## Statement Abbreviations

You will have access to your statements via RÁS or a copy can be requested by contacting the Client accounts team. The below tables explain the abbreviations that will be contained on your HRI account statements.

### Racemeetings

BR	Ballinrobe	LP	Leopardstown
BT	Bellewstown	LM	Limerick
CK	Cork	LS	Listowel
CL	Clonmel	NS	Naas
CU	Curragh	NV	Navan
DP	Downpatrick	PU	Punchestown
DR	Down Royal	RS	Roscommon
DK	Dundalk	SL	Sligo
FH	Fairyhouse	TH	Thurles
GW	Galway	TP	Tipperary
GP	Gowran Park	TR	Tralee
KB	Kilbeggan	WT	Waterford & Tramore
KL	Killarney	WX	Wexford
LY	Laytown		

### Explanations of Abbreviation

E+B	Entry plus Bookage Fee
Dcl	Declaration Fee
Fft + Bkge	Forfeit plus Bookage Fee
TR%	Trainers Percentage
JO%	Jockeys Percentage
SEBS	Stable Employees Bonus Scheme
RF	Riding Fee
QR	Qualified Rider
TCC Cu Tr Ch	Curragh Training Charge
JV	Internal Manual Transaction
JEF %	Jockeys Emergency Fund
QRLVY	Qualified Rider Levy
IHWT	Irish Horse Welfare Trust Donation
ISA %	Irish Stable Staff Association

## Race Programme Information

The race programme for each Irish fixture is formulated by the Programmes section of the Racing Department in conjunction with racehorse trainers on the Fixtures Committee.

Owners can access the full fixtures and programme details from Horse Racing Ireland's RÁS website [www.hri-ras.ie](http://www.hri-ras.ie), under the Planning section.

Alternatively, all this information can be sourced from the Ownership Department. The Ownership Department can also post or email complimentary Provisional Summaries, a document that outlines the projected upcoming race programme months in advance. To request any of the above, simply email [owners@hri.ie](mailto:owners@hri.ie)

## Horse Welfare

At HRI, our vision is to ensure that Ireland is the global leader in all aspects of Horse Racing and Breeding, sustaining a vibrant rural industry. Our mission is to develop and promote Ireland's Horse Racing and Breeding industries, to administer and govern the sport of Horse Racing in Ireland, to cultivate and promote the highest standards of integrity and welfare.

When a horse's career ends or should they unfortunately not make it to a racecourse a decision should be made with regards the rehoming of retraining of the horse. A decision should be made between the owner and the trainer on what is in the best interest of the horse.

Full information relating to Horse Welfare and third-party services can be found at [www.hri.ie/industry-services/horse-welfare/](http://www.hri.ie/industry-services/horse-welfare/)





# Useful Links

## **HRI RÁS Website – [www.hri-ras.ie](http://www.hri-ras.ie)**

The RÁS website is the administration site for Horse Racing Ireland and contains all racing information relating to race entries, declarations, horse ratings and race programming.

## **HRI Ownership Website – [www.racehorseownership.ie](http://www.racehorseownership.ie)**

The Ownership website is where you will find all information relevant to you as a racehorse owner from the latest news, tickets through to contacting the Ownership team for assistance

## **Irish Thoroughbred Marketing (ITM) – [www.itm.ie](http://www.itm.ie)**

Irish Thoroughbred Marketing is a subsidiary of Horse Racing Ireland and promotes Ireland as the leading source for the production and sale of quality thoroughbreds worldwide. On their website you will find information on upcoming sales, agent details and sales incentives.

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## **Horse Racing Ireland Ownership Complaints Procedure**

HRI is committed to providing all our customers with a high standard of service. All those registered with HRI are bound by the HRI Directives, IHRB Rules of Racing and the Racehorse Owner Suitability Policy. HRI advises owners to ensure they have a trainer / owner contract in place, a lease agreement if applicable and an agreed code of conduct with co-owners. Click here to familiarise yourself with HRI's complaints procedure.

## **Policy & Regulation Links**

- Racehorse Owner Suitability Policy
- HRI Directives
- Rules of Racing and the I.N.H.S Rules of the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board (IHRB)
- Right to Appeal



# Useful Contacts

## Horse Racing Ireland



### Ownership Department

Contact the Ownership Department if you have any feedback, positive or negative, on your ownership experience.

Telephone: +353 (0)45 455 455

Email: [owners@hri.ie](mailto:owners@hri.ie)



### Registrations Department

Contact the Registration Department with any queries relating to naming your horse, your colours registrations, or adding a new trainer to your account.

Telephone: +353 (0)45 455 424

Email: [registrations@hri.ie](mailto:registrations@hri.ie)



### Client Accounts Department

Contact the Client Accounts Department if you would like to withdraw or lodge funds, set up on the online RÁS system etc.

Telephone: +353 (0)45 455 444

Email: [support@hri.ie](mailto:support@hri.ie)



### Association Of Irish Racecourses (AIR)

Contact AIR if you have not received your AIR cards or lost your owner AIR card and need a replacement.

Telephone: +353 (0)1 6760 911

Email: [info@air.ie](mailto:info@air.ie)



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