Protocols of NSW Race Meetings proceeding with enhanced hygiene measures

Racing NSW has continually monitored the status of coronavirus in New South Wales. Racing NSW, having given careful consideration to the NSW Government Health advice, has determined that pending further notice, race meetings in New South Wales are to proceed and will implement enhanced hygiene measures, as set out below.

A person should not attend a race meeting if that person:

- Is suffering from coronavirus symptoms or is otherwise unwell;
- Has been to a country considered at higher risk of COVID-19in the past 14 days, being mainland China, Iran, Italy and South Korea (and any such other countries added to that list from time to time);
- Has been in close contact with a person suspected or confirmed to have coronavirus;
- Is in a high-risk group such as older people or people with underlying illnesses that make them more vulnerable to respiratory disease, including those with diabetes, chronic lung disease, kidney failure and people with suppressed immune systems.

Enhanced hygiene measures

Hand sanitizer stations to be installed in all areas and cleaning staff are to continually monitor hand sanitizer stations, soap & hand drying for replenishment.

Sufficient additional cleaning staff to concentrate solely on the disinfection of common surfaces to continuously circulate common areas with an appropriate disinfectant chemical.

Those additional cleaning staff are to commence work at gate opening time and finish at bar closing time, with additional hours to be arranged if required. The surfaces that will be done are as follows but not limited to:

- All common door handles
- All common handrails
- All common tables at the time of clearing for the next patron
- Lift call buttons & internal lift buttons
- Escalator handrails
- Light switches
- Waste stations
- EBT's if possible
- Toilet cleaners will also be tasked with disinfection along with their existing race day duties
- Close monitoring of soap & hand drying for replenishment

There is also to be minimum twice daily periodic disinfection of all common surfaces used by industry, including but not limited to the Jockeys and Stewards Room.

Catering

All hygiene and cleaning practices to apply to catering and wait staff at all times.

No communal serving of food such as buffets or shared servings. All dining to be served by dedicated wait staff, minimising any close contact with patrons.

Additional sanitizer stations to be made available in dining and bar areas.

Staff handling cash should wear surgical gloves.

Signage

There is to be signage in all areas detailing hygiene measure.