

NEW ZEALAND  
THOROUGHBRED **RACING**



PUREI HŌIHO NĀTI O AOTEAROA

LICENSING REFORMS  
SUMMARY OF CHANGES

For Consultation

	CURRENT	FUTURE
<p><b>Public Trainer</b> <i>(previously Class A Trainer)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 years;</li> <li>• trains race horses as primary occupation;</li> <li>• has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ held a Class A rider's licence for at least two years; or</li> <li>○ held a Class A miscellaneous licence for at least six years; or</li> <li>○ previously held a Class B trainer's licence; and</li> </ul> </li> <li>• is competent to train race horses; and</li> <li>• owns or occupies appropriate Trainer's Premises; and</li> <li>• is financially sound and of good character.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Public Trainer Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) complete the Public Trainer Licence Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(b) own or occupy appropriate Trainer's Premises which comply with NZTR's Trainer's Premise Standards;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Public Trainer Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Training Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) hold, or previously have held, a Public Trainer Licence, previously titled Class A Trainer's Licence, or an international equivalent licence as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of one (1) year, and been licensed as such within five (5) years of the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR; or</li> <li>(b) hold, or previously have held, a Jockey Licence, previously titled Class A Rider's Licence (Jockey's Licence), or an international metropolitan jockey licence or its equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of two (2) years, and been licensed as such within five (5) years of the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR; or</li> <li>(c) hold, or previously have held, a Class B Trainer's Licence, or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) years, and been licensed as such within five (5) years from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR; or</li> </ul>

		<p>(d) hold, or previously have held, an Owner-Trainer licence, previously titled a Class C Trainer’s Licence, or an international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) years, and been licensed as such within (5) years from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR; or</p> <p>(e) hold, or previously have held, a Stablehand Licence, previously titled a Class A or Class D Miscellaneous, or their international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) years, and been licensed as such no later than one (1) year from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR, and have worked in full-time employment during that time; or</p> <p>(f) have other verifiable relevant experience, which NZTR considers, in its absolute discretion, to be equivalent to one or more of the above criteria.</p> <p><i>Qualification:</i></p> <p><u>Previously a Public Trainer or Jockey or equivalent</u></p> <p>(i) If applying as a previous public trainer or jockey or equivalent, the Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have completed a qualification prescribed by NZTR for such applicants (or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Training qualification through a recognised training authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR); or</p> <p>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of equivalent prior industry learning and experience.</p> <p><u>Previously a Class B or C Trainer or Owner Trainer or equivalent</u></p> <p>(ii) If applying as a previous Class B or C Trainer or Owner Trainer, or equivalent, the Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have completed a qualification prescribed by NZTR for such applicants (or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Training qualification through a recognised training</p>
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		<p>authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR); or</p> <p>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of equivalent prior industry learning and experience.</p> <p><u>Previously a Stablehand</u></p> <p>(iii) If applying under as a licensed or previously licensed Stablehand, the Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have completed a qualification prescribed by NZTR for such applicants or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Training qualification through a recognised training authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR); or</p> <p>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of equivalent prior industry learning and experience.</p> <p><u>Other Recognised Experience</u></p> <p>(iv) If applying having other relevant experience, the Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have completed (or be enrolled and commenced) a qualification prescribed by NZTR for such applicants (or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Training qualification through a recognised training authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR); or</p> <p>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of equivalent prior industry learning and experience.</p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <p>(i) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;</p> <p>(ii) A Criminal Records Check;</p> <p>(iii) Trainer’s Premise Inspection; and</p> <p>(iv) Training Record.</p> <p><i>Approval to Train at Club/Venue:</i> The Applicant must provide confirmation of approval from a race club/s or approved training facility where</p>
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		<p>the Applicant will conduct his or her trackwork (not required if training from the Applicant's Trainer's Premise).</p> <p><i>Business Proposal:</i> The Applicant must submit a detailed business proposal outlining proposed horse numbers, costs and anticipated income, as well as any external financial resources to support the training business for the first twelve (12) months of operation. NZTR will conduct background credit checks through relevant agencies, as per the consent given by the Applicant on the application form. The Applicant's proposal must satisfy NZTR that the Applicant either has, or has access to, appropriate business skill and acumen to carry on business as a Public Trainer.</p> <p><i>Interview:</i> The Applicant must complete a satisfactory interview with NZTR. The interview may include a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health, race day procedures and Rules of Racing.</p>
<b>Class B / Permit to Train</b>	<i>Category deleted</i>	
<p><b>Owner Trainer</b> <i>(previously Class C Trainer)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is competent to train horses; and</li> <li>• owns or occupies an appropriate Trainer's Premises; and</li> <li>• is financially sound and of good character</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted an Owner Trainer Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) complete the Owner Trainer Licence Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(b) own or occupy appropriate Trainer's Premises which comply with NZTR's Trainer's Premise Standards;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted an Owner Trainer Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Training Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ol> <p><i>Experience</i></p>

		<p>An Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) hold, or previously have held, any of the following licences or any of their international licence equivalents as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of one (1) year, and been licensed as such no later than five (5) years from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Public Trainer Licence (previously titled Class A Trainer’s Licence);</li> <li>(ii) a Jockey Licence (previously titled Class A Rider’s Licence (Jockey’s Licence));</li> <li>(iii) a Class B Trainer’s Licence;</li> <li>(iv) an Owner-Trainer licence (previously titled a Class C Trainer’s Licence); or</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) hold, or previously have held, a Stablehand Licence, previously titled a Class A or Class D Miscellaneous, or their international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of one (1) year, and been licensed as such no later than one (1) year from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR; or</li> <li>(c) have other verifiable relevant experience, which NZTR considers, in its absolute discretion, to be equivalent to one or more of the above criteria.</li> </ul> <p><i>Qualifications</i></p> <p><u>Previously a Trainer or Jockey</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) If applying as a previous trainer or jockey above, the Applicant must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) have completed (or be enrolled and commenced) a qualification prescribed by NZTR for such applicants (or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Training qualification through a recognised training authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR); or</li> <li>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of equivalent prior industry learning and experience.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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<p><b>Stablehand</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 years</li> <li>• good character</li> <li>• satisfies NZTR that he is competent to discharge the functions of a Stablehand</li> <li>• Qualification: Level 2 stablehand qualification (since 2020, now discontinued)</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Stablehand Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 15 years of age;</li> <li>(b) complete the Stablehand Licence Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(c) be employed as a Stablehand by a person (a Licensed Trainer) who is permitted under the Rules to employ Stablehands;</li> <li>(d) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Stablehand Licence;</li> <li>(e) meet the Training Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and</li> <li>(f) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Criteria</i></p> <p>An Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) possess a desire to work within a racing stable environment; and</li> <li>(b) undertake compulsory recognised training as a condition of being granted a Stablehand Licence, to kick-start the training process to</li> </ul>



		<p>provide basic skills and the foundation for the Stablehand to work effectively and safely in the stable environment.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must hold or be enrolled in any qualification prescribed by NZTR for the Stablehand licence.</p> <p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment (if previously licensed in any capacity in the racing industry);</li> <li>(ii) National Police Record Certificate (for applicants 18 years and over); and</li> <li>(iii) Consent of parent or guardian (for applicants under 18 years of age).</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Track Work Rider</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 years</li> <li>• good character</li> <li>• satisfies NZTR that he is competent to ride trackwork</li> <li>• reference from employer as to competence to ride trackwork (for first application)</li> </ul>	<p>Slow Work Rider</p>	<p>Fast Work Rider</p>
		<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Slow Work Rider Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 18 years of age (except with the consent of a parent or guardian in which case the Applicant may be less than 18 years);</li> <li>(b) complete the Slow Work Rider Licence Application Form, together with payment of the annual</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Fast Work Rider Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 18 years of age (except with the consent of a parent or guardian in which case the Applicant may be less than 18 years);</li> <li>(b) complete the Fast Work Rider Licence Application Form, together with payment of the annual</li> </ul>

		<p>licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;  (c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Slow Rider Work Licence;  (d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and  (e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</p> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) possess a desire to work within a racing stable environment; and  (b) undertake compulsory recognised training as a condition of being granted a Slow Work Licence, to kick-start the training process to provide basic skills and the foundation for the Slow Work Rider to work effectively and safely in the stable environment.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have successfully completed the Massey University online</p>	<p>licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;  (c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Fast Work Rider licence;  (d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and  (e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions, below.</p> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An applicant must:</p> <p>(a) hold, or previously have held, a Slow Work Rider Licence, or its international equivalent, as assessed by NZTR; or  (b) hold, or previously have held, a Jockey, Apprentice Jockey or Jumps Rider Licence, or their international equivalent as assessed by NZTR.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must have been assessed as competent to ride a thoroughbred horse at full pace in trackwork, training and jump-outs by a panel consisting of a Public Trainer and a Jockey.</p>
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		<p>knowledge assessment; and</p> <p>(b) have successfully completed the practical assessment at a Registered Regional Assessment Centre.</p> <p><i>Assessment:</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <p>(a) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;</p> <p>(b) National Police Record Certificate (if over 18 years of age); and</p> <p>(c) Consent of parent or guardian (for applicants under 18 years of age).</p> <p><i>Interview</i></p> <p>The Applicant may also be required to interview with NZTR and successfully undertake a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health and Rules of Racing.</p> <p><i>Medical and Fitness</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have been declared medically fit to ride in horses in trackwork by a General Practitioner</p>	<p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <p>(a) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;</p> <p>(b) National Police Record Certificate (if over 18 years of age); and</p> <p>(c) Consent of parent or guardian (for applicants under 18 years of age).</p> <p><i>Interview and Test</i></p> <p>The Applicant may be required to interview with NZTR and successfully undertake a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health and Rules of Racing.</p> <p>The Applicant may be required to undertake a riding test and assessment to the satisfaction of a Riding Panel appointed by NZTR to demonstrate the Applicant's competence. The Panel may impose any further practical riding test assessments it sees fit.</p> <p><i>Medical and Fitness</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have been declared medically fit to ride in trackwork and jump-outs by a General Practitioner and approved by the NZTR Medical Advisor within the</p>
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		(b) within the previous twelve (12) months; have completed a cognitive baseline concussion test within the previous twelve (12) months.	(b) previous twelve (12) months; have completed a cognitive baseline concussion test within the previous twelve (12) months.
<b>Stable Foreman</b>	<i>Category deleted</i>		
<b>Amateur Rider</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has not in the previous 12 months received any money or valuable consideration for riding in a Race, other than a trophy given under the conditions of the Race; and</li> <li>• has attained the age of 15 years; and</li> <li>• satisfies NZTR that he is competent to ride in Races, trials (including jump-outs and tests for certification purposes) and trackwork; and</li> <li>• is of good character.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted an Amateur Rider Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 15 years and 3 months of age;</li> <li>(b) complete the Amateur Rider Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted an Amateur Rider Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An applicant must hold, or previously have held:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) an Amateur Rider Licence, previously titled Class E Rider’s Licence (Amateur Rider), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) months; or</li> <li>(b) a Fast Work Rider Licence, or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum period of three (3) months; <b>and</b></li> <li>(c) not have received any money or valuable consideration for riding in a Race, other than a trophy given under the conditions of the Race in the five years; <b>and</b></li> </ul>	

		<p>(d) if having ridden professionally at any stage previously, not have ridden more than twenty (20) flat winners at race meetings conducted by registered race clubs either in New Zealand or elsewhere.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must hold the qualification prescribed by NZTR, if any.</p> <p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <p>(a) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;  (b) National Police Record Certificate (if 18 years of age); and  (c) Consent of parent or guardian (for applicants under 18 years of age).</p> <p><i>Interview and Test</i></p> <p>The Applicant may also be required to interview with NZTR and successfully undertake a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health, race day procedures and Rules of Racing.</p> <p>If the Applicant has not ridden in races within three months of their application being submitted to NZTR, the Applicant will be required to undertake a riding assessment to the satisfaction of a Panel appointed by NZTR.</p> <p><i>Medical and Fitness</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have been declared medically fit to ride in races by a General Practitioner and approved by the NZTR Medical Advisor within the previous twelve (12) months;  (b) have completed a cognitive baseline concussion test within the previous twelve (12) months.</p>
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<p><b>Jumps Rider</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has attained the age of 18 years, or is the holder of a Class B or E rider’s licence; and</li> <li>• satisfies NZTR that he is competent to ride in Jumping Races, jumping trials (including jump-outs and tests for certification purposes) and trackwork; and</li> <li>• if that person is applying for a renewal of their Class D rider’s licence, has ridden in a Jumping Race in the 18 months prior to the date on which the renewal which is subject of his application would apply; and</li> <li>• is of good character.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Jumps Rider Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 18 years of age;</li> <li>(b) complete the Jumps Rider Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Jumps Rider Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) hold, or previously have held, a Jumps Rider Licence, previously titled Class D Rider’s Licence (Jumps Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR; or</li> <li>(b) hold, or previously have held, an Amateur Rider Licence, previously titled Class E Rider’s Licence (Amateur Rider’s Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR; or</li> <li>(c) hold, or previously have held, a Jockey’s Licence, previously titled Class A Rider’s Licence (Jockey’s Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR; or</li> <li>(d) have completed a Jockey Apprenticeship and previously held, an Apprentice Jockey Licence, previously titled Class B Rider’s Licence (Apprentice Jockey’s Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR.</li> </ul> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p>
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		<p>(a) have a prescribed Jumps Rider qualification or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Jumps Rider qualification through a recognised training authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR; or</p> <p>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of equivalent prior industry learning and experience.</p> <p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <p>(a) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment; and</p> <p>(b) National Police Record Certificate.</p> <p><i>Interview and Test</i></p> <p>The Applicant may be required to interview with NZTR and successfully undertake a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health, race day procedures and Rules of Racing.</p> <p><i>Riding Test</i></p> <p>If the Applicant has not ridden in races within a specified time of their application being submitted to NZTR, the Applicant will be required to undertake a riding assessment to the satisfaction of a Panel appointed by NZTR:</p> <p>(a) If the Applicant is applying as a former Jumps Rider and has not ridden in a jumps race, in the 12 months prior to the date of application, the Applicant must ride in five (5) jump trial rides or schooling days, to be completed within three (3) months from the time the requirement is advised by NZTR; or</p> <p>(b) If the Applicant is applying under any other category and has not ridden in a flat race, in the 12 months prior to the date of application, the Applicant must ride in ten (10) jump trial rides or schooling days, to be completed within three (3) months from the time the requirement is advised by NZTR.</p> <p><i>Medical and Fitness</i></p>
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		<p>The Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) have been declared medically fit to ride in jumps races by a General Practitioner and approved by the NZTR Medical Advisor within the previous twelve (12) months;</li> <li>(b) have completed a cognitive baseline concussion test within the previous twelve (12) months</li> <li>(c) pass a fitness test with an 70% pass rate (details of fitness test and assessment as prescribed by NZTR);</li> <li>(d) at the time of application, present at a body weight of no more than the minimum top weight allotted in standard handicap races (at acceptance time) for race meetings.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Probationer</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has attained the age of 15 years; and</li> <li>• satisfies NZTR that he is competent to ride in trials (including jump-outs and tests for certification purposes) and trackwork; and</li> <li>• is of good character.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Probationer Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 15 years and 3 months of age;</li> <li>(b) complete the Probationer Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Probationer Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements outlined below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An applicant must hold, or previously have held, a Fast Work Licence or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) months, and been licensed as such no later than six (6) months from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR.</p> <p>An applicant who has previously held a Probationer Licence, or its equivalent as assessed by NZTR, and who did not progress to hold an Apprentice Licence, or its equivalent as assessed by NZTR, is not eligible for</p>



		<p>the grant of a Probationer Licence. NZTR may, in its absolute discretion, exempt an applicant from this prohibition.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must be enrolled in the Apprentice Programme.</p> <p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;</li> <li>(ii) National Police Record Certificate (if 18 years of age);</li> <li>(iii) Consent of parent or guardian (for applicants under 18 years of age); and</li> <li>(iv) Copy of valid work visa (if an international Applicant).</li> </ul> <p><i>Approved Apprentice Employer</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide details of a person, who is deemed by NZTR to be an Approved Employer and who complies with the regulations and obligations of an Approved Employer, who has agreed to engage the Applicant if granted a Probationer Licence.</p> <p><i>Interview and Riding Assessment</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Sit an interview with the NZTR Regional Probationer Licensing Panel;</li> <li>(ii) Complete a riding test on the riding simulator to the satisfaction of the NZTR Regional Riding Master;</li> <li>(iii) Complete a riding test on a horse to the satisfaction of the NZTR Regional Riding Master.</li> </ul> <p><i>Medical and Fitness</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) be declared medically fit to ride in races by a General Practitioner and approved by the NZTR Medical Advisor;</li> </ul>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) have completed a cognitive baseline concussion test;</li> <li>(iii) pass a fitness test with a 70% pass rate (details of fitness test and assessment as prescribed);</li> <li>(iv) be within the maximum weight category of 53kg. If the Applicant is above this weight, NZTR may require the Applicant to undertake a realistic plan to reach this weight within the timeframe of the probation period.</li> </ul> <p><i>Language</i></p> <p>The applicant must be able to communicate effectively in English. If unable to do so, NZTR, in its discretion, may require the Applicant to undertake an English language literacy and learning plan.</p>
<p><b>Apprentice</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has held a Class C rider’s licence for at least 3 months; and</li> <li>• has attained the age of 15 years and 3 months; and</li> <li>• satisfies NZTR that he is competent to ride in Races, trials (including jump-outs and tests for certification purposes) and trackwork; and</li> <li>• is of good character.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Applications</i></p> <p>To be granted an Apprentice Jockey Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 15 years and 9 months of age;</li> <li>(b) complete the Apprentice Jockey Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted an Apprentice Jockey Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) hold, or previously have held, an Apprentice Jockey Licence, previously titled Class B Rider’s Licence (Apprentice Jockey’s Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) months, and been licensed as such no later than six (6) months from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR; or</li> <li>(ii) hold, or previously have held, a Probationer Licence, previously titled Class C Rider’s Licence (Probationer’s</li> </ul>

		<p>Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR, for a minimum of three (3) months, and been licensed as such no later than six (6) months from the date that any (full) Application is submitted to NZTR.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must be enrolled in the Apprentice Programme and complete the work required to gain this qualification within the term of the apprenticeship.</p> <p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;</li> <li>(ii) National Police Record Certificate (if 18 years of age);</li> <li>(iii) Consent of parent or guardian (for applicants under 18 years of age); and</li> <li>(iv) Copy of valid work visa (if an international Applicant).</li> </ul> <p><i>Approved Employer</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide to NZTR a fully executed copy of the NZTR Apprentice Agreement.</p> <p><i>Interview and Test:</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) with, their Approved Employer, successfully undertaken an interview with the NZ Apprentice Licensing Panel;</li> <li>(ii) have interviewed with NZTR and successfully undertaken a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health, race day procedures and Rules of Racing.</li> </ul> <p>The Applicant must, once granted a pass to ride in Official Trials as a Probationer, have completed 30 Official Trials within six (6) months, two (2) of which must be of 1200 metres or further and with the last two (2) official trials under race day conditions.</p>
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<p><b>Jockey</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has attained the age of 18 years and has completed an apprenticeship in accordance with NZTR’s requirements; and</li> <li>• has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ previously held a Class B rider’s licence; and</li> <li>○ previously held a Class A rider’s licence; or</li> <li>○ (otherwise satisfies NZTR that he is competent to ride in Races, trials (including jump-outs and tests for certification purposes) and trackwork; and</li> </ul> </li> <li>• is of good character.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Application</i></p> <p>To be granted a Jockey Licence, an Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be a minimum of 18 years of age and have completed a Jockey Apprenticeship;</li> <li>(b) complete the Jockey Licence Application Form, together with payment of the annual licence fee prescribed by the NZTR Board;</li> <li>(c) satisfy NZTR that he or she is a suitable person in accordance with the Suitability Policy to be granted a Jockey Licence;</li> <li>(d) meet the Experience and Criteria requirements below; and</li> <li>(e) acknowledge and agree to adhere to the specific Licence Conditions.</li> </ul> <p><i>Experience</i></p> <p>An Applicant must:</p>

		<p>(a) hold, or previously have held, a Jockey Licence, previously titled Class A Rider’s Licence (Jockey’s Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR; or</p> <p>(b) have completed a Jockey Apprenticeship and previously held, an Apprentice Licence, previously titled Class B Rider’s Licence (Apprentice Jockey’s Licence), or its international equivalent as assessed by NZTR.</p> <p><i>Qualification</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p> <p>(a) have completed the Apprentice Programme, or other similar accredited racing industry Equine Apprentice Jockey qualification through a recognised training authority in an overseas jurisdiction recognised by NZTR; or</p> <p>(b) receive recognition by NZTR of prior industry learning and experience to satisfy the clause (a)(i)(a) above.</p> <p><i>Assessments</i></p> <p>The Applicant must provide the following:</p> <p>(i) Racing Disciplinary History Assessment;</p> <p>(ii) National Police Record Certificate;</p> <p>(iii) Copy of valid work visa (if an international Applicant).</p> <p><i>Interview and Test</i></p> <p>The Applicant may be required to interview with NZTR and successfully undertake a written or verbal test including topics such as general racing knowledge, horse welfare/health, race day procedures and Rules of Racing.</p> <p>If the Applicant has not ridden in races within the six months prior to their application being submitted to NZTR, the Applicant will be required to undertake a riding assessment to the satisfaction of a Panel comprising the NZTR Regional Riding Master, RIB Steward and NZTR Management.</p> <p><i>Medical and Fitness:</i></p> <p>The Applicant must:</p>
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