



NATIONAL FIXTURES COMMITTEE

POLICY IN RESPECT OF RACE MEETINGS WHICH CANNOT BE STAGED ON A SCHEDULED DATE, AS A RESULT OF WEATHER OR OTHER FACTORS.

- 1) For the purposes of clarification, the following definitions will apply to this policy:-
 - 1.1 *postpone* - to put off and/or delay to a future time or date i.e. to move a race or race meeting in its entirety to a subsequent time and/or date.
 - 1.2 *reschedule* - to assign a new time and/or place and/or date for a race and/or race meeting i.e. to call for fresh entries for a race and/or race meeting which has been abandoned.
- 2) No race meeting in South Africa shall be postponed as a result of inclement weather or other factors – it shall be abandoned, except as provided for in this policy.
- 3) In the case of the seventeen major race days as detailed in Annexure A attached to this policy, the Racing Operator concerned, in consultation with the other Racing Operator, may postpone the race meeting to the earliest and most appropriate opportunity.
- 4) The Racing Operator concerned, in consultation with the other Racing Operator, will postpone or reschedule any Grade 1 Feature Race that may be lost due to (2) above, at the earliest and most appropriate opportunity.
- 5) The Racing Operator concerned, in consultation with the other Racing Operator, will attempt to reschedule any Grade 2, Grade 3 or Listed Feature Race which may be lost due to (2) above, at the earliest and most appropriate opportunity, but depending on such factors as programming etc
- 6) The Racing Operator concerned may, in its sole discretion, reschedule any “key” races that may be lost due to (2) above, at the earliest and most appropriate opportunity, but depending on such factors as programming etc. A “key” race may be a type of race which does not regularly occur in the programme and which may not have been scheduled again for some time or a non-feature “prep” race for a forthcoming feature race.
- 7) Notwithstanding (2) above, should it not be possible to stage a race meeting scheduled to be run in the day, for whatsoever reason, the Racing Operator concerned, in consultation with the other Racing Operator, may postpone or reschedule the race meeting to be staged at night, provided that it is a “standalone” race meeting, or to a Sunday, the optimum period of postponement being 24 hours.
- 8) Notwithstanding (2) above, should it not be possible to stage a race meeting scheduled to be run at night, for whatsoever reason, the Racing Operator concerned, in consultation with the other Racing Operator, may postpone or reschedule the race meeting to another night, provided that it is a “standalone” race meeting, or to a Sunday, the optimum period of postponement being 24 hours.
- 9) Notwithstanding (2) above, should the racing programme in a particular region have been severely disrupted as a result of ongoing poor weather conditions or other factors, the Racing Operators may in their sole discretion, jointly agree to reschedule a lost race meeting or race meetings, at the most appropriate and economically beneficial time. This action may result in a race meeting or race meetings being run within the region, or in any other region, but not necessarily at the originally designated racecourse, at the discretion of the Racing Operators.
- 10) In the event of a race meeting being postponed or rescheduled, the race starting times of the postponed or rescheduled race meeting shall be set by the Racing Operator concerned, in consultation with the other Racing Operator.

Annexure A

The major race meetings referred to in Clause 3 of the Policy shall be those which feature the following races:-

- L'Ormarins Queens Plate
- J & B Met
- B W Gauteng Guineas
- S A Classic
- Senor Santa Handicap
- President's Champions Challenge
- KRA Guineas
- Golden Horse Sprint
- Daily News 2000
- Rising Sun Gold Challenge
- Vodacom Durban July
- Gold Cup
- Champions Cup
- Emerald Cup
- Peermont Emperors Palace Charity Mile
- Sansui Summer Cup
- Cape Guineas

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The Company may cancel, move or postpone any race or race meeting for whatsoever reason. In addition, the Company may move a race or race meeting from one race course to another or from a turf track to an alternate surface, and vice versa. NHA rule 49.19 applies.