

Decision

Tasracing Integrity Unit and Christian Salter

Date of Decision:	15 July 2026
Decision Makers:	Ms Barbara Scott, Mr Arnold Hyde, Mr Trevor Styles
Respondents:	Mr. Christian Salter
Rules:	AHRR 238 AHRR 190B(3)
Charge:	Christian Salter, you were at all relevant times a harness trainer and driver licensed by Tasracing and a person bound by the Australian Harness Rules of Racing. On 28 June 2026 you transported IDEN JUST BECAUSE via horse float to the Hobart race meeting and kept IDEN JUST BECAUSE on that horse float for a period of time prior to being directed to unload the horse and enter the race day stalls. You failed to comply with the Tasracing Animal Welfare Code of Practice for Racehorse Welfare, a requirement of the Controlling Body. Section 5.2 of the Code of Practice states a person transporting a racehorse must ensure that time spent by the racehorse on the transport vehicle is minimised. You failed to maintain a Log Book of Treatment.
Plea:	To charge AHRR 238 - Guilty To charge AHRR 190B(1) - Guilty
Penalties:	AHRR 238 - \$750 AHRR 190B(3) - \$350

Decision:

1. Mr. Salter was at all relevant times a licenced harness trainer and driver.
2. On 28 June 2026 Mr Salter transported IDEN JUST BECAUSE to the Hobart harness meeting and parked his car and horse float.
3. Mr Salter remained in the car and IDEN JUST BECAUSE remained in the horse float for a period of approximately 15 minutes.

4. During this time, IDEN JUST BECAUSE became agitated and was moving about within the horse float.
5. A Tasracing Official directed Mr Salter to remove IDEN JUST BECAUSE from the horse float and enter the race day stalls.
6. On 3 July 2026 a stable inspection was conducted at Mr Salters property. Mr Salter did not maintain a Log Book of Treatments.
7. In arriving at Penalty, the Decision Makers considered all available evidence including:
 - the Guilty pleas for both offences
 - Mr Salters prior disciplinary history
 - Mr Salter's verbal submissions
 - The need to ensure a racehorse's physical and psychological wellbeing is assured
 - Specific and general deterrence
8. Mr Salter was advised of his rights of appeal.

Dated: 16 July 2026