

AARC SET WEIGHTS WITH PENALTIES Definition 1.3

(apprentices cannot claim)

The goal of this Weighting System for AARC is to allow for more competitive racing.

1. Base weights:

AGE using date of birth	5YO & older	4YO to < 5YO	3Yrs 6 months to < 4YO
MALES	59 kg	58 kg	57 kg
FEMALES	57 kg	56 kg	55 kg

2. Winning Penalties:

1. Add one kg for every win over a lifetime except any horse winning a race by less than one length does not incur a winning penalty

3. Margin Penalties:

1. There will be a Margin penalty of an extra 0.5 kg if the horse wins a race by a margin equal to or greater than 5 Lengths but less than 10 Lengths.
2. The Margin penalty will be 1.0 kg if the horse wins a race by 10 Lengths or more.

Example. A horse wins six races:

Maiden race by ½ Length (= zero weight penalty)

Then three races by margins between one and five lengths (= 3 x one kg penalties)

One race by 5 lengths (= 1.5 kg weight penalty)

One race by 12 lengths (= 2 kg weight penalty).

The accrued penalties for this horse would be 6.5 Kg.

No penalties for **place getters**.

Maximum accumulated penalties to be carried – depends on the race distance.

(On the basis that weight will usually impede a horse more over the longer distances.)

RACE DISTANCE	MAXIMUM PENALTY
Up to and including 1400 m	14 kg
> 1400 m and including 1600 m	13 kg
> 1600 m up to and including 1800 m	12 kg
> 1800 m up to and including 2000 m	11 kg
> 2000 m	10 kg

4. Weight Deductions.

If a penalised horse has not won a race for more than 12 months (> 365 days), one kg is deducted.

A further one kg will be deducted for every 12 months that it goes winless, until down to Base Weight for its age and gender.

Each Margin penalty will be removed three years after the winning performance.