



HRI education & training grant programme

Professional Jockeys

HRI is committed to offering assistance, financial or otherwise*, to help Jockeys to develop their skills and qualifications for their current role, or to help them prepare for life outside the saddle.

**(otherwise refers to availing of expertise and experience from within HRI for assistance or advice with an assignment, study plan, project, etc.)*

Personal Development & Further Education

Where you have identified a relevant course of study, you may apply to avail of the HRI education & training grant, subject to availability, should you meet the following criteria;

- You must have held a professional jockey licence, issued by the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board, in at least three of the past five years.
- The course being proposed must be to help you in your current role, or be part of a plan towards a career beyond the saddle. This must be outlined in Application Form A in both instances.
- The course being proposed should offer a QQI award upon successful completion, courses that are not QQI accredited will be assessed on a case by case basis.

Fees

- A contribution of up to 50% of the course fee, (up to a maximum of €1,000 in any calendar / academic year) may be approved for your education and training development.

Example 1: A course costing €3,000. 50% of this fee is €1,500; therefore the maximum grant available will be €1,000. €500 will be paid upon commencement and €500 upon completion.

Example 2: A course costing €1,500. 50% of this fee is €750; therefore the maximum grant available will be €750. €375 will be paid upon commencement and €375 upon completion.

- The grant programme will operate on a reimbursement basis. Applicants to the grant programme will be required to apply, enrol, and pay any fees due for their selected course themselves. HRI will then reimburse part of this fee upon submission of this application form, and evidence of payment, e.g. a receipt. The grant will be paid in two tranches: 50% at the commencement of the course and 50% upon successful completion (Evidence that the course has been completed successfully must be provided to ensure payment upon completion).
- In exceptional circumstances, if HRI feels it appropriate, 100% of the fees may be provided upfront. This is at the discretion of HRI and based on the economic circumstances of the applicant.

- Reimbursement will not apply to any additional costs associated with repeat exams where applicable. In the event that you are required to carry out any repeat subjects, you will be fully responsible for any associated costs.

I have read the above policy in relation to the financial support given by HRI towards my continued study and development and I understand all the conditions of same.

Signed

Applicant

Date

Reimbursement Policy

In the event that you fail to complete the course, you may be liable to repay any fee payments HRI have made in relation to the course of study.

In this instance, following consultation with you, a repayment plan will be scheduled and your personal circumstances will be taken into consideration.

I hereby agree that HRI may debit my personal HRI account for any fees paid over as part of the education & training grant programme:

Signed

Applicant

Date

HRI education & training grant programme - Application Form A

To be completed by the applicant prior to submission to HRI for approval:

Course title: _____

1. What are your objectives for participation on this course?

2. How will this course be of benefit to you in your current role, or prepare you for a role outside of the saddle?

4. If you are to successfully complete this course what are your next steps?

5. Any additional non-financial support HRI can provide?

Signed _____
Applicant

Date _____

Approved By _____
HRI representative

Date _____

HRI education & training grant programme - Application Form B

Section (i) and section (ii) are to be completed by the applicant; section (iii) is to be completed by a representative of the training organisation.

Section (i)

Applicant Name:	_____
Address:	_____ _____
Phone Number:	_____
Email Address:	_____
HRI Account Number:	_____

Section (ii)

Course applied for	_____
College/Institute	_____
Course Duration	_____
Total cost of Course	_____
Module/Year undertaken	_____
Cost of Module/Year	_____

Section (iii)

To be completed by a representative of the school/college/training organisation

Student name:	_____
College/Institute	_____
Course Duration	_____
Total cost of Course	_____

I hereby confirm that _____ has enrolled on the above named course:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Job title: _____

Email Address: _____

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HRI are paying the following contribution for the module/academic year being undertaken

Course fees _____

Total Contribution _____

50/50 or _____
on completion

Note: Repeat course/examination fees are not supported.

This agreement must be read and signed in conjunction with the attached policy which covers criteria for payment of fees, and reimbursement policy.

I accept the conditions as defined by the policy and outlined above and confirm that all information supplied herein by me, the named applicant is true and accurate.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Applicant

Approved: _____

Date: _____

HRI representative

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Manager

Checklist:

You must have supplied / completed each of the items on the below list in order for your application to be processed, if you have any queries about anything on the list, please call Sarah Stafford on 045 - 455618:

i) Applicant has signed and dated page 2, page 3, page 4, & page 6 of this document	
iii) Applicant has fully completed Application Form A on Page 4 of this document	
iii) Applicant has fully completed Section (i) and Section (ii) of Application Form B on Page 6 of this document	
iv) A representative of the college / training provider has fully completed Section (iii) of Application Form B on Page 5 of this document	
v) A copy of the receipt from payment of course fees has been provided with the completed application form	

Please return completed application form via post or email to the following address:

Post: Sarah Stafford

Horse Racing Ireland

Ballymany

The Curragh

Co. Kildare

Email: workinracing@hri.ie