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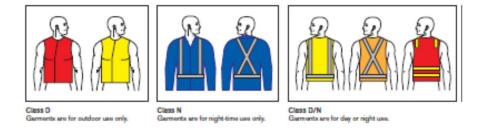
# **RIDER IDENTIFICATION BIBS**

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## PURPOSE

Rider Identification Bibs are used at all VERA Inc. affiliated events as a means of competitor identification to ride officials, other competitors and to the general public.

High-visibility clothing is a form of personal protective equipment worn by competitors at VERA Inc. affiliated events that can be easily seen by drivers, cyclists, pedestrians and ride officials. High visibility clothing should be used alongside other safety measures when riding on the roads. The Rider Identification Bibs supplied by VERA Inc. at endurance events and offered by VERA Inc. to members for purchase meet the Australian Standard AS/NZS 4602 for high visibility garments.



# POLICY

Rider Identification Bibs will be worn at all VERA Inc. affiliated events by all competitors. These will be supplied by VERA Inc. to competitors. Rider Identification Bibs can be purchased by members.

For all endurance rides the Rider Identification Bibs will display a coloured stripe to indicate the Ride Division in which the rider is entered. For intermediate and introductory rides no coloured stripe is required.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

VERA Inc. will ensure Rider Identification Bibs are available to all members and ride organisers. Sufficient supplies of Rider Identification Bibs will be maintained by VERA within each of the three ride trailers available within the state.



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All competitors must wear the Rider Identification Bibs provided in the appropriate manner and, where the bib has been purchased by the rider, maintain the Rider Identification Bib in good condition.

Riders competing in endurance rides must ensure that the Rider Identification Bib displays the appropriately coloured stripe for the division in which they are competing. Display of an incorrect coloured stripe may result in disciplinary action being enforced against the rider.

## PROCEDURES

VERA Inc. will provide Rider Identification Bibs to all ride organisers who will observe the following:

- Intermediate and Introductory rides will use numbered orange bibs.
- Endurance rides will use numbered yellow bibs with Australian Standard reflective capacity and appropriate coloured strip indicative of the riding division:
  - Heavyweight Red
  - o Middleweight Blue
  - Lightweight White/Silver
  - Junior Yellow

Rider Identification Bibs must always be visible and must be worn on the outside of all clothing in the following instances:

- At all vetting assessments including best conditioned presentations
- On course during the competition

Any VERA Inc. riding member who wishes to may, at any time, purchase their own personal Rider Identification Bib in the colour relevant for their level of competition. These are available for purchase from the Membership Registrar.

It is **MANDATORY** that all VERA Inc. riding members who have successfully qualified to compete as an open endurance rider purchase their own Rider Identification Bib for future competition in VERA Inc. endurance rides. The Yellow Rider Identification Bibs must be purchased at the time of applying for a rider status upgrade from Novice to Endurance.

Any VERA Inc. riding member who wishes to purchase a Rider Identification Bib for intermediate or introduction ride competitions may do so by applying to the Membership Registrar. VERA Inc. members who do not hold a current endurance bib will be issued with a new competition number.



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Once purchased the Rider Identification Bib is the property of the rider and the following conditions apply to ownership of the bib:

- The Rider Identification Bib must be maintained in good repair to ensure that it continues to meet its purpose
- VERA Inc. may request a member to replace their Rider Identification Bib if it falls into disrepair to ensure a professional image of the sport is always portrayed
- A Rider Identification Bib may be sold to another VERA Inc. member at the owner's discretion. Written notification of this sale must be forwarded to the VERA Inc. Membership Registrar.

Members of VERA Inc. who purchase a Rider Identification Bib may embroider or attach lettering to the back of their bib (such as rider name or stud name) at their own cost. The requirements for the inclusion of lettering on the Rider Identification Bibs are:

- Application for personal additions to the Rider Identification Bib must be submitted to the Membership Registrar, who will submit it to the VERA State Management Committee (SMC) for review
- VERA Inc. SMC must approve any alterations to the Rider Identification Bib prior to the alterations being made
- Graphics will not be permitted to be attached to any VERA Inc. Rider Identification Bib
- Lettering must be at least 30mm above the top of the number and must not exceed 40mm in height. Lettering must be in black only and the font should be of a basic form. There will be a single line of text.

Once a VERA Inc. member has purchased a Rider Identification Bib they must wear this at all endurance rides affiliated with VERA Inc. excluding the Tom Quilty Gold Cup.

Should a VERA Inc. member, with a Rider Identification Bib, change riding divisions they can apply to the Membership Registrar for either a replacement bib in the correct riding division or an attachable weight division colour stripe.

Should a VERA Inc. member forget to bring their Rider Identification Bib to an endurance ride there will be a riding bib provided by the Ride Organiser. All efforts will be made to ensure that the colour of the riding division on these vests is correct.