

26. Minimum requirements as to races to be included in a flat race programme

26.1 In each day's programme of racing, there must be two races of a mile or upwards of the minimum aggregate distance of two miles and a half.

26.2 Where the programme is held on or after January 1st in any year but before the end of the week immediately preceding that in which the Epsom Derby Festival is held, the daily programme of races to be run must include at least one type of Maiden Race open to three years old.

26.3 Where the programme is held at or after the start of the week that follows the Doncaster St Leger Meeting but before the end of The Flat Season, the daily programme of races to be run must include at least one race of between six to eight furlongs restricted to Maiden or Novice two years old.

26.4 From the start of the Flat Season until the end of the year, each racecourse to stage three Maiden or Novice Races for every two days' racing.

From January 1st to the day before the start of the Flat Season, each racecourse to stage one Maiden or Novice Race for every day's racing.

26.5 Any programme of races to be run must consist of at least six races and these must include, unless the Total Prize Fund exceeds £100,000 for that day, a minimum of two of those races potentially liable to division under Rule 102.

26.6 For a programme of seven races, at least two races which are potentially liable to division must still be programmed but only one shall be permitted to divide at the time determined in accordance with Part 6 for making declarations to run.

26.7 The Authority shall seek the agreement of the Racecourse Managing Executive if, in exercise of its general powers under Part (A)2, the Authority proposes to waive the application of Paragraph 26.6 to a particular meeting.