Racing and Wagering Western Australia
Official Thoroughbred Policy 32.

PRE-RACE, PRE-TRIAL AND PRE-TRACKWORK TREATMENTS

Horses are not permitted to be treated on-course prior to racing, trialling or track working. This policy applies to:

(i) **Ice treatments**: It is not permissible to stand a horse in buckets of ice or iced water, nor is it permissible to use a bag, ice boots or bandages filled with ice so that any part of the lower leg is numbed.

The use of ice packs, bandages soaked in ice filled buckets etc., after a race, trial or trackwork is permitted and remains a good form of therapy. To this end, the club makes available to Trainers, ice for post-race therapy.

(ii) **Medicaments**: Trainers are notified that the practice of administering any medicament or product to a horse, either topically, orally or parenterally, is strictly prohibited (i.e. “Vicks”, camphor etc. to a horse’s nostril or glycerine/pastes etc., into a horse’s mouth).

(iii) **Physical treatment** with magnetic field therapy, ultra sound, laser, Faradic stimulation, shock wave therapy and similar equipment is also prohibited.

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