

The APC has made the following determinations in relation to Australian black type races for the 2026-27 season:

Upgrades

The following races will be upgraded in 2026/27:

Concorde Stakes (3yo+, 1000m)	<i>Group 3 to Group 2</i>
Kingston Town Stakes (3yo+, 2000m)	<i>Group 3 to Group 2</i>
City Tattersall's Lightning Stakes (3yo+, 1200m)	<i>Group 3 to Group 2</i>
Craven Plate (3yo+, 1800m)	<i>Group 3 to Group 2</i>
Spring Preview (3yo+, 1000m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>
Chautauqua Stakes (2yo+, 1200m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>
Poseidon Stakes (3yo C&G, 1100m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>
Cap d'Antibes Stakes (3yo F, 1100m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>
Heritage Stakes (3yo, 1100m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>
Reginald Allen Quality (3yo F, 1400m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>
Starstruck Classic (3yo+ F&M, 1600m)	<i>Listed to Group 3</i>

The following races were considered for upgrade by the Committee but will remain at their current status in 2026/27:

The Shorts (3yo+, 1100m)	<i>Remains at Group 2</i>
Toy Show Quality (3yo+ F&M, 1100m)	<i>Remains at Group 3</i>
San Domenico Stakes (3yo, 1100m)	<i>Remains at Group 3</i>
The Gold Rush (3yo+, 1400m)	<i>Remains at Group 3</i>
W. H. Wylie Handicap (3yo+, 1100m)	<i>Remains at Listed</i>
Dulcify Stakes (3yo, 1600m)	<i>Remains at Listed</i>
Burgess Queen Stakes (3yo F, 1400m)	<i>Remains at Listed</i>
Christmas Cup (3yo+, 2400m)	<i>Remains at Listed</i>

The following race didn't meet the criteria for upgrade due to a distance change for the 2025/26 renewal:

R. S. Crawford Stakes (3yo+, 1200m)	<i>Remains at Listed</i>
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Additions

The following races have been granted black type status in 2026/27:

Golden Eagle (4yo, 1500m)	<i>Group 1</i>
The Invitation (3yo+ F&M, 1400m)	<i>Group 2</i>
Russell Balding Stakes (3yo+, 1300m)	<i>Group 2</i>
Alan Brown Stakes (3yo+, 1400m)	<i>Group 3</i>
ATC St. Leger Stakes (3yo+, 2600m)	<i>Group 3</i>
The Gong (2yo+, 1600m)	<i>Group 3</i>
Unite Resourcing – Max Simmonds Stakes (3yo, 1000m)	<i>Listed</i>
Tapp-Craig Stakes (3yo, 1400m)	<i>Listed</i>
Rosehill Gold Cup (2yo+, 2000m)	<i>Listed</i>

Big Dance (2yo+, 1600m)	<i>Listed</i>
Golden Gift (2yo, 1100m)	<i>Listed</i>
The Beauford (3yo+, 2300m)	<i>Listed</i>
The Baker Group 3yo Cup (3yo, 1200m)	<i>Listed</i>
The Wharf Mooloolaba Swiss Ace Plate (3yo+, 1000m)	<i>Listed</i>
The Warra (2yo+, 1000m)	<i>Listed</i>

The following races have been granted black type status in 2026/27 but at a lower level than requested:

7 Stakes (3yo+, 1600m)	<i>Group 2</i>
Five Diamonds (5yo, 1800m)	<i>Group 3</i>
Silver Eagle (4yo, 1300m)	<i>Listed</i>
The Hunter (2yo+, 1300m)	<i>Listed</i>

The following race was considered by the committee but will remain without black type status in 2026/27:

Five Diamonds Prelude (5yo, 1500m)

Downgrades

The following race will be downgraded in 2026/27:

Stan Fox Stakes (3yo, 1600m)	<i>Group 2 to Group 3</i>
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The following races were considered by the committee for downgrade but will remain at their current status in 2026/27:

The Metropolitan (3yo+, 2400m)	<i>Remains at Group 1</i>
Railway Stakes (3yo+, 1600m)	<i>Remains at Group 1</i>
Victoria Derby (3yo, 2500m)	<i>Remains at Group 1</i>