

## Chapter 7. Racing

### Section 6. Meeting Race Meet Standards and Maintaining Eligibility

1. Any horse that does not show a satisfactory charted line which meets the qualifying standards for that meet within ~~45~~ 30 days of the date of the program must go a satisfactory qualifying race. The Commission may modify this requirement for the first ~~45~~-30-days of each racing season.
  
8. Horses that have made breaks in the past ~~three~~ two consecutive races entered on good or fast tracks and did not finish in at least one race placing first, second, or third, must go a qualifying race.

### Section 7. Steward's List

1. Only the Presiding Judge may place a horse on the Steward's List. No declaration shall be accepted for a horse on the Steward's List.
  
2. A horse may be placed on the "Steward's List" because it is:
  - A. Dangerous,
  - B. Unmanageable,
  - C. Sick,
  - D. Lamé,
  - E. Unable to qualify,
  - F. Otherwise unfit to race, ~~or~~
  - G. Breaks of a Qualifier,
  - H. Performs poorly during the race,
  - I. Does not perform properly at the start,
  - J. Falls to both knees or falls completely prior to the start, or
  - K. Required to qualify.

### Section 40. Bad Acting Horse

The Starting Judge may remove a bad acting horse from the race upon

which the Presiding Judge shall order a refund of the wagering thereon. There will be no recall for a bad acting horse and the race will start regardless of its position or gait unless, in the opinion of the Judges, the horse poses a danger to the field of horses or drivers.

Any horse that has been scratched because it has been labeled as a “bad actor” shall be placed on the Steward’s List to qualify.

#### Section 46. Duties of Trainer

3. The duties and responsibilities of a trainer shall include, but not limited to, the following:
  - C. The trainer shall be present in the paddock from the time his/her horse(s) enter the paddock until all of his or her horses have raced. A horse(s) will be scratched if the trainer is not in the paddock pursuant to this rule, unless the trainer has specific approval of the Presiding Judge to be absent from the paddock. The trainer must notify the Presiding Judge of his absence and who will be responsible for the horse(s) scheduled to race at that track that day and provide necessary documentation to the Paddock Judge prio to the day’s racing program.

#### 54. Racing Violations

1. Although a leading horse is entitled to any part of the tack except after selecting his or her position in the homestretch, neither the driver of the first horse or any other driver in the race shall do any of the following things, which shall be considered Violations of driving rules:
  - O. Leaving the Course. In the event a horse or part of the horse’s sulky leaves the course and, in the opinion of the Judges, the action gave the horse an unfair advantage over other horses in the race or the action helped the horse improve its position in the race, the horse may be disqualified from receiving any winnings. Further, the Judges may impose a penalty on the driver for such action even if the horse was not disqualified or placed.
  - Q. Whipping.

Penalties for violating this paragraph shall be considered Level 2 violations. The first offense shall carry a minimum fine of 1 \$100.00; a second offense within one (1) year of the first offense shall carry a minimum fine of \$200.00; and, a third and any subsequent offense within one (1) year of the first offense shall carry a minimum fine of \$500.00 and a minimum suspension of ~~thirty (30) days~~ fifteen (15) days.

- T. After the word “Go” is given both feet must ~~be in the stirrups~~ remain in the stirrups or heel plates until the finish of the race.

#### Section 54-A. Racing Violations

1. Without limiting the generality thereof the license of any participant may be suspended or revoked or the licensee may be fined for:
- A. Violation of any rule of the Commission.
- B. Failure to obey the authorized instructions of a racing official appointed or licensed by the Commission.
- C. Any act or conduct detrimental to the sport, including but not limited to:
- (1) Intoxication of a licensee while in the paddock.
- (2) The use of offensive, threatening or profane language or other improper conduct.
- (3) Assault upon any other person.
- (4) Warming up a horse without colors at anytime colors are required.

#### Section 58. Placing Offending Horses

It is a violation of these rules to interfere with another horse or other horses. An offending horse shall be set back for interference if the outcome of the race is affected by that interference. If a horse is set back for interference, he or she must be placed behind the horse or horses he or she interfered with. If the progress of the other horses has been impeded, the offending horse may be placed behind all the non-offending horses in that heat or dash. In the event the interference prevents any horse from finishing the heat or dash, the offending horse may be disqualified from receiving any winnings and the driver may be suspended or fined. If in the opinion of the Judges the interference did not affect the outcome of the race, the driver may be penalized even if no placings or disqualification was made.

#### Section 78. Win Race Record

The leading horse shall be timed and his or her its time shall be announced. ~~No horse shall obtain a win race record by reason of the disqualification of another horse unless a horse is declared a winner by reason of the disqualification~~ A horse placed first by reason of the disqualification of another horse shall obtain a win race record. ~~of a breaking horse on which he or she was lapped.~~ Nothing in this rule shall preclude a horse from “breaking its maiden” when a win is obtained through placings. Also, a win taken away because of placings or disqualification for any reason shall result in a horse reverting back to its previous status.