

1.1 **Racing Commission**

1.2 **Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Horse Racing; Stabling**

1.3 **7876.0100 ON-TRACK STABLING.**

1.4 [For text of subps 1 to 9, see M.R.]

1.5 Subp. 10. **Original health certificate.** Any horse arriving on the grounds must
1.6 be accompanied by an original health certificate issued not more than ten days prior to
1.7 arrival. The health certificate must be completed by an accredited veterinarian and must
1.8 contain complete equine infections anemia test results, including the date, laboratory,
1.9 and accession number of the most recent negative EIA test. The health certificate must
1.10 be surrendered to the stable gate personnel for immediate transmittal to the commission
1.11 veterinarian.

1.12 **7876.0110 OFF-TRACK STABLING.**

1.13 [For text of subps 1 to 3, see M.R.]

1.14 Subp. 4. **Original health certificate.** Any horse arriving on the grounds must be
1.15 accompanied by an original health certificate issued not more than ten days prior to
1.16 arrival. The health certificate must be completed by an accredited veterinarian and must
1.17 contain complete equine infections anemia test results, including the date, laboratory,
1.18 and accession number of the most recent negative EIA test. The health certificate must
1.19 be surrendered to the stable gate personnel for immediate transmittal to the commission
1.20 veterinarian. Trainers with horses shipping in and out with health certificates originating
1.21 within Minnesota may obtain a copy of the horse's certificate from the commission
1.22 veterinarian allowing them 30 days of use. Day one begins with the original issue date.

1.23 **7876.0120 ON- AND OFF-TRACK STABLING OF NONRACING HORSES.**

1.24 Any horse arriving on the grounds must be accompanied by an original health
1.25 certificate issued not more than ten days prior to the arrival. The health certificate must

2.1 be completed by an accredited veterinarian and must contain complete equine infectious
2.2 anemia (EIA) test results, including the date, laboratory, and accession number of the
2.3 most recent negative EIA test. The health certificates must be surrendered to stable gate
2.4 personnel for immediate transmittal to the commission veterinarian. Trainers with horses
2.5 shipping in and out with health certificates originating within Minnesota may obtain a
2.6 copy of the horse's certificate from the commission veterinarian allowing them 30 days of
2.7 use. Day one begins with the original issue date.

2.8 **7877.0175 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF RACING OFFICIALS.**

2.9 [For text of subps 1 to 7, see M.R.]

2.10 Subp. 8. **Commission veterinarian.** The commission veterinarian shall maintain a
2.11 list of the following:

2.12 A. horses that are scratched because of illness or injury;

2.13 B. horses that are pulled up because of lameness or other injury during a race;

2.14 C. horses that are bleeders, pursuant to part 7890.0140, subpart 1; and

2.15 D. horses otherwise considered unfit to race in the professional judgment of the
2.16 commission veterinarian or the association veterinarian.

2.17 The veterinarian's list shall be posted in the racing secretary's office, and any horse
2.18 whose name is on the list shall be ineligible to start in a race for five calendar days, or
2.19 until the commission veterinarian or association veterinarian removes it from the list,
2.20 whichever is later. All workouts required by the commission veterinarian for the purpose
2.21 of potentially removing a horse from the veterinarian's list must be conducted under the
2.22 same medication requirements as those for race days. For purposes of this subpart, the
2.23 five-day period during which a horse is ineligible to start begins to run on the first day the
2.24 horse is placed on the list. The veterinarian's list is binding on all racetracks under the
2.25 jurisdiction of the commission.

3.1 The commission veterinarian shall conduct racing soundness examinations pursuant
3.2 to part 7891.0100. If the veterinarian finds that any horse is unfit to race he or she shall
3.3 notify the stewards immediately in writing.

3.4 The commission veterinarian shall supervise the operation of a barn for the detention
3.5 and testing of horses after each race pursuant to chapter 7890.

3.6 The commission veterinarian shall have the authority to draw blood from any horse
3.7 or pony on the grounds of an association for the purpose of testing for equine infectious
3.8 anemia (EIA), and shall supervise the removal from the racetrack of any horse or pony
3.9 having positive EIA test results.

3.10 In the event of a veterinary emergency where the owner's veterinarian is not on
3.11 racetrack grounds, the commission veterinarian or association veterinarian may administer
3.12 emergency treatment on the request of the owner or the owner's agent. In such cases, the
3.13 owner is responsible for any costs incurred.

3.14 In the absence of an association veterinarian, a commission veterinarian shall assume
3.15 the duties and responsibilities of the association veterinarian.

3.16 [For text of subps 8a to 15, see M.R.]

3.17 **7879.0200 AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF STEWARDS.**

3.18 Subpart 1. **General authority of stewards.** The stewards shall exercise immediate
3.19 supervision, control, and regulation of racing at each licensed race meeting on behalf of
3.20 the commission and shall be responsible only to the commission. The powers of the
3.21 stewards shall include:

3.22 [For text of items A to I, see M.R.]

3.23 J. the authority to scratch a horse or excuse any jockey, driver, trainer, or racing
3.24 official other than a steward;

3.25 [For text of items K and L, see M.R.]

4.1 [For text of subps 2 and 3, see M.R.]

4.2 **7883.0100 ENTRIES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

4.3 [For text of subps 1 to 15a, see M.R.]

4.4 Subp. 16. **Workout requirements.** In order to be eligible:

4.5 [For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

4.6 D. A horse, other than a first-time starter, which has not started for a period of
4.7 one year or more shall not be eligible to start until it has completed three timed workouts,
4.8 at least one of which must be before a commission veterinarian. The timed workout before
4.9 a commission veterinarian must occur within 30 days and no less than 48 hours prior
4.10 to the race for which the horse is entered.

4.11 [For text of item E, see M.R.]

4.12 [For text of subps 17 and 18, see M.R.]

4.13 **7883.0120 DECLARATIONS AND SCRATCHES.**

4.14 Subpart 1. **Procedure for scratching horses.** Scratches and declarations shall be
4.15 made in writing and signed by the owner or trainer of the horse, the owner's authorized
4.16 agent, or a commission veterinarian. Each association shall provide forms on which
4.17 scratches and declarations are to be made, and for all races:

4.18 [For text of items A to D, see M.R.]

4.19 [For text of subps 2 to 7, see M.R.]

4.20 **7883.0160 POST TO FINISH.**

4.21 [For text of subps 1 to 13, see M.R.]

5.1 Subp. 14. **Horse becomes crippled or disabled.** The following procedures shall
5.2 apply if a horse during the running of a race becomes crippled or otherwise obviously
5.3 unable to finish (broken bone, profuse bleeding, or other equally disabling condition):

5.4 A. It shall be dismantled, unsaddled by the jockey or an MRC licensee, and
5.5 removed from the course without passing the stand.

5.6 [For text of items B to D, see M.R.]

5.7 E. The steward shall be notified after euthanasia has been performed.

5.8 **7884.0190 QUALIFYING RACES.**

5.9 [For text of subps 1 to 7, see M.R.]

5.10 Subp. 8. **Medications.** All horses racing in qualifying races must participate under
5.11 the same medication requirements as those for race days.

5.12 **7890.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

5.13 [For text of subps 1 to 3a, see M.R.]

5.14 Subp. 3b. **Bicarbonate loading.** "Bicarbonate loading" means the use of an
5.15 alkalinizing agent either through a nasogastric tube or by other means that elevates the
5.16 plasma or serum TCO₂.

5.17 [For text of subps 4 to 12, see M.R.]

5.18 Subp. 13. **Medication.** "Medication" is a substance, compound, or element, or
5.19 combination thereof, which is or can be administered to a horse for the purpose of
5.20 preventing, curing, or alleviating the effects of any disease, condition, ailment, or infirmity,
5.21 or symptom thereof, or for altering in any way the behavior, attitude, temperament, or
5.22 performance of a horse, including athletic performance. The term medication includes
5.23 all analgesics, anesthetics, depressants, narcotics, stimulants, tranquilizers, and other
5.24 classifications of medications. Nothing herein shall be deemed to include:

6.1 [For text of item A, see M.R.]

6.2 B. Furosemide, provided, however, that it is administered pursuant to the
6.3 provisions of part 7890.0140, subpart 7a, and further provided that: the specific gravity

6.4 of the post-race urine sample is not 1.010 or below or, if the specific gravity is 1.010 or
6.5 below or a urine sample is unavailable for testing, the concentration of Furosemide must
6.6 not exceed 100 nanograms per milliliter of serum or plasma in the post-race blood sample.

6.7 C. Topical applications, such as antiseptics, ointments, salves, leg rubs,
6.8 and leg paints which may contain antibiotics (excluding procaine, penicillin, and
6.9 chloramphenicol) but which shall not contain ethanol, benzocaine, DMSO, lidocane,
6.10 steroids, or other medications.

6.11 [For text of item D, see M.R.]

6.12 [For text of subp 13a, see M.R.]

6.13 Subp. 13b. **Milkshaking.** "Milkshaking" (to include bicarbonate loading) means
6.14 the use of an alkalinizing agent administered through a nasogastric tube or by any other
6.15 means that changes the normal physiological state of a horse through elevation of plasma
6.16 or serum TCO_2 .

6.17 Subp. 13c. **Measurement uncertainty (MU).** "Measurement uncertainty" means a
6.18 value (with units of concentration) that is determined experimentally and characterizes
6.19 the variability of the analytical process. It is used to eliminate all reasonable variability
6.20 originating from the measurement process. It is a property of the method used and unique
6.21 to each laboratory unless measures have been taken to standardize between laboratories.

6.22 [For text of subps 14 to 16, see M.R.]

6.23 Subp. 16a. **TCO_2 .** " TCO_2 " means the total concentration of all forms of carbon
6.24 dioxide in the sample including bicarbonate and carbonate as well as dissolved CO_2 .

6.25 [For text of subps 17 to 21, see M.R.]

7.1 **7890.0110 MEDICATIONS AND PRACTICES PROHIBITED.**

7.2 [For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

7.3 Subp. 3. **Extracorporeal shock wave therapy or radial pulse wave therapy.**

7.4 The use of extracorporeal shock wave therapy or radial pulse wave therapy shall not be
7.5 permitted unless the following conditions are met:

7.6 A. any treated horse shall not be permitted to race for a minimum of ten days
7.7 following treatment with day one being the first day of treatment;

7.8 [For text of items B to D, see M.R.]

7.9 Subp. 4. **Blood doping agents.** The possession or use of blood doping agents by any
7.10 person, including but not limited to the following blood doping agents, on the premises of
7.11 a facility under the jurisdiction of the commission is forbidden:

7.12 [For text of items A to D, see M.R.]

7.13 [For text of subps 5 to 8, see M.R.]

7.14 **7890.0120 REPORTING PROCEDURES.**

7.15 [For text of subp 1, see M.R.]

7.16 Subp. 2. **Administration of NSAIDs to be reported.** If a horse is to race with a
7.17 permitted NSAID in its system, the trainer or other representative shall be responsible
7.18 for legibly and clearly marking the information on the entry blank for each race in which
7.19 the horse shall use a permitted NSAID. Changes made after the time of entry must be
7.20 submitted on the prescribed form to the commission veterinarian no later than scratch
7.21 time. The specific NSAID to be used must be declared on the entry blank.

7.22 Subp. 3. **Administration of furosemide to be reported.** If a horse is to race with
7.23 furosemide in its system, the trainer or other representative shall be responsible for legibly
8.1 and clearly marking the information on the entry blank for each race the horse shall be
8.2 entered in.

8.3 **7890.0140 BLEEDERS.**

8.4 [For text of subps 1 to 3, see M.R.]

8.5 Subp. 4. **Horses placed on bleeder list.** Bleeders shall be placed on a bleeder list
8.6 and the list shall be kept in the commission veterinarian's office. Horses certified as having
8.7 bled in Minnesota shall also be placed on the veterinarian's list at the time of the observed
8.8 bleeding and shall be ineligible to be entered in a race pursuant to subpart 5.

8.9 [For text of subp 5, see M.R.]

8.10 Subp. 6. **Furosemide may be permitted.** A horse is eligible to race with furosemide
8.11 if the licensed trainer and licensed veterinarian determine that it would be in the horse's
8.12 best interests to race with furosemide. Notification using prescribed commission forms
8.13 must be given to the commission veterinarian no later than scratch time for that day's
8.14 racing. Once a horse has raced with furosemide, it must continue to race with furosemide
8.15 in all subsequent races unless a request is made to discontinue the use. If the use
8.16 of furosemide is discontinued, the horse shall be prohibited from again racing with
8.17 furosemide unless it is later observed to be bleeding pursuant to subpart 1. Requests for
8.18 the use of or discontinuance of furosemide must be made to the commission veterinarian
8.19 by the horse's trainer or assistant trainer on a form prescribed by the commission on or
8.20 before the day of entry into the race for which the request is made.

8.21 [For text of subps 7 to 9, see M.R.]

8.22 Subp. 10. **Responsibility of trainer.** The trainer is responsible for ensuring that the
8.23 horse is available at the appropriate time for its treatment. After having been administered
8.24 furosemide, the horse shall at all times be in the care, custody, and under the supervision
8.25 of the trainer or a licensed person assigned by the trainer. The horse must remain in its
9.1 own stall until it is taken to the paddock to be saddled or harnessed for a race. It shall
9.2 not be handled by anyone other than the trainer, the owner, or the employees listed on
9.3 the trainer's signed statement. If emergency veterinary attention becomes necessary,

9.4 the trainer is responsible for immediately notifying the commission veterinarian of the
9.5 nature of the need and of the identity of the responding veterinarian. The trainer shall
9.6 be responsible for the guarding, condition, care, and handling of the horse at all times
9.7 and ensuring that a handler is present to restrain and serve as a designated witness to
9.8 the furosemide administration. If no handler is present and the administration time has
9.9 passed, no furosemide shall be administered and the stewards shall be notified. Trainers
9.10 are responsible for ensuring that a veterinarian licensed by the commission has agreed to
9.11 administer furosemide at the designated time.

9.12 **7890.0150** [Withdrawn at 35 SR 437]

9.13 **7891.0110 POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION.**

9.14 Subpart 1. **Horses that must undergo postmortem examination.** Every horse
9.15 which suffers a breakdown at a licensed racetrack under the jurisdiction of the commission,
9.16 in training or in competition, and which is euthanized, and every horse which expires
9.17 while stabled at a licensed racetrack under the jurisdiction of the commission, shall
9.18 undergo a postmortem examination to be conducted by the University of Minnesota
9.19 Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory to determine the injury or illness which resulted in
9.20 euthanasia or natural death. Shoes and mane hairs excepted, the horse must be delivered
9.21 with all body parts attached and nonmutilated. Accidental dismemberment for any reason
9.22 shall be immediately reported to the commission veterinarian, executive director, and
9.23 deputy director. A Class B or D license holder is responsible for furnishing transportation,
9.24 within six hours of death, to deliver a horse to the University of Minnesota Veterinary
9.25 Diagnostic Laboratory.

9.26 [For text of subps 2 to 4, see M.R.]