

CHAPTER 7
--- RULES OF THE RACE – HORSES ---

100's --- REGISTRATION, ELIGIBILITY, WORKOUTS

REGISTRATION

7.100 - After horses have been registered with the racing secretary, listing their owners, a horse will not be transferred (unless claimed at the meet) without permission of the stewards who will require a notarized bill of sale or the proper transfer authorization.

7.102 - The purchase or transfer of any horse at any racetrack, whether by private sale, claiming or public auction, does not guarantee the new owner a stall for the horse unless approved by the racing secretary. The management has the right to allocate stalls.

7.104 - Prior to entry in a race at a race meeting sanctioned by the Commission, double registered horses shall be declared by the owner or trainer in writing to the racing secretary as to under which single breed registry the horse shall compete. No changes shall be made after an entry has been accepted for such horse during that race meet. However, if such horse is entered in a claiming race, all certificates of registration must be in the racing secretary's office and will be transferred to any successful claimant.

ELIGIBILITY

7.108 – Either special conditions on eligibility, which have been officially adopted by the relevant horseman's association or racing association for any stake or trial race entry form, or specific conditions set forth in the racing condition book that were in place at the time of nomination or entry, shall override any racing rules determining eligibility to run in all races run in conjunction with that entry or condition, including but not limited to the finals and as approved by the Division Director.

7.110 - If any entry from any person whose license has been suspended or revoked and the suspension or revocation would be in effect at the time of the race or of any horse that is ineligible is received, the entry shall be void. If any entry fee has been paid and the entry is noticed before the draw has taken place, the entry fee shall be refunded; otherwise the entry fee shall be forfeited. Should the entry not be noticed until after the race has been run, any money or prize won by the entry shall be returned for redistribution. The entry shall not be void if the care of the horse is appropriately transferred to an eligible trainer prior to scratch time of the scheduled performance or if there is no scratch time then 9:00 a.m. the day after the draw. The transferee trainer shall sign in the presence of the stewards a form furnished by the Division of Racing Events accepting complete responsibility for the condition of the horse so transferred.

7.112 - Any horse that has been the subject of a fraudulent practice may be disqualified by the stewards of the meet for no longer period than the duration of the meet and they shall report the circumstances to the Commission for proper action.

7.114 - A horse on the stewards' veterinarian's, schooling or starter's list shall not be eligible to be entered.

7.116 - A horse which has started in a race which is not recorded by the *Daily Racing Form* or a similar publication approved by the stewards shall not be entered at a racetrack unless the owner and/or trainer has submitted to the racing secretary satisfactory performance records. Suitable publications and satisfactory performance records shall show where and when the horse raced, the distance, the weight carried, the horse's finishing position and time and the amount of money earned. Such information submitted to the racing secretary shall be signed and sworn to by the owner and/or trainer of the horse.

WORKOUTS

7.120 - The stewards, the track veterinarian/a veterinarian approved by the Commission for such purpose or the Division veterinarian may, for cause, order a horse to be worked at a specific distance and effort.

7.122 - Before accepting the entry of any horse, the stewards may require the horse to have additional official workouts. If any owner or trainer refuses to work out a horse as directed by the stewards, entry of the horse shall be denied.

7.124 - Any horse that has not run at a meet in the sixty (60) days prior to the race in which it is sought to be entered shall have at least one (1) official workout before being eligible to start an official race. A horse that has never run at a meet or has not run in the six (6) months prior to the race in which it is sought to be entered must have a minimum of two (2) official workouts before being eligible to start in an official race. Workouts beyond sixty (60) days will not be accepted.

7.126 - A horse may not be permitted to race whose recent workouts have not been properly recorded with the clocker.

7.128 - Before any horse is permitted to start, the stewards shall be satisfied that its published past performance, whether in races or workouts, shall be of a sufficient number and acceptable time to enable the public to make a reasonable assessment of its capabilities.

7.130 - Every licensee exercising a horse shall correctly identify the horse being exercised, if requested, and if working, the licensee shall state the distance and the point on the racing strip where it is intended to start the workout.

7.132 - The trainer is responsible to the clocker for the proper identification of the horse working out.

7.134 - A workout other than an official workout may not be approved for publication.

7.136 - Absolutely no devices other than authorized riding equipment may be used for any workouts.

7.138 - Permission must be obtained from the stewards to exercise or work a horse between races. A public announcement must be made giving the name of the horse and explaining the purpose for the horse being on the racing strip.

7.140 - A horse shall not be worked while under the influence of any unauthorized medication.

200's & 300's --- ENTRIES AND NOMINATIONS

ENTERING

7.200 - Before a horse is eligible to race, it must be duly entered into that race. Only a licensed owner, trainer, jockey agent or authorized agent may enter a horse into a race. If the Director determines, in the exercise of his/her sole discretion, that the number of jockey agents available for any given race meet is insufficient enough to call into question the fairness of the entry process, then the Director may disallow jockey agents from entering horses.

7.202 - At the time of entry a certificate of registration from the appropriate registry must be in the office of the racing secretary. A photo copy or a facsimile (FAX) of a certificate showing the current owner is acceptable when a horse is being entered into a race; however, the original certificate must be delivered to the racing secretary at a time designated by the Board.

7.204 - Entries will not be accepted on a horse unless the horse has been approved for racing at the meet by the association.

7.206 - Before being entered into any race, a horse, on race day, must be eligible and in fit condition to race.

7.207 - At the time of a horse's first entry for the current race meet any person authorized to enter a horse shall be responsible to enter the horse with the correct weight and with all of the horse's medications, pursuant to Colorado Racing Commission Rules concerning authorized medications, and all of the published equipment to be used for the current race meet. Any changes in medication or equipment from the horse's first entry for the current race meet shall be the responsibility of any person authorized to enter a horse and must be approved by the stewards, the Division veterinarian or a racing official designee.

7.208 - A horse shall not be permitted to enter unless it is conditioned by a licensed trainer.

7.210 - All horses shall be registered with the racing secretary in the name of the true owner(s).

7.212 - The entry of a horse must be in the name of its true ownership. Registration certificates and leases of horses shall be filed with the racing secretary within forty-eight (48) hours of the horse's arrival at the racetrack. All transfers of ownership of horses racing at a meet shall be approved by the stewards.

7.214 - Any owner who has a share in a horse which is less than equal to the shares of any other owner is not entitled to enter that horse in a race as the owner without the written approval of the larger shareholders.

7.216 - All persons authorized to enter a horse shall, upon making an entry, be required to furnish the name of the jockey who rides their horse, or if this is not possible, then within one (1) hour after the time of draw. If a jockey has not been named within one hour, the stewards shall name the jockey that will ride the horse.

7.218 - If the owner, trainer or authorized agent, engages more than one jockey for the same race after the time designated by the racing secretary to name jockeys, the owner shall pay the jockey taken off the horse a jockey mount fee that is equivalent to the minimum jockey mount fee paid for the particular race. A jockey shall not be engaged for the purpose of preventing another jockey from riding in a race. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a jockey mount fee is not earned by a jockey when a jockey or his or her agent elects to take himself or herself off a mount or when the stewards replace the jockey with a substitute jockey for reasons other than the jockey suffering an injury during the time between weighing-out and the start of the race.

7.220 - A horse may be entered in two races on a single day provided that one of those races is either a stake or handicap race. A horse's first obligation to run is in the race where its first position has been drawn. A horse may not be carried on the program in two races.

7.222 - Except to correct an error or as provided in Section 7.110, an alteration shall not be made in a nomination or entry after closing.

COUPLED ENTRIES

7.230 - A trainer may not enter more than two (2) horses for any one (1) overnight event. When a trainer enters two (2) horses for the same overnight race, a preference must be expressed and in no case may two (2) horses under one (1) ownership or one (1) trainership be drawn into an overnight race to the exclusion of a single entry.

7.232 - Horses owned by the same owner(s) or leased by the same lessee(s) wholly or in part shall be coupled as a single wagering interest in any one race. For the purposes of this rule, the lessee is considered the owner. If the Director determines, in the exercise of his/her sole discretion, that the pool of horses for any given race meet may be insufficient to maintain a reasonable parimutuel racing program with coupled entries, or that other conditions exist which would, in the best interests of racing, make the uncoupling of entries desirable, then the Director may allow horses which would otherwise be coupled under this rule to be uncoupled.

7.234 - Entries of separate ownership but trained by the same trainer shall not run as an entry nor be coupled for wagering purposes.

7.236 - A trainer or assistant trainer of any horse shall not have any ownership interest in any other horse in the same race unless the horses are coupled as a single wagering interest. If after scratch time the number of separate interests in a race exceed the numerical capacity of the totalisator and/or tote board, once Section 7.232 has been complied with, any further necessary coupling shall be allowed until the coupling creates the maximum numerical capacity of the totalisator and/or tote board. If the Director determines, in the exercise of his/her sole discretion, that the pool of horses for any given race meet may be insufficient to maintain a reasonable parimutuel racing

program with coupled entries, or that other conditions exist which would, in the best interests of racing, make the uncoupling of entries desirable, then the Director may allow horses which would otherwise be coupled under this rule to be uncoupled.

NOMINATIONS

7.240 - Pursuant to these Rules nominators to stakes may before the time set for the close of entries for a stake, transfer a horse's engagement. In the event a transfer is made, the nominator is relieved of any further liability for the continuation of the engagement. The person(s) to whom the engagement is transferred shall assume all liability from the time of the transfer forward and the horse shall be entered in the name of the person to whom the engagement was transferred.

7.242 - A person shall not be prohibited from nominating or sustaining a horse while the person is under suspension or revocation; however, the owner at the time set to pass the entry box must be in good standing.

7.244 - Nomination, sustaining, entry and starting fees are not refundable in the event a horse dies or fails to start for any reason, except as provided for in these Rules.

7.246 - In a stake race all horses nominated and entered shall be allowed to compete unless the specific conditions of the race state otherwise.

7.248 - Any stake or handicap races having six (6) or more separate interests at scratch time cannot be cancelled.

7.250 - If a stake race is cancelled, all subscriptions and fees paid in connection with that race shall be refunded.

CLOSE OF ENTRY AND DRAW

7.260 - For stakes races if a horse is not named through the entry box by the actual closing time for entries, the horse shall be considered declared.

7.262 - If any race fails to fill and is declared off, the names of all the horses that were entered shall be publicly posted in the office of the racing secretary not later than one (1) hour after the day's draw.

7.264 - Nominations shall close at an advertised time and no nomination shall be accepted thereafter, except that if an hour for closing of nominations for a stake race has not been designated, nominations may be mailed or telegraphed up to midnight of the day of closing, provided they are received in time for compliance with every other condition of the race.

7.266 - The racing secretary may postpone the closing of the entry box for any race that has not been filled by closing time. If the closing of a race is postponed, the racing secretary shall publicly announce the postponement stating the reason for it.

7.268 - If a nomination or entry is not received or an error is made concerning the information contained in the nomination or entry, the nominator or person making the entry must provide sufficient proof prior to the completion of the draw that the nomination or entry was properly made and submitted or the entry shall not be considered.

7.270 - The racing secretary shall, without delay, compile and post a list of the entries after the close of entries.

7.272 - A race which has closed shall not be declared off except by the stewards.

7.274 - In determining the maximum number of starters which may run in a race the capacity of the starting gate and the width of the racing strip must be considered. The track width must allow a minimum of five (5) feet per starter.

7.276 - If a race is divided into two (2) or more divisions, horses under the same ownership or trainership shall be placed in separate divisions with horses under the same ownership being divided first. The division they shall compete in shall be drawn by lot.

7.278 - If any race is declared off because of insufficient entries, the association may split any overnight race.

7.280 - In the event the number of entries which could draw into an overnight race exceeds the number which because of racing strip or starting gate limitations may start, the starters shall be determined by lot or the race split. Likewise, in split races the starters and post positions shall be determined by lot.

7.282 - Post positions shall be determined publicly by lot in the presence of the racing secretary or assistant.

ALSO-ELIGIBLE AND PREFERRED LISTS

7.290 - A list of horses not to exceed six (6) may be drawn from the overflow entries as “also eligibles” to start if originally carded horses are scratched. Horses which gain a position in a race from the also eligible list shall take the outside post position in order drawn from the also eligible list.

7.292 - The racing secretary shall keep a list of all horses excluded from races because of too many entries, and they are to have preference in any race in which they may afterwards be entered in accordance with the system adopted by the racing secretary for the meet. This shall be known as the preferred list. Any system that is adopted shall be retained throughout the meet.

7.294 - A horse shall not be put on or remain on the preferred list if the owner and/or trainer rejects the opportunity to start the horse.

7.296 - Horses whose names appear in the entries and have an opportunity to start will be referred to as in-today horses and will not be given consideration should they be entered for the following

race day and the race overfill. An in-today horse shall have preference over the second choice of an entry.

7.298 - A current preferred list will be posted and any claim of error must be made prior to the drawing of the races.

7.300 - When entering horses on the preferred list a claim of preference must be made at time of entry and noted on the entry or the preference shall be lost.

ENGAGEMENTS

7.310 - If a horse is sold by private treaty, or at a public auction, the written acknowledgement of both parties is necessary to prove the fact that it was sold with its engagements, but when a horse is sold or claimed out of a claiming race, the horse's engagements are included, unless the advertised conditions of the race state specifically to the contrary.

7.312 - Engagements or rights of entry are valid when a horse is sold with its engagements properly transferred. If a horse with engagements is registered in the name of a partnership, in the event of the death of one of the partners the horse's engagements remain valid for the surviving partners. No engagement or right of entry shall become void upon the death of the nominator unless the conditions of a race state otherwise.

7.314 - A transfer of a horse or its engagements shall not be permitted until the horse has run in the race it has been entered to run, except as provided in Section 7.110.

7.316 - A horse's engagement shall become void whenever a payment that is due is unpaid. When this occurs all prior payments become forfeit. Race conditions may, however, specifically provide for late payments in order to make a horse eligible for a race.

400's --- DECLARATIONS AND SCRATCHES

DECLARATIONS

7.400 - The declaration of a horse out of an engagement is irrevocable.

SCRATCHES

7.410 - An eligible horse shall not be declared from an engagement without the stewards' approval.

7.412 - The stewards shall have the authority to declare a horse from an engagement when it appears that there is a violation of the Law or of these Rules.

7.414 - In races other than stakes races, scratches below eight (8) interests may only be made by permission of the stewards and this right shall be determined by lot when necessary. Horses on the also eligible list shall have a preference to scratch over horses originally drawn in the race. However, all veterinarian and steward scratches shall supersede any other type scratch. In the

alternative, the scratching of also eligibles will be determined at the commencement of the meet by the stewards.

A horse's primary obligation to start shall be the first race in which it originally draws a post position, except, within the time period specified by the Board and with the Board's approval, one-half of a coupled entry may be withdrawn with no penalty. The racing secretary shall post scratches and the horses that draw in from the also eligible list to start.

The owner or trainer of any horse eligible which is not intended to start shall notify the racing secretary not later than the designated scratch time for the race.

7.416 - The Division or association veterinarian(s) shall have the authority to declare a horse from a race at any time after making a determination that the horse is not in fit condition to race.

7.418 - Horses may be declared from a stakes race without cause no later than forty-five (45) minutes to post time for the race.

500's --- WEIGHTS

ALLOWANCES

7.500 - All allowances, except sex allowances, are optional and can only be claimed at time of entry. In the event of a jockey change at the time of the draw, an apprentice jockey allowance may be claimed during the same time period permitted for a jockey change. Sex allowances must be claimed and can not be waived.

7.502 - A horse shall start with only the allowance to which it is entitled at the time of starting, regardless of its allowance at the time of entry.

7.504 - Horses not entitled to the first allowance in a race shall not be entitled to the second, and so on.

7.506 - Omission to claim an allowance is not cause for disqualification.

7.508 - A horse shall not be given an allowance for failure to finish second or in any lower place in any race.

PENALTIES

7.510 - Horses incurring penalties for a race shall not be entitled to any of the weight allowances for that race.

7.512 - Penalties are mandatory.

7.514 - A horse shall not incur a penalty or be barred from any race for having been placed second or lower in any race.

7.516 - When the decision of a race is in dispute, all horses involved in the dispute with respect to the winner's credit shall be liable for all penalties attached to the winning of that race until a winner has been adjudged.

7.518 - Penalties will not be recognized against horses or jockeys for winning races on racetracks that are not recorded by the *Daily Racing Form* or a similar publication approved by the stewards.

7.520 - A horse shall not incur a penalty for a placement from which it is disqualified, but a horse placed through a disqualification of another horse shall incur the penalties of that placement. No placement, however, shall make a horse ineligible to a race which has already been run.

7.522 - Except in handicap races which expressly provide otherwise, two year old fillies shall be allowed three pounds, and fillies and mares three years old and upward, shall be allowed five pounds before September 1 and three pounds thereafter in races where competing against male horses.

SCALE OF WEIGHTS

7.530 - In races of intermediate lengths, the weights for the shorter distance shall be carried.

600's --- RUNNING OF THE RACE (PADDOCK TO POST)

EQUIPMENT

7.600 - Under no circumstance shall the material to be used as a tongue tie be furnished by anyone other than the trainer of the horse on which it is to be used. An association employee shall not be permitted to tie the tongue or replace or repair a tongue tie.

7.602 - Before a horse can race in blinkers it must work out with blinkers to the starter's satisfaction. Once racing with blinkers it must work out to the starter's satisfaction without blinkers before it is permitted to race without them. The public shall be notified of any change in the use of blinkers.

7.604 - Only the ordinary whip approved by the stewards may be applied to a horse at any time during the running of a race or in workouts or training.

7.606 - Whips and/or blinkers may be used on two-year olds and other first time starters if they are schooled before the starter with that equipment, and approved by the starter and the stewards, before time of entry.

7.608 - Bar plates may be used only with the consent of the Division Veterinarian. The commission may limit the height of toe grabs for any breed at a live race meet. Toe grabs with a height greater than the maximum set by the commission, bends, jar caulks, stickers and any other traction device worn on the front hooves of horses while racing or training on all surfaces, are prohibited. The horse shall be scratched and the trainer may be subject to fine for any violation of this rule.

RACING NUMBERS AND COLORS

7.610 - Associations shall furnish standard racing colors.

7.612 - Owners may use their own suitable colors in lieu of using those furnished by the association. All colors must be registered with the racing secretary by scratch time for the day they are to be used.

7.614 - International racing colors shall be used for helmet and saddlecloths unless otherwise approved by the Commission.

7.616 - Colors must be kept clean and in good repair.

7.620 - A jockey shall wear a number on the helmet cover and this number shall correspond to the saddle cloth number of the horse in the official program.

JOCKEY REQUIREMENTS

7.630 - Maximum Overweight - A horse shall not carry more than two (2) pounds overweight without consent of its owner, the owner's agent, or the owner's representative but shall not carry more than seven (7) pounds overweight in any race.

7.632 - A jockey shall fulfill all duly scheduled riding engagements unless excused by the stewards. A jockey shall not be forced to ride a horse which is believed to be dangerous or be forced to ride over a racing strip believed to be unsafe. However, if the stewards determine that a jockey's refusal to fulfill a riding engagement is unwarranted by the facts, the jockey may be subject to disciplinary action.

7.633 – Jockey Body Fat Content Minimum – A jockey or apprentice jockey shall maintain a minimum body fat content of not less than 5.0% of total body mass. Every jockey or apprentice jockey engaged to ride shall report to the scale room at the time required and shall have their body fat content measured by the clerk of scales on a body fat scale. A jockey or apprentice jockey whose body fat measures below 5.0% but greater than 4.0% of total body mass shall be placed on warning by the stewards, and shall be suspended from riding if this minimum standard of 5.0% is not met within three (3) calendar days of the warning. A jockey or apprentice jockey whose body fat content measures below 4.0% of total body mass shall be disqualified from riding in any race until such time as the jockey's or apprentice jockey's body mass measures 5.0% or greater. Compliance with this rule is optional for any jockey or apprentice jockey licensed in the United States before December 31, 2003.

7.634 - Every jockey engaged to ride shall report to the scale room at the time required and shall report their riding weight to the clerk of scales. Once a jockey has reported, the jockey shall not leave the jockey's room except to ride until all engagements for that day have been fulfilled. Jockeys who are allowed to report late to the jockey's room and are not allowed in the grandstand area until their riding engagements are fulfilled.

7.636 - After leaving the jockey's room a jockey cannot re-enter the jockey's room except by permission of the jockey's room custodian. A jockey who is not riding on a given day may not enter the jockey's room during racing hours except by permission of the jockey's room custodian.

7.638 - A jockey shall not be permitted to perform whose abilities, in the opinion of the stewards, are such that the jockey would be unable to properly perform the jockey's duties. The stewards may require a jockey to be given a physical examination at State expense by a doctor designated by the stewards in order to determine a jockey's fitness.

7.640 - A jockey shall not be permitted to perform if, in the opinion of the stewards, his/her ability may be impaired by the use of alcohol or drugs. The stewards may consult with attending medical personnel in making a determination of such impairment.

7.642 - All owners, trainers, jockeys, exercise persons, pony persons and outriders shall wear a safety helmet of the type approved by the Commission, and all jockeys and other licensees performing the duties of an exercise person shall wear a safety vest of the type approved by the Commission, when they are performing their duties on the racetrack.

7.644 - Jockeys shall be weighed out by the clerk of the scales not less than ten (10) minutes before time for the race. In case of any change it shall be announced and posted.

7.646 - The jockey's weight shall also include clothing, boots, saddle and attachments and any other equipment except the number cloth, whip, bridle, bit, blinkers, goggles and safety equipment including helmet, vest, over-girth, reins and breast collar.

7.648 - A safety vest for jockeys shall weigh not more than two (2) pounds and shall be designed to provide shock-absorbing protection to the upper body with at least a rating of five, as defined by the British Equestrian Trade Association (BETA).

7.650 - The association shall provide the only attendants who will be permitted to assist jockeys on weighing out.

PADDOCK TO POST

7.660 - All advertised post times must be promptly met. Emergencies which prevent the advertised post time from being met shall be reported to the stewards.

7.662 - Every horse must be present in the paddock at least twelve (12) minutes before post time.

7.664 - Every horse must be saddled in the paddock.

7.666 - In the paddock a horse shall be attended by the trainer who shall supervise the saddling. If permission is obtained from the stewards, a trainer may send another licensed trainer to the paddock as a substitute.

7.668 - All horses shall parade and except for emergencies they shall do so in numerical order. A pony leading a horse in the parade shall not intentionally obstruct the public's view of the horse being led.

7.670 - After entering the racing strip, not more than twelve (12) minutes shall be consumed in the parade of horses to the post except in cases of unavoidable delay. After passing the grandstand once, horses will be allowed to break formation and canter, warm up or go as they please to the post. When horses have reached the post, they shall be started without unnecessary delay.

7.672 - All horses are required to carry their respective weights, except for emergencies declared by the stewards, from the time they leave the paddock for the post parade, through the start and running of the race, up to the finish of the race.

7.674 - If a horse leaves the racing strip during the post parade and goes out of sight of the stewards or causes an unnecessary delay in the start of the race, it shall be scratched.

WALKOVER

7.680 - If only one (1) horse remains at the time the horses are scheduled to leave the paddock for the post parade and is carrying its assigned weight, that horse shall be ridden past the stewards stand and shall be deemed the winner of the race by reason of a walkover.

7.682 - In match races where one (1) horse pays forfeit, the other need not walkover.

7.684 - In a stakes race, even if all of the horses but one (1) have declared forfeit, that horse shall walkover, except by the written consent of all persons who pay forfeit.

7.686 - A walkover by a horse entitles it to all of the added money and other fees in stakes.

700's --- RUNNING OF THE RACE (POST TO FINISH)

THE START

7.700 - If the conditions for a race include a starting fee, the fee shall be refunded to the owner of the horse prevented from starting the race through failure of the gates to open.

7.702 - The stewards after consulting with the starter shall make the sole decision on the question of what horse(s) is prevented from starting in the race through failure of the gates to open.

7.704 - In the event that a stall door does not open for any reason at the time the starter dispatches the field, but subsequently opens to allow a horse to start, the horse affected may retain any portion of the purse or qualification that may be obtained in the placement of that race. This rule does not affect the pari-mutuel refunds ordered by the pari-mutuel wagering Rules in Chapter 12.

7.706 - If, due to mechanical failure of the gate, horses are allowed to leave at irregular intervals instead of all horses leaving at one time, the decision as to whether the race is official shall be determined by the stewards.

INTERFERENCE, JOSTLING, STRIKING, DISQUALIFICATION

7.710 - A jockey shall not willfully or carelessly strike or touch any other jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment.

7.712 - A jockey shall not unnecessarily cause their own nor any other horse to shorten its stride.

7.714 - If a horse or jockey is impeded by another horse or jockey, the aggressor may be disqualified unless the impeded horse or jockey was partly the cause or another horse or jockey was the cause.

7.716 - In a straightaway race every horse must maintain position as nearly as possible in the lane in which it starts. Every horse in the race is entitled to racing room and may not be deliberately impeded. If a horse is ridden or drifts out of its lane in a manner that it interferes with or impedes another horse in any way, it is a foul, and the offending horse may be disqualified when, in the opinion of the stewards, the outcome of the race was affected by the foul. This shall apply whether the foul was caused by the horse or by the jockey, and whether it was caused by carelessness or willfulness. When the stewards rule that the foul was caused by the horse, in spite of obvious efforts of the jockey to maintain position in its lane, blame shall not be attached to the jockey. But when the stewards rule that the jockey did not make a sufficient effort to prevent the foul, or willfully rode the horse out of its lane, then the jockey may be penalized. A jockey who rides a horse out of its lane or fails to make a sufficient effort to hold a horse in its lane when the horse is lugging either in or out may be penalized even though no actual foul occurs.

7.718 - In races involving a turn(s), a horse is entitled to any part of the racing strip as long as it does not interfere with or impede the progress of any other horse(s). If, in the opinion of the stewards, a horse interferes with or impedes the progress of any other horse(s), the horse may be disqualified and the jockey may be penalized. Every horse in the race is entitled to racing room and may not be deliberately impeded. If a horse is ridden or drifts either in or out, in a manner that it interferes with or impedes another horse in any way, it is a foul, and the offending horse may be disqualified when, in the opinion of the stewards, the outcome of the race was affected by the foul. This shall apply whether the foul was caused by the horse or by the jockey, and whether it was caused by carelessness or willfulness. When the stewards rule that the foul was caused by the horse, in spite of obvious efforts of the jockey to maintain position in its lane, blame shall not be attached to the jockey. But when the stewards rule that the jockey did not make a sufficient effort to prevent the foul, or willfully rode the horse out of its lane, then the jockey may be penalized. A jockey who rides a horse out of its lane or fails to make a sufficient effort to hold a horse in its lane when the horse is lugging either in or out, may be penalized even though no actual foul occurs.

7.720 - If a horse is disqualified for a foul under these Rules, any other horse in the race owned wholly or in part by the same interest or trained by the same trainer, may also be disqualified.

7.722 - If a horse leaves the racing strip during the running of a race it shall be disqualified.

HORSES SHALL BE RIDDEN OUT

7.730 - Except where circumstances justify otherwise, every starter shall be ridden to win. Whenever a horse is ridden in a manner inconsistent with winning a race, the jockey shall immediately report the reason for doing so to the stewards who shall determine whether or not there was justification for the jockey's actions.

USE OF WHIPS

7.740 - A whip shall not be applied by anyone in an abusive manner at any time.

7.742 - If a horse races without the use of a whip it shall be announced over the public address system.

RETURNING AFTER THE FINISH

7.750 - After a race, jockeys shall be weighed immediately after pulling up and unsaddling unless excused by the stewards. If a jockey is prevented from riding the horse to the area where the scales are located, the jockey may be excused by the stewards.

7.752 - All horses shall be unsaddled by their respective jockeys upon pulling up at the end of a race. Attendants may hold a horse by the bridle only and may not otherwise assist a jockey in unsaddling. Exceptions to this rule must have the approval of the stewards.

WEIGHING IN

7.760 - If a jockey fails to weigh in or weighs in more than two (2) pounds lighter than the weigh out weight or is guilty of any fraudulent practice with respect to weighing out and in, the clerk of scales shall report to the stewards and the horse may be disqualified and declared unplaced and an appropriate penalty assessed against the jockey.

7.762 - If a horse carries more than two (2) pounds over its proper or declared weight, the clerk of scales shall report to the stewards and appropriate action may be taken against the jockey; however, should the stewards rule that the excess weight was caused by rain or mud, action shall not be taken.

DEAD HEATS

7.770 - When horses run a dead heat all monies and prizes to which the horses would have been entitled shall be divided equally. When horses run a dead heat for first place, each horse shall be deemed a winner.

7.772 - If the dividing owners cannot agree as to which of them is to have a cup or other prize which cannot be divided, the questions shall be determined by lot in the presence of one (1) or more of the stewards.

PROTESTS, OBJECTIONS, AND INQUIRIES

7.780 - The stewards shall be cognizant of foul riding. Objections shall be considered only from the jockey, trainer or owner of a horse that has met interference. No frivolous claims of foul shall be made.

WINNINGS

7.790 - Winnings shall include all money up to the time appointed for the start, and shall apply to all races in any country, and embrace walking over or receiving forfeit, but not second and third money, or the value of any prize not of money or not paid in money. Winnings during the year shall be reckoned from January 1st, preceding.

7.792 - Winner of a certain sum shall mean winner of a single race of that value unless otherwise stated in the conditions.