

2019 Rule Changes

- Rule 134. **INSERT: (3) No driver shall drive against a horse owned by his/her spouse.**
- Rule 161. Within **DELETE: thirty (30) days** **INSERT: forty-five (45) days** of being declared in to race, a horse that has not raced previously at the gate chosen (or show a clean line) must go a qualifying race under the supervision of a judge holding a Senior or Associate Judge's licence for pari-mutuel meetings and acquire at least one charted line by a licensed chart maker. However, for Added Money Events where the horse is declared in to race in an elimination race, within the **DELETE: 30** **INSERT: 45** day rule, but said elimination race does not fill, the said horse can go directly to the final even if the final is not contested within the **DELETE: 30** **INSERT: 45** day rule for said horse. **DELETE: From December 1 to March 31 (inclusive), of each year, the thirty (30) days will become forty five (45) days.** **INSERT: Participants are encouraged to check added money events conditions concerning the number of days to be qualified.**
- DELETE:- Rule 162. — Notwithstanding Rule 161, where a licensed track facility is dark for thirty (30) forty five (45) days or more for purposes of accommodating major race meets hosted by another licensed track facility and such closure for more than thirty (30) days results in a horse being required to qualify, the thirty (30) days referred to in Rule 161 shall read forty five (45) days.**
- Rule 264. If, in their opinion, the Judges are unable to properly judge the running or finish of a race they may declare the race to be "No Contest". When a race has been declared "No Contest" by the Judges, all monies wagered on that race will be distributed in accordance with the provisions of the Pari-Mutuel Betting Supervision Regulations of the Criminal Code. Purse distribution shall be divided equally to all unoffending horses deemed to have started. Such distribution shall not be credited as purse winnings. The line for the race will be charted by the charter to the best of his/her ability to indicate the performance of each horse in the race; however, such charted line shall not be used for the determination of preference dates. **DELETE: or eligibility to any future race.** In the event that the race that is declared "No Contest" is a claiming race the provisions of Section 5.6.2 Claiming Races of these rules are applicable, and notwithstanding a determination that the race is "No Contest", to the horse shall be deemed to have passed to the claimant if the claimed horse is behind the gate when the field is released at the starting point by the starter.
- Rule 325. **INSERT: (2) If a horse falls at any time during the race and was able to get back to its feet and finish the race it shall be placed as not finishing.**

Rule 369. (2)

(a) Table 1

Class	1st Offense		2nd Offense		3 Offense		Loss of Purse	DELETE: Horse Suspension
	Suspension	Fine	Suspension	Fine	Suspension	Fine		
Class 1	1-2 Years	\$1000 - \$2,000	3-4 Years	\$3000 - \$4000	5 Years	\$5,000	Yes	DELETE: 30 Days
Class 2	6-8 Months	\$1,500	9-10 Months	\$1,500	11-12 Months	\$1,500	Yes	DELETE: 30 Days
Class 3	60-100 Days	\$500	100-140 Days	\$500	140-180 Days	\$500	Yes	DELETE: 30 Days
Class 4	15-30 Days	\$200	31-45 Days	\$200	45-59 Days	\$200	Yes	DELETE: Same as Trainer Suspension*
Class 5	15 Days	\$100	15 Days	\$100	15 Days	\$100	Yes	DELETE: Same as Trainer Suspension*

~~DELETE:~~ *Up to a Maximum of 30 Days

_____ A horse while under suspension cannot be sold and/or transferred to another owner.

INSERT:

****Class 4 and 5 for 1st offence within 2 years the offender shall be given the option of taking the prescribed penalty as noted above or, pay a monetary fine of \$750 for a Class 5 violation or \$1,500 for a Class 4 violation.

- (4) Further, when so permitted under this Rule, the horse having tested positive must re-qualify to a time within three (3) seconds of the horse’s recorded time in the race in which the horse tested positive. However, if in such race the horse did not have a clean line then the horse would have to qualify within three (3) seconds of its recorded time for its last clean line prior to the race in which it tested positive. **INSERT: Class 4 and 5 violations are exempt from this provision.**

Rule 378. If the total carbon dioxide (TCO2) is equal to 37.0 mmol/litre or higher, said horse will be considered to have a positive test. **INSERT: 39.0 mmol/litre or higher if said horse is competing on furosemide (Lasix) at a racetrack which EIPH is offered shall be considered a positive test.** No TCO2 readings will be released other than to inform trainer that horse’s reading was equal to 37 mmol/litre or higher.

- Rule 400. (1) The timely filing of any appeal shall suspend the payment of any fines or the serving of any calendar days in a Judges' ruling, unless it is deemed by the Commission to not be in the best interest of racing to stay the penalties. There will be no stay granted for **DELETE: a fine and any other sanction** **INSERT: Class 1,2 & 3 violations**, associated with Rule 371 or a positive test analysis result as a consequence of blood, blood gas analysis, urine or saliva sample analysis. **INSERT: Class 4 and 5 violations may be considered for a stay depending on the merits of the case.**
- Rule 415. **DELETE: Within eight (8) days (192 hours) of filing a Notice of Intent** **INSERT: An Appeal form must be received in the Head Office of the Commission by the close of business (4:00pm) on the 8th day following the Notice of Intent to Appeal.** The person aggrieved shall file a Notice of Appeal with the Director of Racing on a form prescribed by the Commission setting out the particulars of the decision or ruling being appealed, the parties to the appeal and the grounds for the appeal.
- Rule 439. (1) All licensees owning or training a horse or horses participating in the EIPH Program shall complete, in full, the EIPH Certification Forms 1 or 2 as applicable. Form 1 is that form to be used for horses ordinarily competing in the Atlantic Provinces and Form 2 is that form for horses shipping in to compete in the Atlantic Provinces. Each form shall contain certification by way of an endoscopy performed by a veterinarian licensed by the Commission and eligible to practice in the Atlantic Provinces, or as provided in Form 2, from any other jurisdiction recognized by the Commission to the effect that the subject Standardbred horse has displayed symptoms of EIPH and is qualified for the EIPH Program **INSERT: within the past 365 days** in their opinion to justify the use of Furosemide in pari-mutuel racing in accordance with the program accepted by the Commission. In instances where Form 2 is applicable, the Judges must also be provided with a signed statement from a veterinarian licensed in another jurisdiction who fulfills the duties ordinarily performed by a Commission veterinarian or official veterinarian in the Atlantic Provinces certifying the horse has qualified for the EIPH Program in the jurisdiction in which it is enrolled. The certification form and any other applicable form(s) must be filed with and accepted by the Judges prior to the time of entry (subject to any time extension permitted by Rule 439(8)).