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STANDBRED DIRECTIVE NUMBER 4 – 2001 RULES OF STANDBRED RACING 2001

The Ontario Racing Commission at its meeting of Tuesday, December 18, 2001, resolved that the Rules of Standardbred Racing 2001 be amended by the promulgation of the changes to the following rules effective immediately.

CHAPTER 11 HORSES PERMITTED TO RACE

Rule 11.02

If a horse meets the conditions of Rule 11.01 it will be considered qualified and eligible to be declared to added money event races provided it has obtained a clean charted line in a purse, qualifying or schooling race, not more than 30 clear day before the closing of declarations and its individual time in any one of its last three charted lines, not more than 30 clear days before the closing of declarations, meets the following standards for age and gait for the size of the track where it raced or qualified after the judges have given the appropriate allowances for track conditions on that day;

	Half Mile Tracks	5/8 Mile Tracks or greater
TWO YEAR OLDS:		
Pacers	2.04	2.02
Trotters	2.12	2.09
THREE YEAR OLDS:		
Pacers	2.02	2.00
Trotters	2.07	2.04

FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UP:

Qualifying times in effect at a track where an added money event is conducted shall apply to the following:

- (a) events for four year olds and up; and
- (b) events where two and/or three year olds are eligible to compete against horses four years old and up.

- (c) Notwithstanding Rules 11.02(a) and (b), three year olds are allowed one second during the period December 1 through March 31.

CHAPTER 12
QUALIFYING RACES

Rule 12.06

Any horse that chokes or bleeds while warming-up for a race or during a race and/or that is suspended in accordance with these rules **shall be placed on the veterinarian's list** and will be required to go a qualifying race and perform to the satisfaction of the judges and a Commission Veterinarian or Official Veterinarian before being allowed to be declared in to race notwithstanding the expiry of any period of suspension otherwise applicable pursuant to this rule.

CHAPTER 17
DECLARATIONS AND DRAWING OF POST POSITIONS

Rule 17.12.2

If 17.12.1 (a) or (b) applies to an owner, the horse may race as a separate betting interest, with the approval of the Judges, if the owner is not required to be licensed under the rules, **or is an added money event for \$100,000 or more.**

CHAPTER 20
JUDGES' AND VETERINARIANS' LISTS

Rule 20.01

- (b) the horse has been declared dangerous or unmanageable by the Judges shall be placed on the Judges list for performance.
- (b)(i) a horse placed on the long term Vet list due to chronic physical or health problems by the Commission Veterinarian shall remain on the vet list for a minimum of 14 days.

CHAPTER 20
JUDGES' AND VETERINARIANS' LISTS

Rule 20.04

- (b) A horse which has been scratched sick as a result of a veterinarian's slip or by order of the Commission Veterinarian or Official Veterinarian shall not be permitted to race, other than to added money events or qualifiers for seven (7) clear days from the date of the race from which it was scratched.

- (b)(i) A horse which has been scratched lame as a result of a vet slip or by order of the Commission vet or Official vet shall not be permitted to race or qualify other than in added money events for seven (7) clear days from the date of the race from which it was scratched.

CHAPTER 22
RACING RULES

Rule 22.25

Any trainer who wishes to change bridles or hobbles on a horse from one race to another shall apply to the judges for permission to do so, and no change shall be made without such permission. The judges shall assure themselves of the necessity for any change of bridles or hobbles before granting permission. Any such change *in length* of hobbles or a change of a nature which the judges are of the opinion that the public should be advised, must be shown on the program or announced to the public before any wagering occurs on that race.

CHAPTER 25
DRIVERS

Rule 25.04

Drivers must wear distinguishing colours, and shall not be permitted to drive in a race or other public performance unless, in the opinion of the judges, they are well groomed and properly attired in clean driving outfits. During inclement weather conditions, drivers must wear rain suits made in their colours or made of a transparent material through which their colours can be distinguished. No person may **use** more than one design at any one time.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

(Original signed)

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