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**STANDBRED DIRECTIVE NUMBER 10 – 2002
RULES OF STANDBRED RACING 2001**

The Ontario Racing Commission at its meeting of Monday, December 23, 2002, resolved that the Rules of Standardbred Racing 2001 be amended effective February 1, 2003 as follows:

**Chapter 6
VIOLATIONS, FINES, SUSPENSIONS & EXPULSIONS**

6.38 (e) In the event of a positive result relating to a controlled substance for which a licensee does not have a valid prescription, the licensee shall be subject to the following penalties:

- (i) If the positive report is the first positive report for any controlled substance within 24 months of the taking of the test the licensee shall forthwith be suspended from his or her duties at any racetrack and the suspension shall remain in effect until such time as the licensee provides a urine sample at his or her sole expense indicating the absence of a controlled substance. **A licensee shall thereafter be suspended for 15 days and fined \$500.00.** A licensee required to provide a negative sample at his or her sole expense shall attend at the laboratories of Maxxam Analytics Inc. and produce at the time of providing the sample his or her Commission licence. The licensee shall pay Maxxam Analytics Inc. at that time the full cost of the laboratory's fee with respect to such attendance or attendances and such reports shall be provided by Maxxam Analytics Inc. as herein before provided to the Director of Racing and to the Executive Director.

**Chapter 11
HORSES PERMITTED TO RACE**

11.01 (f) not more than **45** clear days prior to the time of closing of declarations, the horse was credited with a clean charted past performance line obtained in a purse, qualifying or schooling race conducted at an extended meeting;

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 **45** clear days before the closing of declarations and its individual time in any one of its last three charted lines, not more than **45** 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:

Chapter 12 QUALIFYING RACES

12.03

A horse that does not show a charted line at the chose gait within its last six starts, or does not show a charted line within the previous **45** clear days, must perform in a qualifying race.

CHAPTER 15 CLAIMING RACES

15.09 A claimed horse, regardless of ownership:

- (a) shall race only at a track or tracks in the Province of Ontario for the next 60 days, except where such a horse had been nominated to participate in an added money event before it was claimed, or unless the track where the horse was claimed is closing for more than 30 days. If the track where the horse was claimed closes for more than 30 days, the horse is released from the requirements of 15.09 (a)**
- (b) shall only be entered in a claiming race within 15 days of the horse being claimed, if it is entered in a claiming race in a class higher than the race from which it was claimed. For purposes of this requirement, a “class higher” shall be not less than 20% more than the amount for which the horse was claimed.**

For purposes of this Rule, racetracks operated by Woodbine Entertainment Group shall be considered one track. Any person who violates this Rule shall be subject to a fine or suspension and the horse may be suspended. A claimant shall be held in violation of this Rule if he or she disposes of the horse in any manner other than by claiming and the horse races outside of the Province of Ontario within 60 days of the horse being claimed.

15.11 (e) It shall be the responsibility of the race secretary to ensure that all claim forms are faxed to the judges or the claim envelopes are delivered unopened or otherwise undisturbed to the judges prior to the race from which the claim is being made.

15.11(h)

Claim forms may be faxed directly to the judges stand from the race office. The original copy of the claim form must be kept on file in the race office for the period of twelve months.

Chapter 17 DECLARATIONS AND DRAWING OF POST POSITIONS

17.11 (h) Also eligible horses shall be carried on the program in added money events.

Chapter 18
PLACING AND MONEY DISTRIBUTION

18.08(a)

If, at a racetrack which does not have a continuous solid inside hub rail, a horse **while on stride** or part of the horse's sulky leaves the course by going inside the hub rail or other demarcation which constitutes the inside limits of the course, the offending horse shall be placed back where, 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. In addition, when an act of interference causes a horse or part of the horse's sulky to cross the inside limits of the course, and the horse is placed by the judges, the offending horse shall be placed behind the horse with which it interfered. Drivers, who in the opinion of the judges, leave the racing strip when not forced to do so as a result of the actions of another driver and/or horse may be fined or suspended by the judges.

Rule 22.27 shall be applied to horses leaving the course while off stride.

Chapter 20
JUDGES' AND VETERINARIANS' LISTS

20.01 (d)

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Chapter 22
RACING RULES

22.27(c) **continuously** loses ground while on the break.

If there has been no violation of (a), (b) or (c) above, the horse shall not be set back unless a contending horse on its gait is lapped on the hind quarter of the breaking horse at the finish, however, notwithstanding the foregoing, if interference caused by another driver(s) or horse(s) has caused the horse to be on a break at the finish, the judges may, in their discretion, determine not to set the horse back even if a contending horse on its gait is lapped on the hind quarter of the breaking horse at the finish. The judges may set any horse back one or more places if, in their judgment, any of the above violations have been committed, and the driver may be penalized.

22.32.1 **Notwithstanding that a horse is declared a non-contestant, the judges may permit the horse to participate in the purse distribution.**

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION _____

Jean Major
Executive Director