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**THOROUGHBRED DIRECTIVE NUMBER 1 – 2006
RULES OF THOROUGHBRED RACING 2005**

The Ontario Racing Commission at its meeting of Thursday, February 2, 2006, resolved that the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing 2005 be amended by the promulgation of the changes to the following Rules effective April 1, 2006:

**CHAPTER 2
DEFINITIONS**

Rule 2.18

"Entry Date" means the date on which a horse is entered for the first time. To qualify for this date, a horse must have been excluded from a race which appears on the overnight or it must have been entered in a race which failed to fill through insufficient entries, or was not used by the association. **In order to maintain an entry date, papers must be on file with the association.**

**CHAPTER 3
RACING ASSOCIATIONS AND ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS**

Rule 3.01.1 An Association shall not:

- (ii) Change its race dates or the post time for the first race on any race date by more than 30 minutes, without having such change approved by the **Executive Director**.

Rule 3.07

Races shall be run by the Associations no longer than 30 minutes apart on week-days and no longer than 35 minutes apart on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays but in the event of emergency **or special occasions**, such times may be extended by the Stewards.

**CHAPTER 6
ENTRIES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Rule 6.01

No horse shall be permitted to enter or start unless:

- (a) it is duly registered with and approved by the registry office of The Jockey Club (Kentucky) and its registration certificate is filed with the Association by the time required

for identification purposes, or qualifies under Rule **6.44.02**. In **the** case of a horse which has previously run at a track in Ontario, the horse, under extenuating circumstances may be allowed to compete with permission of the Stewards on a facsimile or photocopy of the foal certificate. The purse, if any, shall be held until the original foal certificate has been filed with the Association at the discretion of the Stewards.

Rule 6.38

Every entry submitted is subject to eligibility checks by the Racing Department. Any entry failing the eligibility check may be removed before the draw takes place.

CHAPTER 7 DECLARATIONS AND SCRATCHES

Rule 7.01

No horse shall be considered scratched or declared out of an engagement until the owner or their trainer or their authorized agent has given due notice in writing, by facsimile or by telephone (which is recorded electronically by the race office) to the racing secretary before the time stipulated by the regulations of the Association. The scratching of part of an entry will be permitted until one hour before post time for the first race of the racing program in which the race is contained, except in races with an "Also Eligible List" it shall be permitted only until the published scratch time, **where applicable**, of the race concerned (except Rule **7.02.01**).

CHAPTER 8 WEIGHTS

Rule 8.16.05

The minimum weight shall be **105** pounds in any race.

CHAPTER 18 PLACING JUDGES AND PHOTO FINISH CAMERA

Rule 18.01.01

One or more placing judges shall occupy the placing judges' stand at the time the horses pass the winning post in every race, and their duty shall be to place and record **all horse in their order of finish**.

CHAPTER 23 TIMERS AND CLOCKERS

Rule 23.02 - Deleted

Rule 23.04 - Deleted

Rule 23.05 - Deleted

**CHAPTER 27
COMMISSION VETERINARIANS,
OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS
AND OTHER VETERINARIANS**

Rule 27.05.01

A Commission Veterinarian and/or Official Veterinarian shall inspect all lead and outrider ponies on a regular basis (no less than monthly) during each meeting, after advising the person/s in charge. If, in the opinion of the Commission Veterinarian and/or Official Veterinarian, any pony is not fit, sound and ready for its work purpose, they shall recommend to the Stewards that the pony not work and shall only return to work when, in the opinion of the Commission Veterinarian and/or Official Veterinarian, it is fit and sound.

Rule 27.06

A Commission Veterinarian or Official Veterinarian shall as quickly as possible inspect all horses **regarding soundness** which have been involved in a race **or otherwise and** he/she shall take appropriate action **required in the examination of such horse/horses.**

**CHAPTER 34
CANADIAN-BRED HORSES**

Rule 34.02

Canadian-bred horses, to be eligible to enter and start in Canadian-bred races, or to receive Canadian-bred weight allowances in other races, shall have their Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society registration papers, or **recorded** numbers thereof, on file with the Association and the trainers of such horses shall be responsible for filing such papers or such recorded numbers.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION


John L. Blakney
Executive Director