



RACING CALENDAR 2024

1. Rule 29.4 – Specification of Whips

- 1.1 Unless otherwise approved by the Stipendiary Stewards, whips carried in trackwork riding and in all races shall conform to the following specifications: -
- 1.1.1 the maximum length allowed for a whip is 68cm;
 - 1.1.2 the minimum diameter for a whip is 1cm;
 - 1.1.3 the overall weight of a whip may not exceed 160g;
 - 1.1.4 the contact area of the shaft (“paddle”) must be smooth, with no protrusion or raised surface, and covered by shock absorbing material throughout its circumference;
 - 1.1.5 there must be no binding within 17cm of the end of the paddle/shaft;
 - 1.1.6 only padded/shock absorbing whips which have not been modified in any way may be carried by a rider at any time.

2. Rule 42.7.3 – Loading processes for horses

When loading is completed and the Chief Handler is satisfied that all the back gates are securely shut, he shall, from his position at the rear of the stalls, indicate accordingly to the starter by raising his hand. Thereafter the starter, having satisfied himself that there are no handlers in front of the stalls shall instruct any handlers in the stalls to raise their hands and shall start the race. No handler shall assist a horse to leave the stalls.

3. Rule 45.1 – Procedure for awarding of Prizes

3.1 Prizes shall be awarded to winners and place getters in accordance with current Horse Racing Division policy where: -

3.1.1 money or prizes have been paid or awarded by the Horse Racing Organiser to an owner or trainer who is subsequently found not to be entitled thereto, by reason of the disqualification of his horse or otherwise, the money or prize shall be recoverable from the recipient by the Horse Racing Organiser on behalf of the owner or trainer who becomes entitled thereto;

3.1.2 the owners of dead-heating horses cannot agree as to who of them is to have a cup or other prize which cannot be divided, the question shall be determined by lot;

3.1.3 a horse has been entered under the name of more than one owner, any cup or other prize which cannot be divided shall be awarded to the owner whose name appears first in the Certificate of Registration, lease or Syndicate as the case may be, unless the owners amicably agree otherwise;

3.1.4 two horses run a dead-heat for first place, all prizes to which the first and second horses would have been entitled, shall be divided equally between them, and the same principle shall be applied whatever the number of dead-heaters and whatever the place for which the dead-heat is run;

3.1.5 any money or prize due in respect of such horse may be withheld pending the result of the inquiry the Stipendiary Stewards shall-

3.1.5.1 institute an inquiry, the findings of which may affect the placing of a horse; or

- 3.1.5.2 take or are about to take any action which, in their opinion, may lead to such an inquiry.
- 3.1.6 For the purpose of calculating the value of races “won” outside Mauritius, the prevalent rates of exchange for the various currencies at the time of entry shall be valid.
- 3.1.7 If a race be never run or be void entrance money, stakes and forfeits shall be returned. A race may be declared void if no qualified horse covers the course according to the Rules.

4. Rule 49.1 - Program of Vaccinations

- 4.1 All horses shall be vaccinated by a Veterinarian Surgeon against any equine influenza between the dates of December and February of the following year unless otherwise directed by the Chairman of Stewards.

5. Names and Rule 55.1.1 – Conditions for Change of Name of an Imported Horse

- 5.1 In special circumstances, the name of an imported horse may be changed: -
 - 5.1.1 with the permission of the Stipendiary Stewards and subject to such conditions as they think fit to impose; and
 - 5.1.2 subject to the approval of the Stud Book Department of the country where the horse was foaled.
- 5.2 No horse with a name similar to a previous Horse of the Year and/or classic winner in Mauritius shall be imported without the approval of the Stipendiary Stewards who may then decide, with the consent of the Stud Book Department of the country where the horse was foaled, whether to change or vary the name.

- 5.3 The Stipendiary Stewards may refuse to register any horse name it deems undesirable, for any reason.
- 5.4 The Stipendiary Stewards may cancel any horse's registered name for any reason it thinks fit.
- 5.5 Unless approved by the Stipendiary Stewards, a horse cannot be registered with the same name as any other horse previously registered in Mauritius until the later of:
- 5.5.1 15 years of the birth of the horse with the same name; or
 - 5.5.2 20 years after the birth of the youngest produce of the horse with the same name;
 - 5.5.3 They are the names of public person, without that person's or their family's permission or names of commercial significance without the appropriate permission;
 - 5.5.4 They are suggestive or have a vulgar, obscene or insulting meaning; names considered in poor taste or names that may be offensive to the religious, political or ethnic group;
 - 5.5.5 They are followed by numbers;
 - 5.5.6 They are made up entirely of initials or includes, figures, hyphens, full stops, comas, signs, exclamation marks, inverted comas, forward or back slash, colon and semi-colon;
 - 5.5.7 In pronunciation, they are identical or similar to a protected name or a name registered for a horse whose year of foaling is within ten years of the horse in question;

5.5.8 They have more than eighteen characters, including signs or spaces; and

5.5.9 They start with any other sign than a letter. The HRD may refuse to accept
Entries for races in respect of horses whose names do not conform to the above
provisions.

6. Rule 61.2 - Prescribed Forms for entries, declarations or forfeit, acceptance, non-
acceptance and Scratching

6.1 Entry Form



STABLE: _____

ENTRIES FOR RACE MEETING: _____

RACE NO	HORSE	GEAR	SILK COLOURS	OWNERS
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				

Entry/ Entries is/are made by me and when accepted by the HRD, will be accepted subject to the Rules of Racing & Conditions of the HRD and the General Conditions published in the programme of the Meeting for which the entry/entries is/are made.

Name & Signature of Trainer:.....

Date:.....

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6.2 Declaration form



Stable: Declaration For Race Meeting:

RACE	Horses withdrawn on Veterinary Grounds
RACE 1	
RACE 2	
RACE 3	
RACE 4	
RACE 5	
RACE 6	
RACE 7	
RACE 8	
RACE 9	
RACE 10	

Race No	Horse	RP	Jockey	T: Twyblid	I: Infiltration	
					If Yes, Please specify	
1	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
2	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
3	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
4	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
5	1.					
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6	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
7	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
8	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
9	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
10	1.					
	2.					
	3.					

RP: Where a horse has been entered and declared to run in more than one race, the trainer must declare his preference by adding 1 or 2 in the RP

Trainer's Name:.....

Signature:.....

Date:.....

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7. Rule 81.6 - Process for Determining the Payment of Keep Fee

- 7.1 An Owner shall be liable to pay keep in proportion to his percentage of ownership unless a special agreement has been entered into and the terms of such special agreement have been approved by the HRC.

8. Rule 65.2 – Illicit Substances

ILLICIT SUBSTANCES

The following illicit substances, including other substances with similar chemical structure or similar biological effect(s), are not to be administered to a horse at any time:

1. Non-approved substances

Any substance not addressed by any of the subsequent classes of substances, and which has no current approval by any government regulatory authority for veterinary use, or any substance not universally recognised by veterinary regulatory authorities as valid veterinary therapeutic treatment.

2. Anabolic agents

2.1 anabolic androgenic steroids;

2.2 other anabolic agents, including but not limited to selective androgen receptor modulators (SARMs); and

2.3 beta-2 agonists, unless the substance is prescribed by a veterinarian as a bronchodilator at the appropriate dose and is reflected in the treatment record of the horse.

3. Peptide hormones, growth factors and related substances

3.1 erythropoiesis-stimulating agents, including but not limited to erythropoietin (EPO), epoetin alfa, epoetin beta, darbepoetin alfa, and methoxy polyethylene glycol-epoetin beta, peginesatide, hypoxia inducible factor (HIF)-1 stabilisers;

- 3.2 growth hormones and growth hormone releasing factors, insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1), and other growth factors; and
- 3.3 synthetic proteins and peptides and synthetic analogues of endogenous proteins and peptides not registered for medical or veterinary use.
4. Hormones and metabolic modulators
 - 4.1 aromatase inhibitors;
 - 4.2 selective estrogen receptor modulators (SERMS) and other anti-estrogenic substances;
 - 4.3 agents modifying myostatin function, including but not limited to myostatin inhibitors;
 - 4.4 insulins; and
 - 4.5 peroxisome proliferator activated receptor δ (PPAR δ) agonists, including but not limited to GW 1516, (f) AMPK activators, including but not limited to AICAR (5-aminoimidazole-4-carboxamide- β -D-ribofuranoside).
5. Human Recreational Drugs of Abuse and Ethanol.
6. Snake venom or other venoms.
7. Any oxygen carriers.
8. Any agent that directly or indirectly affects or manipulates gene expression which shall include:
 - 8.1 The administration of the following as part of genetic therapies:
 - 8.1.1 oligomers or polymers of nucleic acid
 - 8.1.2 nucleic acid analogues
 - 8.1.3 genetically unmodified or genetically modified cells

Confirmatory and Approved Racing Laboratories

9. The following Laboratories are designated by the HRD to conduct

analysis of equine and human samples:

- 9.1 QuantiLAB, Mauritius has been designated as Primary Laboratory for analysing A Samples of equine and human;
- 9.2 The Hong Kong Jockey Club Racing Laboratory and LCH (Laboratoire des Courses Hippiques), France have been designated for analysing B Samples of equine and human.
- 9.3 Any other Laboratory that the HRD may approve.

PROHIBITED SUBSTANCE LIST

This list is inclusive of the local veterinary and human substances considered most important in treatment or of particular concern within horseracing. This is not an exhaustive list but only indicative. This list may be amended by the HRD at any time as also the classification of substances may be changed.

Prohibited Substance			
(or metabolite or pro- drug)			
Name	Class	Name	Class
A		L	
Acebutolol	3	Labetalol	3
Acepromazine	3	Lamotrigine	3
Acetazolamide	4	Levodopa	3
Acetaminophen (Paracetamol)	4	Levonorgestrol	2
Acetylsalicylic acid (Aspirin)	4	Lidocaine (Lignocaine)	2
ACTH human synthetic (Adrenocorticotropic hormone)	2	Lisinopril	4
Adrenaline	2	Loperamide	5
Albuterol (Salbutamol)	1	Loratidine	5
Albuterol (Salbutamol) (Valid veterinary prescription)	4	Lorazepam	3
Alcohol (Ethanol)	1	Lormetazepam	3
Alfaxalone	2	Lornoxicam	4
Alfentanil	2	Losartan	3
Allopurinol	3	M	
Alprazolam	3	Medetomidine	3

Altrenogest (in the male horse)	2	Medroxyprogesterone (in the male horse)	2
Ambroxol	5	Medroxyprogesterone acetate (in the male horse)	2
Amiloride	4	Mefenamic acid	4
Aminophylline	4	Meloxicam	4
Amitriptylline	2	Meperidine (Pethidine)	2
Arsenic	3	Mepyramine maleate	5
Aspirin (Acetylsalicylic acid)	4	Mephenesin	4
Atenolol	3	Mepivacaine	2
Atropine	5	Meprobromate (Meprobamate)	3
Azaperone (Azapropazone)	3	Methocarbamol	4
B		Methyl salicylate	4
Baclofen	4	Methyldopa	3
Beclomethasone	4	Methylphenidate	2
Benazepril	3	Methylprednisolone	4
Betamethasone	4	Metoclopramide	5
Bisoprolol	3	Metoprolol	3
Bromazepam	3	Midazolam	3
Bromhexine	5	Minoxidil	3
Brotizolam	3	Mometasone furoate	4
Budesonide	4	Morphine	2
Buflomedil	3	N	
Bupivacaine	2	N-Acetylcysteine	5
Buprenorphine	2	Nalbuphine	2
Buspirone	2	Naloxone	2
Butorphanol	2	Naltrexone	2
C		Nandrolone (Nortestosterone)	1
Caffeine	3	Naproxen	4
Cannabidiol (CBD)	4	N-butylscopolamine	5
Cannabidiolic acid (CBDA)	4	N-butyl-Scopolamine	5
Capsaicin	4	Neostigmine	5
Captopril	3	Nifedipine	3
Carbocysteine	5	Nitrazepam	3
Carboxy THC (THC-COOH)	4	Nitroglycerine	2
Carbon dioxide (total)	2	Norpseudoephedrine (Cathine)	5
Carprofen	4	Nortestosterone (Nandrolone)	1
Carvedilol	3	O	
Cathine (Norpseudoephedrine)	2	Oestradiol	2
Celecoxib	4	Oxazepam	3
Cetirizine	5	Oxybutynin	5
Chlorpheniramine	5	Oxycodone	2
Chlorpromazine	3	Oxymorphone	2
Chlorthalidone	4	Oxyphenbutazone	1

Cinnarizine	5	P	
Citalopram	3	Paracetamol (Acetaminophen)	4
Clanobutin	5	Parecoxib	4
Clenbuterol	1	Paroxetine	2
Clenbuterol (Valid veterinary prescription)	4	Pemoline	2
Clidinium	5	Pentobarbital	2
Clobetasol	4	Pergolide	3
Clobetasol propionate	4	Pethidine (Meperidine)	2
Clomipramine	2	Phenazone	4
Clonazepam	3	Pheniramine	5
Clonidine	3	Phenobarbital (Phenobarbitone)	2
Codeine	2	Phenylbutazone	1
Cobalt	3	Phenylpropanolamine	3
Cortisone	4	Piretanide	4
D		Piroxicam	4
Dantrolene	4	Prazepam	3
Dembrexine	5	Prednisolone	4
Detomidine	3	Prednisolone hemisuccinate	4
Dexamethasone	4	Prednisone	4
Dextromethorphan	5	Prilocaine	2
Dextropropoxyphene	2	Probenecid	5
Diamorphine (Heroin)	1	Procaine	4
Diazepam	3	Prochlorperazine	3
Diclofenac	4	Progesterone	2
Digoxin	3	Propafenone	3
Diethyl amine salicylate	4	Propantheline (Propanthelline)	5
Dihydrocodeine	2	Propofol	2
Dimethyl Sulphoxide (DMSO)	4	Propranolol	3
Diphenhydramine	5	Pseudoephedrine	3
Diphenylpyraline	5	Pyrilamine maleate	5
Diprenorphine	2	R	
Dipyrrone (Metamizole)	4	Ractopamine	1
DMSO (Dimethyl Sulphoxide)	4	Ramifenazone (Isopyrin)	4
Dopamine	3	Reserpine	3
Doxapram	3	Risperidone	2
E		Robenacoxib	4
Enalapril (Enalaprilat)	3	Rofecoxib	4
Enalaprilat (Enalapril)	3	Romifidine	3
Ephedrine	4	Ropivacaine	2
Epinephrine	2	S	
Erythropoietin (EPO)	1	Salbutamol (Albuterol)	1
Ethanol	1	Salbutamol (Valid veterinary prescription)	4

Ethinyl Estradiol (in the male horse)	2		Salicylic acid	4
Ethylestrenol (in the male horse)	2		Salmeterol	4
Etofylline	4		Scopolamine (Hyoscine)	4
Etoricoxib	4		Scopolamine N-Butyl	5
Etorphine	2		Sertraline	3
F			Sibutramine	3
Fenoterol	4		Sildenafil	3
Fentanyl	2		Somatropin	1
Firocoxib	4		Sotalol	3
Flavoxate	5		Spirinolactone	3
Fludrocortisone	4		Succinyl choline	3
Fluticasone propionate	4		Sufentanil	2
Flumethasone (Flumetasone)	4		Sumatriptan	4
Flunitrazepam	3		Synephrine	3
Flunixin	4		T	
Fluocinolone	4		Temazepam	3
Fluoxetine	2		Terbutaline	4
Fluphenazine	2		Testosterone	1
Flurazepam	3		Testosterone cypionate	1
Flurbiprofen	4		Testosterone undecanoate	1
Fluticasone	4		THC & THC-COOH	4
Formoterol	4		Tetrahydrocannabidiol	4
Furosemide	4		Tetracaine	2
G			Tetramisole	5
Gabapentin	2		Theobromine	4
Glycopyrrolate	4		Theophylline	4
Growth Hormone (GH)	1		Thiafentanyl	2
Guaifenesin	5		Tiletamine	2
H			Tilidine	2
Haloperidol	3		Timolol	3
Haemoglobin glutamers	1		Torseamide	4
Haemoglobin oxygen carrier	1		Total carbon dioxide (TCO2)	2
Heroin (Diamorphine)	1		Tramadol	2
Hydrochlorthiazide (Hydrochlorothiazide)	4		Tranexamic acid	5
Hydrocodone	2		Trenbolone	1
Hydrocortisone	4		Trenbolone acetate	1
Hydrocortisone hemisuccinate	4		Triamcinolone	4
Hydroxyprogesterone caproate (in the male horse)	2		Triamcinolone acetonide	4
Hydroxyprogesterone (in the male horse)	2		Triazolam	3
Hydroxyzine	3		Trimipramine	2

Hyoscine (Scopolamine)	5	Tiludronic acid	3
Hyoscine-N-butylscopolamine	5	U	
I			
Ibuprofen	4	V	
Imipramine	2	Valerenic acid	4
Indapamide	4	Valsartan	3
Indomethacin	4	Vedaprofen	4
Insulin	1	Venlafaxine	2
Ipratropium	4	Verapamil	3
Irbesartan	3	Vitamin B12 (Cobalt containing)	3
Isoxsuprine	4	W	
K		Warfarin	5
Ketamine	2	X	
Ketoprofen	4	Xylazine	3
Ketorolac	4	Y	
		Yohimbine	5
		Z	
		Zeranol	1
		Zilpaterol	1
		Zolmitriptan	4
		Zolpidem	2
		Zopiclone	3
		Zolazepam	3

Note that the above list is not comprehensive of all the substances being screened (or the substance which are prohibited) at an approved Laboratory.

**THRESHOLD LIMITS OF ENDOGENOUS
SUBSTANCES:**

Threshold Name	Threshold
Arsenic	• 0.3 microgram total arsenic per millilitre in urine
Boldenone	• 0.015 microgram free and conjugated boldenone per millilitre in urine from male horses (other than geldings)
Carbon dioxide	• 36 millimoles available carbon dioxide per litre in plasma
Cobalt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.1 microgram total Cobalt per millilitre in urine • 0.025 microgram total Cobalt (free and protein bound) per millilitre in plasma.
Estranediol in male horses (other than geldings)	• 0.045 microgram free and glucuroconjugated 5A -estrane-3B,17A-diol per millilitre in urine
Hydrocortisone	• 1 microgram hydrocortisone per millilitre in urine
Methoxytyramine	• 4 micrograms free and conjugated 3-methoxytyramine per millilitre in urine
Prednisolone	0.01 microgram free prednisolone per millilitre in urine.
Salicylic acid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 750 micrograms salicylic acid per millilitre in urine, or • 6.5 micrograms salicylic acid per millilitre in plasma
Testosterone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.02 microgram free and conjugated testosterone per millilitre in urine from geldings, or • 0.055 microgram free and conjugated testosterone per millilitre in urine from fillies and mares (unless in foal) • 100 picogram free testosterone per millilitre in plasma from geldings.

N.B.: The conjugated substance is the substance that can be liberated from conjugates.

Each threshold, including those for the same substance in urine and plasma can be

independently.

No determination and consideration of the specific gravity of a horse urine sample is required when comparing its concentration with a urinary threshold.

Thresholds are regulatory limits and the numerical values expressed above do not carry any implied precision (e.g. 0.3 is the same as 0.300). Whether a threshold has been exceeded or not in a sample is established solely from the concentration determined and the uncertainty or measurement associated with such determination.

INTERNATIONAL SCREENING LIMITS IN URINE

Substance	International Screening Limit (nanograms per millilitre in hydrolysed urine unless otherwise specified)
Acepromazine	10 *e
Betamethasone	0.2
Bromhexine	200 *d
Butorphanol	1
Carprofen	100
Clenbuterol	0.1
Dantrolene	3 in unhydrolysed urine *g
Dembrexine	100
Detomidine	2 *f
Dexamethasone	0.2
Diclofenac	50
Dipyrrone	1000 *a
Elténac	50
Flunixin	100
Furosemide	50
Ipratropium	0.25
Ketoprofen	100
Lidocaine	10 *b
Meclofenamic Acid	250
Medetomidine	5 *h

Meloxicam	10
Mepivacaine	10 *c
Naproxen	250
N-Butylscopolammonium	25
Omeprazole	1 in unhydrolysed urine
Phenylbutazone	100
Romifidine	1
Salbutamol	0.5
Triamcinolone Acetonide	0.5
Vedaprofen	50
Xylazine	10*i

INTERNATIONAL SCREENING LIMITS IN PLASMA

International Screening Limit (nanograms per millilitre in plasma)	
Acepromazine	0.02
Butorphanol	0.01
Carprofen	100
Dantrolene	0.1*c
Dembrexine	5
Detomidine	0.02 *a
Flunixin	1
Furosemide	0.1
Lidocaine	0.05
Meclofenamic Acid	5
Medetomidine	0.02 *b
Meloxicam	1
Mepivacaine	0.05
N-Butylscopolammonium	0.05
Omeprazole	1
Phenylbutazone	100

Procaine	0.02
Vedaprofen	5
Xylazine	0.05
* ^a Controlled by 3'-hydroxydetomidine	
* ^b Controlled by 3'-hydroxymedetomidine	
* ^c Controlled by 5-hydroxydantrolene	

INTERNATIONAL RESIDUE LIMITS:

Feed Contaminant	International Residue Limit (in urine) #
Caffeine	50 ng/mL
Theophylline	250 ng/mL
Atropine	60 ng/mL
Scopolamine	60 ng/mL
Morphine (Total)	30 ng/mL
Bufotenine	10 ug/mL
DMT	10 ug/mL
Hordenine	80 ug/mL
Theobromine	2000 ng/mL
Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM)	1200 ug/mL
Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO)	15 ug/mL
Feed Contaminant	International Residue Limit (in plasma)
Theobromine	300 ng/mL
Caffeine	20 ng/mL
Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO)	1000 ng/mL

These refer to the free and conjugated concentrations unless indicated otherwise.

* Conjugated substances like morphine glucuronides can be difficult to hydrolyse.

10 HORSES SCRATCHED DUE TO THEM BEING OFF-FEED

- 10.1 When a horse is scratched owing to it being off-feed and is withdrawn from a race, such a horse will be suspended from racing for a period of 14 days.

11. REGISTRATION AS A TRAINER

1. The applicant will have to undergo a qualifying written and practical examination for demonstrating his skills in horsemanship and stable management;
2. Preferably, the applicant should be a person holding or has held a License with a recognized Turf Authority for a period as may be set out by the HRC: -
 - a. In case of a Jockey, he should have ridden for a period of 05 years;
 - b. In case of an Owner, he should have owned a minimum of 10 horses continuously for a period of five (05) years and proof that he has assisted the trainer/s of his horses in their care and welfare. He may seek permission to train as Owner/Trainer for his own horse/s or horse/s owned in partnership with others where he has a minimum of 25% share.
3. When the applicant is successful in his Exams and a Trainer's License is granted to him, then he would have to submit a letter of consent from the Owner/s to the effect that the Owner/s would give him a minimum of ten (10) horses that are racing sound as certified by the HRD Veterinarian.
4. The applicant must also be able to satisfy the HRD of his financial stability, more particularly regarding the following: -
 - (a) Ability to manage a stable of 10 horses on his own for a minimum period of six months in the eventuality of payment of keep Charges not forthcoming for any reason whatsoever.
 - (b) Capacity to retain with the HRD a minimum-security deposit of such amount as may be stipulated by the Horse Racing Committee, at its sole discretion and retain the same during the period of license.
 - (c) Any other information that the HRD may require from the Applicant.
5. The applicant must have suitable stables approved by the HRD under such conditions as they may impose.

6. Subject to complying with the above, a license will be granted at the discretion of the Horse Racing Committee, where under the license he shall, during the period of license, continue to hold the specified minimum of ten horses.
7. If at any time, due to death or disability of horse/s in his charge, or due to change of stables, the number falls below ten, then he will be provided a period of 60 days to make good the number, failing which his license will be cancelled. However, the Horse Racing Committee reserve the right to grant him additional time in exceptional circumstances.
8. If a person is unsuccessful in the written examination, he can re-appear for the written examination after 03 months lapse from the date on which he wrote his examination;
9. If a person is unsuccessful in the written examination on three attempts, then that person may not be allowed to appear for the exam again or such permission may be given at the discretion of the HRD.

12. REGISTRATION OF AN ASSISTANT TRAINER

1. The age of the applicant seeking registration should be between 18 and 40 years, except in case of a jockey for whom the upper age limit shall not apply;
2. The applicant must have passed a Secondary School or an equivalent examination from any recognized Board; except and at the discretion of the HRD,
 - (a) A Jockey who has ridden continuously for a period of 5 years;
3. The applicant should have basic knowledge of horses and preferably riding experience.
4. The Applicant will have to undergo a qualifying written and practical examination;
5. The applicant should be able to establish his interest in horse racing;
6. The applicant should obtain a letter from a licensed Trainer, holding a Trainer's license for a continuous period of five years and having a minimum of 15 racing sound horses under his charge or such number as may be specified by the Stewards, to the effect that

the Trainer is willing to employ him as an Assistant;

7. The registration as an Assistant will be on an annual basis and without any obligation on the part of the HRC to renew the same;
8. If a person is unsuccessful in the written examination, he can re-appear for the written examination after 03 months lapse from the date on which he wrote his examination;
9. If a person is unsuccessful in written examination on three attempts, then that person may not be allowed to appear for the exam again or such permission may be given at the discretion of the HRD.

13. NOMINATION OF HORSES ON SUSPENSION

Trainers must ensure that the horses under a suspension are not nominated in any race.

14. SUSPENSION OF A HORSE WHEN A SAMPLE IS FOUND POSITIVE FOR ILLICIT/ ILLEGAL/ UNAPPROVED SUBSTANCES

When a sample taken from a horse, discloses upon analysis an Illicit/ Illegal or an Unapproved Substance, the horse shall be suspended with immediate effect.

15. MOBILE PHONES

The use of Mobile Phones is prohibited in the Weighing Room and Paddock/ Parade Ring. In case of emergency, Riders may be permitted to use the Mobile Phone in the Weighing Room, in the presence of an Official, with the permission of the Stipendiary Stewards.

No person is permitted to be in possession of a Mobile Phone or a similar device at the Starting Gates.

16. OFF-LOADING AND LOADING OF HORSES

The Horse Racing Organiser must designate a dedicated area for off-loading horses arriving for a Race Meeting and loading of horses departing after the conclusion of the

Race Meeting. This area must be under CCTV camera surveillance.

The Security Officer or his Assistant must record the aforesaid movement of horses in a Register and the same should readily available or inspection by the Stipendiary Stewards.

17. LEADING-IN OF WINNING HORSES & PRESENCE OF HORSES IN THE PADDOCK

All Trainers are advised that only the Owner/s of a Winning Horse are permitted to lead-in and no other person must be involved in this process.

All participating Horses must be presented in the paddock 12 minutes before the carded starting time of the Race.

18. COMPLAINT AGAINST HANDICAPPING/ RATING

All complaints / grievances regard Handicapping/ Rating must be addressed to Head of Horse Racing Division who will look into the matter through the Handicapping Review Board.

HANDICAPPING REVIEW BOARD (HRB)

The Horse Racing Committee has approved the setting up of a Handicapping Review Board (HRB) to provide Trainers an opportunity to apply for a review of ratings assigned to horses by the Handicapper.

The procedure of the HRB will be as follows:

- a. The HRB shall be facilitated by the Head of the Horse Racing Division and designate HRD Official(s) or person designated who is deemed to have the requisite technical knowledge.
- b. An application for review shall be made within 2 working days from the decision being made on the prescribed form as attached and against payment of a fee of Rs.10,000, refundable solely at the discretion of the HRB.
- c. On receipt of an application for review, the HRB shall seek observations on the review

from the Handicapper and shall transmit such observations to the Applicant who shall be entitled to submit a response in writing within 24 hours and the Applicant may be required to appear before the HRB, as from when the application is lodged up to its determination.

- d. The HRB shall consider the application for review, the Handicapper's observations and the Applicant's response (if any) but shall not be required to hold any oral hearing before making its decision which shall be transmitted in writing to the Applicant and the Handicapper.
- e. In considering such application for review, the HRB shall have the same power as the Stipendiary Stewards have for inquiries under the HRD Rules of Racing.
- f. If a horse is declared to run or runs in any race before the HRB has made its decision, the horse must carry the weight or penalty originally allotted and the Applicant shall have no redress as a consequence of running.



Horse Racing Division

APPLICATION FOR HANDICAPPING

REVIEW

Please read carefully and complete the form in BLOCK CAPITALS
(failure to complete all sections correctly may invalidate the Review)

Upon completion of this form, please email it to info@hrd.intnet.mu

Applicant Details

First Name:		Telephone No:	
Last Name:		Mobile No:	
Email Address:			<i>For Office Use Only</i>
Horse Name:			
Date of publication of handicap mark:			

Grounds of Review:

Handicap Mark Too High: **Handicap Mark Too Low:** **Non-allocation of Handicap Mark:**

Please provide a detailed description of why you disagree with the handicap mark applied/not applied to the horse named above:

Declaration:

By signing below I declare that:

1. The decision of the handicapper shall be reviewed for the reasons outlined above,
2. I am aware that the application fee of 10,000 rupees is refundable solely at the discretion of the Handicapping Review Board,
3. I am aware that this application for review **must** be lodged within **2 working days** of the decision being made,
4. I am aware that on receipt of an application for review, the Handicapping Review Board, shall seek observations on the application from the Handicapper and shall transmit such observations to the Applicant who shall be entitled to submit a response in writing within **24 hours**,
5. I am aware that I shall remain available to appear before the Handicapping Review Board with regards to this application, if required, as from when the application is lodged up to its determination,
6. I am aware that the Handicapping Review Board shall consider the Application for review, the Handicapper's Observations and the Applicant's Response (if any) but will not be required to hold any oral hearing before making his decision which shall be transmitted in writing to the Applicant and the Handicapper, and
7. If the horse is declared to run or runs in any race before the Handicapping Review Board has determined the review, the horse **must** carry the weight or penalty originally allotted and the Applicant shall have no redress as a consequence of running.

Signature:		Date:	
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19. HONORARY OWNER(S) FOR A RACE

The Horse Racing Committee has approved the facility of permitting persons as “Honorary Owner(s) for a Race” with immediate effect. This facility has been re-introduced to democratize the access to horse racing to the public at large.

The Honorary Ownership for a Race will be permitted under the following rules:

- 19.1 An “Honorary Owner(s) for a Race” means any person under whose name a horse may run in a particular race in accordance with the Rules of Racing.
- 19.2 A Horse Owner which is registered at the HRD (which may be a Company) and the Trainer of a horse will be permitted to make a joint application to the HRD to race a horse in a particular race in the name of the designated Honorary Owner(s) for that particular race. Such an application may be made up to 4:00 pm one day prior to Declarations;
- 19.3 The horse will race in the Racing Colours of the registered Horse Owner OR the Stable Colours.
- 19.4 It will be the sole responsibility of the registered Horse Owner(s) and the Trainer of the horse concerned, who are seeking such an approval for adding designated Honorary Owner(s) for a Race to ensure that the person(s) proposed as Honorary Owner(s) for a Race is/ are fit and proper person(s) to engage in racing activity; A solemn declaration to that effect by the Owner and the Trainer has been included in the attached Form.
- 19.5 The registered Horse Owner or the Trainer of the horse concerned will submit all particulars of the proposed Honorary Owner(s) for a Race on a Form supplied by the HRD;
- 19.6 The maximum number of Owners in the Racecard, including the registered Horse Owner(s) in a horse will be 10.
- 19.7 Rules as applicable to Owners under the Rules of Racing will apply to such Honorary Owners for a Race.



APPLICATION FOR HONORARY OWNER(S)

Surname of Registered Horse Owner:	
Name of Registered Horse Owner/ Company Name:	
Contact Number: (Home/Mobile)	
E-mail Address	

RACE	HORSE NAME	HONORARY OWNER(S)

We, the Registered Horse Owner (_____) and Trainer (_____), hereby declare that the Honorary Owner(s) as mentioned above is of good character and further that he/ she is a fit and proper person to take part in horse racing activity. We, jointly and severally, will be liable for ensuring the good standing of the Honorary Owner(s) for Race Day.

Signature of Registered Horse Owner:	Signature of Trainer:
Date:	Date:

Please furnish a copy of National Identity Card of the above-mentioned Honorary Owner(s).

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09 May 2024.