



NSA Official Notices

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

Live Streaming

Thanks to a generous anonymous donation, NSA trainers may select up to two grooms to be “gifted” a ticket to the live stream shows for the remainder of the spring season. To be eligible, trainers must submit the names and email addresses of those two attendants to the NSA office.

Microchips

Trainers are strongly encouraged to have all of their horses microchipped, particularly those horses with a faint tattoo.

Notice from the Stewards Advisory Committee

All NSA licensed riders must submit to, if requested by the Stewards Advisory Committee, a random drug and/or alcohol screening.

Foxfield Spring Races

The Foxfield Spring race card will be limited to seven (7) races on Saturday, April 30, which may prohibit the split of the maiden claiming hurdle (#35).

Queen’s Cup Steeplechase

Please take note of the following changes to the Queen’s Cup conditions. The Queen’s Cup, to be run Saturday, April 30, will offer an all hurdle, five-race card. The allowance timber (#47) as well as the training flat (#48) have been cancelled, and the Queen’s Cup is committed to splitting the maiden hurdle (#44), if there are sufficient number of entries, with a \$30,000 purse in each division. Purses for the meet will now total \$155,000.

Willowdale Steeplechase

The Liam Magee (#66) and the Marshall W. Jenny Memorial Foxhunter’s Chase (#71) may be open to amateur riders if there is an insufficient number of entries with only apprentice riders.

NSA Shoe Policy

No toe grabs, caulks, stickers, turndowns, inserts, trailers, or heel extensions will be allowed on the front or hind shoes. Note: The insert on the toe of the Queen’s Plate is considered a “wear plate,” not a toe grab. Block heels on the hind shoes (not to exceed ¼ inch) are permissible. Outer rim shoes are allowable providing there is no toe grab.

Revised NSA Rules of Racing

The NSA Rules of Racing have been updated for 2022. All new or modified rules were approved by the NSA Board of Directors and Stewards Advisory Committee. We urge all licensees to be familiar with the following rule updates and additions:

4.3.F — All changes to race conditions, distances of races, or course modifications must be approved by the Stewards Advisory Committee other than those made by the Stewards on race day.

5.2.B.7 — The Stewards have power to exclude from all places under their control: (a) every person who is ruled off; (b) every person whose name has been recorded on the forfeit list until the default is cleared; and (c) every person who has been denied a license, or is under suspension, or has had a license revoked in any racing jurisdiction; and (d) any person whose presence is deemed not to be in the best interests of the NSA.

5.2.B.8 — The Stewards shall have supervision over all nominations, entries, and scratches and can decline any entry they deem not to be in the best interests of the NSA.

5.2.B.15 — The Stewards shall investigate any conduct which appears not to be in the best interests of racing, with or without prior complaint, and take appropriate action if necessary.

5.7.A — The Horse Identifier shall:

2. when required, ensure the safekeeping of digital and paper registration certificates and racing permits for horses stabled and/or racing on association grounds;
3. examine every starter in the stable area or the paddock for sex, color, markings and lip tattoo, microchip, freeze brand or other identification method approved by the appropriate breed registry and the Regulatory Authority for comparison with its registration certificate to verify the horse's identity;

6.3.C.17 — A trainer is also responsible for: instructing the rider to give his best effort during a race and that each horse shall be ridden to win, unless the horse is struggling to finish, in which case the trainer should instruct the rider to ease the horse to protect his welfare;

6.4.A.4 — A licensed rider must submit to, if requested by the Stewards Advisory Committee, a random drug or alcohol screening.

6.4.C.6 — The rider of every horse shall take all reasonable and permissible measures throughout the race to ensure that his horse is given a full opportunity to win or obtain the best possible placing, unless the horse is exhibiting difficulty in finishing a race, which should prompt the rider to ease the horse to protect his welfare.

6.4.D.1 — Advertising or promotional material may be worn by a rider provided such rider has filed a request, in writing, at least three days before the applicable race, with the stewards and the race meet chairman, which includes a description with the name of the brands and sponsors along with a written authorization from the managing owner of the horse to be ridden;

7.1.C.4 — Any alteration made to an entry after the closing of entries must be approved by the Stewards. Once a jockey has been named, jockey changes can be made up to one (1) hour prior to post time for the first race of the day the horse is entered. Any changes after that time must be approved by the Stewards.

7.3.B.4 — In all races except handicaps and steeplechase races where the conditions expressly state to the contrary, the scale of weights is less by the following for fillies and mares: seven (7) pounds in

aces when competing against male horses.

7.3.C.1 — In all steeplechase races, except handicaps and stakes races, riders who have never ridden a winner are allowed ten (10) pounds; riders who have not won five (5) races, allowed seven (7) pounds; riders who have not won fifteen (15) races, allowed five (5) pounds. Once a rider wins fifteen (15) races he/she is no longer eligible for an allowance. These apprentice allowances may be claimed up to one (1) hour prior to post-time for the first race.

7.4.A.4 — A horse is ineligible to start in a race when: its name appears on the Stewards' List or the Vet's List;

7.5.A.2 — Every horse claimed shall race for the account of the original owner, but title to a claimed horse shall be vested in the successful claimant at the time the horse starts, or, in the case of a refusal, when the starter has dispatched the field. The successful claimant shall then become the owner of the horse; however, a claim may be voided by the claimant if the horse suffers a fatal injury during or immediately following the running of the race, or the horse is deemed to be "unsound" by the association veterinarian, up to one (1) hour after the race.

7.6.A.1 — A rider shall report his engagements and any overweight to the Clerk of Scales not later than one (1) hour before post-time for the first race. If a rider change is made beyond that time, it must be for good reason and approved by the Stewards.

7.8.D.1 — Each rider of a horse which finishes a race shall weigh in with the Clerk of Scales at no less than the same weight at which he/she weighed out, and if under that weight, and after consideration of mitigating circumstances by the Stewards, his/her mount may be disqualified from any portion of the purse money and the rider may be fined or suspended.

7.8.D.2 — Failure of a rider to weigh in directly after unsaddling his/her horse or the failure of a rider to weigh in with all pieces of equipment with which he/she weighed out shall subject the rider to a penalty as prescribed by the Stewards and/or the Stewards' Advisory Committee.

8.4.A.1 — An application to the Hearing Committee for review of a Stewards' order, or ruling of the Stewards' Advisory Committee, must be made within five (5) days after such order or ruling is issued in writing, and shall: be in writing, addressed to the Hearing Committee, accompanied by a non-refundable filing fee in the amount of \$500;

9.1.A — No horse may participate in any race with, and carry in its body during the running of a race, any forbidden substance, or a controlled therapeutic substance in excess of the maximum permissible level as specified in the ARCI Controlled Therapeutic Substances list as may be amended from time to time. A forbidden substance is any drug, or drug metabolite, which might affect the speed or performance of a horse. Also prohibited are any drugs, regardless of how harmless or innocuous they might be, which might interfere with the detection of the aforementioned forbidden substances.

10.1.B — A horse that is entered on furosemide (Salix®) and does not receive furosemide (Salix®) will not be permitted to run, unless it is determined by the Stewards that there were extenuating circumstances that led to the inability to administer the medication in a timely manner, and the trainer of the horse chooses to run the horse without furosemide (Salix®). Under these conditions, the trainer assumes all risk as it relates to the health and condition of the horse during or immediately following the race.

10.2.A.2 — It is a trainer's responsibility to know the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium's recommended guidelines regarding withdrawal times, dosage amounts, and threshold levels for thera-

peutic medications, which may be amended from time to time.

150-Day Layoff Report Forms - Now Online!

Attention NSA Trainers: 150-Day **Layoff Report Forms can now be submitted online** at the following link: <http://tharacing.com/resources/layoffreportform/>

Online reports will be sent directly to Reynolds Cowles. If you choose to print and scan the form to complete the process, please email your form to Reynolds Cowles (rcowles41@icloud.com).

Entries for horses that have not raced for 150 days or more (excluding first-time starters) will not be accepted unless the trainer has completed and submitted a Layoff Report Form.

Ratings

Please see the attached current ratings list.

All hurdle/chase winners ages 4 and up planning to run over hurdles in the U.S. this spring must appear on the weekly ratings list. Trainers are responsible for checking the list for their in-training horses. If your horse does not appear on the list – and you are planning to run this spring – please notify the racing office via email (harper@nationalsteeplechase.com). Horses not on the list will be least preferred at entry time and may be excluded. Also, if a horse appears on the list, and is taken out of training for the spring, trainers must notify the office.

A horse with an official rating in another country will race on its most recent mark, however, the Committee does have the discretion to adjust if they deem necessary.

Three-year-old winners will not receive a rating until running one time as a four-year-old.



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