



NSA Official Notices Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Summer Rules and Regulations

As we head into the summer steeplechase program at Colonial Downs and Saratoga, please be aware of all rules and regulations that are applicable at each track.

NYRA Medications & Testing

Horsemen and practicing veterinarians are advised to review all medication rules on the New York State Gaming Commission website with regards to proper usage and administration of all medications while racing in the State of New York. Please feel free to contact New York State Equine Medical Director, Dr. Scott Palmer with any questions at (908) 672-0965 or Director of NYRA Veterinarians, Dr. Anthony Verderosa at (718) 659-4230.

A negative Coggins test required for each calendar year. On January 1st each year, all horses stabled at NYRA facilities will be required to have an updated Coggins test for the new year. This test will be valid January 1st through December 31st at all NYRA tracks. **A Coggins must have the tattoo or microchip number of the horse on the original result.**

NYRA Racehorse Monitoring Conditions

All horses shipping to a NYRA facility must meet the HISA Racehorse Monitoring conditions below. Horses will not be permitted entry without such proof.

RACEHORSE MONITORING (Effective January 1, 2023)

1. Certificate of veterinary inspection within the prior 5 days or few days if high risk situations dictate
2. Verification of EEE/WEE/WNV (encephalitides), rabies, and tetanus vaccinations within the prior 12 months.
3. Verification of Influenza and Rhinopneumonitis vaccinations within the prior 180 days or few days if high risk situations dictate
4. Verification of Negative Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) Test within the calendar year or in a shorter period of time if high risk situations dictate

NYRA First Time Lasix

For those horses which have never run on Lasix shipping in from out-of-state, the certification form must be filed with the Lasix Coordinator located in the Racing Office PRIOR TO DAY OF ENTRY.

Contact **Kelly Gecewicz** - (718) 659-2234 - kgecewicz@nyrainc.com

Colonial Downs Coggins Test, Health Certificate, and Inoculations

All horses, including stable ponies, entering the racetrack grounds must have a health certificate and required vaccinations, which shall include: (1) Certificate of veterinary inspection (Health Certificate) within the prior 3 days; (2) Verification of EEE/WEE/WNV (encephalitides), rabies, and tetanus vaccinations within the prior 12 months; (3) Verification of Influenza and Rhinopneumonitis vaccinations within the prior 120 days; and (4) Verification of Negative Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) Test valid through the entire meet.

The Coggins test must be attached to the horse's Jockey Club certificate when placed on file in the horse identifier's office. Coggins must be attached to all digital certificates.

Horses not current on flu/rhino, need to be vaccinated immediately, and documentation given by the attending vet directly to the VRC Equine Medical Director. Horses without a current vaccination record will not be allowed to enter.

Colonial Downs 150-Day Layoff Report

Entries for horses that have not raced for 150 days or more will NOT be accepted unless the trainer has completed and submitted a Layoff Report Form to Dr. Ada Caruthers, Equine Medical Director (ada.caruthers@vrc.virginia.gov). Forms must be submitted at least 30 days prior to entry, and are valid for 60 days.

The form can be accessed on the VRC Website: www.vrc.Virginia.gov (click on "Veterinary Forms and Info" and complete the 150-day layoff report from your phone, tablet or computer).

Colonial Downs Purse Distribution

Purse money for overnight races will be divided as follows: 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, and \$1000 for fifth through last. Purse money for stakes races, unless otherwise stated in specific race conditions, will be divided as follows: 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth, 3% to fifth, and \$1000 for sixth through last. In all races trainers will receive \$300 per horse started.

Revised NSA Policy

The current NSA Rules of Racing 9.2.C Forbidden Practices reads as follows:

No person may possess at a sanctioned race meet an instrument used for shock wave therapy. No horse may be treated with any form of shock wave therapy within ten (10) days of racing. The administration of shock wave therapy may only be performed by a licensed veterinarian. A veterinarian using shock wave therapy shall document and report each treatment on his daily medication report. A trainer or veterinarian who has been found to have violated any of the above provisions of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action by the stewards including, but not limited to, a maximum suspension of ninety (90) days.

This rule has been modified by the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee as follows:

No person may possess at a sanctioned race meet an instrument used for shock wave therapy. No horse may be treated with any form of shock wave therapy within **thirty (30)** days of racing. The administration of shock wave therapy may only be performed by a licensed veterinarian. A veterinarian using shock wave therapy shall document and report each treatment on his daily medication report, **and must submit that report to the NSA Equine Medical Director.** A trainer or veterinarian who has been found to

have violated any of the above provisions of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action by the stewards including, but not limited to, a maximum suspension of ninety (90) days.

NSA Equine Medical Director, Dr. Reynolds Cowles: **rcowles41@icloud.com**

2023 Summer Steeplechase Schedule

ENTRIES CLOSE ON THE DAYS INDICATED WITH

Bill Gallo, NSA Director of Racing
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Note: All summer steeplechase races and conditions are subject to late change.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, JULY 14

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 10

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.
Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Filly/Mare Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 147 lbs.; older, 153 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

THE 26th RUNNING OF THE

A.P. SMITHWICK (Grade I)

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JULY 17

(Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$150,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four-Year-Olds and Upward.

Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.

Nominations Close Saturday, July 8.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, JULY 21

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 17

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.
Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 115 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JULY 21

(Allowance Hurdle)

Purse \$70,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners in 2023, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2022-2023, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances).

Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, JULY 28

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 24

(Filly/Mare Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 147 lbs.; older, 153 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Maiden Starter Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$25,000 or less on the flat or over fences. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

THE JONATHAN KISER NOVICE STAKES

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JULY 28

(Novice Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2022 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old. Four-year-olds, 144 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 31

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 110 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

(Allowance Hurdle)

Purse \$70,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners in 2023, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2022-2023, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances).

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 7

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

THE RANDOLPH D. ROUSE

(Filly/Mare Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

Nominations Close Monday, July 31.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

THE JONATHAN SHEPPARD STAKES (Grade I)

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

(Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$150,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

Nominations Close Saturday, August 5.

COLONIAL DOWNS

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 14

(Four-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 115 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

THE MICHAEL G. WALSH NOVICE STAKES

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

(Novice Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2022 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old. Four-year-olds, 144 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 21

(Maiden Starter Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$25,000 or less on the flat or over fences. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 110 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

SARATOGA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

(Allowance Hurdle)

Purse \$70,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won a race other than maiden, claiming, or ratings 115 or lower or which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners in 2023, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2022-2023, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances).

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 28

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

(Four-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

COLONIAL DOWNS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

THE LIFE'S ILLUSION

(Filly/Mare Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

Nominations Close Monday, August 28.

(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 115 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.

AQUEDUCT RACETRACK
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
THE WILLIAM ENTENMANN NOVICE STAKES
ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
(Novice Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to September 1, 2022 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old. Four-year-olds, 144 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

THE LONESOME GLORY (Grade I)
(Hurdle Stakes)

Purse \$150,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward.

Two Miles and One Half over National Fences.

Nominations Close Saturday, September 2.

Official Notes:

- Permission for apprentice riders to ride in jump races at Colonial Downs, Saratoga, and Aqueduct will be granted by the Stewards Advisory Committee on a case by case, and race by race basis.
- In all steeplechase races at Colonial Downs, Saratoga, and Aqueduct, the first fence in the stretch will not be jumped on the final circuit; therefore, the last fence down the backside at all venues will be the final fence.
- In all stakes races at Colonial Downs, Saratoga and Aqueduct, Lasix is prohibited. Also, horses 10 years old and upward are not permitted to run at NYRA racetracks.
- Maiden claiming winners are eligible for Saratoga allowance races providing they have won for \$20,000 or greater.
- Maidens over jumps are ineligible for steeplechase races at Saratoga.
- Post times for the Colonial Downs jump races will be 1:30 PM (first) and 2:00 PM (second) each Friday during the meet. The Colonial jump races are now part of the regular parimutuel racing program and as such will follow all of the standard racetrack protocols.
- Limit of field in the maiden hurdle races at Colonial Downs is 10, with 12 allowed in ratings races and the filly/mare stakes.
- All horses entering the Colonial Downs racetrack grounds must have proof of health certificate and required vaccinations, and a current negative Coggins test.