



NSA Official Notices

Thursday, May 13, 2021

National Fences

Please be advised that the National Fence hurdles will be used at all NSA sanctioned race meets for the remainder of the Spring Season while the EasyFix fence continues to be evaluated by the Safety Committee, with input from trainers.

Carolina Cup Course Report

The Carolina Cup racecourse was inspected on May 10, 2021 by Jeff Teter.

Turf: The turf is a mixture of Bermuda Grass overseeded with Winter Rye.

Smoothness: The course is smooth throughout.

Compaction: 100-140 (good to firm) throughout the racecourse. Average 120 (good).

Moisture: 0-2 (dry) throughout the racecourse.

Notes: The racecourse was mowed on May 10. It may or may not be mowed again. Mowing is at 3.5 inches. The course was aerated and chain harrowed back in October while being overseeded with Winter Rye. The racecourse was fertilized with 300 pounds to the acre with 33-0-8 fertilizer. It has been dry the last 70 days. March rain: 1.90 inches; April rain: 1.00 inch; May rain to date: 1.25 inches. There are chances of rain, May 10-12. The turf is in transition from Winter Rye to summer Bermuda Green throughout.

Carolina Cup Races - Saturday, May 22

The Carolina Cup Racing Association has added \$25,000 to their purses, which brings the total purse structure to \$100,000. They are intending to split the Maiden Hurdle (#38), with a \$20,000 purse in each division, which will add a sixth race to the card. Also, the purse for the Carolina Cup (#39) has been raised from \$30,000 to \$35,000, conditions remaining the same.

The Virginia Gold Cup - Saturday, May 29

The following additional race will be offered at The Virginia Gold Cup:

The Virginia Bred or Sired Flat (Training Flat)

For Three Year Olds and Upward, Virginia Bred or Sired. Three-year-olds, 145 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Winners under rules on the flat in 2020-2021, 5 lbs. extra. Stakes winners in 2020-2021, 10 lbs. extra. Maidens, allowed 10 lbs. Apprentice riders allowed 5 lbs. Entry fee \$200. The result of this race does not count toward a horse's official record. A \$5,000 award to the owners of the first three finishers

distributed as follows: 50% to first, 30% to second, 20% to third.

One Mile and One Quarter on the Turf.

Winterthur Races - Sunday, May 30

The following substitute race will be offered at Winterthur:

**The Winterthur Turf Race
(Allowance Flat)**

Purse \$10,000. For Three Year Olds and Upward. Three-year-olds, 145 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Non-winners of a stakes race, allowed 4 lbs.; of a race other than maiden or claiming, allowed 8 lbs. Entry fee \$50; \$50 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; \$200 additional to start.

One Mile and One Half on the Turf.

Iroquois Steeplechase - Saturday, June 26

The following bonus will be added to the Mason Houghland Memorial Allowance Timber (#61): The owner of the winner of this race will receive a \$10,000 bonus if the horse is ridden by an amateur licensed by the NSA and acceptable to the Iroquois race committee.

Ratings

Please see the attached current ratings list. If your ratings horse does not appear on this list, please inform Bill Gallo or Harper McVey and the horse will be added.

Revised NSA Shoe Policy

Following recent incidents of horses slipping and falling, and after hearing the concerns of horsemen, the Stewards Advisory Committee has made the following modification (in bold) to the 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.**

NSA Voided Claim Policy

By order of the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee, a claim for a horse entered in a claiming race 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 examining veterinarian, up to one (1) hour after the race.

NSA Clenbuterol Policy

Clenbuterol is an accepted treatment for certain respiratory diseases in the horse, however, it has been used off label for its partitioning affects and as an anabolic agent.

Clenbuterol is prohibited in racing and NSA has a zero tolerance level for this substance in post-race testing. If a horse has been prescribed by a veterinarian for the treatment of respiratory disease in a horse that is to run in an NSA sanctioned race, a copy of that prescription must be filed with the NSA Equine Medical Director at the NSA office.

No horse should run within 30 days of treatment and if there is a question of clearance then a pre-race drug test should be run to ensure compliance.

If clenbuterol has been detected in a horse's post race or out-of-competition sample and the appropriate prescription has not been filed, the horse shall be placed on the Official Veterinarian's List pending investigation.

NSA Vet's List Policy

A horse may be placed on the NSA Vet's List by the Stewards, based on a recommendation by the race meet veterinarian, due to pre-race veterinary examination findings or lameness or injury during a race or lameness or health conditions observed post race. During the pre-race examination, if the examining vet discovers a condition that warrants a second review, that horse may be walked "in hand," not lunged or ridden before a second examination.

Any horse that is placed on the NSA Vet's List "for lameness" shall not be eligible for race entry for at least seven (7) days and said horse must be examined by an equine veterinarian at the resident stable. That exam must consist of a complete assessment of that horse with particular attention to the findings that placed the horse on the vet's list. The horse will be observed in hand and under tack at a walk, trot and canter. If examination findings indicate that the horse is racing sound, a drug screen shall be drawn and submitted to a testing laboratory. If that screen is negative, the horse will be removed from the Vet's List. The cost of the examination and the drug screen shall be the responsibility of the trainer or owner of the horse.

This examination of a horse on the NSA Vet's List differs from most flat racing jurisdictions in that there is no designated work required other than observation under tack. This difference is due to the widespread geographic distribution of horses involved in jump racing and the lack of supervising regulatory veterinarians in most areas.

New NYRA Policy

Please note that horses aged 10 years old and upward will not be permitted to run at NYRA race-tracks. This change in policy does apply to steeplechase races.

New Rider Allowance Policy

In all steeplechase races, except handicaps (other than ratings) and stakes races, riders who have never won a race, 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.

Revised Apprentice Rider Policy

By order of the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee, the Apprentice Rider Policy has been revised for the 2021 Spring Steeplechase Season. If a trainer would like to use an apprentice rider that has not met the prior conditions of eligibility, they must submit a "**Petition to Ride**" request to the Stewards Advisory Committee, at least two weeks prior to the time of entry for the race in question. That request will be thoroughly reviewed by the Committee and a determination will be made on their best judgment. Petitions not sent in a timely manner will automatically result in a denial of the request.

Updated Lasix Guideline

A horse that is entered on Lasix and does not receive Lasix 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 Lasix. 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.**

Note: This policy supersedes NSA Rules of Racing 10.1.B.



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