

CHAPTER 7877
MINNESOTA RACING COMMISSION
HORSE RACING; CLASS C LICENSES

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[For text of subp 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Trainers.** Trainers shall have the following responsibilities.

[For text of items A to M, see M.R.]

N. A trainer is responsible for notifying the racing secretary of any circumstances that would necessitate changing a horse's registration or eligibility papers. This includes notifying the racing secretary when a horse is "nerved" pursuant to part 7897.0100, subpart 11, and immediately reporting the alteration of the sex of a horse to the horse identifier and racing secretary.

[For text of items O to T, see M.R.]

[For text of subps 2a to 8, see M.R.]

Subp. 9. **Veterinarians.** The following shall apply to veterinarians licensed by the commission:

[For text of items A and B, see M.R.]

C. All drugs, substances, medication, venom, or biological product administered, dispensed, or carried by a veterinarian on the grounds of an association must be FDA or USDA approved. A veterinarian may possess substances that are FDA or USDA approved, but not specifically for use on the horse, only by providing prior notice to the commission's veterinarian and the Board of Stewards. Veterinarians shall not possess medications or substances without a specific manufacturer's name, lot number, and expiration date.

[For text of items D to H, see M.R.]

I. No veterinarian shall have contact with an entered horse on race day except for administration of furosemide under the guidelines in part 7890.0100, subpart 13, and medical emergencies under the guidelines in part 7890.0160.

[For text of subps 9a and 10, see M.R.]

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[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **Claims clerk (thoroughbred, quarterhorse, and arabian only).** The claims clerk shall ensure that the claim slip for a horse is deposited in the claim box in accordance with part 7883.0140, subpart 2.

The claims clerk shall open the claim box, search for claim envelopes according to designated race numbers, open any envelopes found, and examine the claim slip inside no sooner than 15 minutes before post time for each race.

The claims clerk shall ascertain whether:

- A. errors exist in the form or deposit of the claim;
- B. the claimant has established eligibility to claim;
- C. the claimant has the amount of the claim to the claimant's credit; and

D. persons acting on behalf of a claimant are authorized to do so.

The claims clerk shall immediately report all findings to the stewards, and shall issue a written authorization on behalf of the stewards for delivery of a horse to any claimant who is successful.

Subp. 8. **Commission veterinarian.** The commission veterinarian shall maintain a list of the following:

- A. horses that are scratched because of illness or injury;
- B. horses that are pulled up because of lameness or other injury during a race;
- C. horses that are bleeders, pursuant to part 7890.0140, subpart 1; and

D. horses otherwise considered unfit to race in the professional judgment of the commission veterinarian or the association veterinarian.

The veterinarian's list shall be posted in the racing secretary's office, and any horse whose name is on the list shall be ineligible to start in a race for five calendar days, or until the commission veterinarian or association veterinarian removes it from the list, whichever is later. All workouts required by the commission veterinarian for the purpose of potentially removing a horse from the veterinarian's list must be conducted under the same medication requirements as those for race days. For purposes of this subpart, the five-day period during which a horse is ineligible to start begins to run on the first day the horse is placed on the list. The veterinarian's list is binding on all racetracks under the jurisdiction of the commission.

The commission veterinarian shall conduct racing soundness examinations pursuant to part 7891.0100. If the veterinarian finds that any horse is unfit to race he or she shall notify the stewards immediately in writing.

The commission veterinarian shall supervise the operation of a barn for the detention and testing of horses after each race pursuant to chapter 7890.

The commission veterinarian shall have the authority to draw blood from any horse or pony on the grounds of an association for the purpose of testing for equine infectious anemia (EIA), and shall supervise the removal from the racetrack of any horse or pony having positive EIA test results.

In the event of a veterinary emergency where the owner's veterinarian is not on racetrack grounds, the commission veterinarian or association veterinarian may administer emergency treatment on the request of the owner or the owner's agent. In such cases, the owner is responsible for any costs incurred.

In the absence of an association veterinarian, a commission veterinarian shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the association veterinarian.

[For text of subps 8a to 12, see M.R.]

Subp. 13. **Outrider.** Outriders shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of horses on the race course during training and racing hours, as specified in the following paragraph.

At the thoroughbred/quarterhorse track, the outriders shall be present on the race course, mounted and ready to assist in the control of any unruly horse or to recapture any loose horse, at all times that horses are permitted on the race course. Outriders are required for harness racing during racing periods but are not required during training hours.

The outriders shall escort to the post all horses starting in any race, and shall remain on duty until all horses on that program have been returned to their handlers.

Each outrider must comply with part 7877.0170, subpart 10, for each pony horse in his or her care.

[For text of subps 14 and 15, see M.R.]

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