

**7884.0210 CLAIMING RACES.**

A. Claiming shall be conducted according to Rule 11 from the current United States Trotting Association (USTA) Charter, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations but any conflict between the USTA Rule 11 and a Minnesota rule will be controlled by the Minnesota rule.

B. For claiming prices for harness race horses in standardbred racing, the following allowances shall be applicable with respect to claiming price:

- (1) for mares racing against colts or geldings, add 20 percent;
- (2) for two-year-olds racing against older horses, add 100 percent;
- (3) for three-year-olds racing against older horses, add 50 percent;
- (4) for four-year-olds racing against older horses, add 25 percent; and
- (5) spayed mares shall not receive any sex allowance.

C. No claimed horse shall race at any other racetrack until after the close of the race meeting at which it was claimed, or for 60 days, whichever is shorter, except to fulfill one or more stakes engagements or to race at a county fair meet.

D. Voided claims.

(1) A claim made on a horse that suffers a fatality during the running of the race or is euthanized for a disarticulated joint, compound fracture, or fracture of the skull, spine, or pelvis, any of which occurred during or directly after the race, is automatically voided unless, prior to the race in which the horse is claimed, the claimant had elected to claim the horse regardless of the disposition of the horse.

(2) An election made in subitem (1) shall be entered on the claim form in accordance with claiming rules.

E. Postrace testing on claimed horses shall be performed using blood (serum, plasma, or heart blood) and urine (if available).

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 240.03; 240.13; 240.23; 240.29*

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