

Louisiana State Racing Commission

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Executive Department
Office of the Governor

Agenda

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 – 10:00AM
The Prefunction Room
Evangeline Downs Racetrack & Casino
2235 Creswell Lane Extension
Opelousas, Louisiana

Notice of this meeting was duly given in accordance with Law.

ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONERS

- ☐ Mr. Edward J. Koehl, Jr., *Chairman*
- ☐ Mr. Earl A. “Boo” Landry, Jr., *1st Vice Chair*
- ☐ Dr. Vincent V. Tumminello, Jr., *2nd Vice Chair*
- ☐ Dr. Patrick Bernard, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Mr. Rock M. Bordelon, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Ms. Leslie M. Bouie, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Dr. Larry L. Findley, Sr., *Commissioner*
- ☐ Dr. K. R. “Ron” Finkelstein, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Mr. Nathan C. Granger, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Dr. Travis K. Miller, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Mr. Deano Thornton, *Commissioner*
- ☐ Ms. Katherine Winters, *Commissioner*

☐ QUORUM PRESENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- ☐ Mr. Stephen Landry, *Executive Director*

ATTORNEYS

- ☐ Mr. Brett Bonin, *Asst. Attorney General*
- ☐ Ms. Dawn Himel, *Director of Gaming,*
Office of Attorney General
- ☐ Mr. Jeremy Gathe, *Asst. Attorney General*

LSRC STAFF

- ☐ Ms. Katie White, *Assistant Executive Director*
- ☐ Mr. Michael J. Dildy, *Director of Administration*
- ☐ Ms. Emma R. Brock, *Admin. Program Specialist*
- ☐ Ms. Jean Hernandez, *Field Office Supervisor*
- ☐ Mr. Patrick Stanley, *Chief Auditor*
- ☐ Mr. Tony Magee, *Director of Parimutuel Wagering*
- ☐ Mr. Bobby Granger, *State Steward, Delta Downs*
- ☐ Mr. Charles Ashy, *State Steward, EVD/FG*
- ☐ Mr. Charles Gardiner, *Director of Policy & Procedure*
- ☐ Ms. Stephanie Matthews, *Executive Assistant*
- ☐ Dr. Catherine Mauberret, *Equine Medical Director*
- ☐ Mr. Nathan Broussard, *Director of Enforcement*

STATE POLICE

- ☐ State Police Staff

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 13, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

REMINDER: COMMISSIONERS’ ETHICS DISCLOSURE DUE BY MAY 15, 2025

I. ASSOCIATION REQUESTS/REPORTS

A. BOYD RACING, LLC d/b/a DELTA DOWNS RACETRACK, CASINO & HOTEL

1. PROGRESS REPORT

- a. Update on infrastructure, escrow, and questions from the Commission.

2025 QUARTER HORSE MEET

2. RACES

- a. Ratification of first condition book for 2025 quarter horse meet.
- b. Ratification of designated races for 2025 quarter horse meet:

- 04/25/25 Miss Polly Classic – Gr. III
- 04/25/25 Titanium Stakes – RG 3
- 04/25/25 Old South Derby Trials
- 04/26/25 Old South Futurity Trials
- 05/02/25 Lassie Futurity Trials
- 05/03/25 Laddie Futurity Trials
- 05/10/25 Mother’s Day
- 05/16/25 Old South Derby
- 05/17/25 Old South Futurity
- 05/23/25 Lassie Futurity – RG2
- 05/23/25 Lassie Stake
- 05/24/25 Laddie Futurity – RG2
- 05/24/25 Laddie Stake
- 05/31/25 Delta Dash
- 06/07/25 Virgil Bond
- 06/12/25 Firecracker Derby Trials
- 06/13/25 Firecracker Futurity Trials
- 06/18/25 Delta Downs Louisiana Bred Oaks Trials
- 06/19/25 Delta Downs Louisiana Bred Derby Trials

06/20/25 Lee Berwick Futurity Trials
 06/21/25 HDJ Butler Stakes – RG2
 07/04/25 Firecracker Derby – Grade III
 07/04/25 Firecracker Futurity – Grade II
 07/12/25 Delta Downs Louisiana Bred Derby – RG3
 07/12/25 Delta Downs Louisiana Bred Oaks
 07/12/25 Lee Berwick Futurity – RG1
 07/12/25 Louisiana Starter
 07/12/25 Flashy Hemp
 07/12/25 Louisiana Juvenile
 07/12/25 Live Oak Stakes
 07/12/25 Louisiana Classic – RG2
 07/12/25 Nag Nest Stakes

3. STEWARDS, OFFICIALS & MANAGEMENT

a. Approval of amended officials for 2025 quarter horse meet:

John Simon – Director of Racing Operations / Racing Secretary
 Danielle Birzer – Assistant Racing Secretary / Stakes Coordinator
 Freddie Carrier, Jr. – Association Steward
 Jeff Jerman – Association Steward
 Darby Jones – Clerk of Scales
 David Gordon – Head Clocker
 Jeremy Courville – Head Starter
 Melissa Dueitt – Horse Identifier
 Steve Nick – Jocks Room Custodian
 Baylee Istre – Outrider
 Dale Beaty – Outrider
 Adriana Vallejo – Outrider
 Becky Leblanc – Program Coordinator / Paddock Judge
 Christy Hatley – Claims Clerk
 *Laura Williams – Placing Judge
 *Savanna Hutson – Placing Judge
 Mohamed Alikhan – Placing Judge / Entry Clerk
 Jess Chance – Stall Superintendent
 Aaron Pelt – Track Superintendent
 *New Officials

2025-2026 THOROUGHBRED MEET

4. LICENSE APPROVALS

a. Approval for 2025-2026 thoroughbred meet:

1. For 10-year license to own and operate a racetrack, per R.S. 4:158 & R.S. 4:214
2. For 10-year license to own and operate OTB locations, per R.S. 4:211 *et seq.*
3. To serve as concessionaire

5. RACING DATES (R.S. 4:158A) AND POST TIMES

a. Approval for 2025-2026 thoroughbred meet:

1. Thoroughbred racing on the flat
2. 76 thoroughbred dates (10/10/25 through 02/21/26)
 - October 10,11,15,16,17,18,22,23,24,25,29,30,31
 - November 1,5,6,7,8,12,13,14,15,19,20,21,22,25,26,28,29
 - December 3,4,5,6,10,11,12,13,17,18,19,20,22,23,29,30
 - January 2,3,7,8,9,10,14,15,16,17,21,22,23,24,28,29,30,31
 - February 4,5,6,7,11,12,13,14,18,19,20,21
3. Hold a minimum of 8 live thoroughbred races on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and a minimum of 9 live thoroughbred races on Fridays and Saturdays, with the exception of live racing on the following days:
 - Tuesday, November 25, 2025, Wednesday, November 26, 2025, Monday, December 22, 2025, Tuesday, December 23, 2025, Monday, December 29, 2025, Tuesday, December 30, 2025
4. Dark – no live racing on the following days:
 - Thursday, November 27, 2025, Wednesday, December 24, 2025, Thursday, December 25, 2025, Friday, December 26, 2025, Saturday, December 27, 2025, Wednesday, December 31, 2025, Thursday, January 1, 2026
5. Daily post time 4:45 PM with the following exceptions:
 - 12:55 post time on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, Wednesday, November 26, 2025
 - 12:00 post time on Monday, December 22, 2025, Tuesday, December 23, 2025, Monday, December 29, 2025, Tuesday, December 30, 2025

6. WAGERING (LAC 35:XIII.Ch 103-127)

a. Approval for wagering format for 2025-2026 thoroughbred meet:

1. \$1 WPS on all races
2. \$1 Rolling Daily Double beginning on Race 1
3. Exacta on all races
4. 50¢ Trifecta on all races complying with the *Rules of Racing* (§1115)
5. 10¢ Superfecta on all races complying with the *Rules of Racing* (§11701)
6. 50¢ Rolling Pick 3 beginning on Race 1
7. 50¢ Pick 4 on Races 2-5 & the last 4 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4
8. 50¢ Pick 5 on first 5 races & last 5 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4

B. THE OLD EVANGELINE DOWNS, LLC

d/b/a EVANGELINE DOWNS RACETRACK & CASINO

1. PROGRESS REPORT

a. Update on infrastructure, escrow, and questions from the Commission.

2025 THOROUGHBRED MEET

2. RACES

a. Ratification of first condition book for 2025 thoroughbred meet.

b. Ratification of designated races for 2025 thoroughbred meet:

- 04/04/25 The Spotted Horse
- 04/04/25 Acadiana Stakes
- 04/05/25 Evangeline Mile
- 04/05/25 Lafayette Stakes
- 04/05/25 The Kenny Cotton Memorial
- 04/11/25 First Lady of Louisiana Sharon Landry Stakes
- 04/12/25 The Don Stemmans Memorial Stakes
- 05/02/25 EVD Distaff
- 05/02/25 Creole Lady
- 05/02/25 Cajun Miss
- 05/03/25 EVD Classic
- 05/03/25 King Creole
- 05/03/25 Ragin Cajun
- 06/07/25 Louisiana Legends Cheval
- 06/07/25 Louisiana Legends Soiree
- 06/07/25 Louisiana Legends Sprint
- 06/07/25 Louisiana Legends Mademoiselle
- 06/07/25 Louisiana Legends Turf Distaff
- 06/07/25 Louisiana Legends Turf
- 07/05/25 Opelousas Stakes
- 07/05/25 John Henry Stakes
- 08/01/25 D.S. Shine Young Futurity (Filly Division) (Restricted)
- 08/01/25 Louisiana Stallion Stakes (Filly Division)
- 08/02/25 D. S. Shine Young Futurity (Colts & Geldings Division)
- 08/08/25 Louisiana Stallion Stakes (Restricted)
- 08/23/25 Alabama Cotton State Stakes

3. STEWARDS, OFFICIALS & MANAGEMENT

a. Approval of amended officials for 2025 thoroughbred meet:

- Tracey Coonce – Director of Racing Operations
- Corey Veazey – Racing Secretary
- Ashley Simon – Assistant Racing Secretary / Stakes Coordinator
- Frank Rudis – Steward (Representing Evangeline Downs)
- Mark Guidry – Steward (Representing Evangeline Downs)
- *Quantis Tezeno – Track Superintendent
- Ashley Courville – Stall Superintendent
- *Addison Lucero – Identifier
- Lily Daugherty – Paddock Judge
- Harvey Lourd, III – Clerk of Scales

- Damon Menard – Jockey Room Custodian
- Sandra Calais – Claims Clerk / Alternate Placing Judge
- Lacy Torres – Placing Judge
- Kaitlyn Jason – Placing Judge
- Myrinda Willis – Placing Judge
- Brett Poole – Clocker
- Ray Sibille – Clocker
- Joseph Savoy – Starter
- Jacob Deville – Outrider
- John Broussard – Outrider
- Coplen Bouget – Outrider
- *New Officials*

2025 QUARTER HORSE MEET

4. LICENSE APPROVALS

- a. Approval** for 2025 quarter horse meet:
 - 1. For 10-year license to own and operate a racetrack, per R.S. 4:158 & R.S. 4:214
 - 2. For 10-year license to own and operate OTB locations, per R.S. 4:211 *et seq.*
 - 3. To serve as concessionaire

5. RACING DATES (R.S. 4:158A) AND POST TIMES

- a. Approval** for 2025 quarter horse meet:
 - 1. Quarter horse racing on the flat
 - 2. 46 quarter horse dates 10/01/25 through 12/20/25
 - October 1,2,3,4,8,9,10,11,15,16,17,18,22,23,24,25,29,30,31
 - November 1,5,6,7,8,12,13,14,15,19,20,21,22,28,29
 - December 3,4,5,6,10,11,12,13,17,18,19,20
 - 3. Hold a minimum of 7 live quarter horse races daily.
 - 4. Daily post time 5:35 PM

6. WAGERING (LAC 35:XIII.Ch 103-127)

- a. Approval** for wagering format for 2025 quarter horse meet:
 - 1. WPS & Exacta on all races
 - 2. Rolling Daily Double beginning with Race 1
 - 3. Trifecta on all races complying with the *Rules of Racing* (§11115)
 - 4. Rolling Pick 3 beginning with Race 2
 - 5. Pick 4 on first 4 and last 4 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4
 - 6. Superfecta on all races complying with the *Rules of Racing* (§11701)
 - 7. Pick 5 on last 5 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4

**C. CHURCHILL DOWNS LOUISIANA HORSE RACING COMPANY, LLC
d/b/a FAIR GROUNDS RACE COURSE & SLOTS**

1. PROGRESS REPORT

- a. Update** on infrastructure dates, timing for paddock renovations, escrow, and questions from the Commission.

2025-2026 THOROUGHBRED MEET

2. LICENSE APPROVALS

- a. Approval** for 2025-2026 thoroughbred meet:
 - 1. For 10-year license to own and operate a racetrack, per R.S. 4:158 & R.S. 4:214
 - 2. For 10-year license to own and operate OTB locations, per R.S. 4:211 *et seq.*
 - 3. To serve as concessionaire

3. ASSIGNMENT OF RACING DATES (R.S. 4:158A) AND POST TIMES

- a. Assignment** for 2025-2026 thoroughbred meet:
 - 1. Thoroughbred racing on the flat
 - 2. 76 thoroughbred dates (11/20/25 through 03/22/26)
 - November 20,21,22,27,28,29
 - December 4,5,6,7,11,12,13,14,15,18,19,20,21,22,26,27,28,29
 - January 1,2,3,4,8,9,10,11,15,16,17,18,19,22,23,24,25,29,30,31

February 1,5,6,7,12,13,14,16,17,19,20,21,22,26,27,28

March 1,4,5,6,7,8,11,12,13,14,15,18,19,20,21,22

*60 day ship in; bedding September 17-18; move-in September 19-21; training September 22

3. Hold a minimum of 9 live thoroughbred races daily.
4. No live racing on Sunday, February 15, 2026.
5. Daily post time 12:45 PM

4. **WAGERING (LAC 35:XIII.Ch 103-127)**

a. **Assigned** wagering format for 2025-2026 thoroughbred meet:

1. WPS and Exactas on all races
2. Trifectas and Superfectas on all races that qualify
3. Rolling Pick 3 beginning on Race 1
4. Rolling Daily Double beginning on Race 1
5. All-Stakes Pick 4 on specified stakes races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4
6. Pick 4 on specified stakes races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4
7. Pick 5 on specified stakes races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 1
8. Pick 6 on specified stakes races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 3

2025 QUARTER HORSE MEET (TO BE HELD AT DELTA DOWNS)

5. **LICENSE APPROVALS**

a. **Approval** for 2025 quarter horse meet:

1. For 10-year license to own and operate a racetrack, per R.S. 4:158 & R.S. 4:214
2. For 10-year license to own and operate OTB locations, per R.S. 4:211 *et seq.*
3. To serve as concessionaire

6. **RACING DATES (R.S. 158A) AND POST TIMES**

a. **Approval** for 2025 quarter horse meet:

1. Quarter horse racing on the flat
2. 15 quarter horse dates (7/24/25 through 8/30/25)
 - July 24,25,26
 - August 7,8,9,14,15,16,21,22,23,28,29,30
3. Hold a minimum of 8 live quarter horse races on Thursdays, and a minimum of 9 live quarter horse races on Fridays and Saturdays
4. Dark – no live racing on the following days:
 - Thursday, July 31, 2025
 - Friday, August 1, 2025
 - Saturday, August 2, 2025
5. Daily post time 6:15 PM

7. **WAGERING (LAC 35:XIII.Ch 103-127)**

a. **Approval** for wagering format for 2025 quarter horse meet:

1. \$1 WPS on all races
2. Exacta on all races
3. 50¢ Trifecta on all races complying with the *Rules of Racing* (§1115)
4. 10¢ Superfecta on all races complying with the *Rules of Racing* (§11701)
5. 50¢ Rolling Pick 3 beginning on Race 1
6. 50¢ Pick 4 on Races 2-5 & the last 4 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4
7. 50¢ Pick 5 on first 5 races & last 5 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 4
8. \$1 Rolling Daily Double beginning on Race 1

8. **STEWARDS, OFFICIALS, & MANAGEMENT**

a. **Approval** of officials for 2025 quarter horse meet:

John Simon – Director of Racing Operations / Racing Secretary
 Danielle Birzer – Assistant Racing Secretary / Stakes Coordinator
 Freddie Carrier, Jr. – Association Steward
 Jeff Jerman – Association Steward
 Darby Jones – Clerk of Scales
 David Gordon – Head Clocker
 Jeremy Courville – Head Starter
 Melissa Dueitt – Horse Identifier
 Steve Nick – Jocks Room Custodian
 Baylee Istre – Outrider
 Dale Beaty – Outrider
 Adriana Vallejo – Outrider
 Becky Leblanc – Program Coordinator / Paddock Judge

Christy Hatley – Claims Clerk
*Laura Williams – Placing Judge
*Savanna Hutson – Placing Judge
Mohamed Alikhan – Placing Judge / Entry Clerk
Jess Chance – Stall Superintendent
Aaron Pelt – Track Superintendent
*New Officials

b. Approval of Bobby Granger to serve as State Steward for 2025 quarter horse meet.

D. LOUISIANA DOWNS INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC
d/b/a/ LOUISIANA DOWNS CASINO & RACETRACK

1. PROGRESS REPORT

a. Update on infrastructure, escrow, and questions from the Commission.

2025 THOROUGHBRED MEET

2. REQUEST BY LOUISIANA DOWNS INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC TO AMEND RACING DATES APPROVED ON OCTOBER 17, 2024 (R.S. 4:158A) TO REMOVE 16 RACE DAYS TOTAL (changes highlighted and in bold)

a. Approval for amended 2025 thoroughbred meet:

1. Thoroughbred racing on the flat
2. ~~70-60~~ thoroughbred race dates (~~05/03/25 through 09/25/25~~ **05/03/25 through 09/23/25**)

May	3, 4 ,5,6,11,12,13,17, 18 ,19,20,25,26,27
June	1,2,3,7, 8 ,9,10,15,16,17,22,23,24,29,30
July	1,4,5, 6 ,14,15,16,21,22,23,28,29,30
August	4,5,6,11,12,13,18,19,20,25,26,27,30
September	1,2, 3 ,6,8,9, 10 ,15,16, 17,18 ,22,23, 24,25
3. Hold minimum of 7 live thoroughbred races daily
4. Daily post time 4:05 PM with the following exceptions:

2:35 PM post time on Saturday, May 3, 2025

3:35 PM post time on Monday, May 26, 2025, Saturday, May 30, 2025, Saturday, September 6, 2025

3. REQUEST BY LOUISIANA DOWNS INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC TO AMEND WAGERING APPROVED ON AUGUST 26, 2024 (R.S. 4:158A)

a. Approval for amended wagering format for 2025 thoroughbred meet:

1. \$1 WPS and Exactas on all races
2. \$1 Rolling Daily Double beginning on Race 1
3. 50¢ Trifecta on all races complying with the Rules of Racing
4. 10¢ Superfecta on all races complying with the Rules of Racing
5. 50¢ Rolling Pick 3 beginning with Race 1
6. 50¢ Pick 4 Races 1-4 and Races 4-7 using Pick N Wagering Method Number 1
7. 50¢ Pick 5 on last 5 races using Pick N Wagering Method Number 1

4. RACES

a. Approval of first condition book for 2025 thoroughbred meet.

b. Approval of designated races for 2025 thoroughbred meet:

- 06/22/25 Yellow Hammer
- 08/30/25 Louisiana Cup Juvenile
- 08/30/25 Louisiana Cup Juvenile Fillies
- 08/30/25 Louisiana Cup Sprint
- 08/30/25 Louisiana Cup Filly and Mare Sprint
- 08/30/25 Louisiana Cup Distaff
- 09/06/25 Super Derby

5. STEWARDS, OFFICIALS, & MANAGEMENT

a. Approval of officials for 2025 thoroughbred meet:

Roxanne Tanner – Director of Racing

- *Stuart Slagle – Racing Secretary
- Jordan Jerman – Assistant Racing Secretary / Horse Identifier
- *Theodore “Teddy” Armstrong – Paddock Judge
- Whitney Pellerito – Program Coordinator / Claims Clerk
- Cherie Hurlbutt – Placing Judge / Head Clocker
- Kenneth Loggins – Placing Judge / Entry Clerk
- Koleen Karlin – Placing Judge / Entry Clerk
- TBD – Assistant Clocker
- Gilbert Ortiz – Clerk of Scales
- Gary Powers – Jocks Room Custodian
- Donna Bosco – Photo Finish
- Jimmy Cordell – Starter
- Natalie Ardoin – Stall Superintendent
- Melvin Holland – Association Steward
- Charles T. McGee – Association Steward
- Kevin Melancon – Outrider
- *Esau “Dallas” Hernandez – Outrider
- *Tavis Smith – Outrider
- Billy McKeever – Track Superintendent
- *New Official*

b. **Approval** of David Wedlake to serve as State Steward for 2025 thoroughbred meet.

II. HBPA UPDATE

- A. **LOUISIANA HORSEMEN’S BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION (LAHBPA)**
 - 1. **PROGRESS REPORT**

III. BREEDER UPDATES

- A. **LOUISIANA THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS ASSOCIATION (LTBA)**
 - 1. **PROGRESS REPORT**
- B. **LOUISIANA QUARTER HORSE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION (LQHBA)**
 - 1. **PROGRESS REPORT**

IV. RULES

- A. **DISCUSSION/NOTICE OF INTENT**
 - 1. LAC 35:XI. Chapter 99 – Claiming Rule
 - §9914. Voided and Voidable Claims [AMEND]
- B. **FORMAL ADOPTION:**
 - 1. LAC 46:XLI. Chapter 7 – Jockeys and Jockey Apprentices
 - §725. Jockey Fee Schedule [AMEND]

V. OTHER

- A. **ANNUAL RENEWAL OF TRAINING TRACK APPLICATIONS**
 - 1. **Review** of applications for training track licenses pursuant to LAC 46: XLI.1903-1907.
 - a. **The Training Center at Copper Crowne, LLC**
 - b. **Folsom Thoroughbred Training Center Owners Association, Inc.**
 - c. **Louisiana Downs Investment Company, LLC**

VI. LICENSE APPROVAL

A. REQUEST FOR LICENSE APPROVAL (LA. REV. STAT. 4:150(B))

- 1. Cecil Barrett
Seeking approval of owner/trainer’s license.

VII. ADJUDICATIONS

A. REFUSAL TO ABIDE BY STEWARDS’ ORDER

- 1. Churchill Downs Louisiana Horseracing Company, LLC
d/b/a Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots
Continued from February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.

B. DISQUALIFICATION APPEAL

- 1. Jonas Gibson, Owner/Trainer

C. VIOLATIONS OF LAC § 35:I.1797 (Equine Positives)

- 1. Keith Bourgeois, Trainer (Adjudication Appealed)
Ruling #ED 25637 of 10/25/24 Hydromorphone (ARCI Category I)
Continued from February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.
Attorney – Edmond L. Guidry, III, Esq.
- 2. Guillermo Martinez, Trainer (Adjudication Referred)
Ruling #LD 25822 of 02/20/25 Phenylbutazone (ARCI Category IV)
3rd Violation in 12 Month Period

D. VIOLATION OF LA. R. S. § 35:I.9901 (Claiming a Horse)

- 1. Areli Gutierrez, Owner (Adjudication Referred & Appealed)
Ruling #DD 25639 of 10/29/24 Claiming Violation
Continued from February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.
Attorney – Edmond L. Guidry, III, Esq.

E. VIOLATIONS OF LA. R. S. § 4:175 & LAC § 35:I.1705, et seq. (Electrical Device)

- 1. Marlon Del-Cid, Jockey (Adjudication Referred & Appealed)
Ruling #LD 25434 of 06/19/24 Possession of Electrical Device
Continued from February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.
Attorney – Edmond L. Guidry, III, Esq.
- 2. Martin Osuna, Jockey (Adjudication Referred & Appealed)
Ruling #ED 25706 of 12/04/24 Impermissible Conduct
Continued from February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.

F. VIOLATION OF LAC § 35:I.303 (Impermissible Conduct)

- 1. Bobby Ransom, Jockey (Adjudication Referred)
Ruling #ED25733 of 12/18/24 Impermissible Conduct
Attorney – Edmond L. Guidry, III, Esq.

G. VIOLATION OF LAC § 35:III.2111 (Powers)

1. Jose Herbert, Jockey

Ruling #LD 25844 of 03/09/25

(*Adjudication Referred*)

Failure to Put Forth Best Effort

H. VIOLATION OF LAC § 46:I.529 (Conditions of License)

1. Joseph M. Davis, Owner/Trainer

Ruling #DD 25767 of 01/16/25

(Adjudication Referred & Appealed)

Falsification of a License

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

RULE FOR DISCUSSION/NOTICE OF INTENT AT APRIL 29, 2025 COMMISSION MEETING

Title 35 HORSE RACING Part XI. Claiming Rules and Engagements

Chapter 99. Claiming Rule

§9914. Voided and Voidable Claims

A. A claim shall be voided if a horse is entered in a race but fails to be declared a starter.
~~a starter as determined by the regulatory authority, and the horse:~~

- ~~1. dies on the racetrack; or~~
- ~~2. suffers an injury which requires the euthanasia of the horse as determined by the official veterinarian while the horse is on the racetrack.~~

B. ~~A claim is voidable at the discretion of the new owner for a period of one hour after the race is made official, for any horse:~~

- ~~1. that is vanned off the track at the direction of the official veterinarian; or~~
- ~~2. that is observed by the official veterinarian to be lame or unsound while on the racetrack for that race; or~~
- ~~3. that is observed by the official veterinarian to have bled through its nostrils while on the track.~~

C. ~~The successful claimant may request on the claim blank at the time he makes his claim that the horse be tested for the presence of equine infectious anemia via a Coggins test and/or erythropoietin and/or darbepoietin.~~

~~1. Should the test for equine infectious anemia prove positive, it shall be cause for a horse to be returned to his previous owner and barred from racing in the state of Louisiana.~~

~~2. Should the test for recombinant erythropoietin and/or darbepoietin prove positive, it shall be cause for a horse to be returned to his previous owner and barred from racing in the state of Louisiana until such time as the horse tests negative.~~

~~3. Additionally, if such erythropoietin and/or darbepoietin positive result is found, the claimant, claimant's trainer or claimant's authorized agent shall have 48 hours in which to request the claim be declared invalid, such request to be made in writing to the stewards.~~

~~4. The expense of the tests and the maintenance of the horse during the period requested for the tests shall be absorbed by the successful claimant.~~

~~5. If such tests are requested the claimed horse will be sent to the retention barn of the Louisiana State Racing Commission where the state veterinarian will draw blood samples.~~

~~a. Blood samples drawn to test for equine infectious anemia shall be sent to a laboratory approved by the Louisiana Livestock Sanitary Board for the conduct of such test.~~

~~b. Blood samples drawn to detect by immunoassay recombinant erythropoietin and/or darbepoietin shall be sent to the Louisiana State Racing Commission's state chemist.~~

~~6. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of the Part, a horse shall not be subject to disqualification from the race and from any share of the purse in the race, and the trainer of the horse shall not be subject to application of trainer's responsibility based upon the finding by the laboratory that erythropoietin and/or darbepoietin was present in the sample taken from that horse.~~

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 4:141, R.S. 4:142 and R.S. 4:148.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Racing Commission LR 48:2290 (September 2022), amended LR

RULE FOR FORMAL ADOPTION AT APRIL 29, 2025 MEETING

Title 46 Professional and Occupational Standards Part XLI. Horseracing Occupations

Chapter 7. Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys §725. Jockey Fee Schedule

A. Prior to the start of each race conducted by an association licensed by the commission, sufficient money shall be on deposit with the horsemen's bookkeeper in an amount equal to pay the losing mount fee of a jockey for that race. In the absence of a special agreement, the fee of a jockey shall be as follows.

Purse	Win	Second	Third	Unplaced
\$499 and under	\$27	\$19	\$17	\$16
500-599	30	20	17	16
600-699	36	22	17	16
700-999	10%	25	22	20
1,000-1,499	10%	30	25	22
1,500-1,999	10%	35	30	28
2,000-3,499	10%	45	35	33
3,500-4,999	10%	70	60	55
5,000-9,999	10%	80 90	70 80	65 75
10,000-14,999	10%	5%	75 85	70 80
15,000-24,999	10%	5%	5%	75 85
25,000-49,999	10%	5%	5%	80 90
50,000-99,999	10%	5%	5%	95 105
100,000 and up	10%	5%	5%	120 130

B. Failure, refusal and/or neglect of a trainer to timely deposit or have deposited the aforesaid jockey fee for a horse entered to race, on or before the time specified herein, shall be a violation of this Section. Each such violation shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$200 and the failure to pay such fine within 48 hours of imposition thereof shall be grounds for suspension. Additionally, an amount equal to the jockey fee actually earned by the jockey in accordance with the aforesaid schedule shall be paid to the jockey earning same within 48 hours of the imposition of the aforesaid fine, and failure to pay said jockey fee within the time specified herein shall be an additional grounds for suspension.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 4:148, R.S. 4:150 and R.S. 4:151.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Adopted by the Racing Commission in 1971, promulgated by the Department of Commerce, Racing Commission, LR 2:431 (December 1976), amended LR 3:28 (January 1977), LR 4:276 (August 1978), LR 5:23 (February 1979), LR 12:12 (January 1986), amended by the Department of Economic Development, Racing Commission, LR 16:112 (February 1990), amended by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Racing Commission, LR 35:2756 (December 2009), LR 44:915 (May 2018).

***PROPOSED CHANGES HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW**