

## **BHA REGULATIONS FOR ARABIAN HORSERACING 2011**

### **Introduction Amendments**

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Where Arabian races are run on Thoroughbred cards Parts 10-14 of the BHA Regulations for Arabian Horseracing will not apply to such races but the remaining parts of the regulations will apply. Such races will be run under the BHA Rules of Racing in substitution, and where relevant, for the afore said Parts 10-14.

### **Definition Amendments**

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*RECOGNIZED TURF AUTHORITY* is any **Racing** Authority included in the list set out in Schedule 8 of Manual A to the Rules of Racing together with other **Racing** Authorities which the BHA approve as recognized **Racing** Authorities by exercise of their powers under Rule (A)93 and Schedule 8 of Manual A of the Rules of Racing.

*SEASON* means a period starting on the 1st **May** and ending on **31<sup>st</sup> October** in **any** year.

### **Regulation Amendments:**

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#### **ELIGIBILITY**

22A (iii) **It is currently registered with ARO three working days before the closing date of entries for the race in which it is due to take part unless the Owner is prepared to pay an additional administration fee for the late registration of the horse as set out in Regulation 51.**

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#### **RACING COLOURS**

27. (i) Every owner or multiple ownership in whose name a horse is to run is required to register colours annually with the ARO Office and pay the relevant fee. Colours duly registered shall not be taken by any other person for the purpose of racing under these Regulations. **Colours shall be registered upon the prescribed form and such registration is subject to such restrictions and conditions as ARO considers necessary. Single colours or colours, which, in the opinion of ARO, are famous or well known colours will not be registered by ARO unless the applicant has such colours currently registered with the BHA. Subject to Sub-Regulation (ii) below, an Owner whose horse is declared to run under Regulation 48 (i) without registering colours in accordance with this Regulation shall be taken to have contravened a requirement imposed on him by this Regulation.**

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#### **TRAINERS**

29B (i) With the exception of International and Open Races run in Great Britain, a Trainer may not be registered under Regulation 29A(i) if he has held a trainer's license in Great Britain or under the Rules of any Recognized Turf Authority within one year before the race, unless all of the horses on the premises, in the care of and trained by him are Registered Pure Bred Arab, Anglo-Arab, Anglo Arab de Complement, or Part Bred Arab horses. **However, a Trainer licensed in Great Britain or under the Rules of any Recognized Turf Authority may, at the discretion of ARO, be registered with ARO provided that the Trainer does not run a thoroughbred horse in their name under any Recognized Rules of Racing during the period of such registration. Any contravention of this Regulation will cause such registration to be cancelled by ARO under Regulation 107.**

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## RIDERS

32 (d) A person who was paid for riding in a race whilst authorized to ride by a Recognized Turf Authority is not ineligible by virtue of Sub-Regulation (b) and (c) above if the following conditions are met in relation to him:

1. that his authorization by the Recognized Turf Authority corresponds to an Apprentice Jockey's license, a Conditional Jockey's licence issued under Rules (D)3, (D)9, (D)10, (D)11 and (D)12 of the "Rules of Racing" or a Steeple Chase and Hurdle Race licence issued before July 1978 under the Rules of Racing then in force; and
2. that he did not ride more than 25 winners under the Rules of any Recognized Turf Authority whilst holding such licences.

32 (f) Who is not currently prohibited, suspended, disqualified or been currently declared unfit to ride in accordance with the provisions of Sub-Regulation 32 (i) (e) and (f) above.

(vi) The rider shall be responsible for informing the ARO Office when he has been suspended or declared unfit to ride under any Recognized Rules of Racing or under the "British Horseracing Authority Regulations for Point-to-Point Steeple Chases". Failure to comply with this responsibility shall constitute a breach of these Regulations.

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## FEES

51. A fee is due to be paid in respect of every registration made under these Regulations unless otherwise determined by ARO. An administration charge, to be determined by and made at the discretion of ARO, will be due in respect of any registration which is registered less than two weeks before close of entries for the first meeting of the Season. An additional administration charge, to be determined by and made at the discretion of ARO, will be due in respect of any registration made within 48 hours of the close of entries for any meeting.

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## WEIGHING OUT AND EQUIPMENT

58. (iv) If a rider intends to carry overweight, he must declare the amount thereof at the time of weighing-out, or, if in doubt as to his proper weight, the weight he intends to carry; but no rider will be regarded as having weighed out in accordance with this Regulation if he and the equipment which the horse is to carry, apart from the exceptions shown in Clause (v) of this Regulation, **weigh in excess of 7lbs of the top weight carried in the race. If a declared rider needs to be substituted as a result of excessive overweight a request for substitution must be submitted to the Stewards and, having been approved by the Stewards, the substitute rider must have weighed out at least a quarter of an hour before the time fixed for the race. Note:** Overweight will be rounded down to the nearest 1lb unit.

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## EQUIPMENT

61. (iv) Where a horse runs with ear plugs of any type, the plugs must not be removed during the race.

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## HANDICAP RACES

113. In making a Handicap in relation to a horse for the purposes of a Handicap race, the Handicapper shall allot the weight to be carried by the horse in accordance with the Handicap rating of the horse.

114. However, a horse which has been trained outside Great Britain, and is now trained in Great Britain, and which has **won a race** under any Rules or Regulations recognized by the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities for Arabian Horse Racing **having run at least twice under such Rules or Regulations will be qualified to run in a Handicap race provided:**

- a) that the horse has achieved a handicap rating in the relevant country and

- b) the Handicapper, at his sole discretion, is prepared to allot the horse a Handicap Rating.

However, a horse which has been trained outside Great Britain, and is now trained in Great Britain, and which has **won a race** under any Rules or Regulations recognized by the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities for Arabian Horse Racing **having run at least three times under such Rules or Regulations will be qualified to run in a Premier Handicap or International Handicap race provided**

- a) that the horse has achieved a handicap rating in the relevant country and  
b) the Handicapper, at his sole discretion, is prepared to allot the horse a Handicap Rating.

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#### COUNTER ANALYSIS OF POSITIVE SAMPLES

1. Subject to Paragraph 58.2 where a Sample (the 'A' sample) tests positive for any Prohibited Substance, a counter analysis will be carried out as provided for in Schedule 7 on the second Sample (the 'B' sample) from the horse taken on the same occasion.
2. The trainer or owner may accept the result of the Analysis of the 'A' sample and if either of these satisfy the requirements set out in Schedule 10, the 'B' sample will not be analysed.
3. If the circumstances of the positive test are such that a financial penalty would be imposed under Rule 54 or 55.3 Paragraph 58.1 does not apply but the Trainer may request that a counter analysis of the 'B' sample be carried out.
4. The procedures for the handling of Samples for counter analysis are specified in the Schedule below.

#### SCHEDULE – PROCEDURE FOR COUNTER ANALYSIS OF SAMPLES

- 1.1 The procedures in this Schedule apply to the handling of any Sample which is subjected to counter analysis.
- 1.2 In this Schedule:
  - 1.2.1 references to the Responsible Person are to a member of the Authority's Compliance Department, and
  - 1.2.2 references to the CAAC are to the Counter Analysis Advisory Committee.
- 2 The CAAC will oversee the counter analysis of Samples reported by HFL.
- 3.1 The Responsible Person
  - 3.1.1. will immediately notify the Trainer, and
  - 3.1.2 once the Trainer has been notified, will then inform the Person in whose name the horse ran, but where the Sample subjected to counter analysis results from an examination carried out by an approved Person appointed under Part (A)5, the Responsible Person will notify only the Trainer.
- 4 The Responsible Person will as soon as practicable, supply the CAAC with a Certificate of Analysis on the reported 'A sample' together with supporting analytical data.
- 5 The Responsible Person will formally request the Laboratoire Des Courses Hippiques – France (LCH) to conduct and complete the counter analysis on the 'B sample' no later than 10 days from receipt of the Sample.
- 6 If LCH are unable to carry out the counter analysis the Responsible Person will make a similar approach to Deutsche Sporthochschule Koln Institut fur Biochemie – Germany (DSKIB).
7. If both LCH and DSKIB are unable to carry out the counter analysis, it will be carried out by HFL under the same terms.
8. It will also be carried out by HFL if CAAC direct.
- 9.1 The counter analysis will be confined to confirming that the 'B sample' contains
  - 9.1.1 the substance reported by HFL in the Certificate of Analysis relating to the 'A sample', and
  - 9.1.2 if the Prohibited Substance is listed in Paragraph 2 of Schedule 6, a concentration of the substance that exceeds the concentration specified for that substance.
- 10.1 The 'B sample' will be dispatched by HFL to the selected laboratory under a secure chain of custody.
- 10.2 It shall remain the property of the Authority.
- 10.3 Any remaining residue after counter analysis has been conducted should be retained by the laboratory conducting the counter analysis until otherwise instructed by the Authority;
- 11.1 A scientific witness from an approved list agreed with the Horsemen's Group may be nominated and must make himself available within the time frame to attend the counter analysis of the 'B sample' by
  - 11.1.1. in the case of a Sample resulting from examination carried out by an approved Person appointed under Part(A)5 that is subjected to counter analysis, the Trainer;

- 11.1.2 otherwise, the Trainer and/or owner.
- 11.2 The attendance of any scientific witness is at the expense of the Person nominating him.
- 12. If the Authority has ordered the Analysis of the 'B sample' it will nominate a scientific witness from the approved list referred to in Paragraph 11.
- 13. The laboratory conducting the counter analysis will be requested to supply the CAAC with a Certificate of Analysis together with supporting analytical data.
- 14. Where the Certificate of Analysis from the laboratory conducting the counter analysis confirms the presence of the Prohibited Substance revealed by the Analysis of the 'A sample' (or its presence at or in excess of the concentration specified in Paragraph 2 of Schedule 6), the CAAC will inform the Authority in writing.
- 15. The CAAC's report to the Authority, the Certificate of Analysis from HFL and, if required, the Certificate of Analysis from the laboratory that conducted the counter analysis together with the supporting analytical data from both laboratories will be made available to the Trainer or owner concerned.
- 16. Where the counter analysis does not confirm the findings reported by HFL, the Authority will be informed in writing and the Sample will be declared "negative" and no disciplinary action will be taken.
- 17. In all cases where there is a discrepancy in the findings, the CAAC will attempt to establish the reasons for the discrepancy and inform the Authority accordingly.
- 18. Where there are reasonable grounds to believe that
  - 18.1.1 the integrity of the 'B sample' may have been deliberately violated, or
  - 18.1.2 if other evidence of a non-forensic nature is available the Authority may proceed on the basis of the Analysis of the 'A sample' alone.
- 19. The above procedure shall not apply to Samples reported under the provision of Rule 54 or 55.3 save upon the written request of the Trainer who shall reimburse the Authority with the costs incurred in the counter analysis process.

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**SAFETY VESTS**

Only **safety vests** described below are approved by the BHA for use in Races run under these Regulations:

The **safety vest** must conform to EN 13158:2000 or **BS EN 13158:2009**.

**A safety vest must not be modified in any way or attached to the horse or any equipment carried by the horse. Safety vests** must be in a serviceable condition. It shall be an offence to bring a modified **safety vest** onto racecourse property.

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**FINES AND PENALTIES**

**Failure to inform ARO Office of allowance or suspension etc 32(v)(vi)                      50+**

The holder of a Jockey's license will be suspended in accordance with the provisions of Rules (A) 61, (A) 62 and Schedule 1 of Manual B to the BHA Rules of Racing. The holder of a Category 'B' Amateur Riders Permit will be suspended in accordance with the provisions of Rules (A) 61, (A) 62 and Schedule 1 of Manual B to the BHA Rules of Racing when riding in an Arabian race run on a Thoroughbred card or at a "designated meeting" but otherwise will be fined in accordance with the above table unless the matter is the subject of a referral to BHA. A rider who is solely registered with ARO will normally be fined in accordance with the above table unless the matter is the subject of a referral to BHA.

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**USE OF RACECOURSE STABLES**

Permission may be given by ARO or a representative of the Managing Executive of a racecourse for companion horses, ponies or other animals to use the racecourse stables provided that they are vaccinated in accordance with these Regulations.