

**CHANGES TO THE BRITISH HORSERACING AUTHORITY REGULATIONS FOR ARABIAN
HORSE RACING FOR 2021**

DEFINITION CHANGES

CONDITIONS MAIDEN RACE – Deleted.

MAIDEN for Arabian Horse Races is a horse which has never won a race, **except a Jump Race**, under the BHA Regulations for Arabian Horse Racing or under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority. Unless otherwise stated a maiden means a maiden at the time of the start.

NOVICE for Arabian Horse Races is a horse which:

- i) has not won more than two races,
- ii) has not won a Group Race, and
- iii) has not run in more than two races, except if it has never previously won a race.

N.B. for the purposes of this definition, race means any race, except a Jump Race, run under the BHA Regulations for Arabian Horse Racing or under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority.

NOVICE RACE is a race restricted to Novice horses at the time of the start but which may have additional restrictions on entry as specified in the conditions of the race.

PREMIER HANDICAP – Deleted.

REGULATION CHANGES

PART 3

HORSES

16. No horse shall be eligible to be entered or to run in any **Arabian** Horse Race under these Regulations, which:

- (i) Deleted.

PART 4B

TRAINERS

37. **Unless holding a licence to train (flat or combined) issued by the BHA**, trainers of horses shall be registered annually by the ARO Office for the purposes of Horse Racing under these Regulations, subject to such restrictions and conditions as ARO consider necessary, upon the prescribed form signed by the Trainer and on payment of an annual fee for Trainers plus an annual fee per horse and sign a declaration agreeing to be bound by these Regulations currently in force. Any registration made within two weeks of the closing date of entries or supplementary entries may incur an additional fee as set out in Regulation **Error! Reference source not found.** A registered Trainer must be **18** years of age or older. For Owner Trainers who train only horses owned by themselves or their spouses or their cohabitants, there may be an all-inclusive fee for both registrations.

38. **A Trainer licensed under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority may, at the discretion of ARO, be registered with ARO.**

39. Deleted

PART 5

RIDERS

54. An Amateur Jockey is entitled to claim the following riding allowances in Handicap Races, Novice Races and Maiden Races:
- (i) **7lbs until he has won 5 races** run under the BHA Regulations for Arabian Horse Racing or races run under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority;
 - (ii) 5lbs until he has won 10 such races as detailed in Regulation 54(i) above;
 - (iii) 3lbs until he has won 25 such races as detailed in Regulation 54(i) above.

An Amateur Jockey shall be entitled to claim the given riding allowance specified in Regulation

55. An Amateur Jockey is entitled to claim the following riding allowances in Handicap Races, Novice Races and Maiden Races: **for three days after the date on which they meet the maximum number of wins for that allowance.** The rider shall be responsible for claiming the correct riding allowance.
56. Any horse ridden in a race in contravention of Regulation **Error! Reference source not found.** shall, on objection, be liable to be disqualified by the BHA.
57. Overseas Riders must lodge his Medical Record Book with the Declarations Clerk **at least 45 minutes before the advertised start time for the race.** In the event of the Medical Record Book not being available, the rider will be taken to have contravened a requirement imposed on him by this Regulation and will also be required to sign a declaration stating that he holds such a Book and is not subject to a current medical suspension and is in good health. Any rider who is not able to produce his Medical Record Book will be subject to an examination by the Medical Officer to assess his fitness to ride.

PART 9

FEES AND FORFEIT LIST

95. ARO may keep a record of all Arrears due to it (the Forfeit List) and authorise the publication of the Forfeit List. The Forfeit List may include the sums due, the name or names of the Person or Persons from whom the sums are due and such other information as ARO may consider appropriate. The Forfeit List is available on the ARO website. A Person's name may be removed from the Forfeit List only on payment of any published Arrears direct to the ARO Office. Where a Person's name appears on the Forfeit List, **or any equivalent list published by a Recognised Racing Authority,** that Person becomes a Disqualified Person.
96. A horse is not qualified to start for a race:
- (v) If it has not been vaccinated in accordance with the requirements of Regulation **Error! Reference source not found.**, or if the details of such vaccination are not correctly recorded on its Passport at **least 45 minutes before the advertised start time of the race,** unless the Stewards direct otherwise;
 - (vi) If the Passport has not been produced **45 minutes** before the advertised time of the race, unless the Trainer has confirmed in writing that he holds the

Passport and that the horse is correctly vaccinated by the time fixed for weighing out under Rule (E)17 of the BHA Rules of Racing;

PART 16

MISCELLANEOUS

125. Subject to the application of Regulation Error! Reference source not found., the top weight in Handicaps shall be no more than 10st and the bottom weight not less than 8st, or as ARO otherwise decides.

APPENDIX 2

COUNTER ANALYSIS OF POSITIVE SAMPLES

See Chapter K of the BHA Rules of Racing.

APPENDIX 3

CONTAGIOUS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Duty to Report Communicable Diseases

Where a Trainer has been informed by a Veterinary Surgeon, or should otherwise be aware, that any horse under his control is likely to be or is infected with

- (a) diseases covered by the Horserace Betting Levy Board Codes of Practice on Equine Diseases (see www.hblb.org.uk) apart from artificial insemination;

APPENDIX 7

PARADE RING

Horses must be paraded by the time indicated on the timetable in the weighing room, and before the signal to mount. Armbands must be worn if a paddock sheet is obscuring the horse's number cloth. Armbands are available from the **weighing room**.

APPENDIX 20

ELIMINATING OR BALLOTING PROCEDURES

GROUP, LISTED, CONDITIONS, CHAMPIONSHIP AND CLASSIFIED RACES

Elimination will occur in the following sequence:

1. Horses that have not run in a race;
2. Horses with the lowest Handicap Rating or, in the case of any horse that does not qualify for a Handicap Rating, lowest assessment by the Handicapper;

HANDICAP RACES

Elimination will occur in the following sequence:

1. Horses rated 2lb above the top of the rating band for the race.
2. Horses rated 1lb above the top of the rating band for the race.
3. Horses with the lowest weights (once penalties have been added) commencing at the bottom of the list;
4. Where horses have identical Handicap Ratings, any horse that has incurred a penalty will be eliminated first (starting from the highest penalty), followed by any horse that has not incurred a penalty;

Note: All Handicaps will be published in Handicap weight order and of horses having the same weight.

MAIDEN RACES

Protection from elimination will operate in the following order:

1. Horses that have run in no more than two races and have been placed in the first four at least once in those races;
2. Horses that have not run in a race;
3. Horses that have run in no more than two races;
4. Horses that have the highest Handicap Rating under these Regulations;
5. Horses with the least number of unplaced runs in races.

NOVICE RACES

Protection from elimination will operate in the following order:

1. Horses that have run in no more than two races and have been placed in the first four at least
2. once in those races;
3. Horses that have not run in a race;
4. Horses that have run in no more than two races;
5. Horses that have run in three races and have not been placed in the first four in any of those
6. races;
7. Horses that have won a race;
8. Horses that have the highest Handicap Rating under these Regulations;
9. Horses with the fewest unplaced runs in races.

NOTES APPLYING TO APPENDIX 20

Note: Priority will be given to those horses with the greater number of placings.

Note: Where horses have identical performances or Handicap Ratings, horses previously eliminated during the current year from a race run under these Regulations that is not a Handicap Race shall be protected from elimination first, and priority shall be given to the horse with the greatest number of such eliminations.

Note: The time for the above criteria applying will be up to and including the Saturday previous to closing. If the race has a supplementary entry stage the Saturday previous to closing will mean the Saturday previous to the closing of the supplementary entry stage.

Note: Random balloting will apply where horses have identical criteria within each category.

Note: Race means any race, except a Jump Race, run under the BHA Regulations for Arabian Horse Racing or under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority.

APPENDIX 22

THE GUIDELINES FOR DISCIPLINARY ENQUIRIES

The provisions applying to any enquiry before a Disciplinary Panel of the BHA are to be found in the Judicial Panels Code of the BHA Rules of Racing (rules.britishhorseracing.com).

APPENDIX 27

FINES AND PENALTIES

Any fines received at a race meeting will be charged to the Trainer's Weatherbys account. Subject to the hearing of an appeal, failure to pay may result in a Trainer being barred from entering or declaring horses. The penalties imposed will be those for the equivalent Rule under the Rules of Reference. The table below is intended as a reference guide only.

Regulation	Penalty in Rules of Racing
Colours not registered	Rule (C)19
Colours other than those registered	Rule (C)22
Declaration of horse not qualified to start	Rule (E)1
Not declaring change of weight or colours	Rule (E)7
Not declaring Substitute rider	para 66, REC
Declared horse a non-runner without vet certificate	para 40, REC
Failure to comply with instructions of Stewards	Rule (H)1
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Failure to identify horse	Rule (D)7/Rule (D)8
Failure to make a notification to ARO	Rules (D)28 - (D)32
Failure to use racecourse stables	Rule (E)8
App 34	
Horse not running on its merits or achieving best possible placing	Section 2 of Guide to Procedures and Penalties
Improper conduct/behaviour of persons at race meeting	Rule (J)20
Late in Parade Ring – horses	Rule (E)29
Misleading Stewards, et al	Rule (J)24
Number cloth not carried, or incorrect	Rule (E)28.1
Numbered armband not worn or incorrect	Rule (E)28.3
Passport not available	Rule (D)6
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Preventing horse winning or being placed	Section 2 of Guide to Procedures and Penalties
Reins and other equipment incorrect (including uneven cheekpieces and other incorrect headgear)	Equipment Code
Ringworm/contagious diseases	Rule (E)12/Rule (E)13
App 3	
Saddlery – not properly fitted (Trainer)	Rule (E)30
Schooling in public	Section 2 of Guide to Procedures and Penalties
Shoeing incorrect	para 15 & 16, EC
Unruly behaviour of horse	Rule (F)17/Rule (F)18
Vaccination of horses – alteration	Vaccinations Code
Vaccination of horses – lack of	Vaccinations Code

APPENDIX 34

USE OF RACECOURSE STABLES

Persons requiring access to the official secure racecourse stables must have a personal photographic Stable Pass issued by **ARO (for Trainers registered by ARO) or the BHA (for Trainers licensed by the BHA)** (or, in the case of staff from abroad associated with a horse running from outside Great Britain, suitable photographic identification i.e. a passport or driving licence) for inspection, and must sign the relevant form. In the case of staff from abroad requiring access to the racecourse stables notification must be made to the ARO Office in advance of Raceday of such persons with their name and date of birth.

APPENDIX 40

SAMPLE COLLECTION PROCEDURES

See Chapter K of BHA Rules of Racing.