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TITLE 4, CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
NOTIFICATION OF CORRECTION REGARDING
THE LOCATION OF THE
REGULATORY HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED

AMENDMENT OF
RULE 1843.3. PENALTIES FOR MEDICATION VIOLATIONS

Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code Section 11346.8(a) of the California Code of Regulations, the California Horse Racing Board is providing notice that the regulatory hearing for the proposed adoption of Rule 1843.3, Penalties for Medication Violations, will be held on **Thursday, September 27, 2018, at the Santa Anita Park Race Track, 285 West Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California, at 9:30 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the business before the Board will permit.

The proposal to amend 1843.3, Penalties for Medication Violations, was originally noticed to the public with the regulatory hearing located at the Los Alamitos Race Course, 4961 Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, California; however, the correct location of the regulatory hearing is the **Santa Anita Park Race Track, 285 West Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California** on September 27, 2018.

Any interested person who has questions regarding this notice of correction of location of regulatory hearing should contact

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CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
TITLE 4. DIVISION 4. CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO AMEND
RULE 1843.3. PENALTIES FOR MEDICATION VIOLATIONS

The California Horse Racing Board (Board/CHRB) proposes to amend the regulation described below after considering all comments, objections or recommendations regarding the proposed action.

PROPOSED REGULATORY ACTION

The Board proposes to amend Rule 1843.3, Penalties for Medication Violations. The proposed amendment will modify subsection 1843.3(d) to correct a discrepancy in the licensed trainer phenylbutazone levels within the Category “C” penalty chart. The Licensed Trainer category, 2nd offense within 365-day period, which currently reads “Phenylbutazone (≥ 10.0 mcg/ml),” will be changed to “Phenylbutazone (≥ 5.0 mcg/ml).” The proposed amendment will bring the Licensed Trainer levels in line with the Licensed Owner.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board will hold a public hearing starting at **9:30 a.m., Thursday, September 27, 2018**, or as soon after that as business before the Board will permit, at the **Los Alamitos Race Course, 4961 Katella Avenue, Cypress, California**. At the hearing, any person may present statements or arguments orally or in writing about the proposed action described in the informative digest. It is requested, but not required, that persons making oral comments at the hearing submit a written copy of their testimony.

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

Any interested persons, or their authorized representatives, may submit written comments about the proposed regulatory action to the Board. The written comment period closes at **5:00 p.m. on September 17, 2018**. The Board must receive all comments at that time; however, written comments may still be submitted at the public hearing. Submit comments to:

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AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

Authority cited: Sections 19440, 19461 and 19580, Business and Professions Code. Reference: sections 19461, 19580, 19581 and 19582, Business and Professions Code, and section 11425.50, Government Code.

Business and Professions Code sections 19440, 19461 and 19580 authorize the Board to adopt the proposed regulation, which would implement, interpret or make specific sections 19461, 19580, 19581 and 19582, Business and Professions Code.

INFORMATIVE DIGEST/POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW

Business and Professions Code section 19440 provides that the Board shall have all powers necessary and proper to enable it to carry out fully and effectually the purposes of this chapter. Responsibilities of the Board shall include adopting rules and regulations for the protection of the public and the control of horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering. Business and Professions Code section 19461 states every license granted under this chapter is subject to suspension or revocation by the Board in any case where the Board has reason to believe that any condition regarding it has not been complied with, or that any law, or any rule or regulation of the Board affecting it has been broken or violated. Business and Professions Code section 19580 provides the Board shall adopt regulations to establish policies, guidelines, and penalties relating to equine medication in order to preserve and enhance the integrity of horse racing in the state. Those policies, guidelines and penalties shall include, at a minimum, the provisions set forth in this article. Business and Professions Code section 19581 states no substance of any kind shall be administered by any means to a horse after it has been entered to race in a horse race, unless the Board has, by regulation, specifically authorized the use of the substance and the quantity and the composition thereof. Business and Professions Code section 19582 states violations of Section 19581, as determined by the Board are punishable as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board. The Board may classify violations of section 19581 based on each class of prohibited drug substances, prior violations within the previous three years, and prior violations within the violator's lifetime. The Board may provide for the suspension of a license for not more than three years, except as provided in subdivision (b), or a monetary penalty of not more than one hundred thousand dollars, or both, and disqualification from purses, for a violation of Section 19581. The actual amount of the monetary penalty imposed pursuant to this paragraph shall be determined only after due consideration has been given to all the facts, circumstances, acts, and intent of the licensee, and shall not be solely based on the trainer-insurer rule, as established in Section 1843 and 1887 of Title 4 of the California code of Regulations. The punishment for second and subsequent violations of section 19581 shall be greater than the punishment for a first violation of section 19581 with respect to each class of prohibited drug substances, unless the administrative law judge, in findings of fact and conclusions of law filed with the Board, concludes that a deviation from this general rule is justified. A third violation of section 19581 during the lifetime of the licensee, determined by the Board to be at a class I or class II level, may result in the permanent revocation of the person's license. The administrative law judge shall, after consideration of the circumstances surrounding a violation specified in paragraph (1), file a decision with the Board that includes findings of fact and conclusions of law. Any person whose license is suspended or revoked pursuant to this section shall not be entitled to receive any material benefit or remuneration

in any capacity or from any business activity permitted or allowed by the license during any period of its suspension or revocation. The penalties provided by this section are in addition to any other civil, criminal, and administrative penalties or sanctions provided by law, and do not supplant, but are cumulative to, other penalties or sanctions. Business and Professions Code section 19461 provides that every license granted under this chapter is subject to suspension or revocation by the Board in any case where the Board has reason to believe that any condition regarding it has not been complied with, or that any law, or any rule or regulation of the Board affecting it has been broken or violated. All proceedings to revoke a license shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Government Code section 11425.50 states the decision shall be in writing and shall include a statement of the factual and legal basis for the decision.

In 2016, the Board amended Rule 1843.3. One element of the amendment eliminated the phenylbutazone measurements in serum or plasma for Category “D” penalties which were found under subsection 1843.3(f). The measurements were moved to the Category “C” penalties column under subsection 1843.3(d). The first levels of Category “C” phenylbutazone penalties were changed to match the levels previously found in the Category “D” penalties for Rule 1844(c)(1) phenylbutazone violations. This meant the second level of measurements of serum or plasma for Licensed Trainer and Licensed Owner had to be adjusted so they would be sequential without a gap. The subsequent Licensed Trainer and Licensed Owner columns were supposed to be changed to “Phenylbutazone (≥ 5.0 mcg/ml).” The Licensed Owner category was changed; however, the changes that should have been made to the Licensed Trainer category were omitted from the final text submitted to OAL on September 13, 2016. The proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 is necessary, as it will correct the discrepancy by adjusting the Licensed Trainer category, 2nd offense within 365-day period, which currently reads “Phenylbutazone (≥ 10.0 mcg/ml),” to “Phenylbutazone (≥ 5.0 mcg/ml).” The proposed amendment will not alter the fact that a licensed trainer with a phenylbutazone positive of 10.0 mcg/ml is subject to a penalty. Rather, the proposed change will correct the Licensed Trainer level of serum or plasma for phenylbutazone so it is in line with the Licensed Owner category, and is presented as the Board intended in its 2016 amendment of the regulation.

POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW OF ANTICIPATED BENEFITS OF PROPOSAL

The proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 will modify subsection 1843.3(d) to correct a discrepancy in the Licensed Trainer phenylbutazone levels within the Category “C” penalty chart. The Licensed Trainer category, 2nd offense within 365-day period, which currently reads “Phenylbutazone (≥ 10.0 mcg/ml),” will be changed to “Phenylbutazone (≥ 5.0 mcg/ml).” The proposed amendment will bring the Licensed Trainer Category in line with the changes made to the Licensed Owner category in a 2016 amendment.

The proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 is necessary to ensure consistency and clarity within the text of the regulation. Correcting the Licensed Trainer category, 2nd offense within 365-day period, to match the licensed owner category, will provide greater clarity regarding Category “C” penalties for Rule 1844(c)(1). The proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 will promote the health and welfare of race horses and licensees by removing those with the most egregious medication violation from the inclosure.

CONSISTENCY EVALUATION

Evaluation of Consistency and Compatibility with Existing State Regulations: During the process of developing the proposed amendment, the Board has conducted an evaluation for any related regulations and has determined that Rule 1843.3 is the only regulation dealing with classification of drug substances and penalties for medication violations with regards to California horse racing. Therefore the proposed regulation is neither inconsistent nor incompatible with existing state regulations.

DISCLOSURE REGARDING THE PROPOSED ACTION

Mandate on local agencies and school districts: none.

Cost or savings to any state agency: none.

Cost to any local agency or school district that must be reimbursed in accordance with Government Code sections 17500 through 17630: none.

Other non-discretionary costs or savings imposed upon local agencies: none.

Cost or savings in federal funding to the State: none.

The Board has made an initial determination that the proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 will not have a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states.

The following studies/relevant data were relied upon in making the above determination: none.

Cost impact on representative private persons or businesses: The Board is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

Significant effect on housing costs: none.

RESULT OF ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

The results of the Board's Economic Impact Assessment as required by Government Code section 11346.3(b) are as follows: The adoption of the proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 will not (1) create or eliminate jobs within California; (2) create new businesses or eliminate existing businesses within California; (3) affect the expansion of businesses currently doing business within California; or (4) increase or decrease investment in California; (5) benefit the state's environment. The proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 impacts individuals who violate the Board's medication regulations. In making the determination that the proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 will not have an adverse economic impact, the Board looked at the number of licensed trainers who might be affected, and compared it to the total number of persons who hold CHRB occupational licenses. The individuals impacted are licensed horse trainers. The CHRB has 18,874 licensees; of that

number, 626 persons hold CHRB trainer licenses. Penalties for medication violations act as deterrents. This is demonstrated by the number of trainers who have had an 1844(c)(1) violation in fiscal year 2017/2018. A total of 12 trainers have been fined. The proposed amendment to Rule 1843.3 promotes the health and safety of race horses, which is jeopardized if they workout or race when they are not sound due to the unauthorized administration of medications or drug substances. Keeping race horses healthy protects the economic interest of owners and ensures that there is adequate horse inventory. Ensuring that horses entered to race are sound also promotes jockey/driver safety. Accordingly, the proposed amendment benefits the health and welfare of California residents and improves worker safety. Sound, healthy horses results in a favorable public response to horse racing, which could result in an increase in wagering activity, and a positive economic impact on the industry.

Effect on small businesses: none. The proposal to amend Rule 1843.3 does not affect small businesses because horse racing is not a small business under Government code section 11342.610.

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES

In accordance with Government Code section 11346.5, Subdivision (a)(13), the Board must determine that no reasonable alternative considered by the Board, or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Board, would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed, or would be as effective and less burdensome on affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

The Board invites interested persons to present statements or arguments with respect to alternatives to the proposed regulation at the scheduled hearing or during the written comment period.

CONTACT PERSON

Inquiries concerning the substance of the proposed action and requests for copies of the proposed text of the regulation, the initial statement of reasons, the modified text of the regulation, if any, and other information upon which the rulemaking is based should be directed to:

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AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS AND TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATION

The Board will have the entire rulemaking file available for inspection and copying throughout the rulemaking process at its offices at the above address. As of the date this notice is published in the Notice Register, the rulemaking file consists of this notice, the proposed text of the regulation, and the initial statement of reasons. Copies of these documents, or any of the information upon which the proposed rulemaking is based on, may be obtained by contacting Harold Coburn, or the alternative contact person at the address, phone number or e-mail address listed above.

AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED TEXT

After holding a hearing and considering all timely and relevant comments received, the Board may adopt the proposed regulation substantially as described in this notice. If modifications are made which are sufficiently related to the originally proposed text, the modified text, with changes clearly marked, shall be made available to the public for at least 15 days prior to the date on which the Board adopts the regulation. Requests for copies of any modified regulations should be sent to the attention of Harold Coburn at the address stated above. The Board will accept written comments on the modified regulation for 15 days after the date on which it is made available.

AVAILABILITY OF FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Requests for copies of the final statement of reasons, which will be available after the Board has adopted the proposed regulation in its current or modified form, should be sent to the attention of Harold Coburn at the address stated above.

BOARD WEB ACCESS

The Board will have the entire rulemaking file available for inspection throughout the rulemaking process at its web site. The rulemaking file consists of this notice, the proposed text of the regulation, and the initial statement of reasons. The Board's website address is: www.chrb.ca.gov.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
TITLE 4. CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
ARTICLE 15. VETERINARY PRACTICES
PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF
RULE 1843.3. PENALTIES FOR MEDICATION VIOLATIONS.

(a) In reaching a decision on a penalty for a violation of Business and Professions Code section 19581, the Board, the board of stewards, the hearing officer or the administrative law judge shall consider the penalties set forth in subsections (d) and (e) of this Rule and any aggravating and mitigating circumstances. Deviation from these penalties is appropriate where the facts of the particular case warrant such a deviation, for example: there may be mitigating circumstances for which a lesser or no penalty is appropriate, and aggravating factors for which a greater penalty is appropriate.

(b) Mitigating circumstances and aggravating factors, which must be considered, include but are not limited to:

(1) The past record of the licensee regarding violations of Business and Professions Code section 19581;

(2) The potential of the drug(s) to influence a horse's racing performance and the amount of the drug present;

(3) The legal availability of the drug and whether the drug was prescribed to the horse by a California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) licensed veterinarian;

(4) Whether there is reason to believe the responsible party knew of the administration of the drug or intentionally administered the drug;

(5) The steps taken by the trainer to safeguard the horse;

(6) The steps taken by an owner to safeguard against subsequent medication violations including, but not limited to, the transfer of the horse(s) to an unaffiliated trainer;

(A) “Unaffiliated trainer” means a trainer or an assistant trainer who is not related by blood, marriage or domestic partnership, or who is not or was never employed by the trainer from whose care such horse(s) were transferred.

(7) The probability of environmental contamination or inadvertent exposure due to human drug use or other factors;

(8) The purse of the race;

(9) Whether the drug found to be present in the official test sample was one for which the horse was receiving treatment as determined and documented through the process described in Rule 1842 of this division;

(10) Whether there was any suspicious wagering pattern on the race;

(11) Whether the licensed trainer was acting under the advice of a CHRB licensed veterinarian.

(c) The Board shall consider the classification of a drug substance as referred to in Rule 1843.2 of this division and the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) Penalty Categories Listing By Classification, (Revised 4/15), which is hereby incorporated by reference, if a determination is made that an official test sample from a horse contained:

(1) Any drug substance, medication, metabolites or analogues thereof foreign to the horse, whose use is not expressly authorized in this division, or

(2) Any drug substance, medication or chemical authorized by this article in excess of the authorized level or other restrictions as set forth in the article.

(d) Penalties for violation of each classification level are as follows:

CATEGORY “A” PENALTIES

Penalties for violations due to the presence of a drug substance in an official test sample, which CHRБ drug classification is categorized as warranting a Category A penalty are as follows:

LICENSED TRAINER:		
1st offense	2nd LIFETIME offense	3rd LIFETIME offense
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum one - year suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a three-year suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$10,000 or 10% of gross purse (greater of the two) absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$25,000 or 25% of purse (greater of the two). <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ May be referred to the Board for any further action deemed necessary by the Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum two-year suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a three-year suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$20,000 or 25% of gross purse (greater of the two) absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$50,000 or 50% of purse (greater of the two). <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ May be referred to the Board for any further action deemed necessary by the Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum three -year suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of permanent license revocation. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$25,000 or 50% of gross purse (greater of the two) absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of \$100,000 or 100% of purse (greater of the two). <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ May be referred to the Board for any further action deemed necessary by the Board.
LICENSED OWNER:		
1st offense	2nd LIFETIME offense in owner’s stable	3rd LIFETIME offense in owner’s stable
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <p>Horse may be placed on the veterinarian’s list for up to 90 days and must pass a Board - approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before becoming eligible to be entered.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Be subject to drug testing at the owner’s expense and be negative for prohibited drug substances as defined in Rule 1843.1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Horse shall be placed on the veterinarian’s list for up to 120 days and must pass a Board - approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before becoming eligible to be entered. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Be subject to drug testing at the owner’s expense and be negative for prohibited drug substances as defined in Rule 1843.1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Disqualification of horse, loss of purse and absent mitigating circumstances, minimum fine of \$10,000. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$50,000. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Horse shall be placed on the veterinarian’s list for up to 180 days and must pass a Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before becoming eligible to be entered. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Be subject to drug testing at the owner’s expense and be negative for prohibited drug substances as defined in Rule 1843.1. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Referral to the Board with a recommendation of a suspension of owners license for a minimum of 90 days.

CATEGORY “B” PENALTIES

Penalties for violations due to the presence of a drug substance in an official test sample, which CHRB drug classification is categorized as warranting a Category B penalty are as follows:

LICENSED TRAINER:		
1st offense	2nd offense (within two year time period)	3rd offense (within five year time period)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum 30 -day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 60-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$500 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$10,000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum 60-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 180-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$1,000 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$20,000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum 90-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a one-year suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$2,500 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose-a maximum fine of \$50,000 or 10% of purse (greater of the two). <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ May be referred to the Board for any further action deemed necessary by the Board.
LICENSED OWNER:		
1st offense	2nd offense in stable (within two year time period)	3rd offense in stable (within five year time period)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Horse must pass a Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before becoming eligible to be entered. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Be subject to drug testing at the owner’s expense and be negative for prohibited drug substances as defined in Rule 1843.1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Horse must pass a Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before becoming eligible to be entered. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Be subject to drug testing at the owner’s expense and be negative for prohibited drug substances as defined in Rule 1843.1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Disqualification of horse, loss of purse and absent mitigating circumstances minimum fine of \$5,000. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$20,000. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Horse shall be placed on the veterinarian’s list for up to 45 days and must pass a Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before becoming eligible to be entered. <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Be subject to drug testing at the owner’s expense and be negative for prohibited drug substances as defined in Rule 1843.1.

CATEGORY “B” PENALTIES FOR RULE 1843.6 TOTAL CARBON DIOXIDE (TCO₂) TESTING

Penalties for violations due to exceeding permitted levels of TCO₂ as defined in Rule 1843.6 are

LICENSED TRAINER:		
1st offense TCO₂ (> 37.0mm/l- <39mm/l)	2nd offense TCO₂ (> 37.0mm/l- <39mm/l)	3rd offense TCO₂ (> 37.0mm/l- <39mm/l)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to a 30-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 60-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum fine of \$1,500 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$5,000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 60-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 120-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum fine of \$2,500 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$10,000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 90-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 180-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum fine of \$5,000 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$15,000.
LICENSED OWNER:		
1st offense TCO₂ (> 37.0mm/l- <39mm/l)	2nd offense TCO₂ (> 37.0mm/l- <39mm/l)	3rd offense TCO₂ (> 37.0mm/l- <39mm/l)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disqualification of horse, loss of purse and in the absence of mitigating circumstances, \$2,500 fine.
LICENSED TRAINER:		
1st offense TCO₂ (≥ 39.0mm/l)	2nd offense TCO₂ (≥ 39.0mm/l)	3rd offense TCO₂ (≥ 39.0mm/l)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 30-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 60-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum fine of \$2,500 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$10,000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 60-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 180-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum fine of \$5,000 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$15,000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 90-day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum of a 365-day suspension. <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum fine of \$10,000 absent mitigating circumstances. The presence of aggravating factors could be used to impose a maximum fine of \$25,000.
LICENSED OWNER:		
1st offense TCO₂ (≥ 39.0mm/l)	2nd offense TCO₂ (≥ 39.0mm/l)	3rd offense TCO₂ (≥ 39.0mm/l)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disqualification of horse, loss of purse and a fine ranging from a minimum of \$5,000, up to a maximum of \$20,000.

as set forth below. All concentrations are for measurements in serum or plasma.

CATEGORY “C” PENALTIES

Penalties for violations due to the presence of a drug substance in an official test sample, which CHRB drug classification is categorized as warranting a Category C penalty and for the presence of more than one non-steroidal anti-inflammatory (NSAID) in a plasma/serum sample, as defined in Rule 1844 of this division, and furosemide as defined in Rule 1845 of this division in an official test sample are as set forth below. All concentrations are for measurements in serum or plasma.

LICENSED TRAINER:		
1st offense	2nd offense (within 365-day period)	3rd offense (within 365-day period)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$500 to a maximum fine of \$1,000 absent mitigating circumstances. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$1,000 to a maximum fine of \$2,500, and up to a 15 - day suspension absent mitigating circumstances. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Minimum fine of \$2,500 and up to a 30 - day suspension absent mitigating circumstances

CATEGORY “C” PENALTIES FOR RULE 1844, AUTHORIZED MEDICATION (C) (1), (2), (3)

Penalties for violations due to overages for permitted non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug substances (NSAIDs) as defined in Rule 1844 (c) (1), (2) and (3) of this division. All concentrations are for measurements in serum or plasma.

The official veterinarian shall consult with the treating veterinarian in all violations of 1844 (c). If the trainer has not had an 1844 (c) violation within the previous three years, the board of stewards may issue a warning in lieu of a fine for violations of 1844 (c)(1), phenylbutazone, provided the reported level is below 5.1 mcg/ml.

LICENSED TRAINER:	Phenylbutazone (2.1-<5.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (20-<100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (2-< 50 ng/ml)	Phenylbutazone (2.1-<5.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (20-<100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (2-< 50 ng/ml)
1st offense	2nd offense (within 365-day period)	3rd offense (within 365-day period)
◦ Minimum fine of \$500 to a maximum fine of \$1,000.	◦ Minimum fine of \$1,000 to a maximum fine of \$2,500.	◦ Minimum fine of \$2,500 to a maximum fine of \$5,000.
LICENSED OWNER:	Phenylbutazone (2.1-<5.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (20-<100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (2-< 50 ng/ml)	Phenylbutazone (2.1-<5.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (20-<100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (2-< 50 ng/ml)
1st offense	2nd offense (within 365-day period)	3rd offense (within 365-day period)
No penalty administered.	No penalty administered.	No penalty administered.
LICENSED TRAINER:	Phenylbutazone (≥ 5 10.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (≥ 100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (≥ 50 ng/ml)	Phenylbutazone (≥ 5 10.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (≥ 100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (≥ 50 ng/ml)
1st offense	2nd offense (within 365-day period)	3rd offense (within 365-day period)
◦ Minimum fine of \$1,000 to a maximum fine of \$2,500.	◦ Minimum fine of \$2,500 to a maximum fine of \$5,000.	◦ Minimum fine of \$5,000 to a maximum fine of \$10,000.
LICENSED OWNER:	Phenylbutazone (≥ 5.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (≥ 100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (≥ 50 ng/ml)	Phenylbutazone (≥ 5.0 mcg/ml) Flunixin (≥ 100 ng/ml) Ketoprofen (≥ 50 ng/ml)
1st offense	2nd offense (within 365-day period)	3rd offense (within 365-day period)
◦ Horse must pass Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before being eligible to run	◦ Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. If same horse, placed on veterinarian's list for up to 45-days, must pass Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before being eligible to run.	◦ Disqualification of horse and loss of purse. Minimum \$5,000 fine. If same horse, placed on veterinarian's list for 60 days, must pass Board-approved examination pursuant to Rule 1846 before being eligible to run.

(e) Violations due to the presence of a drug substance in an official test sample, which CHRB drug classification is categorized as warranting a Category “D” penalty, may result in a written warning to the licensed trainer and owner.

CATEGORY “D” PENALTIES

1 ST offense (within 365 day period)	2 nd offense (within 365 day period)	3 rd offense (within 365 day period)
Minimum of an official written warning to a maximum fine of \$250.	Minimum of a \$250 fine to a maximum fine of \$500.	Minimum of a \$500 fine to a maximum fine of \$750.

(f) If a licensee has received a penalty for a Class A, B or C medication violation, and within a 365 day period has a subsequent lesser violation (e.g. an A violation followed by a B violation), the earlier violation shall count as a “prior violation” for the purposes of determining the penalty for the subsequent lesser violation.

(g) If a licensee has received a penalty for a Class B, C or D medication violation, and within a 365 day period has a subsequent greater violation (e.g. a D violation followed by a C violation), the earlier violation shall count as an aggravating factor for the purposes of determining the penalty for the subsequent greater violation.

(h) Any drug or its metabolite or analogue thereof found to be present in an official test sample that is not classified in Rule 1843.2 of this division shall be classified as a Class 1 substance and a Category “A” penalty until classified by the Board.

(i) The administration of a drug substance to a race horse must be documented by the treating veterinarian through the process described in Rule 1842 of this division.

(j) Any licensee found to be responsible for the administration of any drug substance resulting in a positive test may be subject to the same penalties set forth for the licensed trainer and his presence may be required at any and all hearings relative to the case.

(1) Any veterinarian found to be involved in the administration of any drug substance resulting in a positive test in Penalty Category “A” shall be referred to the California Veterinary Medical Board (CVMB) for consideration of further disciplinary action.

(2) Any veterinarian found to be involved in the administration of any drug substance resulting in a positive test in Penalty Category “B” or “C” may be referred to the CVMB for consideration of further disciplinary action upon the recommendation of the Equine Medical Director, the board of stewards or hearing officers.

(k) A licensee who is suspended because of a medication violation is not able to benefit financially during the period of suspension. This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring that horses are not transferred to licensed family members or, for any licensee whose suspension is for more than 30 days, to any other licensee who has been an employee of the suspended licensee within the previous year.

(1) A licensee whose license is revoked because of a medication violation is not able to benefit financially following the revocation of his or her license. This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring that horses are not transferred to licensed family members or to any other licensee who has been an employee of the licensee whose license is revoked within the previous year.

(l) “Licensed family members” means any person who holds an occupational license issued by the CHRB and who is related to the suspended licensee, or the licensee whose license is revoked, by blood, or by marriage or domestic partnership, or who is related by blood to the spouse or domestic partner of such licensee.

(1) Licensed trainers suspended 60 days or more shall be banned from all inclosures under the jurisdiction of the CHRB. In addition, during the period of suspension, such trainer shall forfeit

all assigned stall space and shall remove from the inclosures all signage, colors, advertisements, training-related equipment, tack, office equipment, and any other property.

(2) A trainer whose license is revoked shall be banned from all inclosures under the jurisdiction of the CHRB. In addition, such trainer shall forfeit all assigned stall space and shall remove from the inclosures all signage, colors, advertisements, training-related equipment, tack, office equipment, and any other property.

Authority: Sections 19440, 19461 and 19580,
Business and Professions Code.

Reference: Sections 19461, 19580, 19581 and 19582,
Business and Professions Code; and Section 11425.50, Government C