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ELIGIBILITY RULE STALLS WILL NOT BE ASSIGNED AND ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY HORSE WHICH:

1. Has started for a claiming price of less than \$3,500 unless having finished first, second, or third in a non-claiming race or for a claiming price of \$3,500 or more since starting for less than \$3,500.
2. Has not finished first, second, third, or fourth in its last eight starts.
3. Is a maiden which has started for a claiming price of less than \$4,000.
4. Has not won a race for a claiming price of \$3,500 or more or a non-claiming race since starting for a maiden claiming price of less than \$4,000.

Starter and Optional claiming races will be considered non-claiming races in determining eligibility under this rule.

Horses which become ineligible under this rule shall forfeit stall space assigned to them.

DORMITORIES AND STABLES

Living quarters must be kept clean. Small radios may be plugged in outlets; otherwise light fixtures are not to be used for anything except lighting.

No oil, or electric heaters or cooking units are permitted.

As to the punitive powers of the Stewards see rule No. 09.10.03.02.

Electric wiring is not to be altered by additional plugs or wire.

Light bulbs of more than 100 watts are not allowed.

Sanitary equipment is not to be misused; the wash basins must not be used for washing clothes or equipment.

Smoking. Smoking in the shed rows and stalls is strictly forbidden. Manure must be placed in the manure pits at all times.

Horsemen. Horsemen must conduct themselves in a sober and respectable manner at all times.

Hay and Straw. Hay and straw should be stored in limited quantities, shall be kept baled at all

times except when in actual use and shall be stored only in such areas as have been approved by the Association.

Fences. The designated entrances must be used; fences are not to be damaged in order to get in or out of the grounds. Entering the grounds without authorization is trespassing and violators will be prosecuted.

Dogs. Dogs will not be allowed on the grounds at any time.

Automobiles. Autos must not be stored under stable sheds at any time. No carts may be parked within 20 feet of fire hydrants. Drivers must strictly observe the posted speed limits. (All cars must display parking stickers.)

Visitors. No visitors are allowed in the stable area at any time unless authorized.

Registered Personnel. Trainers shipping in from out-of-town for any race must have all personnel accompanying the horse registered immediately.

Employee Conduct. Trainers will be held responsible for the conduct of their employees while on the grounds of the Association.



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ENTRIES

Horses penalized in a race shall not be entitled to any of the allowances in such race.

Horses not entitled to the first allowance in a race shall not be entitled to the second, and if not to the second, then to no subsequent allowance.

Winner or Non-winner of a stated sum means winner or non-winner of a single race of that value to the first horse.

Horses not engaged as starters will not be permitted to exercise on the track between races unless permission is received from the stewards.

Any owner or trainer making an entry in a race for which his or her horse is not eligible is subject to fine by the stewards.

It is the responsibility of the person who enters a horse to provide the Racing Secretary with bleeder medication status of the horse on the entry blank and also provide the veterinary office with a "bleeder" certificate if racing from out of state.

OPTIONAL CLAIMING RACES

A winner of an Optional Claiming Race if entered not to be claimed shall be considered a winner of an allowance race.

A winner of an Optional Claiming Race if entered to be claimed shall be considered a winner of a claiming race.

When stalls have been allocated they are for the horses of the person to whom assigned. No owner or trainer shall be permitted to share stalls without permission. Any violation of this regulation may result in the offending person being asked to remove his horses from the grounds. Since stall space is at a premium, it is understood that stall space not used in allotment reverts to the Association.

LAUREL/PIMLICO TURF RACE CANCELLATION

If a turf race is cancelled due to weather, track condition, or a decision of the stewards, that same race will be run on the main track distance remaining the same.

LAUREL EXCEPTION:

1 & 1/16 mile turf races shall be transferred to 1 mile on the main track.

PIMLICO EXCEPTION:

1 mile turf races shall be transferred to 1 & 1/16 mile on the main track.

1 & 1/2 mile turf races shall be transferred to 1 & 1/4 mile on the main track.

TURF RULES

In All Maiden Special Weight Turf Races, Preference Will be Given To Horses Which Have Not Started For Less Than \$20,000 In Their Last Three Starts. Winners Are Preferred In All Winner's Turf Races

SHOE RULE

A horse may not be permitted to start if it has shoes on the front hooves that:

- (1) Have toe grabs that are greater than 4 millimeters in height; or
- (2) Contain bends, jar calks, or any other traction device.
- (3) A horse participating in a turf race at Laurel Park or Pimlico Race Course may only use the following types of shoes both front and hind: Flat, Queen's Plate XT, Silver Queen, or Factory Wedge.



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SCRATCH RULES

- Parts Of Entry Scratches Will **Not** Be Processed Until 11:00 AM The Day Of The Race if **Neither** Part Of The Entry Runs Then A **Veterinarian Excuse** Will Be Required For Both Horses.
- A Horse May Be Excused From A Race After Scratch Time Provided that: - A Medical Reason Is Given Accompanied By A Vet Certificate.

- Any Horse Scratched Off The Program for **Track Condition** can not be run out of town for 10 days.
- Penalty Days Will Be Counted On A Calendar Day Basis From The Day The Horse Is Scratched, If The Scratch Is Submitted At, Or Prior To, Scratch Time; OR From The Day The Horse Was Scheduled To Race If The Scratch Is Submitted At A Later Time And The Horse Cannot Be Taken Off The Program.
- Any Unexcused Scratch By A Trainer Will Result In A \$500 Fine By The Stewards!
- Trainers Must Have The Lasix Certificate Form Turned In To The State Veterinarian Before The Horse Can Be Entered On Lasix. The Form Must Be Signed By A Vet Licensed By the Maryland Racing Commission.

SPECIAL NOTICES

- Horse's entered Main Track Only are **EXPECTED** to run when the race comes off the turf.
- Any Main Track Only not running shall be subject to the same scratch rules and penalties for scratching as any other race. (Veterinarian Scratch.)
- The Stronach Group has formally adopted a company-wide policy promoting the humane treatment of racehorses, the company announced Oct. 10. Under the policy, any trainer or owner stabling at an MJC facility who directly or indirectly participates in the transport of a horse from an MJC facility to either a slaughterhouse or an auction house engaged in selling horses for slaughter will be prohibited from having stalls at any MJC facility. The policy also applies to any actions related to the transport of a horse from an MJC facility where the ultimate intended result is a horse's slaughter.
- **New Stewards Policy:** 10lb. apprentice can not ride turf races and
For the first (5) five career mounts;
can not ride first time starters;
can not ride two year olds.
- **Stall Space:** Acceptance of stall space or entry of a horse in a race at Laurel/Pimlico constitutes an agreement by the trainer and owner to all terms and conditions of Laurel/Pimlico's current stall application, whether or not the application is signed.
- **Gate Fee:** All starters will pay a \$25.00 fee. These fees paid to the Association shall be for the account of the Maryland Horseman's Assistance Fund, to be used exclusively by it to assist needy persons connected with Thoroughbred racing.



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Preference Date Rules

1. Preference dates can be established by one of the following:
 - a. Turning in foal papers into the racing office
 - b. Entering a race to run (NO date only entries)
2. Dates must be reestablished annually in January. Exact date will be announced
3. Turf and Dirt preference dates will be kept separately
4. Horses will receive an E date for both dirt and turf for the date the foal papers are turned in
5. Horses entering with no date and not getting in a race will receive an E date corresponding to the date of the race entered
6. Each time a horse runs, its previous date will be replaced by an R date corresponding to the date of said race.
7. Horses that scratch will receive an S date for the date of the race, UNLESS the race runs with a full field or they were an alternate, in which case they will retain their previous date
8. Horses with an established date that re-enter and still do not get in WILL keep their established date
9. If a race is switched from turf to dirt, those horses that stay in and run will get a star (*) date which will take precedence over any E, R, or S date
10. If a race is cancelled, those horses who came to run and do NOT scratch prior to cancellation, will get a star (*) date
11. Horses that came to run, but are scratched by the State Vet due to lameness prior to race will receive an S date
 - a. Pre-race exam
 - b. Paddock
 - c. Post parade
 - d. Starting gate
12. Horses that came to run, but are scratched due to unfortunate circumstances prior to race will keep their previous entry date
 - a. Got loose in stable area or on track
 - b. Starting gate mishap



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Preference Date Rules Cont'd

13. Horses who race in another jurisdiction WILL lose all dates except during a break in the Maryland racing schedule exceeding 15 days

14. A star date has first preference, then the oldest date takes precedence. For horses with the same date, an E date has first preference, and R date has second preference then an S date has third preference. If horses have the same date and category (E, R, or S), Maryland-Breds will have first preference then horses stabled at Laurel or Pimlico will have second preference

15. Preference dates are good for any type of race or distance for specific

surface date was established with the exception of stakes.

Stakes are NOT considered in the preference system

16. Preference dates WILL not supersede the conditions of the race

17. Claims, transfers, or private sales will NOT have an effect on preference date

18. Any horse in the body of a race at Laurel/Pimlico other than a stake is considered an In-Today horse and shall receive NO preference.

a. MTO horses are NOT considered In Today horses

19. If there is a coupled entry in a race, the second half of the entry will NOT be able to draw into the race at the exclusion of a single entry (stakes not included); if part of a coupled entry scratches it will retain its previous date if the other part of the entry runs



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Health Certificate to include Veterinary Inspection for EHV-1

Horses shipping into any MJC facility must have a Health Certificate with the following information before the horse will be allowed to come through the stable gate.

You must have a health certificate dated within 24 hours of arrival with a rectal temperature and a certificate of veterinary containing the following statement and signed by the attending veterinarian.

HORSES REPRESENTED ON THIS CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION MUST:

- A. Have not originated from the barn with a confirmed or suspect case of EHV-1, nor have shown signs suggestive of this disease, nor have been febrile within the previous 3 weeks.
- B. Have not originated from nor been stabled on a premise under quarantine of restriction due to EHV-1 or from a premise which has had EHV-1 diagnosed during the previous 30 day period.
- C. Have been vaccinated against EHV-1 no less than 14 days and no greater than 90 days.

Safety and Welfare

1. Any horse required to work in order to be removed from the "vet's" or "poor performance" lists shall work at least one half mile in 52.00 or better.
2. If a horse has not run in 45 days, it must have at least one (1) published work within 30 days.
3. First-time starters shall need three (3) published works



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within 60 days to be eligible to start in a race. One (1) work from the gate, and one (1) work at least a half-mile within 30 days of the race date. All first-time starters shall have a gate card on file with the racing office at the time of entry.

4. A horse that has not started in 90 days shall have at least two (2) published works within 60 days. One (1) of at least one-half-mile, and another within 30 days of starting.
5. A horse that has been off for more than 150 days shall be required to work three (3) times within 60 days. One (1) within 30 days of the race date, and one (1) work of at least one-half-mile. In addition, the horse shall not be allowed to start until the attending practicing veterinarian signs off that the horse is sound for racing and approval is obtained from the Equine Medical Director.
6. A horse that has been off for more than 180 days will need a six (6)-month card from the starter.
7. Trainers shall contact the clocker and provide the name of their horse that is going to work and the distance prior to the horse working. Failure to report to the clocker may result in disciplinary action. Requests for workout corrections can only be made within 48 hours. Check the work tab and contact the clockers if changes are necessary.
8. A horse scratched for a medical reason shall not work within 48 hours of being scratched.
9. Any horse vanned off or put on the vet's list during training or racing may not return to training or racing unless the attending practicing veterinarian consults with the Equine Medical Director to discuss the diagnosis of why the horse needed to be vanned off and signs off that the horse is sound enough to return to racing. The horse must also work for the State Veterinarian and have blood specimens analyzed.
10. All horses that have been off for more than a year must work for a State Veterinarian and have blood specimens analyzed.



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11. A horse observed to be lame by the State Veterinarian may be placed on the vet's list at the discretion of the Equine Medical Director for an amount of time determined by the

Equine Medical Director. A horse observed to be lame a second time within 365 days of the first time shall be ineligible to race for 90 days, and in the case of a third occurrence within 365 days, the horse shall no longer be eligible to run.

12. A horse observed to be lame by the State Veterinarian may be placed on the vet's list at the discretion of the Equine Medical Director for an amount of time determined by the Equine Medical Director. A horse observed to be lame a second time within 365 days of the first time shall be ineligible to race for 90 days, and in the case of a third occurrence within 365 days, the horse shall no longer be eligible to run.

13. A horse scheduled to run within 7 days of its previous start shall be flagged for additional scrutiny.

14. If an "override" is required to take an entry of a horse, that horse may not be permitted to start until the Equine Medical Director approves.

15. Any horse found to have been treated with bisphosphonates shall be declared ineligible to run. Any veterinarian found to have administered bisphosphonates to a horse shall be subject to disciplinary action.

16. Any horse entered in a race is not permitted to leave the grounds.

17. No 6-year-olds and upward maidens will be allowed to start.

18. No horses older than 10 years old will be permitted to enter.



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The Veterinarian's List

A horse placed on the Veterinarian's List as being unfit to race or have a timed workout may be released from the list only after the following conditions have been met:

- Has been on the Veterinarian's List a minimum of 10 days, unless that requirement is waived by a commission veterinarian;
- For horses that are listed as unsound or lame:
 - o Undergo a pre-workout examination by the attending veterinarian and be cleared by that veterinarian to work off the vet's list;
 - o Provide a published workout of a minimum of four furlongs in :52, observed by a commission veterinarian;
 - o Undergo a post-workout examination by the commission veterinarian;
 - o If the horse is deemed to be sound following the workout, submit to a blood test;
 - o If the horse is deemed to be unsound before or after the workout, the stay on the Veterinarian's List will be extended to a minimum of 30 days, and diagnostic testing may be required.
- For horses placed on the list for injury, illness, physical distress or heat exhaustion; or for a positive test or overage, administration of a medication invoking a mandatory stand down time, administration of shock-wave therapy, positive out-of-competition test, or any other veterinary administrative withdrawal:
 - o Undergo an examination to demonstrate that the horse is serviceably sound and in fit physical condition to exert its best effort in a race or timed workout;
 - o May be required to work at the discretion of the chief regulatory veterinarian.



Maryland Jockey Club Stable Area/Barn Safety and Environmental Rules

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- Smoking (and other sources of ignition) is (are) prohibited in and immediately outside of all barns
- Chemicals (especially flammables and combustibles) must be properly labeled, handled, and stored.
- Chemical/fuel spills and/or leaks must be reported to MJC security
- Electrical equipment/appliances must be unplugged when not in use
- Access to fire sprinkler equipment and controls must be kept clear
- Nothing should be attached to or hung from any fire sprinkler system component
- Areas around hot water heaters and boilers (and other sources of heat) must be kept clear of flammable and combustible materials
- Manure (straw and shavings) must be placed in proper bins
- Manure (straw and shavings) and fresh shavings bins must be covered when not in use
- Areas outside of barns must be swept up; not hosed down
- Storm water inlets and basins must be kept clear of dirt, straw and shavings etc.
- All soaps and detergents used in the stable area must be biodegradable
- Horse wash stalls must be used where provided
- Water must not be allowed to run freely when not in use
- No dumping of water buckets in stalls
- Hoses must have a functioning nozzle or be turned off when not in use
- Washing machines are not permitted in the barns
- Trash must be placed inside dumpsters; not along side
- No throwing of trash in stalls
- Trash must not be placed in manure bins
- Dumpsters must be closed/covered when not in use
- All pony people escorting horses to the post must wear the required attire. Proper attire will be strictly enforced by the outriders
- There will be no riding in the barns after 11:00 am. If you are caught riding in the shed row after 11:00 am you are subject to a fine.

No oat cookers are allowed on the grounds.



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Racetrack Safety Rules and Procedures

1. Listen and obey the outriders instructions at all times.
2. When the lights are activated during training hours, immediately pull your horse up to a jog. Turn your horse in the same direction as the loose horse.
3. Do not enter the track when the safety lights are activated.
4. Do not continue to gallop or jog when emergency vehicles are on the track.
5. When emergency vehicles (horse or human ambulance) are on the track, you must safely get off the track at the nearest gap.
6. Do not gallop the wrong way on the racetrack. No more than two abreast on the outside rail.
7. Do not jog the wrong way past the starting gate when the gate is set.
8. Do not gallop or jog on/off the gaps.
9. Do not gallop or jog on the horse paths.
10. No galloping on the rail.
11. Be courteous of other riders; let them know when you are passing (no buzzing).
12. You must have a current, exercise rider license in order to gallop on the race track.
13. While on horseback, you must wear a fastened, approved safety helmet and vest, and proper riding footwear that has a heel and sole.
14. No free ponying the wrong way on the race track.
15. Young, green horses should go on the racetrack as late in the morning as possible.

**VIOLATORS MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OR LOSS OF
EXERCISING PRIVILEGES AT ANY MJC FACILITY.**



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Bisphosphonates Prohibition

The entire Mid-Atlantic region will impose, and strongly urges all Thoroughbred industry stakeholders and regulators to support, the enactment of an immediate prohibition on the use of bisphosphonates in all horses under the age of 4, unless and until the scientific and veterinary community determines that the use of such drugs does not compromise the health and welfare of the horse. The use of bisphosphonates in horses 4 years old and older should be limited to only those horses who have been diagnosed with navicular disease by a veterinarian and for whom the use of such drugs is warranted.

Joint Injections Concerning Horses Claimed

Concerning a claimed horse: As of January 1, 2016, The trainer of record of a horse that was claimed shall have his Veterinarian supply the Maryland State Vets within 72 hours, a report in writing or email the joint(s) injection(s) performed on said animal within the last 30 days. Report will include joint (s) involved, medication used (Depo-Medrol, Hyaluronic acid, etc.) and the dose used. This data will be shared with the party who claimed said animal.

Maryland State Vet Contact Info:

Melanie Martin at

melanie.martin@maryland.gov or

fax: Laurel 301.470.5697 or Pimlico 410.578.4457

Claim Barn

Every claimed horse not subjected to testing will now be sent to the "CLAIM BARN" for observation by the state veterinarian for a period up to one hour. The original groom will be required to bring the claimed horse to that barn and stay with them until released. Claimed horses will be observed cooling out and required to jog for the state



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veterinarian. The horse will then either be cleared to leave with the new owner's groom or the claim will be voided.

Equine Injury Database

In consideration of the acceptance of a nomination of any horse to any race described in this condition Book, the owner(s) and trainer of such horse consent to the collection of information related to any equine injury occurring at the Laurel Racing Assoc. Inc. ("Laurel") or The Maryland Jockey Club of Baltimore City, Inc. ("Pimlico") or Bowie Training Center ("Bowie") to such horse and entry of said information into a database maintained by The Jockey Club (the "Equine Injury Database"). Said owner(s) and trainer further agree to indemnify, release, hold harmless and covenant not to sue The Stronach Group and the Laurel Racing Assoc. Inc. ("Laurel"), The Maryland Jockey Club of Baltimore City, Inc. ("Pimlico"), and Bowie Training Center ("Bowie"), any state or track-appointed veterinarian collecting such information and The Jockey Club (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any liability, cost, loss, or expense of any kind or nature (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from any claim, demand, or action (a) alleging that the data entered into the Equine Injury Database (either directly or indirectly) violates the rights of the owner(s), trainer or any third party, or (b) relating to any equine injury report run, published or otherwise created by any of the Indemnified Parties, including the owners, stewards, directors, officers, employees and agents of any of them (either directly or indirectly).



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Flu/Rhino Vaccination

All horses and ponies that enter an MJC facility must have been given the flu/rhino vaccination within 90 days and no less than 14 days, and have their vet report the name of the horse and date the horse was vaccinated to the racing office.

Reporting Horse Gender

A trainer is responsible for reporting the proper gender of his or her horse at the time of entry, and reporting the CASTRATION of any horse in his or her care to the horse identifier. Violators will be assessed a \$250 FINE by the stewards for failure to report castrations at the time of entry.

Blinkers

To be used in a race, blinkers must have a minimum one-half inch cup.

Slaughterhouse/Auction House Policy

Any trainer or owner stabling at a Stonach Group facility, or any auxiliary stabling area, found to have directly or indirectly participated in the transport of a horse to either a slaughterhouse or an auction house engaged in selling horses for slaughter, will be prohibited from having stalls and racing at any Stonach Group facility.

Two Year Olds

Two year olds may not race until after their actual two year old birthday.



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Integrity Hotline

To enhance the health and safety of the athletes, both human and equine, and to improve the integrity of the sport, the Maryland Jockey Club urges all industry stakeholders and participants to vigilantly monitor and report incidents of illegal behavior to the appropriate authorities.

Please call the Maryland Jockey Club Integrity Hotline and leave an anonymous and confidential message.

301-470-LINE



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Cobalt Threshold

1) A horse which tests between 25 nanograms per milliliter of blood plasma or serum and 50 nanograms per milliliter of blood plasma or serum shall be placed on the vet's list and not be permitted to start in a race until the horse tests below 25 nanograms per milliliter of blood plasma or serum. All costs associated with any retesting shall be paid for by the owner of the horse.

2) A horse that exceeds 50 nanograms per milliliter of blood plasma or serum shall be disqualified, the trainer of the horse shall be suspended and/or fined at the discretion of the Stewards or Judges and assessed points under the multiple medication violation point system. As previously stated, the horse shall be placed on the vet's list and not permitted to start in a race until the horse tests below 25 nanograms per milliliter of blood plasma or serum. All costs associated with retesting the horse shall be paid for by the owner of the horse.

Starting February 1, 2020 Lasix Restricted To 4 Hours

Administration of Furosemide (Lasix) shall be restricted to four (4) hours prior to post time of the horses race. A horse not meeting the four (4) hour restriction shall be scratched.

Horses shipping in to run are advised to be on the ground five (5) hours before scheduled post time to meet the Lasix administration requirement and to be pre-raced checked.

Please call Lasix Clerk Melanie Martin 443-631-4891 to schedule Lasix administration.



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TURF WORKS

Sundays - weather permitting

9:00 - 10:00am

Working on the turf will require a \$150 fee which must be paid for before a turf workout. All turf sign ups must be submitted to the racing office by 12 Noon Saturday before turf works on Sunday. Sign-ups are a first-come, first-serve basis and a maximum of 20 horses will be allowed to work on the turf.

1st preference will be to stake horses

2nd preference will be to allowance horses

3rd preference will be to claiming horses
(winners)

4th preference to maidens

The racing office has final say on who is allowed to work on the turf and reserve the right to deny a workout.

The monies will be used toward backstretch workers and the Beyond The Wire Maryland Thoroughbred Aftercare Program.

Call the racing office at 1-800-638-1859 to sign up for turf works.