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COMPLIANCE RESPONSIBILITIES - EQUIPMENT

Effective immediately New Jersey horsemen are prohibited from utilizing any new equipment (that is, equipment not presently in use) at licensed racetracks, including but not limited to harness and sulkies, until the following conditions have been met:

1. The manufacturer, or its representative, must advise all interested parties as to the availability for use, cost of the equipment and how the new equipment would differ from existing equipment.
2. The manufacturer, or its representative, must furnish a statement as to the safety of the equipment and disclose the existence, terms and underwriter of product liability insurance. In addition to this statement, the manufacturer, or its representative, must furnish the results performed by accredited testing laboratories and/or agree to the testing of the equipment by an accredited testing laboratory chosen by the Commission or its designee. All costs associated with testing will be the responsibility of the equipment manufacturer.
3. With the approval of the Commission or its designee, the equipment will be approved for "workouts" under the direct supervision of the stewards and judges. Comments concerning the equipment's safety and performance from drivers and trainers who use the equipment under supervised conditions will be received and analyzed by the stewards, judges and horsemen's association who will report the findings and prepare recommendations to the Commission.

4. Prior to obtaining approval from the Commission for use of new equipment in qualifying races, the manufacturer shall provide sufficient quantities of the equipment to be made available to any party who wants to use it in qualifying races.
5. Subject to favorable comments in "workouts," availability of sufficient quantities, and with the approval of the Racing Commission, the equipment will be used in qualifying races only, and under the direct supervision of the stewards and judges. Written and verbal comments from participating drivers and trainers will be received and analyzed by the stewards, judges and horsemen's associations who will report the findings and prepare recommendations to the Commission.
6. After adequate testing in qualifying races and subject to compliance with all conditions described herein, the equipment will be considered for approval by the Racing Commission in all types of races including pari-mutuel races. It shall be the responsibility of the manufacturer to continue to provide sufficient quantities of all approved equipment for use in all types of races for a period of time deemed appropriate by the Commission.

Manufacturers of equipment that is currently in use at New Jersey racetracks must comply with paragraphs one, two, and the provisions in paragraphs four to six concerning the availability of sufficient quantities of equipment. This information must be furnished by May 28, 1993 to avoid uninterrupted use of existing equipment.

Frank Zanzuccki, Executive Director

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