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Policy Regarding Use of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

The New Jersey Racing Commission is charged with the responsibility to advance the best interest of horse racing, to curtail activities or circumstances inimical to the integrity and safe conduct of racing and to advance the public's confidence in the sport. To facilitate the Commission's ability to carry out these responsibilities, the Legislature granted it broad regulatory authority which includes the implementation of policies and the issuance of directives designed to protect the integrity of horse racing, to guard the health of horses and humans who compete, and to safeguard the interests of the public and all racing participants. The New Jersey Racing Commission takes notice that although Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT) has been used in human medicine for some time, it is a relatively new treatment of injuries in horses.

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The New Jersey Racing Commission therefore concludes that, consistent with its authority and jurisdiction over all matters related to horse racing, the following Directive concerning the use of HBOT on all competing horses, shall become effective immediately:

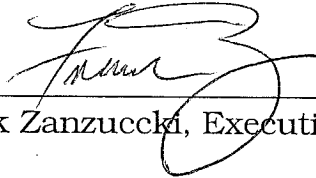
1. All HBOT devices located on all properties under the jurisdiction of the Commission, must be registered with the New Jersey Racing Commission within 30 days from the date of this Directive.
2. All trainers of horses that are entered to compete in races at New Jersey racetracks must maintain accurate and complete records of all horses that have undergone HBOT. The records must include, at a minimum, the name of the horse, the tattoo number of the horse, the date, time and duration of the therapy, the location of the device and the name of the attending veterinarian. These records must be made available to the New Jersey Racing Commission within 24 hours of the request.



3. All HBOT treatments must be performed or directly supervised by a New Jersey Racing Commission licensed veterinarian. Veterinarian treatment records must be made available to the New Jersey Racing Commission within 24 hours of the request.
4. Horses that have received HBOT treatment are prohibited from competing for a period of 48 hours following the date and time of the treatment.

Any person found in violation of this Directive will be subject to penalties as contained in and authorized by the New Jersey Administrative Code.

BY ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION



Frank Zanzuccki, Executive Director

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*Equine Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy Chamber
Registration Form*

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Veterinary Practice Name
(print)

Date

_____ Stationary

_____ Mobile

License Plate No. _____

It is your responsibility to be in compliance with all regulations and laws of the State of New Jersey for your Equine Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy Chamber.

You must notify the trainer/owner/authorized agent of the rules and regulations established by the NJRC for any and all horses treated with Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT) by your practice.

- Any treated horse shall be prohibited from racing for 48 hours.
- The veterinarian and trainer must maintain an accurate and complete record of all horses that have undergone HBOT.

Veterinarian Signature

Veterinarian Name (print)

