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Clarification of N.J.A.C. 13:71-14.3 Claimed Horse (Determination of the start and end dates of each race meeting)

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N.J.A.C. 13:71-14.3 states that "Whenever a horse has been claimed, that horse shall not leave the grounds of the meeting of the association where claimed for 60 days following the date of the successful claim unless permission to leave is granted by the Presiding Judge or the meeting ends prior to the expiration of the 60 day time limit. For purposes of this rule, the start and end date of the meeting shall be left to the determination of the Presiding Judge or his or her designated race track official."

Consistent with the provisions of this rule, the Race Secretary at each association has been designated as the race track official for purposes of determining the start and end of the meeting.

The Race Secretaries at Freehold and New Meadowlands racetracks have determined the beginning and ending dates of their respective meetings as follows:

**Freehold Racetrack** has been awarded two separate race permits and has designated two start and end dates. The start date of the winter/spring meet is the first race day in January and the closing date is the last race day in May or June of each year. The start date of the summer/fall meet is the first race day in August or September and the closing date is the last race day in December of each year.

**New Meadowlands Racetrack** operates one continuous meet and has designated the start date of the meet to be the first race day following Hambletonian Day and the closing date of the meet to be Hambletonian Day of each year.

BY ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

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