

DIRECTIVE NO. 217 – 2024

THOROUGHBRED

The Rules Governing Horse Racing in Alberta are **AMENDED** as follows:

Chapter 3: General Horse Racing Rules Part 2 Race Meetings \ Division 1
Trainers' Responsibilities

The following rule is AMENDED to read:

147 t Special rules for thoroughbred racing

- (1) A *trainer may not have in their charge, in their capacity as a trainer, nor may a trainer train a *horse, in which a *jockey has a direct or indirect ownership interest.
- (2) Trainers must have their horses suitably shod for the track condition. In any event, should a trainer wish to race a horse without shoes, he or she may be permitted to do so with the approval of the Board of Stewards.
- (3) At thoroughbred *race meetings, each trainer is responsible for
 - (a) the eligibility of horses in the trainer's care, and
 - (b) the accuracy of the weight shown on the *entry form of all horses in the trainer's care, and
 - (c) **any Canadian foaled thoroughbred must be registered with the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society prior to being allowed to race.**
- (4) A trainer is jointly responsible for all acts and omissions of an assistant trainer under their supervision or who substitutes for the trainer.

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(5) A trainer who, at the request of the *stewards board or the paddock *judge saddles a horse that is not under the trainer's care, is not responsible for any conduct or activity relating to the horse before the horse came under that trainer's care.

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 - (a) the eligibility of horses in the trainer's care, and
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- (4) A trainer is jointly responsible for all acts and omissions of an assistant trainer under their supervision or who substitutes for the trainer.
- (5) A trainer who, at the request of the *stewards board or the paddock *judge saddles a horse that is not under the trainer's care, is not responsible for any conduct or activity relating to the horse before the horse came under that trainer's care.

Dated in the City of Edmonton
in the Province of Alberta
this 25 day of March, 2024.



Kent Verlik, Chief Executive Officer
HORSE RACING ALBERTA