

Sec. 12-574-A43. Rules of the race

(a) Foul riding penalized.

(1) When clear, a horse may be taken to any part of the course, provided that crossing or weaving in front of contender may result in disqualification.

(2) A horse may be disqualified if the horse crosses another so as to impede the other horse, or the horse or his jockey jostles another horse, unless the impeded horse was partly in fault or the crossing or jostle was wholly caused by the fault of some other horse and jockey.

(3) A horse shall be disqualified if a jockey wilfully strikes another horse or rides carelessly so as to injure another horse or cause other horses to injure a horse.

(4) When a horse is disqualified under this section every horse in the same race belonging wholly or partly to the same owner, may be disqualified in the discretion of the stewards.

(5) Complaints under this section can only be received from the owner, trainer or jockey of the horse alleged to be aggrieved and must be made to the clerk of the scales or to the stewards before or immediately after his jockey has passed the scales. Nothing in this section shall prevent the stewards taking cognizance of foul riding.

(6) Any jockey against whom a foul is claimed shall be given the opportunity to appear before the stewards before any decision is made by them.

(7) A jockey whose horse has been disqualified or who unnecessarily causes his horse to shorten his stride with a view to complaining or an owner, trainer or jockey who complains frivolously that his horse was crossed or jostled, may be punished.

(8) The extent of disqualification shall be determined by the stewards.

(b) Results of intentional foul. If the stewards at any time are satisfied that the riding of any race was intentionally foul or that any jockey was instructed or induced so to ride, all persons found guilty of complicity, by the stewards, shall be suspended and the case shall be reported to the commission for such additional action as it may consider necessary.

(c) Leaving course. If a horse leaves the course he must turn back and run the course from the point at which he left it.

(d) Instructions to jockeys. All horses are expected to give their best efforts in races in which they run, and any instructions or advice to jockeys to ride or handle their mounts otherwise than for the purpose of winning are forbidden and will subject all persons giving or following such instructions or advice to disciplinary action by the stewards and the commission.

(e) Stewards may declare race void, order refund. The stewards shall have the authority to declare a race void and to order all wagers made thereon refunded if they shall determine that any occurrence before or during the running of such race calls for such action by them.

(f) Walkover.

(1) If only one horse shall have weighed out, that horse shall be ridden past the judge's stand and go to the post, and shall then be deemed the winner.

(A) In sweepstakes, even if all the horses but one have declared forfeit, that horse must walkover except by the written consent of all the persons who pay forfeit.

(B) In case of a walkover, one-half of the money offered to the winner is given.

(C) When a walkover is the result of arrangements by owners of horses engaged, no

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portion of the added money nor any other prize need be given.

(2) Stewards may dispense with walkover. In a sweepstakes, if only one horse remains to start, the stewards may dispense with a walkover.

(g) **Run to win.** Every horse in every race must be ridden so as to finish as near as possible to first, and show the best and fastest race it is capable of at that time and shall not be eased up or coasted, even if it has no apparent chance to win first, second, third or fourth prize, so that the record of that race may, as truly as possible, show its real ability.