



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3769-15-32 Judges' list.

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(A) The judges may place a horse on the judges' list at any time for any reason and declarations and/or entries on said horse shall be refused. The owner or trainer shall be notified of such action, and the reason shall be clearly stated. When any horse is placed on the judges' list, the clerk of course shall record such in the United States trotting association computer, showing the date the horse was put on the judges' list, the reason and the date of removal if the horse has been removed.

(B) No presiding judge or other official at a fair meeting shall have the power to remove from the judges' list and accept as an entry any horse which has been placed on a judges' list and not subsequently removed therefrom for the reason that he is dangerous or an unmanageable horse. Such meetings may refuse declarations and/or entries on any horse that has been placed on the judges' list and has not been removed therefrom.

(C) No horse shall be admitted to any racetrack facilities in Ohio without having had a negative official test for equine infectious anemia (coggins) within twelve months. It shall be the responsibility of the trainer to see that each horse's test results are current, and the racing secretary's office will record such in the united states trotting association computer after the trainer's present the negative coggins test papers to the racing office upon arrival in the barn area.

(D) Qualifying standards shall be set at each track by the race secretary and the judges. These may vary at different times of the year to accommodate weather and the class of horse available. Standards for trotters will be two seconds slower than pacers. Two-year olds will be allowed one second over the standard time for their gait.

(E) Any horse which does not race in qualifying time in two consecutive starts on a good or fast track will automatically be put on the judges' list for performance and must qualify. In its first start off of a qualifying race, any horse who does not go in qualifying time on a good or fast track, shall be placed on the judges' list.



(F) Any horse which makes a break in two consecutive starts, excluding a winning performance, on a good or fast track, shall be put on the judges' list and must qualify. Any horse that makes a break off a qualifying race, excluding a winning performance, on a good or fast track shall be placed on the judges' list.

(G) The judges may make any horse placed on the judges' list qualify repeatedly or until, in their discretion, said horse is ready to start again.

(H) For horses to be scratched sick or lame a scratch slip signed by a veterinarian must be turned into the judges, and the horse shall be placed on the judges' list. No horse scratched sick or lame may be allowed to race until seven days from the date of the race they were scratched and only with a release slip from the veterinarian who scratched them.

(I) Any horse put on the list as dangerous will not be allowed to race in this state.

(J) Any horse that is scratched sick or lame in two consecutive starts must qualify before being allowed to start again.

(K) Any horse scratched sick or lame off a qualifying race, must re-qualify if said horse does not race within fourteen days of the date of the race from which the horse was scratched.