

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Arkansas Racing Commission will meet on December 19, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission office located at 1515 West Seventh Street, Suite 500, Little Rock, Arkansas, to consider the adoption of the following rule changes:

- (1) Thoroughbred Rule 1050(a) Definition of Objection. Proposed amendment to change the time period for a protest or objection from two hours prior to a race to 24 hours after a race or prior to post time of the next live racing date. Extends time period for protests and objections.
- (2) Thoroughbred Rule 2169(a) Jockey Mount Fees. Amendment to Jockey Mount Fees. Changes standard fees applicable if no specific contract between owner and jockey to amounts agreed to by Jockey Guild and owners for 2020.
- (3) Thoroughbred Rule 2212(b). Amends rule regarding coupling of entries for horses with the same owner or trainer. Requires trainer to declare a preference for entry when multiple horses with common ties enter a race.
- (4) Thoroughbred Rule 2224(c). Amendment to rule permitting horses to be microchipped or digitally tattooed in conformity with national T.R.P.B. protocols.
- (5) Thoroughbred Rule 2359. Amends procedure for protests and objections for issues not occurring during the running of a race. Extends protest period to 24 hours after a race or prior to post time of the next live racing date.
- (6) Thoroughbred Rule 2426-A. Amendment to change time period from ninety (90) days since the horse's last official start to sixty (60) days when the owner requests a horse be declared ineligible to be claimed.

Any persons wishing to speak for or against any of the above proposed rule changes should appear at the meeting on December 19, 2019, and they will be given the opportunity to express their views. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the above proposed rule changes should send them to the Arkansas Racing Commission, P.O. Box 3076, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203, prior to the close of business on Wednesday, December 18, 2019. Copies of the complete text of the proposed rule changes can be obtained from the Racing Commission office during normal business hours and from the Secretary of State's office.