

AUSTRALIAN HARNESS RACING RULES Rules Amendments - HRA approved 1 May 2014

DICTIONARY

Add Definition

"Anabolic Androgenic Steroid Clearing Certificate" means a certificate from a person or drug testing laboratory approved by the Controlling Body certifying that a sample is free of anabolic androgenic steroids or that any anabolic androgenic steroids that are present are at or below the relevant concentration set out in Rule 188A(2).

5. HORSES

Eligibility for registration

• New Rule 94A

94A. (1) This rule applies to all horses:

- (a) born on or after 1st May 2014; and
- (b) which are eligible to be registered under these Rules but have not yet been registered under these Rules.

(2) The Stewards or other official appointed by the Controlling Body may, at any time, direct that a horse be produced to provide a sample to be analysed to determine whether any anabolic androgenic steroid is present in the system of the horse.

(3) Where a horse is not produced to provide a sample as directed pursuant to Rule 94A(2) that horse is ineligible to start in any race:

(a) until at least 12 months after the latter of:

(i) the date on which the horse, having been registered under these Rules, is allowed to start in a race; and

(ii) the date on which the horse is in fact produced to provide a sample to be analysed to determine whether any anabolic androgenic steroid is present in the system of the horse; and

(b) only after an Anabolic Androgenic Steroid Clearing Certificate is provided in respect of a sample taken from the horse, such sample having been taken at a date determined by the Stewards. (4) Where a sample taken at any time from a horse has detected in it an anabolic androgenic steroid (other than an anabolic androgenic steroid which is present at or below the relevant concentrations set out in Rule 188A(2)), that horse is ineligible to start in any race:

(a) until at least 12 months after the latter of:

(i) the date on which the horse, having been registered under these Rules, is allowed to start in a race; and

(ii) the date the relevant sample was taken; and

(b) only after an Anabolic Androgenic Steroid Clearing Certificate is provided in respect of a sample taken from the horse, such sample having been taken at a date determined by the Stewards.

(5) Any person must, when directed by the Stewards or other person authorised by the Controlling Body, produce, or otherwise give full access to, the horse so that the Stewards or other person authorised by the Controlling Body may take or cause a sample to be taken and analysed to determine whether any anabolic androgenic steroid is present in the system of the horse.

(6) For the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, sub-rule (5) requires an owner, lessee, nominator and/or trainer to produce the horse, or otherwise give full access to the horse, even if the horse is:

- (a) under the care or control of another person; and/or
- (b) located at the property of another person.

(7) Any person who fails to produce, or give full access to, a horse to provide a sample as required by sub-rule (5) is guilty of an offence.

12. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

Determination of Prohibited Substance

• Amend Rule 188A(2)

188A. (2) The following substances when present at or below the levels set out are excepted from the provisions of sub rule 1 and Rule 190AA:

Out of Competition Testing

• Amend Rule 190A(2)(r)

• Renumber existing Rule 190A(2)(r) to 190A(2)(s)

190A (2) (r) anabolic androgenic steroids (other than an anabolic androgenic steroid which is present at or below the relevant concentrations set out in Rule 188A(2));

(s) metabolites, artifacts and isomers of any of the substances specified in paragraphs (a) to (r);

Anabolic Steroids

• Add new sub-heading

Add new Rule 190AA

190AA. (1) A horse must not, in any manner, at any time, be administered an anabolic androgenic steroid.

(2) Any person who:

- (a) administers an anabolic androgenic steroid;
- (b) attempts to administer an anabolic androgenic steroid;
- (c) causes an anabolic androgenic steroid to be administered; and/or

(d) is a party to the administration of, or an attempt to administer, an anabolic androgenic steroid,

to a horse is guilty of an offence.

(3) Where the Stewards are satisfied that a horse has, or is likely to have been, administered any anabolic androgenic steroid contrary to this rule, the Stewards may prevent the horse from starting in any relevant race.

(4) When a sample taken at any time from a horse has detected in it an anabolic androgenic steroid the horse is not permitted to start in any race:

(a) for a minimum period of 12 months from the date of the collection of the sample in which an anabolic androgenic steroid was detected; and

(b) only after an Anabolic Androgenic Steroid Clearing Certificate is provided in respect of a sample taken from the horse, such sample having been taken at a date determined by the Stewards.

(5) Any owner, lessee, nominator, trainer and/or person in charge of a horse registered under these Rules must, when directed by the Stewards or other person authorised by the Controlling Body, produce, or otherwise give full access to, the horse so that the Stewards or other person authorised by the Controlling Body may take or cause a sample to be taken and analysed to determine whether any anabolic androgenic steroid is present in the system of the horse.

(6) For the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, sub-rule (5) requires an owner, lessee, nominator and/or trainer to produce the horse, or otherwise give full access to the horse, even if the horse is:

- (a) under the care or control of another person; and/or
- (b) located at the property of another person.

(7) Any person who fails to produce, or give full access to, a horse to provide a sample as required by sub-rule (5) is guilty of an offence.

(8) In respect of a horse registered under these Rules, where an owner, lessee, nominator, trainer and/or person in charge of a horse is in breach of sub-rule (5), the relevant horse will not be permitted to start in any race:

(a) for a period of not less than 12 months following the day on which the horse is in fact produced to the Stewards, or full access to the horse is otherwise given to the Stewards, so that a sample may be taken and analysed for anabolic androgenic steroids; and

(b) only after an Anabolic Androgenic Steroid Clearing Certificate is provided in respect of a sample taken from the horse, such sample having been taken at a date determined by the Stewards.

Summary of Amendments – HRA approved 1 May 2014

RULES AMENDED 188A(2), 190AA

NEW RULES / SUB-RULES 94A, 190A(2)(r),

RULES REPEALED

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RULES RENUMBERED 190A(2)(r) to 190A(2)(s)

ADD DICTIONARY DEFINITION

"Anabolic Androgenic Steroid Clearing Certificate"