

**State of California
Office of Administrative Law**

In re:
California Horse Racing Board

Regulatory Action:

Title 04, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections:
Amend sections: 1699
Repeal sections:

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY
ACTION

Government Code Section 11349.3

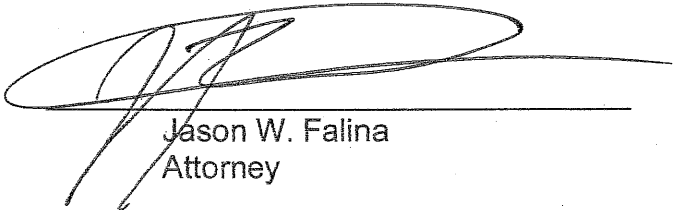
OAL Matter Number: 2026-0327-01

OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)

This regular rulemaking by the California Horse Racing Board makes regulatory changes regarding interference during the passing of a lead horse and the penalties associated.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 7/1/2026.

Date: April 28, 2026



Jason W. Falina
Attorney

For: Kenneth J. Pogue
Director

Original: Scott Chaney, Executive
Director

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NOTICE PUBLICATION/REGULATIONS SUBMISSION

REGULAR

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STD. 400 (REV. 10/2019)

OAL FILE NUMBERS	NOTICE FILE NUMBER Z-2025-1021-02	REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER 2026-0327-015	EMERGENCY NUMBER
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NOTICE		REGULATIONS	

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of the State of California

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AGENCY WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY California Horse Racing Board	AGENCY FILE NUMBER (If any)
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A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register)

1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE	TITLE(S)	FIRST SECTION AFFECTED	2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE
3. NOTICE TYPE <input type="checkbox"/> Notice re Proposed Regulatory Action <input type="checkbox"/> Other	4. AGENCY CONTACT PERSON	TELEPHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER (Optional)
OAL USE ONLY	ACTION ON PROPOSED NOTICE <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Modified <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved/Withdrawn	NOTICE REGISTER NUMBER 2025, 44-2	PUBLICATION DATE 10/31/25

B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations)

1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S) Riding Rules	1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S)
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2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) AND SECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxics related)	
SECTION(S) AFFECTED (List all section number(s) individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.)	ADOPT
	AMEND
	1699
TITLE(S)	REPEAL
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3. TYPE OF FILING			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Code §11346)	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Compliance: The agency officer named below certifies that this agency complied with the provisions of Gov. Code §§11346.2-11347.3 either before the emergency regulation was adopted or within the time period required by statute.	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Readopt (Gov. Code, §11346.1(h))	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes Without Regulatory Effect (Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100)
<input type="checkbox"/> Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn nonemergency filing (Gov. Code §§11349.3, 11349.4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn emergency filing (Gov. Code, §11346.1)	<input type="checkbox"/> File & Print	<input type="checkbox"/> Print Only
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency (Gov. Code, §11346.1(b))		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	

4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/OR MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, §44 and Gov. Code §11347.1)

5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11343.4, 11346.1(d); Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effective January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1 (Gov. Code §11343.4(a))	<input type="checkbox"/> Effective on filing with Secretary of State	<input type="checkbox"/> §100 Changes Without Regulatory Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Effective other (Specify)

6. CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY		
<input type="checkbox"/> Department of Finance (Form STD. 399) (SAM §6660)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair Political Practices Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> State Fire Marshal
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		

7. CONTACT PERSON Brooke Tuchman	TELEPHONE NUMBER (916) 869-3221	FAX NUMBER (Optional)	E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional) batuchman@chr.ca.gov
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8. I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification.

SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE Alameda, Cynthia L	DATE 03/27/2026
TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY Cynthia Alameda, Deputy Executive Director	

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CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
TITLE 4. CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
ARTICLE 8. RUNNING THE RACE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF
RULE 1699. RIDING RULES.

During the running of the race:

~~(a) A leading horse is entitled to any part of the course, but when another horse is attempting to pass in a clear opening, the leading horse shall not cross over so as to compel the passing horse to shorten its stride.~~

~~(a) (b)~~ A horse shall not interfere with any other horse. Interference is defined as bumping, impeding, forcing ~~or floating in or out~~ or otherwise causing any other horse to lose stride, ground, momentum or position.

~~(b) (c)~~ A horse which interferes with another as defined in subsections ~~(a) or (b)~~ may be disqualified and placed behind the horse so interfered with ~~or last~~ if, in the opinion of the Stewards, the horse interfered with was not at fault and ~~the interference occurs in a part of the race where the horse interfered with loses the opportunity to place where it might be reasonably expected to finish due to the interference lost the opportunity for a better~~ placing.

~~(c) (d)~~ Jockeys shall not ride carelessly, or willfully, so as to permit their mount to interfere with any other horse.

~~(d) (e)~~ Jockeys shall not strike or strike at another horse or jockey so as to impede, interfere with, intimidate, or injure.

~~(e) (f)~~ If a jockey rides in a manner contrary to this rule, the mount may be disqualified and the jockey may be suspended or otherwise disciplined by the Stewards.

~~(f) When suspending a jockey for riding contrary to this rule, the Stewards shall issue a minimum suspension of two riding days, and shall issue a suspension greater than the minimum for (1) more than one infraction of this rule by the jockey within any contiguous 60 day calendar period or (2) any infraction which, in the opinion of the stewards, jeopardized the safety of another horse or jockey.~~

NOTE:

Authority cited: Section 19562, Business and Professions Code.

Reference: Sections 19461 and 19562, Business and Professions Code.