# CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD 15-DAY NOTICE OF MODIFICATION TO THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RULE 1693, CONTROL OF HORSES AND JOCKEYS ON ENTERING THE TRACK

Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code (GC) section 11346.8(c) and section 44 of Title 1 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), the California Horse Racing Board (Board) is providing notice of changes that have been made to the text of the proposed amendment to Board Rule 1693, Control of Horses and Jockeys on Entering the Track.

## **CHANGES TO THE PROPOSED TEXT**

The originally proposed text was noticed to the public on September 27, 2024, and the extended public comment period ended on November 18, 2024. No comments were received during the comment period, and no public hearing was requested. The final rulemaking package was submitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on December 23, 2024. On January 28, 2025, OAL informed the Board of clarity issues that required revision to the regulatory text. The proposed text has been modified to address these issues. Additionally, for further clarity, the previously proposed numbering of subsections has been revised, and non-substantive, technical edits were made to the proposed subsection (a).

A copy of the full text of the regulation with the proposed changes indicated is attached. Additions to the originally proposed text appear in <u>double underline</u>, while deletions are shown in <del>double strikethrough</del>.

## Rule 1693, Control of Horses and Jockeys on Entering the Track

The proposed amendment to Board Rule 1693 has been modified to clarify that no assistant starter shall manipulate a horse's ear to control the horse while it is on the track or in the starting gate. The change is necessary to meet regulatory clarity standards.

Non-substantive, technical edits have also been made for clarity.

# WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

Any interested person may submit a written statement relating to the modified language or documents added to the rulemaking file during the public comment period from **April 21, 2025, through May 6, 2025.** All written comments must be submitted to the Board no later than **May 6, 2025.** The Board will consider only comments received at the Board's office by that time. Submit written comments to:

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All written comments received by May 6, 2025, that pertain to the indicated text changes or any additional documents will be reviewed and responded to by the Board's staff as part of the completion of the rulemaking file. Please limit your comments to the modifications to the text. Text proposed to be added to the file during this comment period is displayed in <u>double underline</u>, and proposed deletions to the rulemaking during this comment period are displayed in <u>double strikethrough</u>.

## **AVAILABILITY OF RULEMAKING DOCUMENTS ON THE INTERNET**

Copies of this notice, the original Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Initial Statement of Reasons, the original proposed text of the regulations, additional documents and information to the record, and the revisions to the proposed text of regulations can be accessed via the CHRB website at: <a href="https://www.chrb.ca.gov/rules\_law.html">https://www.chrb.ca.gov/rules\_law.html</a>.

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