



GLOBAL RACING MATTERS

International Federation of Horseracing
Authorities

International Agreement on Breeding, Racing
and Wagering

The Jockey Club (USA)



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IFHA History

1961

First meet to discuss issues of common interest

1967

The first International Conference of Horseracing Authorities organized in Paris

1974

International Agreement on Breeding and Racing is endorsed by participating countries

1993

IFHA formally organized





IFHA Objectives

- Enhance public confidence in the integrity of racing and breeding
- Protect the safety and welfare of horses and riders
- Coordinate and harmonize approaches to racing and breeding
- Promote racing and its financial welfare by protecting intellectual property rights





IFHA Membership

Algeria	India	Saudi Arabia
Argentina	Ireland	Serbia
Australia	Italy	Singapore
Austria	Japan	Slovakia
Bahrain	Korea	Slovenia
Belgium	Lebanon	South Africa
Brazil	Macau	Spain
Canada	Malaysia	State of Qatar
Chad	Mauritius	Sweden
Chile	Mexico	Switzerland
Cyprus	Morocco	Thailand
Czech Republic	New Zealand	The Netherlands
Denmark	Norway	Tunisia
France	Oman (Sultanate of)	Turkey
Germany	Pakistan	United Arab Emirates
Great Britain	Peru	United States of America
Greece	Poland	Uruguay
Hong Kong	Rumania	Venezuela
Hungary	Russia	





IFHA Governance

Europe (3 votes)

France Galop

The Jockey Club (GB)

British Horseracing
Authority

Irish Turf Club

Horseracing Ireland

Americas (3 votes)

The Jockey Club (US)

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Canada (Woodbine)

South America (OSAF)

Asia (3 votes)

Asian Racing
Federation



IFHA Organization

- Advisory Council on Prohibited Substances
- International Grading and Race Planning Advisory Committee (IRPAC)
- World Ranking Supervisory Committee
- Steering Committee on Wagering
- International Movement of Horses Committee
- Technical Advisory Committee
- International Stud Book Committee





Sections of the Agreement

Chapter 1: Rules of Racing

Chapter 2: Books of Heredity

Chapter 3: Financial Settlements

Chapter 4: Health Regulations

Chapter 5: Wagering

Chapter 6: Licensing





Chapter 1: Rules of Racing

Article 1: Group/Graded and Listed Races

Article 2: Weights and Distances

Article 3: Identification of Racehorses /Clearances

Article 4: Suffixes

Article 5: Performance Notifications (race results)

Article 6: Prohibited Substances

Article 7: Shoeing

Article 8: Weighing Riders

Article 9: Owner Colors/Advertising & Sponsorships

Article 10: Riders Abroad/Suspensions & Bans

Article 11: Weight Allowances





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| CHAD | HUNGARY | NEW ZEALAND | SWEDEN |
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| DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | LEBANON | ROMANIA | URUGUAY |

Partly agreed by :

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| ARGENTINA..... | authorizes the use of Furosemide and of Phenylbutazone |
| AUSTRALIA..... | with the exception of Appendix 4 |
| BRAZIL (Jockey Club Brasileiro) | authorizes the use of Furosemide |
| BRAZIL (Jockey Club de Sao Paulo)..... | authorizes the use of Furosemide in some races |
| CHILE..... | authorizes the use of Furosemide and of Phenylbutazone |
| ITALY | with a different threshold of Carbon Dioxide as indicated in § 16 |
| JAMAICA..... | <i>authorizes the use of Furosemide and of Phenylbutazone</i> |
| JAPAN..... | with the exception of § 16 |
| NORWAY | with the exception of paragraphs related to "Thresholds" |
| PERU | authorizes the use of Furosemide and of Phenylbutazone |
| SAUDI ARABIA..... | <i>authorizes the use of Furosemide and of Phenylbutazone</i> |
| TRINIDAD & TOBAGO..... | with the exception of § 5, 10 and 14 |
| TURKEY..... | with a different threshold of Salicylic acid and of Testosterone |
| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA..... | as indicated in § 16 |
| VENEZUELA..... | with the exception of § 5, 10 and 14 |
| VENEZUELA..... | authorizes the use of Furosemide and of Phenylbutazone |

Non Signatories :

- CANADA, MEXICO.





Chapter 2: Books of Heredity

Article 12: Definition of a Thoroughbred

Article 13: Register of Non-Thoroughbred Horses

Article 14: Registration of a Name

Article 15: Identification of Breeding and Non-Racing Horses





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out above, nor if :

1. - they appear on the International List of Protected Names,
2. - they have more than eighteen characters, including signs or spaces,
- 3 - they are the name of a public person, without that person's or their family's permission, or names of commercial significance without the appropriate permission,
4. - they are followed by numbers,
5. - they are made up entirely of or include initials, figures, hyphens, full stops, commas, signs, exclamation marks, inverted commas, forward or back slash, colon and semi-colon.
6. - they are suggestive or have a vulgar, obscene or insulting meaning ; names considered in poor taste ; or names that may be offensive to religious, political or ethnic groups,
7. - in pronunciation, they are identical or similar to a protected name or a name registered for a horse whose year of foaling is within ten years of that of the horse in question.
8. - they start with a sign other than a letter.

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CANADA (except § IV 3, 5 & 7)	IRELAND	PERU	TUNISIA
CHILE	ISRAEL	PHILIPPINES	TURKEY
CHINA	ITALY	POLAND	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
CROATIA	JAMAICA (except § IV 3 & 5)	PORTUGAL	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CYPRUS	JAPAN (except § IV 5)	PUERTO RICO	(except § IV 3, 5 & 7)
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