



Gaming Commission

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September 3, 2020

Re: **Industry Notification of Proposed Rulemaking for Furosemide Use and Practice**

To Whom It May Concern:

The New York State Gaming Commission has proposed amendments to furosemide use and practice in Thoroughbred racing (9 NYCRR §§ 4043.2(b)(4 and 5) and (e)(5)). The Notice of Proposed Rule Making is published in the September 2, 2020 *State Register* and the full text of the proposal is posted at <https://www.gaming.ny.gov/proposedrules.php>.

This proposed rule would allow a horse eligible for furosemide administrations to be removed from the furosemide list for the limited purpose of running in a race whose conditions forbid the administration of furosemide (commonly known as Lasix) on race day. The rule would permit the horse's trainer to request reinstatement to the Lasix list after the race without having to demonstrate another bleeding episode. When a horse experiences a reported bleeding episode, it cannot race for prescribed periods of time. The proposal would also eliminate an unnecessary reference to certain subparagraphs in subdivision (b)(5) and correct a typographical error in subdivision (e)(5).

If you wish to provide any comments on this proposed rulemaking, please submit your written comments to Kristen M. Buckley at One Broadway Center, Suite 500, Schenectady, NY 12305 or gamingrules@gaming.ny.gov no later than November 2, 2020.

Very truly yours,

Kristen M. Buckley
Acting Secretary