

# **ATTENTION EXHIBITORS**

## **You are required by LAW to:**

- **Submit selected horse for sample collection.**
  - **Selections are random** according to an approved selection protocol. Emphasis may be placed on high placings or high score rides.
  - Representative of the Equine Medication Monitoring Program (EMMP) will make selections immediately following competition at the competition gate.
  - Representative will obtain a few details at the competition exit gate to determine the appropriate time and location for sample collection. Additional information will be gathered at time of sampling at the designated time and location.
  - Approximately, thirty minutes is allowed for cool down and settling the horse after competition. Exceptions are at the discretion of the EMMP representatives and may be based on the selected horse's show schedule for that day.
  - **It is the responsibility of custodial agent of the selected horse to submit horse for sample collection.** The EMMP representative is not responsible for following the selected horse or locating the selected horse.
  - **Failure to submit the horse for sample collection or refusal to permit sample collection will result issuance of a Notice of Violation and a fine of \$1,000 to \$10,000.**
  - Any concerns related to the EMMP selection protocol should be reported to EMMP Staff Veterinarian, Dr. Katie Flynn at [kflynn@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:kflynn@cdfa.ca.gov) or 916-900-5039.
  
- **Comply with the California Equine Medication Rule.**
  - **Permissible Medications**, not to exceed maximum allowable levels, include:

Phenylbutazone (Butazolidin®)	Flunixin (Banamine®)	Ketoprofen (Ketofen®)
Meclofenamic Acid (Arquel®)	Naproxen (Naprosyn®)	Dexamethasone (Azium®)
Firocoxib (Equioxx®)	Diclofenic Acid (Surpass®)	Methocarbamol (Robaxin®)
  
  - **Prohibited Substances**: any drug or medication that is a stimulant, depressant, tranquilizer, anesthetic (including local anesthetics), sedative, analgesic, anabolic steroid, corticosteroids (except dexamethasone) and soring agents.
    - If prohibited substance is administered to a horse within three (3) days before the event a Drug Declaration Form must be filed with the event manager.
    - No prohibited substance should be administered within 24 hours of competition. If the level of prohibited substance detected in a sample indicates administration within the 24 hour time period, a notice of violation and civil penalty will be issued.
  
  - **No administration of injectable substances within 12 hours of competition, except by a veterinarian administering any of the following:**
    - 1) A minimum of 1 liter per 100 lbs of body weight of emergency fluids within 6-12 hours of competition
    - 2) Antibiotics (except procaine penicillin is prohibited)
    - 3) Dexamethasone injection within 6-12 hours of competition for the treatment of hives.The veterinarian must file a drug declaration following administration of these injectable substances.
  
  - **Emergency administration of flunixin** (Banamine®) by a veterinarian is allowable for emergency treatment of colic or an ophthalmic emergency with withdrawal of the horse from competition for 24 hours after administration.

**Failure to comply with the regulations shall constitute a violation subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$100 and not more than \$10,000.**

**For more information on the EMMP administered by:**

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