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Description and Information About Amended Administrative Regulation filed June 24, 2021

The KHRC filed the following amended regulation on June 24, 2021.

810 KAR 4:040. Running of the race.

Summary of Administrative Regulation: The major proposed changes to this regulation are as follows:

- Use of the riding crop will be allowed in the following ways:
 - No more than six (6) times in the overhand fashion;
 - No more than two (2) times in succession;
 - To avoid a dangerous situation or preserve the safety of racing participants and/or horses;
 - If necessary, in a backhanded or underhanded fashion from the 3/8 pole to the finish line, which does not count to the use of the crop six (6) times in the overhand fashion;
 - Tapping the horse on the shoulder in the down position with both hands holding the reins and touching the horse's neck; and
 - Showing or waving the crop without contact to the horse.
- A jockey may never use the crop with his wrist above helmet height.
- Penalties will include:
 - Either a minimum fine of \$500.00 or a minimum suspension of three (3) days.
 - If the violation is egregious or intentional, then the stewards may impose both a fine and a suspension.
 - To determine whether a violation is egregious or intentional, the stewards may consider all factors, including the jockey's history of similar violations, the number of uses over the total and consecutive limits, and use of the crop in the overhand position more than six (6) times.



A copy of the proposed amendments to this administrative regulation may be found on the KHRC's website at <https://khrc.ky.gov/> under the tab labelled "Regulations."

Information about public hearing and public comment period for this amended administrative regulation. A public hearing on this amended administrative regulation shall be held on September 21, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom at the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission Office located at 4063 Iron Works Parkway, Building B, Lexington, KY 40511. The Zoom invitation will be emailed to each requestor the week prior to the scheduled hearing. Individuals interested in attending this virtual hearing shall notify this agency in writing by September 14, 2021, five (5) workdays prior to the hearing, of their intent to attend. If no notification of intent to attend the hearing is received by that date, the hearing may be canceled. This hearing is open to the public. Any person who attends virtually will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed amended administrative regulation. A transcript of the public hearing will not be made unless a written request for a transcript is made. If you do not wish to be heard at the public hearing, you may submit written comments on this proposed amended administrative regulation until September 30, 2021. Send written notification of intent to attend the public hearing or written comments on the proposed amended administrative regulation to: Jennifer Wolsing, General Counsel, 4063 Iron Works Parkway, Building B, Lexington, KY 40511; Phone: (859) 246-2040; Fax: (859) 246-2039; jennifer.wolsing@ky.gov.

