

Effective Sunday July 13th, the following Ohio State Racing Commission Rules will be changing. Please review the upcoming changes.

3769-16-04 Persons Eligible to Claim

(A) Any Ohio licensed owner or any person holding an eligibility to claim license may make a claim for any horse subject to claim. Claims may be made by an authorized agent but only for the account of the person for whom they are agent.

(B) An eligibility to claim license may be issued by the Ohio state racing commission subject to rules 3769-2-18, 3769-2-26 and 3769-2-30 of the Administrative Code to any applicant who provides a completed fingerprint card, the name of a licensed trainer who will assume the responsibility for the care of the horse claimed, and the requisite fee. An eligibility to claim license is valid until the end of the year from the date of purchase, or until the claimant is successful in claiming a horse. Once the holder of an eligible to claim license successfully claims or purchases a horse, they shall apply for an owner's license prior to starting any horse.

(C) Any person claiming a horse under this rule must also comply with rules 3769-16-10 and 3769-16-11 of the Administrative Code.

3769-16-05 Time for Depositing Claims

The permit holder shall provide a locked box in which claims shall be deposited in a sealed envelope. The judges shall have keys to the box. Only the money required for a registration transfer shall accompany the claim. The claim shall be deposited in the box no later than thirty minutes before post time of the race in which the claim is made. Once a claim is deposited it may not be removed. Personnel receiving claim shall note the time and date when received. The judges shall certify its validity and direct delivery of the horse if the claiming price is on deposit.

3769-16-06 Information on claims restricted

If there is a valid claim for a horse, during the post parade of its race the judges will have a public announcement made and all information stating there has been a claim made on that horse will be scrolled on the simulcast video. The successful claimant will be announced after the completion of the race. Other than this public announcement, no

official or other employee of a permit holder shall give any information as to the filing of claims until after the races has been run.

3769-16-08 Deliver to Paddock

Any horse that has been claimed shall, after the race has been contested, be taken to the paddock for delivery to the claimant by the trainer who entered the horse in the race or their designated representative. The successful claimant or designated representative shall be allowed to measure the hobbles and overcheck of the claimed horse immediately following the race. The horse's halter accompanies the horse.

3769-16-12 Claiming Prices Determined

(A) A claimed horse may be entered in subsequent claiming races for such claiming price as the claimant of said horse may determine.

(B) Any horse scratched from a claiming race must be eligible to be claimed for the for the same claiming price or less in its next start, or it cannot race until thirty days has passed.

3769-16-20 Sound of Bugle

A bugle shall sound as the horses come upon the track. After the horses enter the track, the course to be raced over shall be closed to all but racing officials until the judges direct that it be reopened. Horses are not permitted to warm up through post parade. This rule applies to both pari-mutuel tracks and fairs.

3769-16-24 Starting - Introduction of Fair Start Pole

(C) Fair Start Pole

- (1) At all extended pari-mutuel tracks the fair start pole will be erected at a point before the start that is clearly identifiable. The pole will be distinctive in color in relation to existing pylons and at least two feet above the existing pylons.
- (2) If a horse has not reached the fair start pole when the horses are released at the starting point by the starter, the judges will cause the inquiry sign to be immediately displayed and will request the horse be refunded.