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Pre-entry Anabolic Steroid Screening for Claimed or Transferred Horses

The CHRB is providing pre-entry anabolic steroid screening under specified conditions. To be eligible, the horse must have been claimed, purchased or otherwise transferred in the previous 45 days. A bill of sale, official race record showing the claim or other transfer documentation will be required. Both blood and urine are required which must be accompanied by form CHRB-50AS-CLM (Pre-Race Test Form-Anabolic Steroids(Claimed)). Non-gelded males will be screened for boldenone, nandrolone and stanozolol only. Females and geldings will be screened for testosterone, boldenone, nandrolone and stanozolol only.

Both blood (red top-serum separator) and urine must be submitted from each horse.

Anabolic steroid screening is not as simple as, for example, procaine screening from procaine penicillin. There is more sample preparation time and a longer analytical process; there are also laboratory and shipping schedule issues to keep in consideration. Pre-entry anabolic steroid testing will require planning in order to have results when they are needed.

Samples must be submitted to the Receiving Barn with the completed CHRB-50AS-CLM by 12:00 noon (6:00PM night racing). Samples submitted to the Receiving Barn on Sunday will be reported Friday afternoon.

Blood and urine samples may be submitted directly to the Maddy Laboratory by the owner, trainer or veterinarian. For convenience, 10 ml of the urine can be placed in a separate red top-serum separator tube and shipped in a standard blood tube shipping container available from most medical suppliers. The samples must be frozen or packed on ice and shipped overnight to:

CAHFS, West Health Sciences Drive, University of California, Davis, CA 95616 Attn: Maddy Lab

Screening results from samples that arrive unfrozen or without ice packs cannot be relied upon. Likewise, administration of furosemide (Lasix/Salix) to obtain a urine sample may invalidate the results. Results from samples that arrive at the Maddy Laboratory before 10:30AM on Wednesday will be available late the following Friday afternoon. Screening results will only be reported to the CHRB Official Veterinarian.

CHRB-50AS-CLM must accompany the shipment from either the receiving barn or when shipped directly. The sample will not be analyzed without the signature of the Official Veterinarian or the Board of Stewards. The submitting owner, trainer or veterinarian is the responsible party to ensure all paperwork is properly completed and forwarded to the Maddy Laboratory.

Anabolic steroid screening is for informational purposes only. Results will be reported as detected, detected below violation level or not detected. There will be no provisional entries with respect to anabolic steroid screening.