

# **BREEDERS HALTER FUTURITY**

## **ANABOLIC STEROID DRUG TESTING POLICY**

***In an effort to maintain a level playing field and preserve the integrity of our Futurity, the Breeders Halter Futurity Board of Directors has implemented the following Anabolic Steroid Drug Testing Policy.***

- 1. No person shall cause to be administered either internally or externally to a horse, either before or during an approved event, any anabolic steroid drug.***
- 2. Any Substance administered internally or externally, whether drugs or otherwise, or action which may interfere with the testing procedure or mark or screen the presence of anabolic steroid drugs is strictly forbidden.***
- 3. It is presumed the sample of urine, blood, saliva or other substance tested by the approved laboratory is the one taken from the horse in question, its integrity is preserved, and that all procedures of such collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate, and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the horse in question and correctly reflects the condition of the horse during the show, with the burden on the exhibitor or other Responsible Parties to prove otherwise.***
- 4. If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of urine, blood, saliva or other sample taken from the horse indicates the presence of anabolic steroid drugs, this shall be taken as prima facie evidence that the anabolic steroid drugs have been administered to the horse either internally or externally.***
- 5. The Owner, Trainer, and Exhibitor of the horse are all eligible for disciplinary sanctions, regardless of whether or not they had***

**actual knowledge of the presence of anabolic steroids, directly participated in the administration thereof, or any other reason for which its presence is established.**

**6. In the event of a positive test, the following disciplinary actions will apply:**

**1<sup>st</sup> offense: 2 year suspension and a fine will be levied**

**2<sup>nd</sup> offense: 5 year suspension and a fine will be levied**

**3<sup>rd</sup> offense: Permanent suspension and a fine will be levied**

**7. The Breeders Halter Futurity will conduct random anabolic drug testing at their event in September 2017.**

**8. The Breeders Halter Futurity will appoint a committee to review any disputes concerning positive test results and their decision will be final.**

**9. The only exception to this policy is in the case that your Veterinarian has prescribed Ventipulmin for pulmonary disease. A Veterinary Statement is required and should include the following:**

**a. Name of horse**

**b. Diagnosis to include symptoms**

**c. Treatment plan and length of treatment**