



RACING & QUALIFYING STANDARDS

Pacers	Time	Trotters	Time
2-year-olds	2:02	2-year-olds	2:05
3-year-olds	1:59	3-year-olds	2:02
Aged	1:58	Aged	2:01

1. Qualifying races will be scheduled weekly. There will be no additions after the box is closed.
2. The above standards are for races on a track classified as fast. Qualifying standards may be changed or altered by the Director of Racing at any time. All current qualifying standards will be posted on the weekly condition sheet. Only extended pari-mutuel wins will be considered in conditions.
3. For horses starting for the first time at the Meadowlands, qualifying standards will be determined by the last start on a racetrack classified as fast.
4. Horses coming from a track other than a mile or seven-eighth's mile are allowed one (1) second for a five-eighth's mile track and two (2) seconds for a half-mile track.
5. The Director of Racing may make time allowances for horses coming from another track when the last start was in adverse weather conditions. Races conducted at distance other than one (1) mile may or may not be used to determine eligibility.
6. There will be no ship-in training of horses on qualifying days.
7. Horses making breaks in (2) consecutive races on a racetrack classified fast may be required to qualify.
8. Horses making a break coming off a qualifying race must qualify with the exception of those that were not required to qualify. Horses making a break but finishing first or second may be exempt. The judges may require a horse to qualify at their discretion.
9. Horses scratched sick, lame or injured in two (2) consecutive starts may be required to qualify.
10. Horses not going in qualifying time coming off a qualifying race may be required to qualify.
11. Any horse that has not raced in 45 days must qualify except for Stakes, early or late closers may be different.
12. Should any horse in the current night's program fall or get loose on the track at any time during the racing program that horse shall be examined by the state veterinarian to determine whether or not it will be scratched or allowed to race. Any horse that is scratched due to these reasons may be required to qualify.



13. A horse that causes two (2) recalls will automatically be scratched by the judges and a mutuel refund ordered.
14. Horses causing a mutuel refund due to a recall may be required to qualify twice before entries will be accepted for future races.
15. In any race where a horse refuses the starting gate twice, that horse will be scratched and a mutuel refund ordered.
16. Entries will not be accepted on horses causing two (2) mutuel refunds due to recalls at the current meet.
17. Three-year-olds will be given three (3) chances to qualify.
18. Director of Racing/Racing Secretary may require two year olds that are not staked at the Meadowlands to be allowed only two starts in qualifiers or baby races.
19. Horses starting in two (2) consecutive qualifying races failing to meet the prescribed standards may not be allowed to start in future qualifying races.
20. Only drivers with an "A" license are permitted to compete at the Meadowlands Racetrack.
21. Registration papers and claiming authorizations must be filed in the racing office before entries will be accepted for claiming events.
22. Qualifying races will be held only for horses that have been allotted stall space or approved ship-in horses.
23. Hopped horses that want to race free legged must first qualify free legged. Horses that want to race with hobbles may change once without re-qualifying. After that said horses must re-qualify each time they change.
24. The racetrack will be closed to training daily at no later than 1 p.m.
25. All drivers, trainers, caretakers and owners are required to wear Snell approved safety helmets and New Jersey Racing Commission approved protective vests while driving or training at all times.
26. Ten horses of separate interest are required in all overnight events or the events may be canceled. Purse distribution in overnight events shall be 50-25-12-8-5% unless specified otherwise in posted conditions.
27. Unless excused in advance by the Director of Racing, all horses are required to race from the front paddock for designated races.
28. Horses in all events must be entered at the race secretary's office, including telephone entries, no later than the time prescribed on the weekly conditions sheets. No entries will be accepted by fax, e-mail, voice mail or other electronic mediums.
29. All changes in trainers must be reported to the State Steward and the Director of Racing immediately along with the owner's authorization.
30. Horses scratched sick, lame, or injured may not be eligible to race for seven (7) days. Exceptions may be made for open and stakes classes.



31. In condition events horses may not drop more than one class each start without the approval of the Director of Racing.
32. All race and returns require approval of the Director of Racing.
33. All trainers must have a signed racing application on file before participating in races at the Meadowlands Racetrack.
34. Horsemen with unpaid obligations to the Meadowlands will not be permitted to enter horses to race until such obligations are paid in full.
35. All owners and trainers nominating or having horses race at the Meadowlands, may be required to stable said horses at the Meadowlands facilities, prior to the race in which they are entered, at time specified by the Meadowlands. The Meadowlands shall have sole discretion in assigning stalls to the particular owners and trainers and shall also have sole discretion in waiving the above stated requirements.
36. All participants in racing at the Meadowlands Racetrack (including trainers, owners, driver and caretakers) shall abide by all rules and regulations of the New Jersey Racing Commission, the United States Trotting Association and the Meadowlands Racetrack in regards to the conduct of the race meeting.
37. Horsemen agree to abide by all policies regarding the use of the front paddock when so directed by the Director of Racing.

***All of the above may be changed at the discretion of the
Director of Racing***