

Cabinet Resolution No. (13) of 2015
Concerning the Executive Regulations of Federal Law No. (7) of 2015
On Combating Prohibited Substances in
Horse Racing and Equestrian Sports

The Cabinet:

- Having reviewed the Constitution; and
- The Federal Law No. (1) of 1972, concerning terms of reference of the ministries and the powers of the ministers, as amended; and
- The Federal Law No. (7) of 2015, on combating the Substances Prohibited in horse racing and equestrian sports; and
- The Resolution of the Prime Minister No. (11) of 2006 on the formation of Horse Racing Authority, as amended; and
- Based on the proposal of the Minister of Environment and Water and the approval of the Cabinet,

Has decreed the following:

Article (1)

Definitions

In the application of the provisions of this resolution, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings set forth opposite each of them, unless the context indicates otherwise:

State	: The United Arab Emirates.
Ministry	: The Ministry of Environment and Water.
Minister	: The Minister of Environment and Water.
Authority	: Horse Racing Authority.
Horse Racing and	: Any of the official local, regional, or international competitions or events dedicated to horses, which include, but not limited to, dressage, horse beauty, speed, endurance, show jumping, polo,

Equestrian Sports	and any other sports relevant to horse racing and equestrian sports.
Law	: The Federal Law No. (7) of 2015, on Combating the Prohibited Substances in Horse Racing and Equestrian Sports.
Horses	: The horses designated to participate in the horse racing and equestrian sports.
Owner	: The owner of horses, or the caretaker thereof.
Establishment	: Any entity in the State that is engaged in harboring, breeding, or training of horses; involving them in the horse racing and equestrian sports; trading in the feeds or food supplements allocated to them, or trading in veterinary medicines and substances.
Specialist	: This includes the jockey, horse trainer, and veterinarian, as well as the technicians and workers in the stables and anyone who deals with horses with a view to involving them in the horse racing and equestrian sports.
Methods	: Which include the use of electrical, mechanical, and electronic methods or devices or other tools that affect the outcome of the race.
Prohibited Substances	: Which include the prohibited drugs, methods and any other substances set forth by the Executive Regulations of the Law.
Control	: Which includes conduction of tests, sample collection, sample processing and examination, laboratory analysis of samples, conducting investigation into them and then announce the investigation result.
Trade	: It is the import, export, possession, preparation, processing, manufacturing, storing, packaging, transportation, distribution, provision, displaying or selling of prohibited substances, or supplying them to third parties.

Controlled Substances : These are the substances used to treat horses; but their use in the horse racing and equestrian sports is prohibited because of the impact they have on the results of competitions.

Article (2)

Authority Vested with Enforcing the Law

The Authority shall be the competent authority referred to in Article (6) of the Federal Law No. (7) of 2015, on combating the substances Prohibited in horse racing and equestrian sports, and shall undertake the following terms of reference:

1. Develop and take control measures over the putting into circulation and use of prohibited substances and controlled substances in the horse racing and equestrian sports, whether in or outside the times of holding races.
2. Have control over the horses participating in the horse racing and equestrian sports held in the State.
3. Establish and accredit laboratories specialized in examination of the samples taken from horses to make sure that they have not been given any prohibited substances, in accordance with the standards, controls and conditions to be laid down by the Authority board of directors in conformity with international controls and conditions in this regard.
4. Take samples from horses, transport them to the accredited laboratories to be analyzed, protect such samples, and keep them intact, and declare the results in conformity with international controls and conditions in this regard.
5. Develop standards, controls, and conditions of the use of the 'Methods' in horse racing and competitions.
6. Set up a national program to monitor prohibited substances in accordance with the conditions adopted in this regard.
7. Detect and officially record the acts committed in violation of the provisions of the present Law or the decisions issued thereunder and take the necessary actions against violators.

8. Design and carry out specialized training and awareness programs in the fight against the substances prohibited in horse racing and equestrian sports, and provide the necessary information about such substances, their negative effects on the health of horses, and the consequences of their use.
9. Conduct specialized research and studies in the fight against the substances prohibited in the horse racing and equestrian sports, and the methods of prevention and detection thereof.
10. Exchange experiences with the organizations and agencies specialized in the fight against the prohibited substances, at the local, regional, or international level.
11. Participate in the conferences, seminars and workshops specialized in the fight against the prohibited substances.
12. Receive complaints related to the trade, use or attempted use of the prohibited substances, verify the data contained in them, and take action with regard thereto.
13. Undertake any other duties that may be specified by the Council of Ministers.

Article (3)

Conditions for Granting Approvals for the Use of Controlled Substances for Therapeutic and Research Purposes

The Ministry shall grant approvals for the use of controlled substances for therapeutic and research purposes only after the requesting party meets the following conditions:

1. The requesting treating or research party must be duly registered and licensed in the State.
2. A prior authorization for the use of controlled substances should be obtained from the Authority.
3. Compliance with the controls, conditions and procedures specified by the Authority in this regard.
4. Compliance with the international controls, conditions, and procedures in this regard.

Article (4)

Trade of Prohibited Substances and Controlled Substances

1. The Equine Prohibited Substances Lists, issued by the International Federation for Horse Racing (FEI) and annexed to this resolution in Annex (1) shall be adopted.
2. The Authority may, at its discretion, make any adjustments to the lists of prohibited substances and controlled substances, whether or not they were issued by the International Federation of Horse Racing (FEI), and the adjustments shall be approved by virtue of a resolution by the Minister, at the request of the Authority.
3. The Authority may, in cases of necessity and urgency, make adjustments to the lists of prohibited substances and controlled substances, whether or not they are issued by the International Federation of Horse Racing (FEI), and such adjustments shall be approved by a decision of the Minister within three months from the date of issuance.

Article (5)

Prohibited Acts

The following acts shall be prohibited:

1. Apply to, inject, or attempt to apply to or inject a horse with any Prohibited Substance, by whatever means or method.
2. Use of any prohibited substance without procuring the relevant license from the Ministry.
3. Disclosure by any Specialist of sample data or any information relating to the horses from which samples were taken or the names of their Owners.
4. Presence of any prohibited substance, their metabolites or markers in the sample taken from the horse's body or blood unless such substance was applied or injected under a prior approval of the Ministry in coordination with the Authority, provided that the horses under treatment are not included in the competition schedule.
5. Refusing to submit a horse to testing or to sample collection for confirming that it is free of prohibited substance.

6. Refraining from providing necessary information about the place and source of the prohibited substances.
7. Manipulating, or attempting to manipulate, any of the procedures of control over the use of prohibited substances.
8. Assisting, agreeing with, inciting, or covering up for the Owner with regard to any process relating to giving a horse any prohibited substance.
9. Violating the rules, instructions and conditions of the Authority, competent bodies, or the local or International Federation of Horse Racing (FEI) with regard to giving, injecting or trying to give or inject competition horses with controlled substances.
10. Any other act that would lead to the trading or use of prohibited substances in Horse Racing and Equestrian Sports in the State.

Article (6)

Obligations of the Establishments Operating in the Field of Horse-Related Products

The establishments operating in the field of horse-related products such as feeds, food supplements, and veterinary drugs and materials shall be committed to placing labels on these products, including their components, chemical composition, side effects and source as well as their production and expiry dates.

Article (7)

Obligations of the Owner and the Specialist

The owner and the specialist shall:

1. Immediately notify the Ministry or the Competent Body of the commission by any Establishment or individual of any of the prohibited acts set forth in Article (7) of the Law.
2. Take all necessary measures to prevent the use of any prohibited substance.

Article (8)

Administrative Measures

The Authority may take any of the following measures against anyone who violates any provision of the present Law:

1. Banning from participating in horse racing and equestrian sports for a period not exceeding three (3) years.
2. Banning the violator from working in the field of horse racing and equestrian sports for a period not exceeding three (3) years.
3. Closing the violating establishment for a period not exceeding three (3) years.
4. Revoking the violating establishment's license.
5. Removing the violator from the registers of horse racing and equestrian sports in the event of repeated violation.

Article (9)

The application of the measures set forth in Article (8) of this resolution shall not prevent the imposition of the penalties provided for in the valid and approved regulations of horse racing and equestrian sports.

Article (10)

Final Provisions

Any provision stipulated in any other legislation that is inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution shall be repealed.

Article (11)

Publication and Entry into Force

This resolution shall be published in the Official Gazette and shall enter into force on the day following the date of its publication.

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Prime Minister

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