

## TITLE 325. OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION

### CHAPTER 40. VETERINARIAN PRACTICES AND RESTRICTIONS

#### 325:40-1-2. Definitions

In addition to the definitions provided in Section 200.1 of Title 3A, of the Oklahoma Statutes, the following words or terms, when used in this Chapter, shall have the following meaning, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

**"Act"** means the Oklahoma Horse Racing Act 3A O.S. § 200 et seq.

**"Administer"** means the application of any veterinary treatment permitted under the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act, 59 O.S., § 698.1 et seq.

**"Animal chiropractic diagnosis and treatment"** means treatment that includes vertebral subluxation complex and spinal manipulation of horses. The term "animal chiropractic diagnosis and treatment" shall not be interpreted to allow taking x-rays, performing surgery, administering medications, or offering traditional veterinary care.

**"Commissioner"** means a member of the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission.

**"Day"** means a 24-hour period beginning and ending at midnight.

**"Direct supervision"** means directions have been given to a registered veterinary technician for medical care following the examination of a horse by the Commission licensed veterinarian responsible for the professional care of the horse.

**"Enclosure"** means all buildings, structures, and grounds utilized for the conduct of the Organization licensee race meetings and gaming at the race track and shall include both public areas and any additional areas with restricted access designated by the Commission.

**"Entered horse"** means a horse appearing on the overnight sheet posted by the Racing Secretary.

**"Horse"** means any equine including mares, fillies, stallions, colts, ridglings and geldings.

**"Occupation license"** means a state requirement for any person acting in any capacity pursuant to the provisions of the Act.

**"Official Veterinarian"** means a person who is licensed to practice veterinary medicine by the State of Oklahoma and employed by the Commission and qualified and licensed by the Commission as an Official Veterinarian.

**"Organization license"** means a state requirement for any person or entity conducting a race meeting in Oklahoma within the minimum standards required by the Act and the rules of the Commission.

**"Owner"** means any person who holds in whole or in part, any right, title or interest in a horse or any person who is a lessee or lessor of a horse and has been duly issued a currently-valid Owner license as a person responsible for such horse.

**"Permitted substance"** means any substance having a listed threshold for a particular breed of horse unless otherwise specified by Commission rules.

**"Practicing veterinarian"** means a person employed by a trainer or owner to medically treat horses, is licensed to practice veterinary medicine by the State of Oklahoma, and is licensed as a veterinarian by the Commission.

**"Prohibited substance"** means any substance, chemical, or analog that is not listed by Commission rules as a permitted substance for a particular breed of horse or is not a naturally occurring substance.

**"Race"** means a contest between horses.

**"Race day"** means a day during a race meeting when live races are conducted at that racetrack.

**"Racing Veterinarian"** means a person who is licensed to practice veterinary medicine by the State of Oklahoma, employed by the organization licensee, and qualified and licensed by the Commission as a Racing Veterinarian.

**"Registered veterinary technician"** means a person who is registered by the Oklahoma Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners and licensed by the Commission as a registered veterinary technician.

**"Steward"** means a duly appointed Racing Official with powers and duties specified by statutes or rules.

**"Substance"** means any kind of physical matter existing in a solid, liquid, or gaseous state or some combination thereof and includes any drugs or medications referred to under the Oklahoma Horse Racing Act, 3A O.S. § 200 et seq.

**"Teeth floating"** means, as provided by a non-veterinary equine dental care provider, the removal of enamel points and the smoothing, contouring and leveling of dental arcades and incisors of horses' teeth.

**"Trainer"** means a person qualified and licensed by the Commission as a Trainer.

**"Veterinarian-client-patient relationship"** means the practicing veterinarian has assumed the responsibility for making medical judgements regarding the health of the horse and the need for medical treatment, and the trainer, owner or other caretaker has agreed to follow the instructions of the practicing veterinarian; there is sufficient knowledge of the horse by the practicing veterinarian to initiate at least a general or preliminary diagnosis of the medical condition of the horse or horses in that the practicing veterinarian has recently seen or is personally acquainted with the keeping and care of the horse or the practicing veterinarian has made medically necessary and timely visits to the premises where the horse is stabled; the practicing veterinarian is readily available for follow-up in case of adverse reactions or failure of the regimen of therapy, or has arranged for emergency medical coverage; and the practicing veterinarian's actions would conform to applicable state and federal law and regulations.

**"Veterinary prescription medications"** means such prescription substance as are in the possession of practicing veterinarians regularly and lawfully engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine and the federal Food and Drug Administration-approved human medications for animals which because of their toxicity or other potential for harmful effects, or method of use, or the collateral measures necessary for use, are labeled by the manufacturer or distributor in compliance with federal law and regulations to be sold only to or on the prescription order or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian for use in the course of professional practice. Veterinary prescription medications shall not include over-the-counter products for which adequate directions for lay use can be written.

**"Week"** means a seven (7) day period.

**"Year"** means a 365 day period.