

PYLON RULE

“A horse while on stride, or part of the horse’s sulky, that leaves the race course by going inside the pylons which constitutes the inside limits of the course, when not forced to do so as a result of the actions of another driver and/or horse, shall be in violation of this rule. In addition, when an act of interference causes a horse, or part of the horse’s sulky, to cross inside the pylons and the horse is placed by the Judges, the offending horse shall be placed behind the horse with which it interfered.

(1) In races conducted at extended pari-mutuel meetings, for purposes of placing the following shall apply;;

a. If a horse while on stride, or part of the horse’s sulky, goes inside two (2) consecutive pylons, the offending horse shall be placed behind all horses that are lapped on to the offending horse at the wire;

b. If a horse while on stride, or any part of the horse’s sulky, goes inside three (3) or more consecutive pylons, the offending horse shall be placed last;

c. If in the opinion of the Judges a horse while on stride, or part of the horse’s sulky, goes inside a pylon(s) and that action gave the horse an unfair advantage over other horses in the race or the action helped improve its position in the race, the horse may be placed at the discretion of the Judges.

(2) In races conducted at extended pari-mutuel meetings, for purposes of penalties the following shall apply; drivers who in the opinion of the judges leave the racing course when not forced to do so as a result of another driver and/or horse may be subject to a monetary penalty or suspended. Penalties for drivers violating this rule are as follows:

a. For the 1st violation, a monetary penalty of \$200 shall be imposed;

b. For the 2nd violation within a year of the 1st violation and within 750 drives of the 1st violation, a monetary penalty of \$300 shall be imposed;

c. For the 3rd violation within a year of the 1st violation and within 750 drives of the 1st violation, a minimum monetary penalty of \$500 plus a suspension for 3 days shall be imposed;

d. For the 4th violation within a year of the 1st violation and within 750 drives of the 1st violation, a minimum monetary penalty of \$1,000 and a suspension for 5 days shall be imposed.”

(3) Pylons will be:

a. 2 feet above ground

b. 30 degree angle inward to track surface

c. 40 feet apart on the turns

d. 60 feet apart on the straightaways