



Exempt Action Proposed Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Racing Commission
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Regulation title	Entries
Action title	To Amend Regulations Pertaining to the Coupling of Entries
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

These amendments are being made to lift the requirement that horses with common ties through ownership must be coupled in Thoroughbred stakes races with purse amounts of \$50,000 or higher. These amendments will make the regulations in Virginia more consistent with those of other jurisdictions in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

These amendments will not have any impact on the family or family stability.