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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Racing Commission
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation(s)	11VAC10-50-10 11VAC10-50-70
Regulation title(s)	Regulations Pertaining to Horse Racing With Pari-Mutuel Wagering
Action title	To Amend Regulations Pertaining to Racing Officials
Final agency action date	May 22, 2019
Date this document prepared	May 27, 2019

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Brief Summary

Please provide a brief summary (preferably no more than 2 or 3 paragraphs) of this regulatory change (i.e., new regulation, amendments to an existing regulation, or repeal of an existing regulation). Alert the reader to all substantive matters. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Chapter 50 is being amended to include the elimination of the "every five year" fingerprint requirement, leaving discretion to the Commission staff based on the type of permit and responsibilities of the individual. This change also allows for the use of microchips and digital tattoos for the purposes of identifying horses entering the paddock.

Statement of Final Agency Action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including: 1) the date the action was taken; 2) the name of the agency taking the action; and 3) the title of the regulation.

On May 22, 2019, the Virginia Racing Commission adopted the final amendments to 11VAC10-50-10 and 11VAC10-50-70 at its regular monthly meeting.