

## Maryland Standardbred Racing

FOR the purpose of requiring that horses eligible to run in Maryland Standardbred Fund races be registered with the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee; and requiring that these horses must be foaled in Maryland and the product of ~~a mare of certain owners or foaled under certain circumstances~~, certain breeders, or the product of certain mares to qualify for registration; and providing an exception from these requirements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 78B - Racing Commission  
Section 17A(d)(1)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1980 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

## Article 78B - Racing Commission

17A.

(d) (1) On and after July 1, 1971, each standardbred track licensee shall provide for the running of races, to be known as "The Maryland Standardbred Fund races" [for horses foaled in Maryland according to the United States Trotting Association registration certificate]. TO BE ELIGIBLE TO START IN MARYLAND STANDARDBRED FUND RACES, EACH HORSE SHALL BE REGISTERED WITH THE MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE. TO QUALIFY FOR REGISTRATION, THE HORSE SHALL HAVE BEEN FOALD IN MARYLAND ACCORDING TO THE UNITED STATES TROTTING ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE AND THE PRODUCT OF A MARE WHOSE OWNER HAS MAINTAINED A PLACE OF ABODE WITHIN MARYLAND FOR MORE THAN 9 MONTHS PRIOR TO REGISTRATION. IF THE OWNER OF THE MARE IS A NONRESIDENT OF MARYLAND THE FOAL SHALL BE THE PRODUCT OF A MARE HAVING BEEN SENT INTO MARYLAND TO FOAL AND COVERED ONLY BY A REGISTERED MARYLAND STALLION THE SEASON OF THE BIRTH OF THE FOAL. IN ADDITION, UNLESS THE HORSE BREEDER HAS MAINTAINED A PLACE OF ABODE IN MARYLAND FOR MORE THAN 9 MONTHS PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OR MAINTAINS HIS BREEDING STOCK CONTINUALLY IN MARYLAND, THE HORSE SHALL BE EITHER THE PRODUCT OF A MARE HAVING CONCEIVED IN MARYLAND THE PREVIOUS SEASON OR THE PRODUCT OF A MARE HAVING BEEN SENT INTO MARYLAND TO FOAL AND COVERED BY A MARYLAND STALLION THE SEASON OF THE BIRTH OF THE FOAL. THESE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO THE MARYLAND STANDARDBRED SIRE'S STAKES PROGRAM PROVIDED FOR IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION. The number of Maryland Standardbred Fund races, amounts of the purses, date of running the races, distance provisions of the races, breeders' awards and other conditions necessary to carry out