

HANDICAPPING POLICY: DISQUALIFIED HORSES

In the event of a horse being disqualified from a race (rather than being demoted), the performance will be ignored for the purposes of assessing the horse's official rating or for the purposes of qualification.

These situations include:

- Disqualified for taking the wrong course
- Disqualified for jockey failing to weigh in
- Disqualified for losing a weight cloth
- Subsequent disqualification for failed dope test – in this case rating changes, both rises and drops, will be rescinded and the horse returned to its published mark at the time unless subsequent performances have been used to handicap the horse
- Subsequently found to be NQ for a race
- Other technical irregularities

The only exception to the above will be disqualification due to a violation of the BHA's whip rules – rating changes, both rises and drops, will remain in place subsequent to disqualification.