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## Schedule "A"

### Standardbred Official Ruling

Ruling Number 3000384

Licence No.: HPY1934 Date:

January 30, 2025

### Rideau Carleton Raceway

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE *HORSE RACING LICENCE ACT, 2015*,  
S.O. 2015, c.38, Sched. 9;  
AND IN THE MATTER OF ISABELLE D. DARVEAU**

On August 2, 2024, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (the "AGCO") was advised of a Certificate of Positive Analysis for the Class 4 substance trichlormethiazide in the urine sample with Test Tag no. 45 24200 305. The sample was obtained from the Standardbred horse "BLACK TIE BASH" (tattoo no. 2S525), which finished first (1st) in the seventh (7th) race on July 18, 2024 at Rideau Carleton Raceway. The trainer of record for BLACK TIE BASH was ISABELLE D. DARVEAU (licence no. HPY1934) ("DARVEAU").

TAKE NOTICE that DARVEAU and the AGCO have entered into a settlement agreement and agree that DARVEAU has violated rules 9.09(b), 26.02.01, 26.02.02, and 26.02.03(c) of the Rules of Standardbred Racing (the "Rules"). DARVEAU has agreed that there shall be no appeal of this ruling to the Horse Racing Appeal Panel.

This is DARVEAU's second equine drug violation occurring within three (3) years. In accordance with rules 4.02(i), 6.04, and 9.08.02 of the Rules and Policy Directive 1-2018, DARVEAU is hereby fully suspended for a period of thirty (30) days. The first fifteen (15) days of the suspension shall be served from March 23, 2025 to April 6, 2025, inclusive. Service of the remaining fifteen (15) days of the suspension shall be stayed for a period of two (2) years from April 7, 2025 to April 6, 2027, inclusive. DARVEAU is hereby also issued a monetary penalty of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), with payment of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) of that amount stayed for a period of two (2) years from April 7, 2025 to April 6, 2027, inclusive.

If DARVEAU commits an equine drug violation in relation to a Class 1, 2, 3, or 4 or Non-Therapeutic drug or substance or TCO2 contrary to the Rules before April 7, 2027, the

above-noted stays of the service of the remaining fifteen (15) days of the suspension and of the payment of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) of the monetary penalty will be lifted and DARVEAU will be required to serve the stayed portion of the suspension and pay the stayed portion of the monetary penalty on dates to be determined by AGCO Racing Officials.

If DARVEAU is compliant with the equine drug Rules and requirements in relation to Class 1, 2, 3, and 4 and Non-Therapeutic drugs and substances and TCO2 until April 7, 2027, the stayed portion of the suspension and stayed portion of the monetary penalty will be waived.

In accordance with Rule 6.01(a) of the Rules, DARVEAU is prohibited from accessing association grounds, including the "Winner's Circle", with the exception of the grandstand, while her licence is suspended.

DARVEAU is required to complete the AGCO Equine Medication Use and Awareness Program before her licence is reinstated following service of the first fifteen (15) days of the above-noted suspension.

Any subsequent equine drug violation(s) by DARVEAU contrary to the Rules may result in the imposition of further monetary penalties, conditions, suspensions, and/or revocation of licence.

TAKE NOTICE that, in accordance with rule 6.13.01 of the Rules, any horse owned or controlled in whole or in part by DARVEAU is suspended and is not eligible to race during any periods that DARVEAU's licence is suspended. Any horse trained by DARVEAU may, with the consent of the AGCO Racing Officials, be released to another trainer, in accordance with rule 26.08 of the Rules and Policy Directive No. 2-2008.

In accordance with rules 9.13 and 18.08.01 of the Rules, BLACK TIE BASH has been declared disqualified from Race 7 at Rideau Carleton Raceway on July 18, 2024 and all purse monies received by the owner and any driving and/or training fees paid under Rule 18.11 to the driver and/or trainer are ordered returned to the Association for redistribution within fifteen (15) days of this ruling.

The revised order of finish for Race 7 at Rideau Carleton Raceway on July 18, 2024, is as follows:

Place	#	Horse Name
1st	5	WARRAWEE XALT
2nd	3	IMA STANDUP GUY
3rd	2	MASK OF ZORO
4th	1	MEADOWBRANCH NOBLE
	4	BLACK TIE BASH (disqualified)

By Order of

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Katherine Cunningham  
Deputy Registrar