

Memo to Jockeys:

From: New England HBPA

Re: Double jock mount fees for winning horses

May 29, 2010

The New England HBPA (NEHBPA) is requesting that the Massachusetts Racing Commission consider amending the current rule 4.15(18) of the Rules of Racing that limits payment for “engagement of two or more jockeys for the same race” to the “losing amount fee for each engaged jockey not riding in the race”.

After two years of negotiations with the Jockeys’ Guild (Guild) representatives, the New England HBPA (NEHBPA) ad hoc committee on Jockey Fees reached agreement with the Guild on the issue of winning amount fees. Subsequently, the NEHBPA Board of Directors unanimously endorsed the recommended agreement between the parties.

In the event that the Massachusetts Racing Commission approves the proposed amendment, the NEHBPA is requesting that the amended rule be adopted in a manner that would result in the earliest possible effective date.

Since the NEHBPA has acted in good faith to resolve this issue in the most expedient manner possible, the NEHBPA will not be responsible for compensation of winning amount fees during the amendment process.