

**[IC RESOLUTION NO. 007, Series of 2007,
December 13, 2007]**

GUIDELINES ON 3 YO HANDICAPPING SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Philippine Racing Commission (Philracom) is mandated to promote and direct the accelerated development and continued growth of horse-racing;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the said mandate there is a need to revise and upgrade a handicapping system that is dynamic and progressive to ensure fair and balanced races and ultimately, to protect the betting public;

WHEREAS, PHILRACOM is empowered to prescribe additional rules and regulations to review, modify, approve, or disapprove the rules and regulations issued by persons or entities concerning the conduct of horse races held by them;

WHEREAS, the PHILRACOM has formulated a Handicapping System that is aimed (1) to protect the betting public, due to less human intervention and remove the advantages to deliberately lose a race; (2) to protect the horse racing industry by prolonging the racing career of horses and ensure the early recovery of investment (3) to sustain the balanced races introduced in the handicapping system for two (2) year old racehorses;

WHEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the PHILRACOM, after due notice and thorough consultation with the persons/entities concerned, that a new handicapping system for three-year old race horses be adopted and promulgated as follows:

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1. Barrier Trials will now replace Novato Races.
2. Horses coming from Barrier trial & Sweepstakes trial will go to the Maiden/Sweepstakes Races (1 run only).
3. Winner, Placer & Non-Placer of the Maiden/Sweepstakes races will be classified in the Winners Group, Placers Group & Non-Placers Group.
4. (Non-Placers Group)
 - a. Winner of the Non-Placers Group will go to the Winners Group.
 - b. Placers of the Non-Placers Group will go to the Placers group.