



## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Virginia Racing Commission
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	11VAC10-180-70, 11VAC10-180-75, 11VAC10-180-80, and 11VAC10-180-90
<b>Regulation title</b>	Medication
<b>Action title</b>	To Amend Regulations Pertaining to Medication
<b>Final agency action date</b>	January 16, 2013
<b>Document preparation date</b>	February 1, 2013

When a regulatory action is exempt from executive branch review pursuant to § 2.2-4002 or § 2.2-4006 of the Virginia Administrative Process Act (APA), the agency is encouraged to provide information to the public on the Regulatory Town Hall using this form.

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### Summary

*Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.*

The amendments to this chapter are being made in accordance with the Governor's Regulatory Reform Initiative to eliminate regulations that are no longer in use. The testing laboratory currently being used by the Virginia Racing Commission (VRC) requires the blood samples tested to be submitted in the form of serum instead of plasma. The term plasma will remain in the regulations also in the event that the VRC decides to utilize a different testing laboratory in the future that would require the blood samples to be submitted in plasma form.

### Statement of final agency action

*Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.*

On January 16, 2013, the Virginia Racing Commission adopted the final amendments to 11VAC10-180-70 (*Phenylbutazone, flunixin and other NSAIDs*), 11VAC10-180-75 (*Androgenic and anabolic steroids*), 11VAC10-180-80 (*Permitted race day substances*), and 11VAC10-180-90 (*Bicarbonate testing*) at its regular monthly meeting.

### Family impact

*Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.*

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These amendments will not have an impact on the institution of the family or family stability.