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## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Virginia Racing Commission
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	11VAC10-180-35, 11VAC10-180-60, 11VAC10-180-75, 11VAC10-180-90, 11VAC10-180-100, 11VAC10-180-110
<b>Regulation title</b>	Medication
<b>Action title</b>	To Amend Regulations Pertaining to the Medication of Racehorses
<b>Final agency action date</b>	April 27, 2010
<b>Document preparation date</b>	May 5, 2010

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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 add rules pertaining to intra-articular injections, peri-neural injections, and hyperbaric oxygen chambers. Also, the recommended penalty for Category "D" drug violations has been added. In addition, these amendments clarify what the consequences will be to a trainer who is suspended for more than 10 days in Virginia to correspond with an amendment being made to Chapter 60 of the Virginia Racing Commission's regulations. Finally, these amendments include minor changes to rules concerning steroids, test barn procedures, reporting procedures, and split samples. These amendments were recommended to the Commission by the Virginia Racing Commission's Equine Medical Director and Code Revision and Rules Committee.

### 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.*

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On April 27, 2010, the Virginia Racing Commission adopted the final amendments to 11VAC10-180-35 (Prohibited practices), 11VAC10-180-60 (Medications and prohibited substances), 11VAC10-180-75 (Androgenic and anabolic steroids), 11VAC10-180-90 (Bicarbonate testing), 11VAC10-180-100 (Collection of samples), and 11VAC10-180-110 (Laboratory findings and reports) 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.