STANDARDBRED CANADA BY-LAW # 2 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Proposed Amendments are approved by the Breeder's Committee of Standardbred Canada

Proposed Deletions shown in Strikethrough and Amended or New Language in Underline

Article 2 – Rules of Eligibility

- 2.10 Horses with unknown Sire and/or Dam may be Recorded by the Association and issued a Certificate of Record upon request provided that:
- (a) The breed of the horse is confirmed to be of a full standardbred by DNA test. The status of a full standardbred is confirmed when the DNA of a horse tests as likely to be 100% Standardbred with a probability of 99% or more
- (b) Ownership is recorded
- (c) The horse is a Recorded Standardbred in a foreign country, the country of which has been approved by resolution of the Breeders Committee
- (d) The Horse will not be eligible to race and will not be used as breeding stock for racing purposes

Rationale: — New language is being proposed regarding horses with unknown sire/dam to be recorded by SC with a certificate of record being issued. This certificate would be beneficial to owners of standardbred that cannot be registered because one or both parents have not been registered and require papers for showing purposes, it would also be beneficial for traceability purposes.

Article 3 – Registration

- **3.1** The following must be received by the Association before a horse will be granted **full** registration:
- (e) Membership of the owners(s) must be in good standing with the Association or with the United States Trotting Association
- (f) If the horse is 100% owned by Canadian resident(s), the application must be submitted to Standardbred Canada; and if the horse is 100% owned by US resident(s), the application must be submitted to the United States Trotting Association.

Rationale: — New language is being proposed for additional points (e) and (f) to acknowledge that members need to be in good standing with SC and/or USTA and to where the application needs to be submitted.

Article 4 – Registration of Names

- 4.1 The name of a horse registered with the Association shall not be
- (e) in whole or in part the name of a famous or outstanding horse unless the famous or outstanding horse is the sire, dam, grandsire or granddam of the horse to be registered names of outstanding horses, may not be used again nor may they be used as a prefix or suffix unless the name is part of the name of the sire or dam. A prefix or suffix such as "Junior", etc. is not acceptable
- (i) all names to be approved at the discretion of the Registrar

Rationale: - Wording has been updated to be in line with the USTA naming rules and to emphasize the importance of outstanding horses.

Article 9 – Penalties

- **9.3** The Registrar may suspend or cancel the membership of any member who:
- (v) Has been charged by the authorities for abuse or neglect of an animal as defined in the Association's horse welfare statement

Rationale: - New language is being proposed regarding the welfare of our horses and to support the efforts of the authorities who investigate and protect our animals.