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# Equine Medical Advisory

## Veterinary Labeling of Prescription Medication

Veterinarians practicing at New York racetracks must comply with ALL [New York State Office of the Professions laws, rules, regulations and practice guidelines](#).

[Section 5.12 B of the Practice Guidelines from the NYS Office of the Professions](#) refers specifically to the labeling of drugs dispensed from a veterinary pharmacy. The label for all prescription medications dispensed by a veterinarian's practice must include the following:

1. The name, address and telephone number of the facility;
2. The client's name;
3. The species and name, number, or other identifying information for the animal;
4. Date dispensed;
5. Directions for use, including withdrawal time and Precautionary information, if applicable;
6. The manufacturer's trade name of the drug or the generic name, strength (if more than one dosage form exists), quantity of drug and the expiration date when established by the manufacturer; and
7. The name of prescribing veterinarian.

Dispensing medication on the grounds of New York racetracks without a prescription label that meets the above criteria may be considered professional misconduct.

For further information regarding the New York State Education Department Office of the Professions laws, rules, regulations and guidelines for the practice of Veterinary Medicine, please visit [www.op.nysed.gov/prof/vetmed/](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/vetmed/).

Thank you for your continued commitment to ethical practice at New York racetracks. If you have any questions regarding this advisory, please do not hesitate to contact me, using the information provided above.

Sincerely,

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