Regulations and prohibition of the use of non-registered DMSO (dimethyl sulfoxide) in Scandinavian horse racing.

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Action

All administration of products containing DMSO (dimethyl sulfoxide), intravenously, intraarticularly, intrasynovially, subcutaneously, intramuscularly, or perorally; and not registered as medical product with a marketing authorisation within the EU, will be considered a violation to the A-list, section 4.1 Swedish Trotting Association's list over prohibited substances and withdrawal times. This also includes all topical usage of ointments, liniments and other non-prescription products containing DMSO.

Note that for topical use only licensed products, with a marketing authorisation, containing DMSO are permitted, with minimum 14 days withdrawal time.

International thresholds/residue limits apply.

The rule regarding topical use applies from 1st of July 2024 in Sweden. All other above rules and regulations were introduced in 2023.

Conclusion

We, the trotting associations of the Scandinavian countries (Sweden, Norway, and Denmark), consider the usage of non-authorised DMSO, as treatment, systemically, locally, or topically (as specified above), as a breach of our antidoping regulations.

Legal action

The use of DMSO in violation to above mentioned A-list, after said date, can render a minimum **6 month ban** from racing within the Scandinavian countries (Sweden, Norway, and Denmark) and an equal length of time in UET-countries, within the agreed frame of the European trotting collaboration.

Note that date for introduction of above rule varies between mentioned Scandinavian countries. See each countries specific list of prohibited substances and withdrawal times.

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