The Jockey Club has supported nationwide, uniform rules and regulations for Thoroughbred racing for decades through numerous initiatives.

In May 2015, The Jockey Club was one of the founding organizations for the Coalition for Horseracing Integrity, which worked with Congressman Paul Tonko (D-NY) and other lawmakers to pass common-sense legislation to bring long-needed reforms to horse racing through the House bill known as the Thoroughbred Horse Racing Anti-Doping Act of 2015.

In December 2020, a similar bill was signed into law: the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA). The Jockey Club companies have provided data and technical support to HISA and developed products to help HISA interact with racetracks and horsemen and vice versa.

Click here to listen to a podcast with Chris Dobbins, senior vice president of InCompass Solutions, discussing some of the ways The Jockey Club companies support HISA.

The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Incentive Program (T.I.P.) was created to encourage the retraining of Thoroughbreds into other disciplines when they finished their careers in racing or breeding. It also highlights the incredible talent, athleticism, and diversity of Thoroughbreds. T.I.P. celebrated its 10th year in 2022.

The first T.I.P. event was held at Red Hills International Horse Trial in Florida on March 8, 2012. Since then, there have been more than 9,185 horse shows and events with T.I.P. classes or awards held in 47 states and six Canadian provinces. More than 80,000 eligible Thoroughbreds have participated, competing for thousands of ribbons, hundreds of prizes, and thousands of dollars in prize money.

T.I.P. offers incentives for competition horses, recreational horses, young riders, and Thoroughbreds in a non-competitive second career. In addition,
Kristin Werner serves as Senior Counsel for The Jockey Club and works with members of The Jockey Club’s legal team and The Jockey Club’s for-profit companies and not-for-profit organizations on a variety of contracts and legal issues. She is also involved with many of The Jockey Club’s industry initiatives, including the Equine Injury Database, the Thoroughbred Incentive Program, and the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance.

Kristin graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Political Science and Sociology from the University of Kentucky and a juris doctor from the University of Kentucky College of Law. She is a member of the Kentucky Bar Association and is involved with numerous industry committees including the American Horse Council, International Federation of Horseracing Authorities, International Forum for the Aftercare of Racehorses, Racing Officials Accreditation Program, United Horse Coalition, and the Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit.

T.I.P. hosts two championship horse shows and sponsors awards at additional national championship events to showcase Thoroughbreds in multiple divisions: Hunters, Jumpers, English Pleasure, Dressage, Combined Test, Eventing, In-Hand (English and Western), Western Dressage, Western Pleasure, Ranch Riding, Barrel Racing and Competitive Trail. T.I.P. also coordinates with the United States Polo Association to recognize Thoroughbreds excelling as polo horses through seven awards that are offered annually.

“It’s so exciting how far we’ve come and how many Thoroughbreds have been recognized through T.I.P. shows and events,” said Kristin Werner, senior counsel for The Jockey Club and T.I.P. administrator. “Thoroughbreds are incredible athletes but are also gentle enough to work as therapy horses, and I am proud that T.I.P. continues to showcase them and demonstrate how valuable they are off the track.”

Another great initiative within T.I.P. is the ambassador program. Approximately a dozen young riders who own or lease a Thoroughbred and have actively participated in T.I.P.-sponsored shows, classes, or award programs are chosen each year to positively represent T.I.P. and Thoroughbreds.

To learn more about T.I.P., visit tjctip.com.
This May, The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Safety Committee will have been recommending actions the industry can take to improve the health and safety of Thoroughbreds for 15 years. The recommendations range from eliminating the use of anabolic steroids to providing aftercare liaisons at racetracks.

Committee members are Craig R. Fravel (chairman), Dr. Rick Arthur, James G. (Jimmy) Bell, Dr. Larry Bramlage, Dell Hancock, Jim Lawson, Christopher J. McCarron, Dr. Hiram C. Polk Jr., Tom Robbins, and Jaime Roth. Each is a member of The Jockey Club.

What’s Coming Up

- **Deadline for Scholarship Applications** - February 1
- **Deadline for Internship Applications** - February 17
- **2023 Online Fact Book** - Mid-February

Registration Services

Below are links to resources to help you microchip and register your foals and manage digital certificates.

- **Registration Overview (FAQ)**
- **How to Microchip Your Foal (video)**
- **How to Manage Digital Certificates (video)**