## New York State Gaming Commission Equine Death and Breakdown Overview

## **General Description**

Our purpose is to ensure that New York State's legalized pari-mutuel operations, charitable gaming activities and Class III Indian Gaming facilities operate with integrity and are in full compliance with New York's statutes, the Board's rules and the tribal-State Class III Gaming Compacts, respectively.

We safeguard the interest of the public, including the taxpayers and patrons, by ensuring that the regulated entities and their employees participating in or benefiting from legalized gambling operate with the utmost professionalism. We will expeditiously respond to all public concerns.

Executive management understands that personal integrity is paramount for all Board employees who must ensure honest and proper conduct of legalized gambling and other regulated activities.

To properly serve the public, all employees must perform their duties in an ethical manner that is above reproach. To meet this goal we advocate teamwork, intra-agency communication, mutual respect, training and advancement to reach each employee's potential.

Only through vigilance, competence and dedication can the Board and its employees be successful in performing their statutory responsibilities.

A detailed list of every horse that has broken down, died, sustained a serious injury or been involved in an incident at a track in New York State since 2009.

## **Data Collection Methodology**

Any incident, death, or breakdown of any horse at any facility under the Gaming Commission's jurisdiction is reported to the Presiding Judge or Stewart at that facility. The details of the incident are forwarded to the Commission's main office in Schenectady. Once the details of the incident have been verified, they are entered into a database and appear in this report.