

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND RULE HEARING**

The New Mexico Racing Commission (Commission) will hold a Public Meeting and Rule Hearing on **April 25, 2022**. The Rule hearing will be held during the Commission's regular business meeting with the public session beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Rule Hearing and Commission meeting will be held virtually via Teams.

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The Commission is proposing the following amendments listed below to the rules Governing Horse Racing in New Mexico to clarify the rules regarding the Open Meetings Act and purse moneys.

15.2.2 NMAC – Gaming

15.2.3 NMAC – Flat Racing Officials

15.2.6 NMAC – Veterinary Practices, Equine Health, Medication, and Trainer Responsibility

16.47.1 NMAC – General Provisions

A copy of the proposed rules may be found on the Commission's website @ <http://nmrc.state.nm.us/rules-regulations.aspx>. You may also contact Denise Chavez at (505) 249-2184 to request to receive a copy of the proposed rules by regular mail.

Interested persons may submit their written comments on the proposed rules to the Commission at the address below and/or may appear at the scheduled meeting and provide brief, verbal comments. All written comments must be received by the Commission by 12:00 PM on April 22, 2022. Written comments should be submitted to: Denise Chavez, Law Clerk, via email at [DeniseM.Chavez@state.nm.us](mailto:DeniseM.Chavez@state.nm.us).

The **final** agenda for the Commission meeting will be available one hundred twenty (120) hours prior to the meeting. A copy of the **final** agenda may be obtained from Denise Chavez or from the Commission's website.

No technical information served as the basis for the proposed rule.

Anyone who requires special accommodations is requested to notify the Commission of such needs at least five days prior to the meeting.

**Statutory Authority:** Legal authority for this rulemaking can be found in the New Mexico Horse Racing Act, Sections 60-1A-1 through 60-1A-30 NMSA 1978 (2007, as amended through 2017), which, among other provisions, specifically authorizes the Commission to promulgate rules and regulations and carry out the duties of the Act to regulate horse racing in the State.

**The Commission proposes the following rule amendments:**

**Subsection B of 15.2.2.8 NMAC:** The purpose of the proposed amendment is to make consistent with current state laws.

**Subsection A of 15.2.2.9 NMAC:** The purpose of the proposed amendment is to make consistent with both

reporting and depositing.

**Subsection B of 15.2.3.8 NMAC:** The purpose of the proposed amendment will allow the NMRC to revolutionize the way stewarding is conducted in the regulation of horse racing.

**Subsection B of 15.2.6.8 NMAC:** The purpose of the proposed amendment is to allow the same restrictions set forth in 15.2.6.9 NMAC to be utilized in out-of-competition testing.

**Subsection L of 16.47.1.8 NMAC:** The purpose of the proposed amendments is to promote and improve the professionalism of licensee behaviors and actions as a means of improving the wagering public's trust and confidence in the horse racing business and industry.