

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND RULE HEARING

The New Mexico Racing Commission (Commission) will hold a Public Meeting and Rule Hearing on February 17, 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 Zoom.

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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.

15.2.1 NMAC – Commission & Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.2 NMAC – Gaming

A copy of the proposed rules may be found on the Commission's website at <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 February 16, 2022. Written comments should be submitted to: Denise Chavez, Law Clerk, via email at 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 H of 15.2.1.8 NMAC: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to provide the New Mexico Racing Commission with increased flexibility in its statutorily-mandated oversight of gaming monies and its oversight and regulation of the horseracing related entities which receive, maintain and reconcile gaming monies.

Subsection C of 15.2.1.9 NMAC: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to be consistent with the Open Meetings Act.

Subsection A of 15.2.2.9 NMAC: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to provide the New Mexico Racing Commission with increased flexibility in its statutorily-mandated oversight of gaming monies and its oversight and regulation of the horseracing related entities which receive, maintain and reconcile gaming monies.

Subsection B of 15.2.2.9 NMAC: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to provide the New Mexico Racing Commission with increased flexibility in its statutorily-mandated oversight of gaming monies and its oversight and regulation of the horseracing related entities which receive, maintain and reconcile gaming monies.