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This is an amendment to 15.2.2 NMAC Section 8, effective 04/08/2025.

Explanatory paragraph: This is a short-form amendment to 15.2.2 NMAC, Section 8, effective April 8, 2025. For Section 8 of 15.2.2 NMAC, Subsections A - D were not published as there were no changes and Subsections F - X were not published as there were no changes.

15.2.2.8 **ASSOCIATIONS:** ***

> Е. Facilities and equipment: facilities for patrons and licensees:

An association shall ensure that the public areas of the association grounds are designed (1) and maintained for the comfort and safety of the patrons and licensees and are accessible to all persons with disabilities as required by federal law.

(2) An association shall provide and maintain adequate restroom facilities for the patrons and licensees.

(3) An association shall provide an adequate supply of free drinking water.

(4) An association shall maintain all facilities on association grounds to ensure the safety and cleanliness of the facilities at all times.

During a race performance, the association shall provide a first aid room equipped with at (5) least two beds and other appropriate equipment; the services of at least one physician, nurse practitioner or certified emergency medical technician.

An association shall provide two properly equipped ambulances, ready for immediate (6) duty and equipped for transport at any time the racetrack is open [for racing or training hours] during live racing. Each ambulance shall be staffed with one certified paramedic or an intermediate emergency medical technician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant. The other staff will be certified EMTs. If the ambulance is being used to transport an individual, the association may not conduct a race until a properly equipped and staffed ambulance is in place, or a physician is on duty.

An association shall provide one properly equipped ambulance ready for immediate duty (7) and equipped for transport at any time the racetrack is open for training hours. The ambulance shall be staffed with one certified paramedic or an intermediate emergency medical technician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant. The other staff will be certified EMTs. If the ambulance is being used to transport an individual, the association may not conduct training until a properly equipped and staffed ambulance is in place, or a physician is on duty.

Unless otherwise approved by the commission or the stewards, an ambulance shall follow (8) the field at a safe distance during the running of races.

[(8)] (9) The ambulance must be parked at an entrance to the racing strip except when the ambulance is being used to transport an individual or when it is following the field during the running of a race.

[(9)] (<u>10</u>) An association shall provide adequate office space for the use of the stewards and other commission personnel as required by the commission. The location and size of the office space, furnishings and equipment required under this section must be approved by the commission. An association shall provide the board of stewards, state investigator and official veterinarian access to the RTO Incompass system as prescribed by the racing office as well as e-mail notification for all entry clerk overrides for horses on stewards', veterinarian's, paddock judge's, bleeders' and starter's lists.

[(10)] (11) An association shall promptly post commission notices in places that can be easily viewed by patrons and licensees.

[(11)] (12) An association shall ensure that all concessions provide prompt and efficient service to the public at all race meets or simulcast performances. The associations shall specifically ensure that concessions have adequate staff and inventory to provide prompt and efficient service to the public. ***

[15.2.2.8 NMAC - Rp, 15 NMAC 2.2.8, 3/15/2001; A, 8/30/2001; A, 11/14/2002; A, 8/30/2007; A, 1/1/2013; A, 6/1/2016; A, 12/16/2016; A, 9/26/2018; A, 4/20/2021; A, 5/24/2022; A, 4/9/2024; A, 4/8/2025]