

CHAPTER 7871
MINNESOTA RACING COMMISSION
TELEVISED RACING DAYS

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Each association shall provide at least one information or complaint window where complaints may be made by members of the public. Complaint forms must include the name, address, and telephone number of the complainant, the date and nature of the complaint, and the department or persons with whom the complaint was made. When a patron makes a complaint, the association shall forward a copy of the complaint along with the action or proposed action taken, if any, to the commission staff within 48 hours of the complaint. A current set of all Minnesota commission rules and all administrative rules of the state in which the host racetrack is located regarding pari-mutuel wagering shall be available for public inspection during racing hours at every such window.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 240.13*

History: *20 SR 2592*

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Subpart 1. Requirement. All races on which pari-mutuel betting is conducted on televised racing days may be presided over by an official of the commission appointed by the director of pari-mutuel racing.

[For text of subp 2, see M.R.]

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Subpart 1. Interruption of the audio/visual satellite signal from host racetrack. In the event of an interruption of both the audio and video satellite signal from the host racetrack, the guest track's mutuel manager must:

- A. notify the host track of the loss of the signal;
- B. notify the presiding official or designated commission representative of the interruption;

C. establish telephone linkup with the host track announcer to the PA system at the guest racetrack. The licensee may continue to accept wagering on the balance of the program and subsequent programs until the satellite downlink has been reestablished. In the event this telephone link cannot be established after the initial start-up audio or visual signal had been established, the licensee may continue to accept wagering for a period of two races. The guest track must inform the public of the interruption, order of finish, and winning payoffs by announcements made over the public address system until the signal has been reestablished. In the event that the initial audio or visual signal is not established, the guest track must make an announcement to the public and refund any advanced wagers, until the signals are established.

Subp. 2. Computer interface interruption.

A. In the event the guest totalizator system fails to transfer the data to the host system, the guest mutuel manager must notify either the host mutuel department or the host tote system representatives and the designated commission representative of the interruption. If necessary, the guest mutuel manager will make a request to the host track for additional time to attempt a retransmission of the data or a manual merge before going official.

B. If the attempted retransfer of data fails, the tote or mutuel representatives shall notify the stewards or the designated commission representative that the transfer has failed and that the pools must be merged manually. In the event of a manual merge:

[For text of subitems (1) to (3), see M.R.]

[For text of items C and D, see M.R.]

Subp. 3. Complete totalizator system failure at the guest track.

[For text of item A, see M.R.]

B. The host racetrack's mutuel manager and host tote representatives must be notified of the system failure and all wagers at the guest track on the race in which the system failure occurred, and all advance wagers shall be taken out of the pools at the host racetrack.

Subp. 4. Complete totalizator system failure at the host racetrack.

[For text of items A and B, see M.R.]

C. In the event that separate pools are calculated, the guest track must make an announcement to that effect. On-track winning payoffs must also be announced or displayed. The mutuel department and/or tote representative must submit to the commission reports supporting the separate calculated payoffs within 24 hours of the failure.

Subp. 5. Notification and reporting. In the event of an emergency in connection with the pari-mutuels and/or tote system covered in subparts 1 to 4 or in any situation not covered in subparts 1 to 4, the pari-mutuel representative from the association will notify the stewards or designated commission representative of the interruption as soon as possible and render a written report to the commission within 48 hours.

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