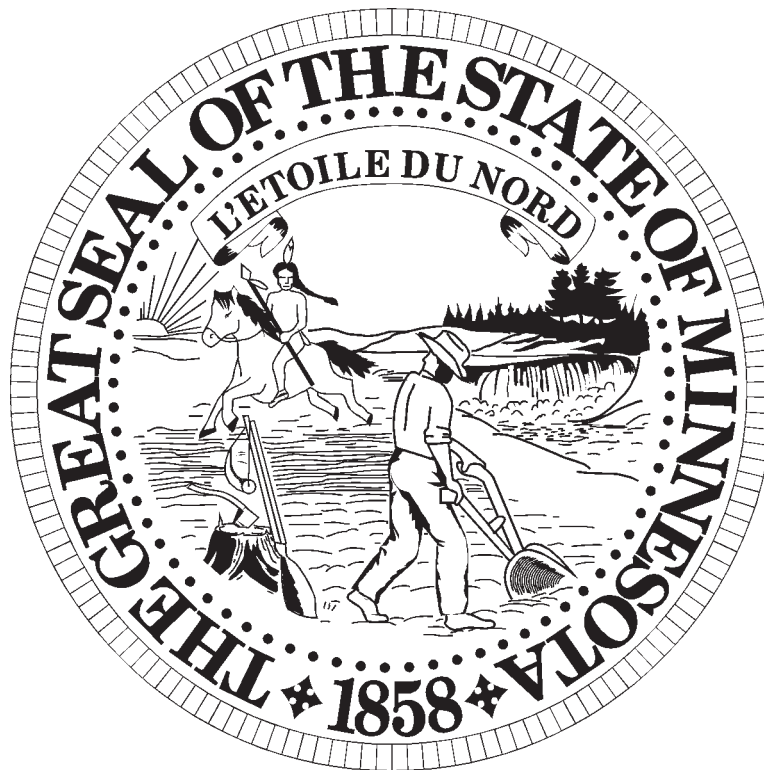


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When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as **Proposed Rules**, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules and withdrawn proposed rules are also published in the *State Register*. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the *State Register* as **Adopted Rules**. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety in the *State Register*, only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the *State Register*, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted. For a more detailed description of the rulemaking process, see the most current edition of the *Minnesota Guidebook to State Agency Services*.

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Rules to be Adopted After a Hearing. After receiving comments and deciding to hold a public hearing on the rule, an agency drafts its rule. It then publishes its rules with a notice of hearing. All persons wishing to make a statement must register at the hearing. Anyone who wishes to submit written comments may do so at the hearing, or within five working days of the close of the hearing. Administrative law judges may, during the hearing, extend the period for receiving comments up to 20 calendar days. For five business days after the submission period the agency and interested persons may respond to any new information submitted during the written submission period and the record then is closed. The administrative law judge prepares a report within 30 days, stating findings of fact, conclusions and recommendations. After receiving the report, the agency decides whether to adopt, withdraw or modify the proposed rule based on consideration of the comments made during the rule hearing procedure and the report of the administrative law judge. The agency must wait five days after receiving the report before taking any action.

Rules to be Adopted Without a Hearing. Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* § 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing. An agency must first solicit **Comments on Planned Rules** or **Comments on Planned Rule Amendments** from the public. The agency then publishes a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

KEY: Proposed Rules - Underlining indicates additions to existing rule language. ~~Strikeouts~~ indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material." **Adopted Rules** - Underlining indicates additions to proposed rule language. ~~Strikeout~~ indicates deletions from proposed rule language.

Minnesota Racing Commission

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Horse Racing

Dual Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules without a Public Hearing unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing if 25 or More Requests for a Hearing Are Received

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing:

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| M.R. 7869 – Definitions | M.R. 7871 - Televised Racing Days | M.R. 7873 – Pari-Mutuel Rules |
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Introduction: The Racing Commission intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28, and rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2300 to 1400.2310. If, however, 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing on the rules by 4:30 p.m. on March 26, 2008, a public hearing will be held at Canterbury Park, 1100 Canterbury Road, Shakopee, Minnesota, 55379, starting at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 16, 2008. To find out whether the rules will be adopted without a hearing or if the hearing will be held, you should contact the agency contact person after March 26, 2008 and before April 16, 2008.

Agency Contact Person: Comments or questions on the rules and written requests for a public hearing on the rules must be submitted to the agency contact person. The agency contact person is Richard G. Krueger at Minnesota Racing Commission, P.O. Box 630, Shakopee, Minnesota, 55379, **Phone:** (952) 496-7950, **FAX:** (952) 496-7954, and **e-mail:** richard.krueger@state.mn.us. TTY users may call the Racing Commission at 1-800-627-3529. A copy of the rules as proposed is also attached to this notice.

Subject of Rules, Summary, and Statutory Authority: The proposed rule amendments of the Minnesota Racing Commission are intended to modify definitions as needed to define what is meant by "direct supervision by a veterinarian", and to broaden the definition of equipment used by race horses to include some newly marketed innovations and devices in shoes, reins, and collars. The proposed rules will abolish requirements for Class B licensees to maintain multiple copies of pari-mutuel rules from other states when those states' races are being simulcast at Minnesota racetracks, and will make modifications in the number of independent tip sheets required at Class B facilities. The proposed rules will make changes in the date for submission of race days request, in order to make the rules in conformance with state laws regarding the assignment of race days. The proposed rules will change the number of betting interests required in order to conduct trifecta wagering. Changes are proposed in the Facilities and Equipment rules to incorporate up-to-date communications

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requirements in the area of electronic communications. The proposed rules will make changes where necessary to incorporate references to drivers with respect to jockeys rooms, due to the advent of harness racing in Minnesota in the spring of 2008. Changes are being proposed to allow freeze branding of horses as an acceptable means of identification. Changes are being proposed to allow the Stewards greater leniency in determining when horses are required to be at the racetrack on days when they are scheduled to race. Changes are being proposed the standards required of applicants for veterinarians licenses, and for authorized agent licenses. A change is being proposed to require all drugs on the grounds of a racing association to be approved by the FDA. The proposed rules establish duties and responsibilities for veterinary assistants. Clarification changes are proposed in the rules governing conflict of interest requirements for racing officials, and adding conflict of interest requirements for employees. The proposed rules will establish times after which the stewards will not be able to conduct trainers' examinations during the live race meet. Changes are proposed to the rules governing coupled entries, and requiring stewards' approval for horses to use blinkers during a race. Changes are also proposed to the workout requirements for horses to be eligible to participate in a race. Changes are proposed to the rules governing claiming races, and to the rules governing the use of bandages and blankets in the paddock prior to race. Clarification changes are proposed for the rules governing interference and willful fouling by jockeys. In conjunction with the proposed definition changes for equipment, rules are proposed to specify requirements for the use of toe grabs. Changes to the harness racing rules include changing the requirement for a one mile track to a 5/8 mile track to accommodate the actual length of the track at Running Aces Harness Park. While not new, the rules regarding claiming prices for harness horses are being moved to from the chapter governing Thoroughbred races to the rules governing Harness races. Rules are being proposed regarding the requirements for harness drivers clothing while on the track during a race, and changing requirements for the length of whips or snappers to reflect current requirements by the United States Trotting Association. Another change is being proposed to allow a Class B licensee to request that the Commission grant it expanded homestretch authority. Changes are being proposed to the medication rules to add definitions for alkalinizing agents, TC02, milkshaking, and venom. Changes are proposed to rules on the use of nasogastric tubes, and prohibitions on the possession of venom or blood doping agents are being included. Pre-race testing procedures for TC02 are proposed in the amended rules, as well as changes to what is considered prima facie evidence for drug related infractions. Changes are proposed to the trainers responsibility rules concerning horses that are certified as bleeders., i.e., certain paperwork requirements are being eliminated. Changes in the permitted times for use of nasogastric tubes are included in the rule amendments.

The Commission's statutory authority to adopt the rules is set forth in *Minnesota Statutes* section 240.23, which provides: The Commission has the authority, in addition to all other rulemaking authority granted elsewhere in this chapter to promulgate rules governing a) the conduct of horse races held at licensed racetracks in Minnesota, including but not limited to the rules of racing, standards of entry, operation of claiming races, filing and handling of objections, carrying of weights, and declaration of official results, b) wire communications between the premises of a licensed racetrack and any place outside the premises. Further statutory rulemaking delegation relating to the amendments contained herein include Minnesota Statutes 240.13, subd. 3. (Types of Betting) and *Minnesota Statutes* 240.24, Subd. 1 (Medication Rules). Under these statutes the Commission has the necessary authority to adopt the proposed rules.

Comments: You have until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26, 2008 to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rules or any part or subpart of the rules. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. Comment is encouraged. Your comments should identify the proposed portion of the rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed. You are also encouraged to proposed any change desired. Any comments that you would like to make on the legality of the proposed rules must also be made during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing: In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that a hearing be held on the rules. Your request for a public hearing must be made in writing and must be received by the agency contact person by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26, 2008. Your written request for a public hearing must include your name and address. You must identify the proposed portion of the proposed rules to which you object or state that you propose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and cannot be counted by the agency when determining whether a public hearing must be held. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules.

Withdrawal of Requests: If 25 or more persons submit a valid written request for hearing, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 25, the agency must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the actions the agency took to effect the withdrawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If a public hearing is required, the agency will follow the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

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Alternative Format/Accommodation: Upon request, this Notice can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, or if you need an accommodation to make this hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Modifications: The proposed rules may be modified, either as a result of public comments or as a result of the rule hearing process. Modifications must be supported by data and views submitted to the agency or presented at the hearing and the adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, you are encouraged to participate in the rulemaking process.

Cancellation of Hearing: The hearing scheduled for April 16, 2008 will be canceled if the agency does not receive requests from 25 or more persons that a hearing be held on the rules. If you requested a public hearing, the agency will notify you before the scheduled hearing date whether or not the hearing will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at (952) 496-7950 after March 26, 2008 to find out whether the hearing will be held.

Notice of Hearing: If 25 or more persons submit valid requests for a public hearing on the rules, a hearing will be held following the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 and 14.20. The hearing will be held on the date and at the time and place listed above. The hearing will continue until all interested persons have been heard. Administrative Law Judge Eric Lipman is assigned to conduct the hearing. Judge Lipman can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, PO Box 64620, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164, **telephone:** (651) 361-7900 and **FAX:** (651) 361-7936.

Hearing Procedure: If a hearing is held, you and all other interested persons or affected persons, including representatives of association or other interested groups, will have an opportunity to participate. You may present your views either orally at the hearing, or in writing at any time before the close of the hearing record. All evidence presented should relate to the proposed rules. You may also submit written material to the Administrative Law Judge to be recorded in the hearing record for five working days after the public hearing ends. This five-day comment period may be extended for a longer period not to exceed 20 calendar days if ordered by the Administrative Law Judge at the hearing. Following the comment period, there is a five-working-day rebuttal period during which the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No additional evidence may be submitted during the five-day response period. All comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge must be received at the Office of Administrative Hearings no later than 4:00 p.m. on the due date. All comments or responses received will be available for review at the Office of Administrative Hearings. This rule hearing procedure is governed by *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2000 to 1400.2240, and *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. Questions about procedure may be directed to the Administrative Law Judge.

The agency requests that any person submitting written views or data to the Administrative Law Judge prior to the hearing or during the comment or rebuttal period also submit a copy of the written views or data to the agency contact person at the address stated above.

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. A statement of need and reasonableness is now available from the agency contact person. This statement contains a summary of the justification for the proposed rules, including a description of who will be affected by the proposed rules and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rules. The statement may also be reviewed and copies obtained at the cost of reproduction from the agency.

Lobbyist Registration: *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Questions regarding this requirement may be directed to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board at: Suite 190, Centennial Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55155, telephone (651) 296-5148 or 1-800-657-3889.

Adoption Procedure If No Hearing: If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rules after the end of the comment period. The rules and supporting documents will then be submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings for Review for Legality. You may ask to be notified of the date the rules are submitted to the office. If you want to be so notified, or want to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or want to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Adoption Procedure After A Hearing: If a hearing is held, after the close of the hearing record, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a report on the proposed rules. You may ask to be notified of the date when the Administrative Law Judge's report will become available, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the Administrative Law Judge. You may also ask to be notified of the date on which

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the agency adopts the rules and files them with the Secretary of State, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the agency contact person listed above.

Order: I order that the rulemaking hearing be held at the date, time, and location listed above.

Dated: January 14, 2008

Richard G. Krueger, Executive Director

7869.0100 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subs 1 to 24, see M.R.]

Subp. 25. **Equipment.** "Equipment," as applied to a horse, means whips, blinkers, tongue straps, muzzles, hoods, nasal strips, nose bands, shadow rolls, martingales, breast plates, bandages, boots, plates or toe grabs (shoes), sulkies, head poles, safety reins, cornell collars, and all other paraphernalia that is or might be used on or attached to a horse while racing.

[For text of subs 26 to 69, see M.R.]

7871.0070 INFORMATION WINDOW.

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.

7871.0080 TIP SHEETS.

Subpart 1. **Number of tip sheets.** Should the licensee elect to allow the availability of tip sheets, ~~not less than two~~ at least one independently handicapped tip sheets shall be available at a racetrack. Each handicapper must sign and deliver the sheet at least one hour before post time for the first race to the presiding official at the licensee's racetrack.

[For text of subs 2 and 3, see M.R.]

7872.0100 APPLICATION FOR RACING DAYS.

Subpart 1. **Submission of live racing days requests.** On or before ~~December 31~~ November 15 of any year, a Class B or Class D licensee may apply for an assignment of live racing days for up to the next three calendar years by submitting an original and 15 copies of the following:

[For text of items A to D, see M.R.]

[For text of subs 2 to 7, see M.R.]

7873.0185 TRIFECTA.

[For text of subs 2 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **Restrictions on trifecta races.** Trifecta wagering must not be scheduled on a race with fewer than ~~six~~ five betting interests in the original daily racing program.

Trifecta wagering must not be allowed on a race with fewer than ~~six~~ five betting interests. If, for any reason, trifecta wagering is canceled, all trifecta wagers must be refunded. If time permits, the association may schedule exacta wagering in place of trifecta wagering.

[For text of subp 8, see M.R.]

7873.0240 TIP SHEETS.

Subpart 1. **Number of tip sheets.** ~~Not less than two~~ At least one independently handicapped tip sheets shall be available at a racetrack. Each handicapper must sign and deliver the sheet at least one hour before post time for the first race to a commission representative at the racetrack.

[For text of subs 2 and 3, see M.R.]

7875.0100 FACILITIES.

[For text of subs 1 to 5, see M.R.]

Subp. 6. Jockey's room.

A. ~~Cellular telephone use~~ The use of electronic communications devices, including but not limited to cellular telephones, is prohibited in the jockey's and driver's room for one-half hour prior to the first post and until the last race is official.

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B. The association will establish and post the hours that the jockey's or driver's room will be open. The association will be responsible to secure the jockey's or driver's room when open.

7875.0200 EQUIPMENT.

[For text of subps 1 to 5, see M.R.]

Subp. 6. **Timing.** An association must use an electric timing system. An official shall be designated to use a ~~hand-held~~ handheld stopwatch to record the time should the electric timing system fail.

[For text of subps 7 and 8, see M.R.]

Subp. 9. **External communications.** An association may have telephone ~~or telegraph~~ systems on the premises during a race meeting for the benefit of the public, the press, or for transacting ordinary business.

No information regarding the results of any race shall be transmitted out of the racetrack until the results are official except for races that are broadcast or televised live. Under no circumstances shall any message be sent over said wires transmitting money, or other things of value, or directing the placing of any wager on the result of a race.

The use of public or portable telephones, transmitters, electronic communications devices, or any other instrument that can be used for transmitting or receiving messages off the grounds to transmit wagering information of any kind is strictly prohibited. Anyone deemed to have used such an instrument to transmit or receive wagering information is subject to ejection and the equipment is subject to confiscation. No telephone calls, ~~telegrams~~, or messages of any kind for any person attending or participating in the conduct of a race meeting shall be accepted, nor shall any notice be given pertaining to such message or telephone call during the hours indicated unless permission is first given by the stewards or the authorized representative of the commission.

A telephone on a private line shall be provided in the offices of the commission. All costs of the telephone service shall be borne by the association and the service shall not be interrupted at any time. At the request of the commission, TDD devices shall be installed on all commission telephones at the track, and costs associated with the devices shall be borne by the association.

At least one of the public telephones allowed at an association shall be equipped with a TDD device.

7876.0110 OFF-TRACK STABLING.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Requirements of commission must be met at racetrack.** All workout, tattooing, freeze branding, approval from the starting gate, and eligibility requirements of the commission or stewards must be secured at a licensed racetrack at which racing is being conducted. However, workouts may be obtained at sites approved by the commission and which are staffed by a clocker or clockers licensed by the commission.

Subp. 3. **Horses must be at racetrack for race day inspection.** All horses shipped from another racetrack or off-track stabling facility to a racetrack for a race must be at the racetrack no later than 9:00 a.m. or later if approved by the stewards on the day on which the horse is scheduled to race.

7877.0130 STANDARDS REQUIRED OF APPLICANTS FOR SPECIFIC LICENSES.

[For text of subps 1 to 8, see M.R.]

Subp. 9. **Veterinarians.** An applicant for a veterinarian's license must:

A. ~~provide proof of current validation~~ be currently licensed by the Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine to practice veterinary medicine in Minnesota;

[For text of items B to D, see M.R.]

[For text of subps 10 to 13, see M.R.]

Subp. 14. **Authorized agents.** To be appointed an authorized agent, the appointee must be licensed as ~~either~~ an individual owner ~~or as~~, a trainer, or an assistant trainer. A written agency appointment authorizing ~~him or her~~ the authorized agent to act on behalf of a licensed individual owner or licensed multiple owner, or licensed trainer in racing matters not directly related to the care and training of horses must accompany the appointment. The authorization shall be on a form provided by the commission and shall define the powers, limits, and terms of the agency agreement. The authorization must be signed by the individual principals or the multiple owner designated representative and notarized.

A separate notarized agency appointment is required for each principal an authorized agent intends to represent. All such agencies shall remain in effect for the duration of the current race meeting unless written notice of revocation is submitted to the stewards at the meeting where the principal is racing.

[For text of subps 15 and 16, see M.R.]

7877.0170 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLASS C LICENSEES.

[For text of subps 1 to 2a, see M.R.]

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Subp. 3. **Jockeys and apprentice jockeys.** Jockeys and apprentice jockeys shall have the following responsibilities.

A. An apprentice jockey must ride with a five-pound weight allowance beginning with his or her first mount and for one full year thereafter, unless the jockey is riding in stakes races, handicap races, or substituting for a journeyman jockey who is unable to fulfill a riding engagement. If after one full year from the date of his or her fifth winning mount the apprentice jockey has failed to ride 40 winners, he or she shall continue to ride with a five-pound weight allowance for up to two years from the date of his or her fifth winning mount or until he or she has ridden a total of 40 winners, whichever comes first. If an apprentice jockey is unable to ride for a period of 14 consecutive days or more after the date of the jockey's fifth winning mount because of service in the United States armed forces, enrollment in an institution of secondary or ~~post-secondary~~ postsecondary education, or because of physical disability, the commission may extend the time during which the apprentice weight allowance may be claimed for a period not to exceed the period the apprentice jockey was unable to ride.

[For text of items B to E, see M.R.]

F. Each jockey engaged to ride in a race must report to the clerk of scales for ~~weighing-out~~ weighing out not more than 30 minutes before post time for the first race, if he or she is riding in that race, nor sooner than the running of the preceding race, if he or she is riding in any other race.

[For text of items G to O, see M.R.]

P. A jockey must unsaddle his or her own horse before ~~weighing-in~~ weighing in, and shall ~~weigh-in~~ weigh in with the equipment with which he or she weighed out.

[For text of items Q to U, see M.R.]

V. A jockey mount fee shall be considered earned by a jockey when he or she is weighed out by the clerk of scales, except in the following cases:

- (1) When the jockey does not ~~weigh-out~~ weigh out and ride in a race for which engaged because an owner or trainer engaged more than one jockey for the same race. In such a case, the owner or trainer shall pay the appropriate fee to each jockey engaged for the race.
- (2) When a jockey elects to take himself or herself off a mount without proper cause.
- (3) When the stewards replace the jockey with a substitute jockey for reasons other than the jockey suffering an injury during the time between ~~weighing-out~~ weighing out and the start of the race.

[For text of items W and X, see M.R.]

Subp. 4. **Drivers.** In every race a driver shall drive so as to win or to finish as near as possible to first. The driver shall not ease a horse without adequate cause, even if the horse has no apparent chance to earn a portion of the purse.

Each driver shall make a best effort to control and guide the horse in such a way so as not to endanger other drivers or horses, and so as not to cause a foul.

A driver shall fulfill a commitment to drive, unless excused by the stewards. A driver unable to fulfill a commitment because of illness or injury must pass a physical examination before resuming race driving.

Each driver shall wear the traditional driver's costume in any prerace ~~warmup~~ warm-up, post parade, race, or time trial. The costume shall consist of racing colors, white pants, and a fully padded fiberglass helmet buckled whenever the driver is in a sulky.

A driver reporting to the driver's room must remain there until the driver has fulfilled all of that day's driving engagements. While in the performance of the driver's duties, the driver must have no contact or communication with any person outside the driver's room, without the permission of the stewards, other than with an owner or trainer for whom the driver is driving that day, or other commission officials.

[For text of subps 5 and 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **Jockey's agent.** A jockey's agent shall keep a written record of all engagements made for jockeys he or she represents. The record shall be accurate and up-to-date, and shall be available at all times for inspection by the stewards.

No jockey agent shall be permitted to contract riding engagements for more than two jockeys and one apprentice jockey. No agent may arrange more than two calls for a jockey in any race and shall designate one of the engagements as a first call and the other as a second call. A jockey's agent shall be in the racing secretary's office, or shall ~~check-in~~ check in with the racing secretary's office, at scratch time to confirm a jockey's commitments for the day's program.

A jockey's agent shall notify the stewards in writing if he or she no longer intends to serve as agent for any jockey. When so notifying the stewards, the agent also shall turn over to the stewards a list of any unfulfilled engagements that he or she has made for the jockey.

[For text of subp 8, see M.R.]

Subp. 9. **Veterinarians.** The following shall apply to veterinarians licensed by the commission:

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

C. All drugs administered, dispensed, or carried by a veterinarian on the grounds of an association must be FDA approved. A veterinarian may possess substances that are FDA approved, but not specifically for use on the horse, only by providing prior notice to the commission's veterinarian and the Board of Stewards. Veterinarians shall not possess medications or substances without a specific manufacturer's name, lot number, and expiration date.

[For text of items D to H, see M.R.]

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Subp. 9a. **Veterinary assistants.** The following apply to veterinary assistants licensed by the commission:

A. Veterinary assistants must work under the direct supervision of a veterinarian who is currently licensed by the commission. For purposes of this item, "direct supervision" means that the licensed veterinarian is in the stable area of the grounds of the association at all times when veterinary assistants employed by the licensed veterinarians are engaged in their duties in the stable area of the grounds of the association, and that the animal patient under the care of the veterinary assistant has been examined by the licensed veterinarian. When the veterinarian has delegated certain animal care tasks to a veterinary assistant, the licensed veterinarian is at all times quickly and easily available to the veterinary assistant to render veterinary care consistent with the delegated animal health care task. Veterinary assistants are held to the same standard of care as the licensed veterinarian.

B. Veterinary assistants shall not:

- (1) diagnose disease, lameness, or illness;
- (2) provide a prognosis;
- (3) prescribe any treatments, drugs, medications, or appliances;
- (4) dispense, compound, or mix drugs or medications;
- (5) perform surgery;
- (6) draw blood;
- (7) place catheters, needles, swabs, or tubes of any kind in any body part of the horse;
- (8) apply splints, slings, or tourniquets;
- (9) administer injectable medications including rabies vaccine; or
- (10) sign the veterinarian's daily log.

C. Veterinary assistants may assist licensed veterinarians with the following procedures, but may not perform the procedures themselves:

- (1) radiology;
- (2) ultrasound;
- (3) extracorporeal shock wave treatment; or
- (4) endoscopic assistance.

D. Veterinary assistants may perform the following tasks:

- (1) maintain the veterinarian's medication inventory;
- (2) draw up injectable medications;
- (3) deliver prescription medications to the appropriate trainer;
- (4) maintain the veterinarian's daily log;
- (5) dispose of biohazardous materials, including needles, syringes, and used medication vials in the appropriate containers in the detention barn; and
- (6) perform equine dentistry and equine massage therapy.

[For text of subp 10, see M.R.]

7877.0180 CONFLICTS.

Subpart 1. **Racing officials.** No racing official, other than a general manager, shall own any interest in a privately held Minnesota racetrack at which the person is serving as an official. In the case of a publicly held corporation, no racing official, other than a general manager, shall own more than five percent of the outstanding shares of stock. No racing official shall:

A. No racing official shall own any interest in a horse eligible to race at a meeting at which the person racing official serves as an official;

B. No racing official shall buy or sell on the official's own behalf for the racing official, or as an agent for anyone else, any horse eligible to race at a meeting at which the person racing official serves as an official;

C. No racing official shall hold any interest in the contract of a jockey or, apprentice jockey riding, or, in the case of standardbred racing, as a driver at a meeting at which the official serves;

D. No racing official shall buy or sell for another person any right to a contract of any jockey or, apprentice jockey, or, in the case of standardbred racing, as a driver riding or driving at a meeting at which the racing official serves;

E. be permitted to compete as a jockey or, in the case of standardbred racing, as a driver, in any race at a licensed racetrack in Minnesota during the term of the racing official's employment;

F. No racing official shall wager money or anything of value on any race in Minnesota during the person's term of the racing official's employment; or

G. No racing official, detention barn employee, commission staff, assistant starter, claims clerk, outrider, association veterinarian, or track superintendent shall request or accept any remuneration or honorarium in payment or kind from any owner, trainer, or other person licensed by the commission.

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Subp. 1a. **Other employees.** No detention barn employee, commission staff, assistant starter, claims clerk, outrider, association veterinarian, or track superintendent shall request or accept any remuneration or honorarium in payment or kind from any owner, trainer, or other person licensed by the commission.

[For text of subps 2 and 3, see M.R.]

7879.0200 AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF STEWARDS.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Specific duties and responsibilities of stewards.** In addition to the duties and responsibilities necessary and pertinent to general supervision, control, and regulation of race meetings, and without limiting the authority of the stewards to perform those and all other duties listed in this part, the stewards shall have the following specific duties and responsibilities:

[For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

D. To review applications for Class C licenses and administer, or cause to be administered by technically qualified persons, standard examinations to all first-time applicants for a trainer, jockey, apprentice jockey, driver, or farrier license, and to make recommendations to the commission as to the qualifications of all applicants for Class C licenses. The stewards shall not administer, or cause to be administered, examinations for first-time applicants for a trainer's license after the midpoint of any race meeting is reached.

[For text of items E to K, see M.R.]

L. To review the video tapes of each day's races before commencement of the successive day's races and to draw up and post a list of jockeys (including ~~all~~ any apprentice jockeys) or drivers whom the stewards feel should review such films for instructional purposes.

[For text of items M to P, see M.R.]

[For text of subp 3, see M.R.]

7883.0100 ENTRIES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Horse must be registered and eligible.** No horse shall be permitted to start unless:

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

B. its registration certificate and Arabian ID Supplement or any supplement relative to other breeds as required showing the tattoo number or freeze branded registration number of the horse is filed with the racing secretary by scratch time for that race. In stakes races only, a horse shall be allowed to start without the registration certificate on file, if a photocopy or telefacsimile copy of both sides of the foal certificate is on file with the racing secretary. This copy must have been forwarded to the secretary along with a photocopy or a telefacsimile copy of the horse's equine infectious anemia certificate and, if applicable, a certificate of bleeding from the race office of a licensed race track which has the original registration certificate on file;

[For text of items C to E, see M.R.]

[For text of subps 3 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **Coupled entries.** Except in stakes races and races which are conditioned for horses eligible for specified stakes, not more than two horses of the same licensed ownership or interest shall be entered and started in a race.

A. No trainer shall enter more than two horses in an overnight event except in split races.

B. ~~Horses trained by a public stable trainer shall not be coupled with horses trained by another public stable trainer unless the horses in question are owned by the same person or are coupled as a field for wagering purposes.~~

C. ~~All horses owned wholly or in part by the same person, or his or her spouse, shall be coupled and run as an entry. The association may uncouple entries in races where the estimated purse is \$25,000 or more and is listed in the condition book as a stakes race on any race with the permission of the stewards.~~

D. ~~Notwithstanding items A to D, where two or more horses are coupled as an entry only for the reason that the horses are trained by the same trainer, the association may run those horses as separate interests.~~

[For text of subps 8 to 15, see M.R.]

Subp. 15a. **Approval for blinkers.** No horse, to which blinkers ~~or nasal strips~~ will be added or removed, may be entered in any race without the prior written authorization of the starter. This authorization must ~~accompany~~ be noted on the entry. Approval of the stewards must be obtained for any horse to which blinkers will be added or removed, prior to entry in a race. Once approved by the stewards, no changes may be made in the use of blinkers without approval of the stewards. Error in this procedure may be corrected only with the permission of the stewards at no later than scratch time. ~~Horses that are racing with a nasal strip must be so identified in the daily racing program.~~

Subp. 16. **Workout requirements.** In order to be eligible:

[For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

D. A horse, other than a first-time starter, which has not started for a period of one year or more shall not be eligible to start until it has completed three timed workouts, at least one of which must be before ~~the~~ a commission veterinarian ~~not less than 48 hours prior to the~~

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race in which it is entered. The timed workout before a commission veterinarian must occur within 30 days prior to the day of the race for which the horse is entered.

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

[For text of subps 17 and 18, see M.R.]

7883.0140 CLAIMING RACES.

[For text of subps 1 to 15, see M.R.]

Subp. 16. **Title to claimed horse.** Title to a horse which is claimed shall be vested in the successful claimant from the time the horse has ~~become a starter~~ entered the race course for the race in which the horse is scheduled to run, unless the race is canceled or the horse is excused by the stewards. The claimant shall then become the owner of the horse whether it be alive or dead, sound or unsound, or injured during the race or after it.

[For text of subps 17 to 19, see M.R.]

Subp. 20. [See repealer.]

[For text of subps 21 to 28, see M.R.]

Subp. 29. [See repealer.]

Subp. 30. **Claiming races may be conditioned.** Races strictly for ~~two-year-olds~~ two-year-olds or ~~three-year-olds~~ three-year-olds may be conditioned. Races for the lowest claiming price at a meeting may be conditioned.

7883.0150 PADDOCK TO POST.

[For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

Subp. 3. **Bandages and blankets.** Immediately ~~after saddling upon arrival~~ in the paddock, all blankets and bandages, except those bandages that will be worn during a race, must be removed. Should weather conditions so dictate, blankets may be worn after saddling with permission of the paddock judge. After saddling, all horses must be walked to allow a satisfactory examination. Bandages that will be worn during a race must not be fastened with safety pins or metal/plastic binders of any kind.

[For text of subps 4 and 5, see M.R.]

Subp. 6. **Duration of ~~post-parade~~ post parade.** After entering the course not more than 14 minutes shall be consumed in the parade of the horses to the post except in cases of unavoidable delay. After passing the steward's stand once, horses will be allowed to break formation and canter, warm up, or go as they please to the post unless otherwise directed by the stewards. When the horses have reached the post, they will be started without unnecessary delay.

[For text of subps 7 to 13, see M.R.]

7883.0160 POST TO FINISH.

[For text of subps 1 to 5, see M.R.]

Subp. 6. **Interference and willful fouling.** The following rules shall apply with respect to the running of a race.

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

C. During a race no jockey shall willfully ~~or carelessly~~ strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment ~~for the purpose with the effect~~ of interfering with that horse or jockey, nor shall a jockey strike ~~his or her~~ the jockey's horse on or about the head area. A jockey shall use a whip in a manner consistent with using ~~his or her~~ the jockey's best efforts to win. ~~This does not mean that a jockey must use the whip indiscriminately. A jockey must not use the whip indiscriminately.~~ Jockeys are prohibited from whipping a horse:

[For text of subitems (1) to (6), see M.R.]

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

[For text of subps 7 to 14, see M.R.]

7883.0170 RACING EQUIPMENT.

A. No bridle shall weigh more than two pounds, and no whip shall weigh more than one pound. No whip shall be used unless it has affixed to its end a leather popper not less than 1-1/4 inches in width, and not over three inches in length, and be feathered above the popper with not less than three rows of leather feathers, each feather not less than one inch in length. No whip shall exceed 31 inches in length. All whips are subject to inspection and approval by the stewards. Toe grabs with a height greater than four millimeters (0.15748 inches) worn on the front shoes of horses while flat racing on any track surface or condition are prohibited.

B. Once inspected and approved by the stewards, no changes may be made in the equipment covered by this part, without subsequent approval of the stewards.

7884.0120 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTERING.

[For text of subps 1 to 5, see M.R.]

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Subp. 6. **Maximum number in field.** The maximum size of fields for all races shall be determined as follows:

A. For overnight events, the maximum number of horses shall be ten on a ~~one-mile five-eighth mile~~ track.

B. For stakes races, the maximum number of horses shall be ~~14 ten~~ on a ~~one-mile five-eighth mile~~ track. If the number of horses declared to start exceeds ~~14 ten~~ on a ~~one-mile five-eighth mile~~ track, unless a lesser number of horses is specified in the conditions of the race, the race shall be run in two divisions or elimination heats.

[For text of subs 7 to 15, see M.R.]

7884.0210 CLAIMING RACES.

A. Claiming shall be conducted according to Rule 10 from the current United States Trotting Association (USTA) Charter, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations.

B. For claiming prices for harness race horses in standardbred racing, the following allowances shall be applicable with respect to claiming price:

(1) for mares racing against colts or geldings, add 20 percent;

(2) for two-year-olds racing against older horses, add 100 percent;

(3) for three-year-olds racing against older horses, add 50 percent;

(4) for four-year-olds racing against older horses, add 25 percent; and

(5) spayed mares shall not receive any sex allowance.

7884.0230 RACING EQUIPMENT.

[For text of subs 1 to 5, see M.R.]

Subp. 6. ~~Warmup~~ **Warm-up equipment.** All persons driving a horse must wear silks and white pants when ~~warming-up~~ warming up a horse prior to a race. Such horse shall have the proper head number and saddle cloth for the race in which it will be racing.

Subp. 7. **Drivers' colors.** Drivers must wear distinguishing colors ~~and that include white pants. These colors must be registered with the USTA, Standardbred Canada, or equivalent associations in foreign countries.~~ Drivers shall not be permitted to drive in a race or other public performances unless they are properly dressed, their driving outfits are clean, and they are well-groomed. During inclement weather conditions, drivers must wear rain suits or winter suits either of distinguishing colors or made of transparent material through which their colors may be distinguished.

7884.0260 DRIVING RULES.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Conduct after word "go" is given.** After the word "go" is given no driver shall:

[For text of items A to J, see M.R.]

K. drive in a careless, reckless, or unsatisfactory manner or fail to maintain reasonable control of the horse at all times during the race;

[For text of items L to S, see M.R.]

T. use a whip exceeding four feet in length or a snapper longer than ~~eight six~~ inches in length, or use a whip in a brutal manner, or use the butt end of the whip, or whip under the arch or shaft of the sulky, or strike a wheel disc with ~~his or her~~ the whip, or use a whip to interfere with or cause disturbance to any other horse or driver in a race;

[For text of items U and V, see M.R.]

[For text of subs 3 to 10, see M.R.]

7884.0270 EXPANDED HOMESTRETCH RACING.

Subpart 1. **Authority.** With the approval of the commission, a Class B or D licensee may expand the width of its homestretch by no less than ten feet nor more than 14 feet inward in relation to the width of the remainder of the racetrack.

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

7890.0100 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 1a. **Alkalinizing agents.** "Alkalinizing agents" means substances, including bicarbonate of soda (sodium bicarbonate or baking soda), that are used to increase the plasma or serum pH, bicarbonate level, or TCO₂ level of a horse.

[For text of subs 2 to 12, see M.R.]

Subp. 13. **Medication.** "Medication" is a substance, compound, or element, or combination thereof, which is or can be administered to a horse for the purpose of preventing, curing, or alleviating the effects of any disease, condition, ailment, or infirmity, or symptom thereof, or for altering in any way the behavior, attitude, temperament, or performance of a horse, including athletic performance. The term medication includes all analgesics, anesthetics, depressants, narcotics, stimulants, tranquilizers, and other classifications of medications.

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Nothing herein shall be deemed to include:

A. The following NSAIDs:

(1) Bute, provided that the test sample does not contain more than the micrograms of the substance or metabolites thereof per milliliter of blood plasma permitted in Minnesota Statutes, section 240.24, subdivision 3 ~~2~~;

[For text of subitems (2) and (3), see M.R.]

B. Furosemide, provided, however, that it is administered pursuant to the provisions of part 7890.0140, subpart 7a, and further provided that: the specific gravity of the ~~post-race~~ postrace urine sample is not below 1.010 or, if the specific gravity is below 1.010 or a urine sample is unavailable for testing, the concentration of Furosemide must not exceed 100 nanograms per milliliter of serum or plasma in the ~~post-race~~ postrace blood sample.

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

[For text of subp 13a, see M.R.]

Subp. 13b. **Milkshaking.** “Milkshaking” (or bicarbonate loading) means the use of an alkalinizing agent administered through a nasogastric tube or by any other means that changes the normal physiological state of a horse through elevation of plasma or serum TCO₂.

[For text of subps 14 to 16, see M.R.]

Subp. 16a. **TCO₂.** “TCO₂” means total dissolved carbon dioxide.

[For text of subps 17 to 19, see M.R.]

Subp. 19a. **Venom.** “Venom” means toxic or poisonous secretions of an animal such as the snake, snail, scorpion, spider, and others.

[For text of subps 20 and 21, see M.R.]

7890.0110 MEDICATIONS AND PRACTICES PROHIBITED.

Subpart 1. **Administration.** No person shall administer or cause to be administered to a horse within 48 hours of a race in which it is scheduled to run any medication (except as permitted by part 7890.0100, subpart 13, items A to D) by injection, oral or topical administration, rectal infusion or suppository, or by inhalation and no horse participating in a race shall carry in its body any substance foreign to the natural horse, except as permitted by part 7890.0100, subpart 13, items A to D. ~~Post-race~~ Post-race samples of plasma, serum, or urine must not contain any substances, drugs, medications, or metabolites of substances, drugs, or medications not specifically permitted by commission rule or law.

Subp. 2. **Nasogastric tube.** The use of a nasogastric tube (a tube longer than six inches, inserted in a horse’s nostril) for the administration of any substance to an entered horse within the ~~24-hour~~ 48-hour period prior to post time shall not be permitted without prior permission of the commission veterinarian. No licensee other than a veterinarian shall possess a nasogastric tube as described in this subpart on the grounds of an association under the jurisdiction of the commission.

[For text of subps 3 and 4, see M.R.]

Subp. 5. **Presence.** The presence of more than one of the three approved NSAIDs or any unapproved NSAID in the ~~post-race~~ postrace serum, plasma, or urine sample is not permitted.

Subp. 6. **Possession.** The possession or use of a drug, substance, ~~or venom,~~ medication, or blood doping agent for which a recognized analytical method to detect and confirm the administration of such substance has not been developed; on the premises of a facility under the jurisdiction of the commission is prohibited.

Subp. 7. **Use.** The use of agents that elevate the horse’s bicarbonate level, TCO₂, or pH level above those existing naturally in the untreated horse at normal physiological concentrations is prohibited. The following also apply to TCO₂:

A. A commission veterinarian may draw serum or plasma samples from a horse for the purpose of obtaining a TCO₂ level.

B. Blood samples for TCO₂ may be drawn prior to or after the race. Samples drawn prior to a race shall be drawn before the official post time. For the purpose of harness racing, blood samples shall be drawn prior to warm-up. Samples drawn after the race shall be drawn no sooner than 90 minutes following official post time for that race.

C. The prerace or postrace TCO₂ level in the blood shall not exceed 37 millimoles per liter of blood.

D. The provisions of part 7892.0120, subpart 5, pertaining to split samples, shall not apply to blood samples drawn for the purpose of TCO₂ testing.

E. Provisions for split sample testing for TCO₂ analysis shall be arranged by the trainer or designee at the time of sampling. The trainer shall be responsible for the cost of split sample testing. The trainer or designee shall make arrangements for payment prior to or at the time of sampling. The split sample shall be sent to the commission contract laboratory as a separate blind sample. No other provisions for split sample testing shall be available.

Subp. 8. **Prohibition.** The possession or use of venom or blood doping agents by any person on the grounds under the jurisdiction of the commission is not permitted.

7890.0130 FINDINGS OF CHEMIST.

Subpart 1. **Prima facie evidence.** A finding by a chemist of any medication or metabolite, substance foreign to the natural horse, or

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NSAIDs or furosemide exceeding the allowable test levels provided in part 7890.0100, subpart 13, item A, in the test sample of a horse shall be considered prima facie evidence that the medication, substance, NSAIDs or furosemide was administered to the horse prior to the race and carried in the body of the horse while participating in a race. Horses racing on NSAIDs or furosemide must show a detectable concentration of the drug or metabolites in the post-race postrace serum, plasma, or urine sample. A finding by a chemist of any venom or blood doping agent in the test sample of a horse shall be considered prima facie evidence that the venom or blood doping agent was administered to the horse prior to the race and carried in the body of the horse while participating in a race. A finding by a chemist of a level of TCO₂ greater than 37 millimoles per liter of blood in the test sample of a horse shall be considered prima facie evidence that an alkalizing agent was administered to the horse prior to the race.

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

7890.0140 BLEEDERS.

[For text of subps 1 to 7, see M.R.]

Subp. 7a. **Conditions required for furosemide administration.** Furosemide shall be administered intravenously by a veterinarian employed by the owner or trainer of the horse. The furosemide must be administered a minimum of four hours before scheduled post time for any bleeder entered to race and the dose level of furosemide must be no less than 150 milligrams and must not exceed 250 milligrams (no less than three nor more than five milliliters of a 50 milligram/milliliter or five percent solution) per administration, except in cases where the horse has been determined by the commission veterinarian and the treating veterinarian to be a severe bleeder. In these cases, doses of up to 500 milligrams (no more than ten milliliters of a 50 milligram/milliliter or five percent solution) may be permitted.

The practicing veterinarian must deposit with the commission veterinarian an unopened supply of furosemide and sterile hypodermic needles and syringes to be used for the administration. The furosemide must be administered under the supervision of a person employed by the commission.

A horse on the official furosemide list must show a detectable concentration of the drug in the post-race postrace serum, plasma, or urine sample.

Subp. 8. [Repealed, 14 SR 332]

Subp. 9. [Repealed, 14 SR 332]

Subp. 10. **Responsibility of trainer.** The trainer is responsible for ensuring that the horse is available at the appropriate time for its treatment. ~~At the time of treatment, the trainer must provide to the commission employee observing the treatment a statement signed by the trainer or assistant trainer that indicates the barn number and stall number where the horse will be detained following treatment and the names of all employees permitted by the trainer to be in contact with the horse during that time. The statements shall be on a form prescribed by the commission.~~ After having been administered furosemide, the horse shall at all times be in the care, custody, and under the supervision of the trainer or a licensed person assigned by the trainer. The horse must remain in its own stall until it is taken to the paddock to be saddled or harnessed for a race. It shall not be handled by anyone other than the trainer, the owner, or the employees listed on the trainer's signed statement. If emergency veterinary attention becomes necessary, the trainer is responsible for immediately notifying the commission veterinarian of the nature of the need and of the identity of the responding veterinarian. The trainer shall be responsible for the guarding, condition, care, and handling of the horse at all times.

7890.0160 RESPONSIBILITY OF VETERINARIAN.

No veterinarian may administer a medication, alkalinizing agent, blood doping agent, venom, or substance foreign to the natural horse to any horse that is scheduled to race within 48 hours, ~~except for a nasogastric tube or~~ as permitted in part 7890.0100, subpart 13, or in the case of a medical emergency requiring immediate treatment, without the prior permission of the commission veterinarian. No veterinarian may place a nasogastric tube in a horse that is scheduled to race within ~~24~~48 hours, except in the case of a medical emergency requiring immediate treatment. No veterinarian may enter the stall of or otherwise handle a horse that is scheduled to race within four hours, except in the case of a medical emergency requiring immediate treatment without the prior permission of the commission veterinarian. In emergency cases it is the responsibility of the attending veterinarian to notify the commission veterinarian of the nature of the emergency and the exact treatment provided. The notification must be made as soon as practical (within one-half hour of an emergency that occurs during training or racing hours or by 8:00 a.m. on the morning following an emergency which occurred during evening or night hours) and on a form prescribed by the commission. At the request of the commission veterinarian, the veterinarian must provide radiographs, laboratory tests, and results of other diagnostic procedures within 24 hours.

REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, part 7883.0100, subparts 20 and 29, are repealed.

Official Notices

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Notice of Public Hearings on Proposed State Career and Technical Education Plan

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system will host a series of public hearings in February on a proposed five-year plan for Minnesota's career and technical education programs, which serve about 180,000 high school students and 280,000 students in college credit and non credit programs.

The proposed state plan addresses how the funds provided to Minnesota under the federal Carl D. Perkins Act of 2006 will advance career and technical education in Minnesota high schools and state colleges. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is the state agency designated by the U. S. Department of Education to develop and administer the plan.

The proposed plan will be available on the Web site: www.perkinsplan.project.mnscu.edu by Feb. 1. Members of the public also may send comments through that Web site.

The hearings will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the following locations:

- Feb. 7** Northwest Technical College Community Commons
- Feb. 13** South Central College, North Mankato Conference Center C
- Feb. 19** Anoka Technical College Auditorium B
- Feb. 21** Lake Superior College, Duluth F1981

A satellite broadcast hearing will be Feb. 20 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more information, call (651) 296-3906. Check www.perkinsplan.project.mnscu.edu for the location and time.

Official Notices

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Meetings of the Actuarial Committee February 14 and 25, 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that meetings of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA) Actuarial Committee will take place Thursday, February 14, 2008, 1:30 pm., and on Monday, February 25, 2008, 1:30 pm at the MCHA Executive Office, 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park.

For additional information, please call Lynn Gruber at (952) 593-9609.

Governor's Residence Council

Notice of Meetings during 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governor's Residence Council will meet on the below dates at 9:30 a.m. at the Minnesota Department of Administration, 50 Sherburne Avenue, Conference Room 116B, St. Paul, MN to consider matters which may properly come before the Council in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 16B.27.

March 12, 2008

May 14, 2008

July 9, 2008

September 10, 2008

November 12, 2008 (Conference Room 116C)

For additional information contact: Winnie Sullivan, Department of Administration at Winnie.Sullivan@state.mn.us or (651) 201-2556.

Minnesota Department of Health

Division of Health Policy

Notice of Approval of the Minnesota Standard Consent Form to Release Health Information

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the *Minnesota Standard Consent Form to Release Health Information*, developed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144.292, subdivision 8, was approved by the Commissioner of Health on January 30, 2008.

Description and Statutory Reference: The *Minnesota Standard Consent Form to Release Health Information* is a standard form that may be used, but is not required to access health information. The form, if used and properly completed, must be accepted by health care providers. The form was developed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144.292, subdivision 8.

Form Available: The *Minnesota Standard Consent Form to Release Health Information*, as approved by the Commissioner of Health, is available on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/hpsc/dap/notices.html>

Agency Contact Person: Questions or requests for more information on this form should be directed to:

Michael Hawton

Minnesota Department of Health

Division of Health Policy

P.O. Box 64882

Saint Paul, MN 55164-0882

Phone: (651) 201-3598
FAX: (651) 651-201-3830
E-mail: *MNe-Health@health.state.mn.us*

Dated: January 30, 2008

Sanne Magnan, M.D., Ph.D., Commissioner
P.O. Box 64975
St. Paul, MN 55164-0975

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Notice of Public Hearing on 2009 Housing Tax Credit Allocation Plan

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (Minnesota Housing) will hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The public hearing will be held at the time and place listed below:

Thursday February 28, 2008
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Jelatis North and South, 3rd Floor
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
400 Sibley Street, Suite 300
St. Paul, MN

The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 (OBRA) requires that Housing Tax Credit Allocating Agencies develop a plan for allocating tax credits within their jurisdiction, setting forth criteria to determine priorities for selection of developments to receive tax credits. The OBRA also requires Tax Credit Agencies to hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the Allocation Plan.

The above public hearing is for the 2009 Allocation Plan developed by Minnesota Housing, in cooperation with local government representatives, for use within the Tax Credit Allocation jurisdiction of Minnesota Housing. Other Tax Credit Suballocating Agencies in Minnesota will be holding public hearings for their areas of jurisdiction. Currently, the following cities and counties are eligible to be Suballocating Agencies in Minnesota: Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Washington County and Dakota County.

All persons interested will be given an opportunity to express their views. In order to more effectively plan for the conduct of the hearings, persons desiring to speak at the hearing must so request in writing at least 24 hours before the hearing. Oral remarks by any person will be limited to 10 minutes. Written comments may also be submitted to the undersigned, and will be considered at the hearing. Note that this public hearing is not a workshop or training session, but is intended to solicit the comments of the public.

Copies of summaries of the proposed changes to the Housing Tax Credit Procedural Manual and Qualified Allocation Plan are available at the address listed below, by written or phone request or by checking the Minnesota Housing web site.

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
Multifamily Underwriting
Housing Tax Credit Program
400 Sibley Street, Suite 300
St. Paul, MN 55101-1998
Phone: (651) 296-4451
Website: *www.mnhousing.gov*

Official Notices

Department of Human Services

Health Care Purchasing and Delivery Systems Division

Health Care Administration

Public Notice of Maximum Allowable Costs of Medical Assistance Outpatient Prescribed Drugs

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients, providers of services, and to the public of additions to the state Medical Assistance maximum allowable cost (state MAC) list for certain outpatient prescribed drugs.

At least once each calendar year, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, publishes a federal upper limit (FUL) payment schedule for many commonly prescribed multiple-source drugs. The federal upper limit is set at a rate equal to 150 percent of the published price for the least costly therapeutic equivalent that can be purchased by pharmacists. This FUL payment schedule constitutes the federal MAC list. For many multiple-source drugs that are not on the federal MAC list, the Department establishes a state MAC list. Additionally, the Department imposes a state MAC for many multiple-source drugs that are on the federal MAC list, as long as the savings are at least as much as the savings would be using the federal MAC list.

The Department requires Medical Assistance pharmacy providers to submit their usual and customary costs. Pharmacy providers are reimbursed at the lower of: 1) the federal or state MAC, plus a dispensing fee; 2) the submitted usual and customary charge to the general public; or 3) a discount off of average wholesale price, plus a dispensing fee.

On January 13, 2003 at 27 SR 1117-1130, the Department published the MAC list, listing the federal and state MACs. Additional changes to the state MAC list were published on February 18, 2003 (27 SR 1331-1334), March 3, 2003 (27 SR 1386-1393), April 21, 2003 (27 SR 1583-1584), August 4, 2003 (28 SR 102-103), October 13, 2003 (28 SR 505-506), October 20, 2003 (28 SR 528-529), December 15, 2003 (28 SR 784-785), January 26, 2004 (28 SR 934-935), March 8, 2004 (28 SR 1089-1090), April 5, 2004 (28 SR 1232), April 19, 2004 (28 SR 1313-1314), May 3, 2004 (28 SR 1367-1368), August 9, 2004 (29 SR 173), August 23, 2004 (29 SR 224-225), November 8, 2004 (29 SR 510), November 15, 2004 (29 SR 534-535), February 7, 2005 (29 SR 923-924), February 14, 2005 (29 SR 951-952), March 7, 2005 (29 SR 1038-1039), April 11, 2005 (29 SR 1174-1175), June 27, 2005 (29 SR 1607), July 18, 2005 (30 SR 49-50), August 15, 2005 (30 SR 147), August 29, 2005 (30 SR 226-227), October 17, 2005 (30 SR 402-403), November 14, 2005 (30 SR 511-512), December 12, 2005 (30 SR 617-618), January 9, 2006 (30 SR 770-771), January 30, 2006 (30 SR 833), February 13, 2006 (30 SR 884), February 27, 2006 (30 SR 926-927), March 20, 2006 (30 SR 1006-1007), April 10, 2006 (30 SR 1109), May 30, 2006 (30 SR 1249-1250), July 31, 2006 (31 SR 138-139), August 21, 2006 (31 SR 268), September 18, 2006 (31 SR 380 - 381), October 2, 2006 (31 SR 474-477), October 16, 2006 (31 SR 519-520), November 6, 2006 (31 SR 614), January 2, 2007 (31 SR 867-868), January 29, 2007 (31 SR 958-959), February 26, 2007 (31 SR 1169-1170), April 23, 2007 (31SR 1444-1445), April 30, 2007 (31 SR 1523), June 18, 2007 (31 SR 1810-1811), July 23, 2007 (32 SR 219-220), August 6, 2007 (32 SR 301-302), August 27, 2007 (32 SR 380-381), September 24, 2007 (32 SR 572-573), October 8, 2007 (SR 32 667-668), November 5, 2007 (32 SR 811- 812), November 19, 2007 (32 SR 909-910), December 31, 2007 (32 SR 1234-1235), January 14, 2008 (32 SR 1289) and January 28, 2008 (32 SR1448-1449).

Effective February 12, 2008 the Department will add the following outpatient prescribed drugs to the state MAC list:

| <u>Drug Name</u> | <u>Strength</u> | <u>MAC Price</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE | 50MCG | \$1.155 |

These additions are made to bring Medical Assistance reimbursement to pharmacists more closely in line with the actual acquisition cost of the drugs listed above. The Department estimates that there will be a state savings of \$155,000.00 for State Fiscal Year 2006 (July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008).

This notice is published pursuant to *Code of Federal Regulations*, Title 42, section 447.205, which requires publication of a notice when there is a rate change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates for Medical Assistance services.

Written comments and requests for information may be sent to Kristin Young, Pharmacy and Program Manager, Health Care Purchasing and Delivery Systems Division, Health Care Administration, Minnesota Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 64984, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0984; **phone:** (651) 431-2504 or **e-mail:** kristen.c.young@state.mn.us

Department of Natural Resources

Division of Lands and Minerals

Notice of Plans to Issue State Industrial Minerals Leases

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Division of Lands and Minerals, is planning to issue six state mineral leases to explore for, mine and remove industrial minerals in Aitkin County in accordance with *Minnesota Rules*, part 6125.8000, the industrial minerals rules, issued under authority of *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 93.08 through 93.12, and 93.25. The industrial minerals covered by the leases are kaolin clay, serpentine, and olivine.

The areas located in Aitkin County to be covered by the industrial minerals leases are as follows:

Section Two (2), Township Forty-eight (48) North, Range Twenty-two (22) West.

Lot One (1), Lot Two (2), South Half of Northeast Quarter (S1/2-NE1/4), Lot Three (3), Southeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter (SE1/4-NW1/4), Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter (NE1/4-SW1/4), South Half of Southwest Quarter (S1/2-SW1/4), Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) in Section Three (3), Township Forty-eight (48) North, Range Twenty-two (22) West.

Section Ten (10), Township Forty-eight (48) North, Range Twenty-two (22) West.

Section Eleven (11), Township Forty-eight (48) North, Range Twenty-two (22) West.

Section Thirty-four (34), Township Forty-nine (49) North, Range Twenty-two (22) West.

East Half of Northeast Quarter (E1/2-NE1/4), Southwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter (SW1/4-NE1/4), South Half-section (S1/2) in Section Thirty-five (35), Township Forty-nine (49) North, Range Twenty-two (22) West.

The applicant for the leases is Kennecott Exploration Company, 10861 N. Mavinee Drive, #141, Oro Valley, Arizona 85737. The effective date of the leases is March 11, 2008, contingent upon State Executive Council approval.

For more information, contact Vicki Hubred, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Lands and Minerals, 1525 Third Avenue East, Hibbing, Minnesota 55746; **telephone:** (218) 231-8484, **TTY:** 1-800-657-3929.

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the *State Register*, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

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Minnesota Department of Corrections Notice of Availability of Funds to Provide Temporary Housing Projects for High-risk Offenders

The Minnesota Department of Corrections (DOC) Grants and Subsidies Unit announces the availability of funds to provide Temporary Housing Projects for high-risk offenders on intensive supervised release status who have no housing resources upon their release from incarceration and who are under the authority of the commissioner of corrections. The grant will be financed from the funds available through *Minnesota Statute 241.32*, Subdivision 4.

The amount of funds available is \$400,000 for Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010. The total amount for the biennium is \$800,000. The term of the grant will be the 24-month period beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2010. The grant for providing temporary housing projects is available for the Twin Cities metro area and larger out-state urban areas.

Private, for profit, and non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations are eligible to apply for these funds. This request for proposals (RFP) does not obligate the state to complete the proposed project, and the state reserves the right to cancel this solicitation.

All applications are due by noon on Friday, March 21, 2008.

To receive a copy of the RFP that describes in detail how to apply, please contact:

Lynda Davis
Minnesota Department of Corrections
1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55108-5219
Phone number: (651) 361-7166
E-mail address: ldavis@co.doc.state.mn.us
TTY : 1-800-627-3529

Minnesota Department of Health Summer Health Care Internship Program Notice of Grant Opportunity to Administer the Summer Health Care Internship Program

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) is seeking applications from qualifying statewide nonprofit organizations to administer the Summer Health Care Internship Program.

The purpose of the program is intended to expose interested secondary and postsecondary students to various careers within the health care profession through summer internships with hospitals, clinics, nursing facilities, and home care providers.

To qualify, an applicant must be a statewide nonprofit organization representing hospitals, clinics, nursing facilities, and home care providers.

\$300,000 is available in 2008. Grant awards will be announced by March 15, 2008, for the contract period beginning April 1, 2008, though December 31, 2008.

Applications are available at: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/orhpc/funding/index.html#summer>.

Prospective applicants who have questions, and/or would like a written copy of the application form may contact the Office of Rural Health and Primary Care, Minnesota Department of Health Phone: (651) 201-3851 or toll free: 1-(800) 366-5424.

Deadline for proposals is **4:00 p.m. CST on Wednesday, March 12, 2008**. No late proposals will be considered.

Lawrence Colaizy
Office of Rural Health & Primary Care
Minnesota Department of Health

By mail: P.O. Box 64882
St. Paul, MN 55164-0882

By courier: 85 East 7th Place, Suite 220
St. Paul, MN 55101

Department of Health Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds

On or about February 21, 2008, the Minnesota Department of Health, Environmental Health Division, Lead Hazard Control Grant Program, will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control grant program funds, for the following program/project: Minnesota Non-entitlement Areas Lead Hazard Control Grant Program, for the purpose of minor lead hazard reduction-related housing rehabilitation in areas of Minnesota that do not receive a designated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program allocation. The program will provide blood lead testing of children 6 years and under, lead risk assessments, lead clearances, lead hazard related training, personnel costs, and lead-related education/outreach event costs. A number of the activities will be in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), Small Cities Development Program (SCDP). The Minnesota Department of Health is requesting the release of \$1,413,100 of federal assistance from the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control grant program. MN DEED, Minnesota Department of Health, and other state funds will match these funds with \$1,504,489, and the period of performance of the grant is from November 1st, 2007 through October 31, 2010.

The proposed hazard control activities to be funded under this program are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed above. Other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be complied with, when individual projects are ripe for review. Specifically, the target area has been studied and compliance with the following laws and

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authorities has been established in this first tier: Floodplain Management, Coastal Barriers Resource Act, Coastal Zone Management Act. Compliance with the following environmental laws and authorities will take place for proposed projects funded under the program listed above: Historic Preservation, National Flood Insurance Program requirements, Explosive & Flammable Operations, toxics/hazardous materials. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request For Release of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is on file at Minnesota Department of Health, Environmental Health Division, Lead Hazard Control Grant Program, 625 Robert Street N., Saint Paul, MN 55155-2536, and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact: Dan Taylor, (651) 201-4847, or
E-mail: Daniel.Taylor@health.state.mn.us
Minnesota Department of Health
Environmental Health Division
Lead Hazard Control Grant Program
625 Robert Street N.
Saint Paul, MN 55155-2536

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Director of Finance, David Hovet, at Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Finance and Facilities Management, 625 Robert Street N, Saint Paul, MN 55155-2536. All comments received by February 20, 2008 will be considered by Minnesota Department of Health prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Certification to HUD.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Minnesota Department of Health certifies to HUD that David Hovet in his official capacity as the Director of Finance consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the Minnesota Department of Health to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the Minnesota Department of Health certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Minnesota Department of Health; (b) the Minnesota Department of Health has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the Minnesota Department of Health has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to HUD as follows: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Ed Thomas, Environmental Clearance Officer, The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107-3380. Potential objectors may contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Dated: February 11th, 2008

David Hovet, Director of Finance
Minnesota Department of Health

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Request for Proposals for the 2008 Tribal Indian Housing Program

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (Minnesota Housing) announces the availability of funds through a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Tribal Indian Housing Program. The purpose of this RFP is to provide American Indian communities access to eligible resources available for single-family and owner-occupied and/or multifamily rental housing activities.

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Funds are available for single family and owner occupied housing activities including new construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, and revolving loan funds for low and moderate income owners. For multifamily rental housing activities, funds are available for new construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation for low and moderate-income residents. Other special programs may be considered for both single family and multifamily activities.

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include the following: Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians; Lower Sioux Community; Upper Sioux Community; White Earth Band; Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe; Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; Grand Portage Band of Ojibwe; Bois Forte Band of Ojibwe; and Fond Du Lac Band of Ojibwe.

Funding Availability

Total funding through Minnesota Housing is \$ 3,077,000. Funding requests are not limited to, but are anticipated to be less than \$1,000,000 per application. Final awards are subject to ensuring a reasonable balance in the distribution of funds to serve American Indians residing on and off reservations within the state. Award decisions are subject to Selection Committee and Minnesota Housing Board approval.

Single Family Eligible Activities and Available Funding Types

Single family and owner occupied housing requests for capital funding may include a variety of housing types. Housing activities include: new construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, and revolving loan funds for low and moderate income owners. Owner-occupied housing is defined as the principal place of residence for the owner and the owner's household. A property with rental housing units qualifies as owner-occupied housing if the property includes no more than four housing units, at least one of which is occupied by the property's owner as their principal place of residence. For single family and owner occupied housing, available funding types include interim construction financing, deferred loans and grants.

Multifamily Eligible Activities and Available Funding Types

Multifamily rental housing requests for capital funding may include a variety of housing types. Eligible proposals must contain a minimum of four units. Scattered site developments must be located in the same city or county and contain a minimum of four units. Eligible activities include new construction, acquisition of land or existing structures, rehabilitation of housing, refinancing of existing loans, preservation of federally assisted housing, conversion to housing from another use, demolition, construction financing, permanent financing. For multifamily rental housing; types of funding available are deferred loans.

Ineligible Activities:

Housing that is primarily intended to be used in a trade or business, as an investment property, or as a recreational home is not eligible. Nursing homes, board and care facilities, and supervised living facilities or properties where residents require a 24-hour plan for supervision and/or medical/health care are not eligible for multifamily rental housing funding.

Income Limits and Funding Priorities

The overall goal of the RFP is to serve low or moderate income households. Income limits for eligible activities that receive financing from the Tribal Indian Housing Program funding cannot exceed the following:

- Single family and owner occupied proposals the income limits are 115% of the greater of statewide or area median income.
- Multifamily rental housing proposals, the income limits are 80% of the greater of statewide or area median income.

Application Materials

Application materials are available on Minnesota Housing's website at: <http://www.mnhousing.gov/resources/apply/index.aspx>. If you are unable to access the website or need assistance locating or identifying the appropriate materials, contact Mary Hieb at (651) 296-8185 or Toll Free: (800) 657-3701 and ask for Mary Hieb.

RFP Technical Assistance

Designated single family and multifamily divisional staff are available for technical assistance on an on-going basis. Additionally, staff will be available on February 13, 2008 in Mille Lacs to answer questions about the application. Please call Rick Smith at (218) 846-0415 for additional information.

Important Dates

Proposals must be received by Minnesota Housing by 5:00 p.m. on or before Thursday, March 27, 2008.

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Applications must include the following materials:

- 1). Application Form with original signature(s) plus two (2) copies, and
- 2). All required attachments (narratives, forms, submittals) plus two (2) copies; and
- 3). Application Form must be electronically submitted to *mary.hieb@state.mn.us*.

NOTE: Except as provided above, applications which are faxed or submitted late or determined to be incomplete will not be accepted and will be returned to the applicant.

Minnesota Housing Board Approval

RFP funding recommendations will be made at the May 22, 2008 Minnesota Housing Board meeting. Notification of funding awards will be posted on the Minnesota Housing website after the Board meeting at: <http://www.mnhousing.gov/news/index.aspx>.

Selection letters will be mailed within 10 business days of the approval.

Policy

It is the policy of Minnesota Housing to further fair housing opportunity in all Minnesota Housing programs and to administer its housing programs affirmatively, so that all Minnesotans of similar income levels have equal access to Agency programs regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, status with regard to receipt of public assistance, disability, or family status.

Minnesota Housing reserves the right to modify or withdraw this RFP at any time and is not able to reimburse any applicant for costs incurred in the preparation or submittal of proposals.

Minnesota Department of Human Services Continuing Care Administration Home and Community-Based (HCBS) Employee Scholarship Program Open For Proposals

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals from qualified Medicaid Home and Community-Based service (HCBS) providers interested in receiving scholarship funds for employee education and training in nursing and other health care fields.

The Minnesota legislature, under *Minnesota Statutes* §256B.0918, enacted a program to provide scholarships for Home and Community-Based healthcare workers. The purpose of the HCBS Scholarship fund is to help create meaningful career paths for employees serving in the field of long-term care, specifically those serving in HCBS programs. In addition, this funding supports provider efforts to recruit, retain and train qualified employees and to expand the long-term care workforce.

Home and Community-Based providers approved to participate in the HCBS scholarship program will receive a rate adjustment of up to 3/10 of one percent of their medical assistance reimbursement rate, to be used for qualified employee scholarships.

The term of any resulting contract is anticipated to be from March, 2008 or upon program implementation (whichever is later), until September 30, 2009. A bidder's conference will be held at The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Elmer Andersen Building, 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN., on Tuesday February 26, 2008, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., in Room 4223.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) can be obtained from:

Munna Yasiri
State Programs Administrator Director
Department of Human Services
Continuing Care Administration

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Phone: (651) 431-2264

E-mail: munna.yasiri@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement **must be received at the address above no later than 4:00 p.m., Central Time, Friday March 7, 2008. Late proposals will not be considered.**

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

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Informal Solicitations: Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over \$5,000 through \$50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Materials Management Division's (MMD) Web site. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the MMD Web site at www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us for informal solicitation announcements.

Formal Solicitations: Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over \$50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

Requirements: There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Materials Management Division strongly recommends meeting the following requirements:

- \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised. Contact the Materials Management Division: (651) 296-2600
- \$5,000 - \$25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days;
- \$25,000 - \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and
- anything above \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Office of the Chancellor, Public Affairs Request for Proposal: Development of 2008 *Go Places* Viewbook

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is requesting proposals from qualified design firms for the design of the 2008 edition of *Go Places*, a viewbook for all 32 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities produced annually by the Public Affairs division in the Office of the Chancellor. In its eleventh year of publication, the colorful 40- to 44-page viewbook contains college and university profile information, a program grid showing which institutions offer various programs, application procedures, and admissions and financial aid information for prospective students.

Proposers should review current and past editions of *Go Places* and other system publications, available on the Web at: <http://www.pa.mnscu.edu/goplacesrfp>, and should be prepared to submit a one- to three-page critique of the 2007-2008 edition design.

Planning for the project will involve meeting with one focus group of high school counselors and one focus group of high school students to gain feedback on previous issues and gather ideas for future issues. The selected vendor will be accountable to the public affairs unit within the Office of the Chancellor for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.

Request for proposal specifications are available by visiting the website: <http://www.mnscu.edu/goplacesrfp> or by contacting Paul Berger, director of marketing, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Wells Fargo Place, 30 7th St. E., Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101; **phone:** (651) 296-9450; or **e-mail:** paul.berger@so.mnscu.edu. Sealed proposals must be received by Friday, February 22, 2008, noon CST. Other department personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the Request for Proposal with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

This request does not obligate Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to complete the proposed project, and the system reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is an Equal Opportunity employer and educator.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Minneapolis Community and Technical College Sealed Bids for Health Sciences Renovation – Audio Visual RFB

Sealed Bids for: **Minneapolis Community and Technical College**
Health Sciences Renovation – Audio Visual RFB
1301 Hennepin Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55403

will be received by: **Michael Noble-Olson**
Minneapolis Community and Technical College
1415 Hennepin Avenue T Building Room T2700
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Or by mail to: **1501 Hennepin Avenue**
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Until **1:00 PM, local time, February 28th, 2008** at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud in Room T4150.

Project Scope: In general, the work will include the installation of classroom AV Multimedia system.

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 AM, February 21st, 2008 in Room T0550. The Project consultant and/or College Representatives will review the bidding procedures, Bidding Documents and other conditions with interested Bidders and answer questions.

Bidding documents as prepared by the Project consultant, **Elert & Associates** are on file at the offices of the:

- 1.) Elert & Associates Technology Consultants.
- 2.) Following Builders Exchanges: **Minneapolis, & St. Paul**
- 3.) McGraw Hill Construction Plan Room
- 4.) Reed Construction Data Plan Room
- 5.) National Association of Minority Contractors of Upper Midwest
- 6.) MEDA Minority Contractors Plan Room

Complete sets only of bid forms and Drawings and Specifications for use by Bidders in submitting a bid may be obtained at the following address:

Tony Chojnowski, RCDD
Elert & Associates Technology Consultants
140 3rd Street South
Stillwater, MN 55082
Phone: (651) 705-1228

A deposit of \$50.00 is required for each set.

Prospective Bidders requesting that Bidding Documents (complete sets only) be mailed to them, may send a separate non-refundable payment (check made out to the Consultant) for [\$30.00] per set for shipping & handling (in addition to the \$50.00 deposit) to the Architect. Such deposits and payments may be sent prior to **February 25th, 2008** Documents will be sent to street addresses only (P.O. Boxes not acceptable).

Each bid which totals over \$15,000.00 shall be accompanied by a certified check, payable to **Minnesota State Colleges and Universities**, in the sum of not less than 5% of the total base bid; or a corporate surety bond of a surety company duly authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota in the same amount; which is submitted as bid security, conditioned upon the Bidder entering into a contract with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities in accordance with the terms of the bid.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Rochester Community and Technical College Notice of Request for Proposal for Creative Services to Update the Colleges Creative Design in Electronic and Print Media

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Rochester Community and Technical College Request for Proposal (RFP) is to seek creative services to update its creative design in electronic and print media. The outcome of the RFP will be to contract with a company to provide an updated creative look and sound for the Rochester Community and Technical College.

To receive a copy of the RFP, send an e-mail to June.meitzner@roch.edu or fax your requests to (507) 285-7104.

Requests for Proposal are due back by Monday, February 25th, 2008 2:00 CDT and are to be addressed to June Meitzner, Rochester Community and Technical College 851 30th Ave SE Rochester, MN 55904; Room SS153.

Late responses will not be considered. Faxes are not accepted.

Any questions should be in the form of an RFI and directed to Michelle.messenger@roch.edu

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation.

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St. Cloud Technical College

Request for Proposals for Video Production Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. Cloud Technical College will receive proposals for the production of Video segments and DVD production for the Energy Industry Consortium. The complete Request for Proposal will be available on Monday, February 11, 2008, on the website <http://www.sctc.edu/rfp>.

Proposal responses must be delivered in a sealed envelope or package clearly marked "Video Production Services RFP" to Susan Meyer at the Business Office of St. Cloud Technical College, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56303 by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 28, 2008. St. Cloud Technical College reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or portions thereof, or to waive any irregularities or informalities, in proposals received.

Background/Purpose:

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to evaluate and select a vendor to produce video segments to represent the excellent career opportunities anticipated in the Energy Industry. Partners in the Energy Consortium will use these videos to generate career awareness in high schools and other groups. We anticipate using both web site access and potential of DVDs for distribution.

Questions:

All questions and inquiries related to this RFP must be directed to Bruce Peterson, Academic Dean, St. Cloud Technical College, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56303, **e-mail:** bpeterson@sctc.edu, **phone:** (320) 290-2185. Other department personnel are **NOT** allowed to discuss the Request for Proposal with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

Department of Human Services

Chemical Health Division

CORRECTED DEADLINE: Notice of Availability of Contract for Population Specific Chemical Health Support Services – Hispanic/Latino

The Minnesota Department of Human Services - Chemical Health Division is requesting proposals for the purpose of addressing the long standing disparities in the availability and quality of chemical health services to diverse communities. Services proposed should not be treatment – but culturally specific support services with strategies that support and maintain sobriety for Hispanic/Latino individuals affected by chemical abuse or dependence.

Work is proposed to start by July 1, 2008 following Department selection, approval and contract execution.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) is available by mail or email from this office by contacting the Grants assistant:

Tina Austin
Minnesota Department of Human Services – Chemical Health Division
Elmer L. Andersen Building
540 Cedar Street
(mail address: PO Box 64977, St. Paul, MN 55164-0977)
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: (651) 431-4928
E-mail: Tina.Austin@state.mn.us

Proposal content questions must be addressed to:

Karen Christensen, Principal Planner Karen.D.Christensen@state.mn.us phone: (651) 431-4239

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received no later than **4:00 pm Central**

Standard Time, Thursday, March 13, 2008. Late proposals will not be considered.

Faxed or e-mailed proposals will **not** be considered.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Department of Human Services Disability Services Division Notice of Availability of Contract to Evaluate Consumer Directed Community Supports Service and Develop Recommendations for Design and Implementation of a New Budget Methodology

The Minnesota Department of Human Services through its Disability Services Division seeking proposals from qualified responders to evaluate the Consumer Directed Community Support (CDCS) service provided through Minnesota's Home and Community-Based waiver programs for persons under the age of 65 and assist to design and develop a new methodology to determine individual budgets for persons who choose CDCS as a service in lieu of other wavier services.

Work is proposed to start after April 22, 2008.

A Request for Proposals will be available by clicking here http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/id_003513. or by mail from this office through February 18, 2008. A written request by direct mail, fax or e-mail is required to receive the Request for Proposal by mail.

To Receive the Request for Proposal by mail send request to:
Pam Erkel
Disability Services Division
P.O. Box 64967
St. Paul, MN 55164-9067
Phone: (651) 431-2385
E-mail: pam.erkel@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than March 10, 2008. **Late proposals will not be considered.** Fax or e-mailed proposals **will not be** considered.

Department of Public Safety ARMER/911 Program Request for Proposals (RFP) for State Agency Integration Assessment

Professional/technical services are needed to provide the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS), Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER)/911 Program, with an assessment of public safety communication needs of various Minnesota state agencies. The DPS seeks to create a contract with a qualified contractor capable of providing the necessary wireless communication consulting services. Those services will include an assessment of current public safety and public service communication infrastructure maintained by Minnesota state agencies, a needs assessment, and an outline of alternative approaches to address future public safety and public service communication needs. Although focused upon the ARMER backbone, contractor must be capable of assessing non-ARMER alternatives, including conventional VHF, UHF and 700/800 MHz systems and trunked systems. The ability to address other wireless public safety and public safety communication needs, such as data and microwave infrastructure requirements may also be required.

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The primary output from this contract will be a summary assessment of existing communication infrastructure and communication needs for all Minnesota state agencies, a separate detail assessment of communication needs and alternative solutions (including detail cost estimates) for the Minnesota Department of Corrections (DOC) and selected facilities of the Department of Human Services (DHS) and proposed template for future detail assessments for Minnesota state agencies.

Anticipated contract start date is March 17, 2008 with an initial ending date of November 26, 2008. However, if funding is available beyond this date and if DPS, DOC, or DHS require continued services on this project that are to be funded by DPS, the DPS will retain the option, with contractor's consent, to extend this contract for up to 4 additional 1 year periods. The value of the contract for subsequent extension periods may be adjusted. Details are contained in the complete RFP, which may be obtained by e-mailing: scott.wiggins@state.mn.us. All questions concerning this RFP should be emailed or sent in writing directly to Scott Wiggins no later than 2:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on February 20, 2008. Answers to questions will be provided to all entities requesting a complete RFP. Final date for submitting proposals is 2:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on March 3, 2008.

State Court Administrator's Office Request for Proposal for Applicant Tracking System

The Minnesota Judicial Branch, State Court Administrator's Office, (State) is using a competitive selection process to select the vendor responsible for implementation of a Web enabled Applicant Tracking System. This system should be able to access and maintain job posting announcements, search and match resumes to a job posting, track the progress of applicants through the hiring process, ability to have applicants download MS Word documents to the database, ability to send mass e-mails to selected groups of applicants, ability to attach a PDF version of a job application with a job posting announcement, and to pull various reports. The RFP is posted on the main state court web page (www.mncourts.gov) under the "News" section. This is not the actual RFP.

The RFP is not a bid but a request for a proposal that could become the basis for negotiations leading to a contract with a designated vendor to provide services as described in the RFP.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS:

Sealed Proposals and Number of Copies. Your proposal must be submitted in writing in a sealed envelope to:

Paula Juris, Human Resources Division
State Court Administration
25 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

The submission must include 1 paper copies and 1 electronic (PDF) copy. No facsimile submissions will be accepted.

Deadline:

Proposals must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. local (i.e., St. Paul) time on February 29, 2008. Proposals will be opened the following business day and once opened become accessible to the public. Do not place any information in your proposal that you do not want revealed to the public. All documentation shipped with the proposal, including the proposal, will become the property of the Minnesota Supreme Court.

**Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)
Engineering Services Division
Notice of Potential Availability of Contracting Opportunities for a Variety of
Highway Related Technical Activities (“Consultant Pre-Qualification Program”)**

This document is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities by calling Juanita Voigt at (651) 366-4774 for persons who are hearing or speech impaired by calling Minnesota Relay Service at (800) 627-3529.

Mn/DOT, worked in conjunction with the Consultant Reform Committee, the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota (ACEC/MN), and the Department of Administration, to develop the Consultant Pre-Qualification Program as a new method of consultant selection. The ultimate goal of the Pre-Qualification Program is to streamline the process of contracting for highway related professional/technical services. Mn/DOT awards most of its consultant contracts for highway-related technical activities using this method, however, Mn/DOT also reserves the right to use Request for Proposal (RFP) or other selection processes for particular projects. Nothing in this solicitation requires Mn/DOT to use the Consultant Pre-Qualification Program.

Mn/DOT is currently requesting applications from consultants. Refer to Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services web site, indicated below, to see which highway related professional/technical services are available for application. Applications are accepted on a continual basis. All expenses are incurred in responding to this notice will be borne by the responder. Response to this notice becomes public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices.

Consultant Pre-Qualification Program information, application requirements and applications forms are available on Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services web site at: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult>.

Send completed application material to:

Juanita Voigt
Consultant Services
Office of Technical Support
Minnesota Department of Transportation
395 John Ireland Blvd. Mail Stop 680
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Note: DUE DATE: APPLICATION MATERIAL WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A CONTINUAL BASIS.

**Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)
Engineering Services Division
Notice Concerning Professional/Technical Contract Opportunities**

NOTICE TO ALL: The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) is now placing additional public notices for professional/technical contract opportunities on Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services **website** at: www.dot.state.mn.us/consult.

New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

Non-State Bids, Contracts & Grants

The *State Register* also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The *State Register* meets state and federal guidelines for statewide circulation of public notices. Any tax-supported institution or government jurisdiction may advertise contracts and requests for proposals from the private sector. It is recommended that contracts and RFPs include the following: 1) name of contact person; 2) institution name, address, and telephone number; 3) brief description of commodity, project or tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from the date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact editor for further details.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals for Master Contract for Full Service A/E Interceptor Consultants RFP Number 07P156

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for architectural/engineering services to support its Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Division, Interceptor Services Department, by providing on an **as-needed** (master contract) basis engineering and/or engineering construction support services that may be needed. Full service firms providing civil, environmental, structural, and surveying, and related disciplines will be considered.

The Council plans to execute two contracts, each with a value of about \$1,000,000 and three-year term.

The contracts will be structured to allow the Council to request specific services, generally valued at less than \$50,000, on an as-needed basis by issuing Work Orders. Each Work Order will include a specific scope of services, schedule, deliverables and cost for the services. These may be competed.

The **anticipated** schedule for this procurement is:

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| <i>Issue Request for Proposals</i> | February 13, 2008 |
| <i>Proposal Due Date</i> | March 12, 2008 |
| <i>Selection of Firms</i> | March-April, 2008 |
| <i>Execution of Contracts</i> | April-May, 2008 |

All firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the Request for Proposals. Send or fax requests to:

Miriam Lopez-Rieth
Metropolitan Council
390 N. Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
PHONE: (651) 602-1095
FAX: (651) 602-1083
E-mail: Miriam.lopez-rieth@metc.state.mn.us

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Metropolitan Council

Notice of Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Solid Waste Disposal Services for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant

Reference Number 08P022

The Metropolitan Council is requesting bids for Solid Waste Disposal Services for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Issue Invitation for Bids

February 11, 2008

Site Visit

February 26, 2008

Bids Due

March 4, 2008

Award Contract

April 2008

All firms interested in submitting bids for this contract and desiring to receive an IFB package are invited to make a request by e-mail, fax or mail to:

Sunny Jo Emerson
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Metropolitan Council
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