

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Arkansas Racing Commission will meet on December 1, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. in the 1515 Building, 1515 West Seventh Street, ABC Conference Room, Suite 500, Little Rock, Arkansas, to consider the adoption of the following rules:

### **Rules and Regulations Governing Greyhound and Thoroughbred Racing**

(1) Amend Horse Racing Rule 1217 and Dog Racing Rule 1330 to adopt the RCI 2009 revised Uniform Drug Classifications.

(2) Rule 2489(A) Instant Racing - #5 Instant Double 2009 with extended bonus game. This rule allows a patron to qualify for a bonus game and extended bonus game by picking the order of finish in the first or previous race.

(3) Rule 2489(B) - #5.1 Bonus Game "Mix and Match." Mix and Match is a bonus game to be played whenever a specified condition occurs during the play of one of the other Instant Racing games, referred to as the base game.

(4) EGS Rule 24.13 allows franchise holders to use server based games, in addition to games controlled individually by a chip.

### **Rules and Regulations Governing Greyhound Racing**

(1) Rule 3190 allows double entries in sprint races, but no more than two double entries in any one race. Double entries shall be uncoupled for wagering purposes.

(2) Rule 5075 allows Franchise Holder to cancel a jackpot carryover under limited circumstances when there are at least two scratches in a race, or late scratches of two or more dogs.

### **Rules and Regulations Governing Thoroughbred Racing**

(1) Rule 1218 - allows external non-invasive treatments such as icing, massage therapy, magnetic blankets, vibrators, or equine chiropractic treatments prior to a race. It prohibits devices or practices designed to produce localized anesthesia. All such devices must be approved by the Arkansas Racing Commission prior to use.

(2) Rule 1214 - amended to allow those methods approved for use in the proposed amendment to Rule 1218.

(3) Rule 2128 – requires approval of any electrical or mechanical device by the Commission before it can be used on a horse.

(4) Rule 2212 – allows horses trained by the same trainer, but with different owners, to run as separate betting interests in any race with the prior approval of the Racing Secretary and Stewards.

(5) Rule 2221 – allows franchise holder, with permission from the Stewards, to refuse the acceptance of any nomination to any stakes race, and revoke previously accepted nominations.

(6) Rule 2260 – changes the purse distribution to winner 60%, place 20%, show 10%, fourth 5%, fifth 3%, and the remaining 2% shall be divided among the starters.

(7) Rule 2419 – changes the minimum payout from \$2.20 to \$2.10 in the event of a minus pool.

Any person wishing to speak for or against any of the above proposed rules should appear at the meeting on December 1st and they will be given the opportunity to express their views. Persons wishing to submit written comments on any of the above rules should send them to the Arkansas Racing Commission office, P.O. Box 3076, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203, prior to the close of business on November 30, 2009. Copies of the complete text of the rules can be obtained from the Racing Commission office during normal business hours.