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# *The Horse Racing Regulation Act*

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Chapter 349 of *The Revised Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1953*  
(effective February 1, 1954).

FOR HISTORICAL REFERENCE ONLY

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## CHAPTER 349

### An Act for the Regulation of Horse Racing

#### Short title

- 1 This Act may be cited as *The Horse Racing Regulation Act*.

R.S.S. 1953, c.349, s.1.

#### Restrictions as to the holding of race-meetings

- 2(1) Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall hold or conduct any race-meeting or horse-racing, nor shall any person aid in, enter in, judge, start, race in, drive in, or ride in any horse race within Saskatchewan.

- (2) The prohibitions contained in subsection (1) do not apply to:

- (a) race-meetings held under the auspices of an agricultural society or exhibition association on a racecourse operated as a part of or in connection with an agricultural fair or exhibition;
- (b) horse-racing by an association, turf club or group of persons for a period not exceeding three days in any one calendar month;
- (c) race-meetings at which no opportunity is afforded either directly or indirectly by the management or otherwise for the placing of bets or wagers through the agency of a pari-mutuel system or otherwise.

R.S.S. 1940, c.280, s.2; R.S.S. 1953, c.349, s.2.

#### Horse-racing on only one track in municipality

- 3 In any city, town, village or rural municipality in Saskatchewan, horse-race meetings or horse-racing may be held at one but not more than one race-course or track in each calendar year.

R.S.S. 1940, c.280, s.3; R.S.S. 1953, c.349, s.3.

#### Interval between meetings

- 4 No horse-race meeting shall be opened or conducted upon any race-course or track within ten days of the conclusion of another horse-race meeting or horse-racing upon such race-course or track.

R.S.S. 1940, c.280, s.4; R.S.S. 1953, c.349, s.4.

#### Penalties

- 5(1) A person who, in contravention of the provisions of this Act, holds or conducts or as owner, occupant or lessee of a race-course, permits thereon, any horse-race meeting or horse-racing or aids in, enters in, judges, starts, races in, drives in, or rides in any horse-race, is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000, with costs, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for not less than one month nor more than six months, and each day's repetition or continuance of any such contravention shall constitute a new and distinct offence.
- (2) Where an offence under this Act is committed by a corporation, every director and officer shall *prima facie* be deemed to be a party to the offence so committed and shall be personally liable to the penalties herein prescribed.

R.S.S. 1940, c.280, s.5; R.S.S. 1953, c.349, s.5.

**Tax on pari-mutuel bets**

**6(1)** In this section “**operator**” means a person who is in any manner the custodian or depositary of money staked or deposited in the making of a bet at a race-meeting, upon races being run thereat.

(2) From every person betting at a race-meeting under the system known as the pari-mutuel, there shall be levied and collected in the manner provided in this section a tax for Her Majesty for the public uses of the province, equal to five per cent of the amount of money deposited by him with the operator when making his bet.

(3) Every operator shall, when money is deposited with him for the purpose of making a bet, collect the amount of the tax by deducting the same from the money so deposited before recording it or applying it to such purpose, and shall make the records and reports of all moneys deposited, bets made and tax collected, and pay over all amounts of tax collected, at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

(4) An operator who fails to comply with any of the provisions of subsection (3) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200.

(5) The Provincial Treasurer may allow an operator such commission upon the money paid by him pursuant to the provisions of this section as may be fixed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

R.S.S. 1940, c.280, s.6; R.S.S. 1953, c.349, s.6.