

**STATE APPLE COMMISSION**

*Chairperson:* John Rinehart, 1983

Allen Baugher, 1983; John T. Stegmaier, 1984; Robert Black, 1985; Terry W. Hepburn, 1985; William M. Allenberg, 1986; Andrew H. Lohr, Jr., 1986.

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The Maryland State Apple Commission was created by Chapter 628, Acts of 1947. The seven-member Commission is appointed to four-year terms by the Governor from a list of fruit growers approved by the executive committee of the Maryland State Horticultural Society. The Commission raises funds for publicity and advertising, sales promotion, education, and research to increase the demand for, and consumption of, Maryland apples. All apples of U.S. Number 1 Canner Grade or better grown in Maryland and sold in commercial trade are subject to a tax of three cents per bushel, except that the first five hundred bushels sold by any producer are tax exempt. Commercial growers must report all apples sold during the crop season by December 31 each year. Apples sold after the season must be reported by the close of the following May. The Commission deposits the funds received from these sources with the State Treasurer in a merchandising fund, and none of this money may be used for any other purpose, operating expenditures excepted (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 10-401 through 10-410).

**BOARD OF INSPECTION OF HORSE RIDING STABLES**

*Chairman:* Virginia B. Thackeray, 1984

*Secretary:* Diana Lee Bobbie, 1984

Walter H. Mitchell, D.V.M., 1984; Pauline Buell, 1985; Judith E. McGaughan, 1985.

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The Board of Inspection of Horse Riding Stables, created by Chapter 474, Acts of 1968, was transferred from the Department of Licensing and Regulation to the Department of Agriculture by Chapter 618, Acts of 1980. The Board consists of five members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Agriculture for

four-year terms. One member is a duly qualified and licensed veterinarian, two are officers of county humane societies, one is an owner of a licensed stable, and one is a public member. The members of the Board select the chairperson. Board members serve without compensation.

The Board is empowered to license all horse riding stables where one or more horses or ponies are let for hire to be ridden or driven, either with or without the furnishing of riding or driving instructions. It also licenses establishments that stable five or more horses and receive compensation for these services; sales barns; and all establishments where five or more horses are sold per year.

The Board provides for the filing of applications for licenses and makes rules and regulations for the qualifications of applicants. The Board may appoint a qualified inspector and it may designate officers of county Humane Societies, Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and licensed veterinarians to act as its agents and to make routine inspections (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 2-701 through 2-719).

**STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

*President:* Dr. Arthur H. Peck, D.V.M., 1984

*Vice-President:* Alvin E. Friedman, 1987

Joseph R. McCrea, D.V.M., 1983; Dr. Fred T. Lewis, D.V.M., 1984; Robert Grant Ammons, Jr., D.V.M., 1985; Carol Johnson, 1986.

*Secretary-Treasurer:* Dr. James B. Rutledge, Jr., D.V.M., 1984

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The State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, established by Chapter 273, Acts of 1894, and enlarged by Chapter 635, Acts of 1974, is composed of seven members. They are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for five-year terms. Each appointment is made from a list of at least three names for each vacancy submitted to the Governor by the Secretary of Agriculture. Five members are veterinarians who are licensed and registered and engaged in active practice. Of these five, two must have their practices predominantly for large animals. Two members of the Board must not be veterinarians.