

THE MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION

1106-1107 Fidelity Building, Baltimore, Md.

Commissioners:	Address.	Term Expires.
Jervis Spencer, Jr., Chairman.....	Garrison	1939
Edwin Warfield, Jr.....	Woodbine	1937
George R. Norris.....	Dundalk	1941

Secretary:

Jas. F. Hayward..... Baltimore

Stenographer and Bookkeeper:

Mrs. William Chesnut..... Baltimore

Inspectors:

Douglas C. Turnbull (Chief)..... Baltimore

William A. Mentzel..... Baltimore

Wm. L. Harron..... Broome's Island

Charles S. Early..... Brandywine

Auditor:

H. L. Callis..... Baltimore

Dr. T. A. Ladson, Veterinarian..... Olney, Md.

The Governor appoints three members, not more than two of whom shall belong to the same political party. Each shall have resided in the State for five years prior to his appointment. Their terms are for six years each.

The law creating the commission was passed at the Legislative Session of 1920 and appears as Chapter 273. Under this law only such persons, associations or corporations may hold or conduct any meeting within the State of Maryland whereat horse racing shall be permitted for any stake, purse or reward, as are licensed by the Commission.

The Racing Commission has full power to prescribe rules, regulations and conditions under which all horse races are conducted; and may make rules restricting and regulating betting on all such races; fix and regulate the rate of charge by the licensee for an admission, the performance of any service, or for the sale of any article on the premises; and also may regulate the size of the purse, stake or reward offered for the conduct of such races, and the payment of money for salaries, fees and compensation by the licensee.

In addition to licensing racing generally for a prescribed period, bona fide County Fairs or Agricultural Exhibits may be licensed by the Racing Commission to conduct racing during not more than five days each in any one year upon payment of the required license fee.

The decision of the Commission in the issue of licenses, the award of days for the holding of races by any licensee, and the suspension or revocation of licenses are matters in the discretion of the Commission. The action of the Commission in suspending or revoking any license is final, except, however, the propriety of such action is subject to review by the courts on questions of law only.