

WAC 260-24-520 Racing secretary. The racing secretary is responsible for the following duties:

(1) Programming of races during the race meet;
(2) Compiling and publishing condition books;
(3) Assigning weights for handicap races;
(4) Receiving all entries, nominations, and scratches;
(5) Supervising the racing office employees, including the assistant racing secretary;

(6) (a) Receiving, inspecting, and safeguarding all required foal and health certificates, Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) test certificates, and other documents of eligibility for all horses competing at the track or stabled on the grounds;

(b) Effective January 1, 2020, the racing secretary shall ensure that the registration certificates for all thoroughbred horses entered to race that were foaled in 2018 or later have a digital tattoo. The digital tattoo shall indicate that the thoroughbred racing protective bureau has confirmed the identity of the horse and uploaded digital photographs to the breed registry database;

(7) Recording the alteration of the sex of a horse on the horse's registration certificates and reporting such to the appropriate breed registry and past performance services;

(8) Recording on a horse's registration certificate when a posterior digital neurectomy (heel nerving) is performed on that horse;

(9) Maintaining a list of heel nerved horses on association grounds and making the list available for inspection by persons participating in the race meet;

(10) Maintaining a list of all fillies or mares on association grounds that have been covered by a stallion, and making this list available for inspection by persons participating in the race meet. This list will include the name of the stallion;

(11) Assigning stalls to be occupied by horses in preparation for racing;

(12) Determining conflicting claims of stable privileges and maintaining a record of arrivals and departures of all horses arriving and departing the association grounds;

(13) Establishing the conditions and eligibility for entering races and publishing the conditions and eligibility to owners, trainers, and the commission. Conditions and eligibility will also be posted in the racing secretary's office.

(a) For the purpose of establishing conditions, winnings will be considered to include all moneys won up to the time of the start of the race;

(b) Winnings during the calendar year will be calculated by the racing secretary from the preceding January 1st;

(14) Entries of horses, which will include:

(a) Examining all entry blanks to verify correct information; and

(b) Selecting the horses to start and the "also eligible" horses, if any, from those entries received in accordance with WAC 260-52-020;

(15) Upon completion of the draw each day, posting a list of entries in a conspicuous location in the race office and making the lists available upon request;

(16) Publishing the official daily program and ensuring the accuracy of the following information:

(a) Sequence of races to be run and post time for the first race;

(b) Purse, conditions and distance for each race, and current track record for each distance;

(c) The name of licensed owners of each horse (indicate as leased, if applicable), and the description of racing colors to be carried;

(d) The name of the trainer and the name of the jockey for each horse together with the weight to be carried;

(e) The post position and the saddlecloth number or designation for each horse if there is a variance with the saddlecloth designation;

(f) Identification of each horse by name, color, sex, age, sire and dam; and

(g) Any other information that may be requested by the association or commission;

(17) Update the foal certificates on all winners to reflect type of race won and amount of purse money awarded;

(18) Accurately record on the foal certificates any transfer of ownership of horses, by either claim or bill of sale, to reflect true ownership of horse;

(19) Examining nominations received for early closing events, late closing events, and stakes events to verify the eligibility of all nominations and compile lists for publication;

(20) Maintaining the permanent records of all stakes and verifying that all entrance moneys due are paid prior to entry for races conducted at the race meet.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 67.16.020. WSR 19-03-075, § 260-24-520, filed 1/14/19, effective 2/14/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 67.16.020 and 67.16.040. WSR 08-05-088, § 260-24-520, filed 2/15/08, effective 3/17/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 67.16.040. WSR 98-01-145, § 260-24-520, filed 12/19/97, effective 1/19/98.]