

99D.24 Prohibited activities — penalty.

1. A person is guilty of an aggravated misdemeanor for doing any of the following:
 - a. Holding or conducting a race or race meeting where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is used or to be used without a license issued by the commission.
 - b. Holding or conducting a race or race meeting where wagering is permitted other than in the manner specified by [section 99D.11](#).
 - c. Committing any other corrupt or fraudulent practice as defined by the commission in relation to racing which affects or may affect the result of a race.
2. A person knowingly permitting a person under the age of twenty-one years to make a pari-mutuel wager is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.
3. A person wagering or accepting a wager at any location outside the wagering area is subject to the penalties in [section 725.7](#).
4. A person commits a class “D” felony and, in addition, shall be barred for life from racetracks under the jurisdiction of the commission, if the person does any of the following:
 - a. Offers, promises, or gives anything of value or benefit to a person who is connected with racing including, but not limited to, an officer or employee of a licensee, an owner of a horse, a jockey or driver, a trainer, or handler, pursuant to an agreement or arrangement or with the intent that the promise or thing of value or benefit will influence the actions of the person to whom the offer, promise, or gift was made in order to affect or attempt to affect the outcome of a race, or to influence official action of a member of the commission.
 - b. Solicits or knowingly accepts or receives a promise of anything of value or benefit while the person is connected with racing including, but not limited to, an officer or employee of a licensee, an owner of a horse, a jockey or driver, a trainer, or handler, pursuant to an understanding or arrangement or with the intent that the promise or thing of value or benefit will influence the actions of the person to affect or attempt to affect the outcome of a race, or to influence official action of a member of the commission.
 - c. Knowingly or intentionally passes a winning wager or share to another person or provides fraudulent identification in order to avoid the forfeiture of any money or thing of value as a voluntarily excluded person pursuant to the processes established under [section 99D.7, subsection 23](#).
 - d. Knowingly or intentionally passes a winning wager or share to another person or provides fraudulent identification in order to avoid the application of a setoff as provided in [section 99D.28](#).
5. A person commits a class “D” felony and the commission shall suspend or revoke a license held by the person if the person:
 - a. Uses, possesses, or conspires to use or possess a device other than the ordinary whip or spur for the purpose of stimulating or depressing a horse or dog during a race or workout.
 - b. Sponges a horse’s or dog’s nostrils or windpipe or uses any method, injurious or otherwise, for the purpose of stimulating or depressing a horse or dog or affecting its speed in a race or a workout.
6. A person commits a serious misdemeanor if the person has in the person’s possession within the confines of a racetrack, stable, shed, building or grounds, or within the confines of a stable, shed, building or grounds where a horse or dog is kept which is eligible to race over a racetrack licensed under [this chapter](#), an appliance other than the ordinary whip or spur which can be used for the purpose of stimulating or depressing a horse or dog or affecting its speed at any time.

[83 Acts, ch 187, §24; 84 Acts, ch 1265, §5; 91 Acts, ch 195, §1; 94 Acts, ch 1021, §5; 2004 Acts, ch 1086, §24; 2005 Acts, ch 19, §31; 2022 Acts, ch 1143, §4](#)

Referred to in [§99D.7, 99D.9, 99D.28](#)