



Legal Division

May 21, 2026

The Honorable Michael D. Hurley  
Senate Clerk  
Office of the Senate Clerk  
24 Beacon Street | Room 335  
Boston, MA 02133

The Honorable Timothy Carroll  
House Clerk  
Office of the House Clerk  
24 Beacon Street | Room 145  
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Senate Clerk Hurley and House Clerk Timothy Carroll:

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 128A, § 9B and M.G.L. c. 6 § 222 the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) hereby files 205 CMR 3.00, specifically, **205 CMR 3.02: Definitions**, **205 CMR 3.28: Prohibited Practices**, **205 CMR 3.29: Medications and Prohibited Substances**, with the Clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

**205 CMR 3.02: Definitions** section is being amended to add definitions for the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) and the United States Trotting Association (USTA), to include the specific date and version. The amendments are meant to clearly identify which versions of the rules are being used.

**205 CMR 3.28: Prohibited Practices** is being amended to correct an incorrect citation from “205 CMR 3.28(5),” to “Annex I.” Additional changes include changing the word “breeze” to “qualify” and the word “jockeys” to “drivers” to reflect the terminology used in Standardbred Racing.

**205 CMR 3.29: Medications and Prohibited Substances** is being amended to remove the language in Section 2A, as the Racing Division does not use this multiple medication violation system.

These regulations are largely governed by M.G.L. c. 128A, §§ 9 and 9B. A public hearing was held regarding these proposed amendments on May 5, 2026. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to reach me at [melanie.foxx@massgaming.gov](mailto:melanie.foxx@massgaming.gov) or (857) 202-0429. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures



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