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§9-1A-09.

(a) In this section, “racing licensee” means the holder of a license issued by the State Racing Commission to hold a race meeting in the State under Title 11 of the Business Regulation Article.

(b) As a condition of eligibility for funding under § 9-1A-29 of this subtitle, a racing licensee shall:

(1) (i) for Laurel Park and Pimlico Race Course, conduct a minimum of 220 annual live racing days combined between Laurel Park and Pimlico Race Course unless otherwise agreed to by the racing licensee and the organization that represents the majority of licensed thoroughbred owners and trainers in the State or unless the racing licensee is prevented by weather, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond the racing licensee’s control;

(ii) for Rosecroft Raceway, conduct a minimum of 90 annual live racing days unless otherwise agreed to by the racing licensee and the organization that represents the majority of licensed standardbred owners and trainers in the State or unless the racing licensee is prevented by weather, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond the racing licensee’s control; and

(iii) for Ocean Downs Racetrack, conduct a minimum of 40 annual live racing days unless otherwise agreed to by the racing licensee and the organization that represents the majority of licensed standardbred owners and trainers in the State or unless the racing licensee is prevented by weather, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond the racing licensee’s control;

(2) if the racing licensee holds the racing license for Pimlico Race Course, retain in the State of Maryland the name, common law and statutory copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trade names, and horse racing events that are associated with the Preakness Stakes and the Woodlawn Vase;

(3) if the racing licensee holds the racing license for the Pimlico Race Course, promote and conduct the Preakness Stakes each year at:

(i) the Pimlico Race Course; or

(ii) if the Pimlico Race Course no longer exists, the Preakness Stakes Race is prevented from being conducted at the Pimlico Race Course, or the State Racing Commission, under § 11-513 of the Business Regulation Article, deems an emergency exists, another track located in the State that is approved by the State Racing Commission;

(4) if the racing licensee holds the racing license for Laurel Park, permit

the event known as the Maryland Million to be run annually at Laurel Park unless:

(i) the racing licensee is prevented from doing so by weather, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond the control of the racing licensee; or

(ii) the racing licensee and the Maryland Million LLC agree to another location that is approved by the State Racing Commission;

(5) develop and submit to the State Racing Commission a multiyear plan to improve the quality and marketing of horse racing at racetrack locations owned or operated by the racing licensee in Maryland, which shall include:

(i) goals, indicators, and timelines for specific actions that will be taken by the racing licensee to improve the quality and marketing of the horse racing industry in Maryland; and

(ii) a master plan for capital improvements that reflects, at a minimum:

1. commitments that have been made to the State Racing Commission; and

2. an ongoing investment in capital maintenance and improvements in the horse racing facilities of at least \$1,500,000 annually, which may include amounts provided as a matching fund as required under § 9-1A-29(e)(2) of this subtitle; and

(6) develop with other racing industry representatives a multiyear plan to improve the quality and marketing of the horse racing industry in Maryland, which shall include goals, indicators, and timelines for specific actions that will be taken by the thoroughbred and harness racing industries to improve the quality and marketing of the horse racing industry in Maryland, including joint marketing efforts.

(c) As part of the capital maintenance and improvement items in the plan submitted under subsection (b)(5) of this section, a racing licensee shall include any improvements necessary to ensure that the condition of any part of the racetrack facility where individuals reside is satisfactory for human habitation and meets minimum housing and sanitation standards in the county where the facility is located.

(d) The plans required under subsection (b) of this section shall also be provided to the Department of General Services and to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly.

(e) (1) If a video lottery operation license has been issued for a racetrack location at Laurel Park, the video lottery operation license for the location shall be revoked if the name, common law and statutory copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trade names, or horse racing events that are associated with the Preakness Stakes Race or the Woodlawn Vase are transferred to a location outside the State.

(2) As an additional condition of a video lottery operation license, if a racetrack licensee holds a video lottery operation license for Laurel Park, the licensee shall be required to:

(i) promote and conduct the Preakness Stakes Race at the Pimlico Race Course each year; or

(ii) if the Pimlico Race Course no longer exists, the Preakness Stakes Race is prevented from being conducted at the Pimlico Race Course, or the State Racing Commission, under § 11–513 of the Business Regulation Article, deems an emergency exists, promote and conduct the Preakness Stakes Race each year at another track located in the State that is approved by the State Racing Commission.

(3) If a racetrack licensee has been issued a video lottery operation license for a racetrack location at Laurel Park, the licensee shall permit the event known as the Maryland Million to be run annually at Laurel Park unless:

(i) the licensee is prevented from doing so by weather, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond the control of the licensee; or

(ii) the licensee and the Maryland Million LLC agree to another location that is approved by the State Racing Commission.

(4) If a video lottery operation license is issued to a racetrack location at Laurel Park, the video lottery operation licensee shall:

(i) maintain the operation of the Bowie Training Center; or

(ii) if State law no longer requires the Bowie Training Center to operate as a training facility, convey the property associated with the Bowie Training Center to the State as preserved land under Program Open Space.

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