Gambling Regulatory Authority (Personal Management Licence) Regulations 2018

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THE GAMBLING REGULATORY AUTHORITY ACT Regulations made by the Minister under sections 93B(2) and 164(1)(a) of the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act

1. These regulations may be cited as the Gambling Regulatory Authority (Personal Management Licence) Regulations 2018.

1A. In these regulations —

"Act" means the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act.

1B. For the purpose of section 93B of the Act —

"officer", insofar as it relates to a horse racing organiser, means —

- (a). a member of its board of administrators;
- (b). a member of its panel of racing stewards;
- (c). a jockey;
- (d). a trainer;
- (e). an assistant trainer;
- (f). a stable manager;
- (g). an assistant stable manager;
- (h). a horse owner;
- (i). a veterinary surgeon acting for the horse racing organiser or a stable;
- (j). the clerk of a racecourse;
- (k). a communications officer;
- (I). a commentator at a race meeting; or
- (m). the Chief Executive Officer;
- (n).the General Manager;

- (o).the Assistant General Manager;
- (p).the Secretary;
- (q).the Senior IT Officer;
- (r). the Finance and Administrative Manager;
- (s). the Senior Finance Officer;
- (t). the Audit and Risk Manager;
- (u).the MLRO/DMLRO and Compliance Officer;
- (v). the Operational Manager;
- (w). the Human Resource Manager;
- (x). the Inquiry Reporter;
- (y). the Horse Security Officer; or
- (z). a person who performs any of the above functions or holds a managerial or consulting position in the horse racing organiser.

Amended by [GN No. 45 of 2019]; [GN No. 104 of 2021]

An application for a personal management licence shall be made to the Board in such form as it may approve and shall be accompanied by a certificate of character issued not earlier than 3 months before the date of the application.

- 3. The Board may
 - (a) where it is satisfied that the applicant is a person of good character; and
 - (b) where the applicant certifies that he
 - (i) is not the subject of an investigation into an offence specified in Part I of the Schedule;
 - (ii) is not the subject of court proceedings involving an offence specified in Part I of the Schedule;
 - (iii) is not the subject of bankruptcy proceedings;
 - (iv) has not been adjudged bankrupt; and

 (v) is not the object of any process, investigation or proceeding under customs or revenue laws,

on payment of the fee specified in Part II of the Schedule, issue a personal management licence on such conditions as may be specified in the licence.

3A. (1) Notwithstanding regulations 2 and 3, an application by a non-resident citizen or a noncitizen for a personal management licence to be licensed as a horse owner with the Horse Racing Division shall be made to the Horse Racing Committee and shall be accompanied –

- (a) by a police clearance certificate from his country of residence issued not earlier than 3 months before the date of the application; or
- (b) in case he is registered and licensed as a horse owner with a Racing Authority in a foreign jurisdiction, by a certificate of good standing issued not earlier than 3 months before the date of the application.

(2) Where the applicant satisfies the criteria under paragraph (1), the Horse Racing Committee may issue a personal management licence on payment of the fee specified in Part II of the Schedule and on such conditions as may be specified in the licence.

Amended by [GN No. 46 of 2023]

- 4. (1) A licence issued under regulation 3 shall be valid for 3 years from the date of issue.
 - (2) A licence issued under these regulations may be renewed
 - (a) not later than 45 days before its expiry;
 - (b) on payment of the fee specified in Part II of the Schedule; and
 - (c) in such manner as the Board may approve.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2)(a), a licence may, on payment of the licence fee specified in Part II of the Schedule together with a penalty of 50 per cent of that licence fee, be

renewed not later than 15 days before its expiry.

(4) A licence shall not be renewed after the period specified in paragraph (3).

5. (1) A licensee shall immediately notify the Board where he is convicted of a criminal offence or no longer meets any criteria specified in regulation 3(b).

- (2) The Board may revoke a licence issued under these regulations where
 - (a) it receives a notification under paragraph (1);
 - (b) becomes aware that
 - (i) a licensee has been convicted of a criminal offence; or
 - (ii) no longer meets any of the criteria specified in regulation 3(b); or
 - (c) a licensee breaches any condition specified in the licence.
- **5A.** Any person who has leased a race horse from an equestrian centre duly licensed by the Horse Racing Division for a specified term with a view to fielding the horse to race in Mauritius in his name as a race card owner shall be exempt from personal management licence, provided that he provides to the Horse Racing Committee a copy of the lease agreement and a certificate of character or a certificate of good standing from a bank issued not earlier than 3 months before the date of the application.

Amended by [GN No. 46 of 2023]

6. Any person who contravenes regulation 5(1) shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 50,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Made by the Minister on 27 August 2018.

SCHEDULE

[Regulations 3 and 4(2)(b) and (3)]

PART I - OFFENCES

- 1. Murder
- Manslaughter 2.
- 3. Offences involving fraud and dishonesty
- 4. Drug-related offences
- 5. Sexual offences

PART II- LICENCE FEE

(Rs)

15,000

1. Issue of licence

2. Renewal of licence

15,000 for a period of 3 years