

**7873.0185 TRIFECTA.**

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The trifecta is a form of pari-mutuel wagering combining three horses in a single race. Each bettor selects horses that will finish in exact order, first, second, and third in a designated trifecta race. Payment of the ticket shall be made only to the purchasers who have selected the exact order of finish as officially posted, except as otherwise noted. All trifecta wagers are calculated on a separate trifecta pool, with no relation to any other pool.

Subp. 2. **Price of tickets.** Trifecta tickets shall be sold singly in not less than 50-cent denominations. A box resulting in a minimum wager of \$1.50 or a wheel resulting in a minimum wager of 50 cents may be made and will return to the bettor one-half of the minimum payoff.

Subp. 3. **Scratches.** If a horse is scratched or declared a nonstarter, no further trifecta tickets may be issued designating the horse and all previously issued trifecta tickets that include the scratched horse shall be refunded at any time and the money deducted from the gross pool.

Subp. 4. **Failure to select winning combination.** Items A to F govern payoffs in races where the winning combination has not been selected.

A. If no ticket is sold correctly selecting in exact order the first three horses, the net pool shall be paid equally on those trifecta tickets correctly selecting the first two horses in exact order with all other horses.

B. If no ticket is sold correctly selecting the first and second horse, the net pool shall be paid equally on those trifecta tickets selecting the horses that finished first and third, with all other horses finishing second.

C. If no ticket is sold correctly selecting the first and third horse, the net pool shall be paid equally on those trifecta tickets correctly selecting the horses that finished second and third, with all other horses to win.

D. If no ticket is sold correctly selecting the first and third horse, the net pool shall be paid equally on those trifecta tickets selecting the horse that finished first, with all other horses finishing second and third.

E. If no ticket is sold that would require distribution of the net trifecta pool as described in items A to D, a full refund of the trifecta pool for that race shall be made.

F. If less than three horses finish a trifecta race, payoff shall be made on tickets selecting the actual finishing horses in order, ignoring the balance of the selection.

Subp. 5. **Cancellation of trifecta race.** If a trifecta race is canceled, a full refund of all trifecta tickets will be made.

Subp. 6. **Dead heat.** Items A to E govern payoffs in dead heats.

A. In the event of a dead heat for first, the winning combinations shall include the first two horses as finishing in either the first or second position and the horse finishing third. The payoffs will be calculated as a place pool.

B. In the event of a dead heat for second, the winning combinations shall be the horse finishing first and the two horses finishing in a dead heat for second, as finishing in either the second or third position. The payoffs will be calculated as a place pool.

C. In the event of a dead heat for third, the winning combinations shall be the horse finishing first, the horse finishing second, and the two horses finishing in a dead heat for third. The payoffs will be calculated as a place pool.

D. In the event of a dead heat for first, second, or third where there is no winning ticket on the one dead heat combination, the entire net pool will be paid to the other winning combination.

E. In all instances of multiple dead heats, the winning combinations shall be paid proportionately from the net trifecta pool.

Subp. 7. **Restrictions on trifecta races.** Trifecta wagering must not be scheduled on a race with fewer than five betting interests in the original daily racing program.

Trifecta wagering must not be allowed on a race with fewer than five betting interests. If, for any reason, trifecta wagering is canceled, all trifecta wagers must be refunded. If time permits, the association may schedule exacta wagering in place of trifecta wagering.

Subp. 8. [Repealed, 41 SR 1322]

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 240.13; 240.15; 240.19; 240.23; 240.24*

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