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# THE TERRITORY FOR THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

## No. 19 of 1935.

# AN ORDINANCE

## Relating to Racecourses and for other purposes.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Seat of Government Acceptance Act* 1909 and the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act* 1910-1933, as follows:—

**1.** This Ordinance may be cited as the *Racecourses Ordinance* 1935. Short title.

**2.** The Acts of the State of New South Wales specified in the Schedule to this Ordinance shall, to the extent expressed in that Schedule, cease to apply to the Territory. State Acts to cease to apply.

**3.** In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears— Definitions.

"Meeting for horse-racing" means any meeting at which all horses, mares and geldings respectively may compete without any restriction or condition relating to the height of the horses, mares or geldings;

"Meeting for pony-racing" means any meeting at which the conditions of any race include any condition relating to the height of any horse, mare or gelding eligible to compete therein;

"Owner" includes lessee or sub-lessee;

"Race-course" means land used for race-meetings to which admission is granted by payment of money, by ticket or otherwise;

"Race-meeting," means meeting for horse-racing or pony-racing or trotting contests.

**4.** A race-meeting shall not be held on any racecourse unless the racecourse is licensed under this Ordinance. Racecourses to be licensed.

**5.** A race-meeting for horse-racing or pony-racing shall not be held on any racecourse if the circumference of the running ground of the racecourse, measured three feet from the inner boundary, is less than six furlongs. Size of racecourses.

**6.** If any race-meeting is held in contravention of either of the last two preceding sections, the owner or trustees of the race-course, and the club, association or person by or on behalf of which or whom the meeting was so held and each member of the managing body of the trustees, club or association, and any Offences.

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person acting at the race-meeting as starter or judge shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty of not less than Five hundred pounds and not exceeding One thousand pounds.

Issue of licences.

**7.**—(1.) The Minister may issue a licence in respect of a racecourse on such terms and conditions as he thinks fit.

(2.) Any such licence shall be for a year commencing on the first day of January.

(3.) The fee for a licence shall be One pound.

(4.) The Minister may, for any good cause, cancel a licence.

(5.) A racecourse in respect of which a licence is issued under this section and is in force shall, for the purposes of this Ordinance and any other law in force in the Territory, be deemed to be a licensed racecourse.

Trotting contests allowed on showgrounds.

**8.**—(1.) Nothing in the four last preceding sections shall apply to any ground used for the purposes of a show by a pastoral or agricultural association, or to any trotting races or contests held on the ground by the association, provided that the association has been registered by the Minister, and the conditions of the trotting races or contests have been approved by the Minister.

(2.) It shall be a condition of any such registration that betting or wagering shall not be allowed on the ground.

Validation of licences.

**9.** Where, prior to the commencement of this Ordinance, any authority of the State of New South Wales has purported to licence any racecourse in the Territory, any licence which that authority has purported to issue for the purpose of licensing the racecourse shall be deemed to be, and, at all times to have been, as valid and effectual as if this Ordinance had been in force when the authority purported to issue the licence and the licence had been issued under this Ordinance.

## THE SCHEDULE.

STATE ACTS TO CEASE TO APPLY TO TERRITORY.

| Number. | Short title. | Extent to which Act ceases to appy |
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| No. 13, 1906 .. | *Gaming and Betting Act*, 1906 | Sections 28, 29 and 30 |
| No. 55, 1906 .. | *Gaming and Betting (Amendment) Act*, 1906 | Section 4 |
| No. 2, 1907 .. | *Gaming and Betting (Amendment) Act*, 1907 | Sections 3 to 5 (inclusive) |

Dated this fourth day of December, 1935.

ISAAC A. ISAACS
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

T. PATERSON
Minister of State for the Interior.

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