



New York State Gaming Commission

Racing Inspector

Opportunities for Racing Inspectors are currently available at the following racetrack location(s):

Saratoga Raceway
342 Jefferson St
Saratoga Springs, NY

Positions Available: 2
Appointment Type: Temporary
Employment Type: Per Diem
Salary: \$142.78, per day (2024 CSEA Contract Rate)
Bargaining Unit: CSEA – Civil Service Employee Association
Work Schedule: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (Afternoons) & occasional Saturday (Evenings)

Duties:

The position is assigned to the Division of Horse Racing and Pari-Mutuel Wagering and reports to the Presiding Judge at Saratoga Raceway:

- Observes operations at horse racing tracks to identify administrative and security problems;
- Verifies identity of horses via microchip scan;
- Collects blood and urine tags and samples;
- Accompanies horses from the track to the test barn for sample collection;
- Ensures sample containers are identified and sealed against tampering, and delivers samples for testing;
- Ensures horse attendants sign test cards, and maintain daily activity books;
- Tests drivers with breathalyzers;
- Reports evidence of faulty or inefficient track operations, regulatory violations, and foul play;
- Testifies at administrative hearings regarding suspensions, revocations, and other violations.

Minimum Qualifications:

Ability to physically perform assigned duties, and ability to follow directions.

Desired skills and needs:

Must be good with horses and be able to physically work in a closed stall, paddock area and outside environment.

Must be able to work one and a half hours before post time.

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Appointment to this position in State government requires candidates to undergo an investigative screening. This includes a thorough character investigation, a Federal Bureau of Investigation Criminal Record History Check including fingerprinting. The Commission will pay the fee for fingerprinting. All convictions must be disclosed. Depending on the nature of the job, the criminal convictions discovered, or any falsified or omitted information revealed, the investigative findings may bar appointment or result in removal after appointment. Each case is determined on its own merits, consistent with the applicable provisions of state and federal laws.

Reference Checks and Verification of Credentials: It is the Commission policy to verify credentials, education, and work experience for the position for which you are being considered. We will also conduct reference checks.

Prior Employment Restrictions: The law that established the Commission (Section 107 of New York's Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law) prohibits any person from being employed by the Commission if, during the period commencing three years prior to employment, such person held any interest in, or employment by, any corporation, association or person engaged in gaming activity with the State.

Prohibition Against Playing and Wagering: Commission employees and family members residing in their households are prohibited from purchasing Lottery tickets or claiming Lottery prizes. The prohibition against wagering upon any horse racing, commercial gaming, Indian gaming and charitable gaming activities within the State, however, does not apply to family members of Commission employees. To avoid any appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest, Commission employees will be prohibited from all aspects of promoting, operating, and playing in any charitable gaming, which includes bingo and games of chance such as raffles, whether the organization conducting the game is required to be licensed by the Commission. The prohibition placed upon each Commission employee from assisting with any charitable gaming does not apply to the employee's family unless the employee thinks it presents a conflict of interest related to his or her job duties. Commission employees must also avoid any outside activities that could interfere or be perceived to interfere with their job duties.

Outside Activities and Employment: It is the obligation of every employee of the NYS Gaming Commission to pursue a course of conduct that will not cause public concern as to whether such employee is engaged in activities in conflict with the public trust. It is vital that even the appearance of a conflict of interest be avoided in view of the critical nature of the Commission's responsibilities. In addition, employees should not use Gaming Commission equipment or supplies, or Gaming Commission time to pursue or engage in any such activities. All outside employment and volunteer activities must be approved by the Gaming Commission.

Post -Employment Restrictions: Post-employment restrictions apply to all State Officers and Employees subject to Public Officers Law Section 73. They apply to part-time and seasonal employees and apply equally regardless of the duration of employment while with New York State. For the two-year period immediately following separation from State service, former State Officers and Employees are prohibited from:

- Appearing or practicing, regardless of compensation, before their former agency, and
- Receiving compensation on behalf of a client in relation to a matter before their former agency

State Officers and Employees may also be subject to a “reverse two-year bar” that requires State officers and employees to recuse themselves from matters involving their former private sector employers for two years after entering State service.

The “lifetime bar” prohibits a former State Officer or Employee from providing services, regardless of compensation, and from rendering services for compensation, in relation to any case, proceeding, application or transaction with respect to which the former employee was directly concerned and in which he or she personally participated or which was under his or her active consideration while in State service.