

Title

KAHNAWÀ:KE ATHLETIC EVENTS LAW

K.R.L. c. A-3

[Enacted by MCR # 10/1996-97 on the 4th Onerahtókha/April 1996]
[Amended by MCR # 7/2005-06 on the 1st Seskéha/August 2005]
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Preamble

WHEREAS the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke has the power and jurisdiction to enact a Law for the control or prohibition of public games, sports, races, athletic contests and other amusements; and

WHEREAS it is necessary and desirable to enact a Law establishing and empowering the Kahnawà:ke Athletic Commission to regulate and control public games, sports, races, athletic contests and other amusements that occur within the Mohawk Territory of Kahnawà:ke; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke hereby enacts as a Law in and for the Mohawk Community of Kahnawà:ke, the following:

SECTION I

"Jurisdiction & Definitions"

1. JURISDICTION AND DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke has the sole and exclusive authority and jurisdiction to grant or withhold permission for the staging of any and all public games, sports, races, athletic contests and other amusements within the Mohawk Territory of Kahnawà:ke.
- 1.2 For greater certainty, "public games, sports, races, athletic contests and other amusements" includes contests or exhibitions involving boxing, martial arts and other forms of physical competition.

SECTION II

"Creation of Regulatory Board"

2. CREATION OF REGULATORY BOARD

- 2.1 There is established a body to be known as the Kahnawà:ke Athletic Commission (the "Commission") with the powers and duties provided in this Law.
- 2.2 The Commission will be comprised of three (3) members appointed by the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke.

"Authority"	<p>3. <u>AUTHORITY</u></p>
"Licenses and permits"	<p>3.1 The Commission has the authority to issue, suspend, cancel, regulate and control the use of professional combat sports licenses or permits in the Territory of Kahnawà:ke. [amended by MCR # 7/2005-06]</p>
"Persons affected"	<p>3.2 Section 3.1 of the present Law applies to licenses and permits respecting organizers, contestants, managers, trainers, corner attendants, officials, and printers in connection with a sporting event. [amended by MCR # 7/2005-06]</p>
"Cancellation"	<p>3.3 The Commission's decision to suspend, cancel, terminate, amend, not issue, grant or renew any license or permit may be reviewed by the Administrative Tribunal in accordance with the <i>Kahnawà:ke Justice Act</i> and its applicable regulations, by filing a petition at the offices of Justice Services within thirty (30) days of receipt of the decision.</p> <p>3.4 In the event a member of the Commission has reasonable grounds to believe that any game, sport, race, athletic contest, or other amusement is being conducted in a manner that contravenes any provision or principle in this Law, the member of the Commission may order the game, sport, race, athletic contest or other amusement be immediately stopped or suspended and may take such steps as are necessary to enforce the order. [amended by MCR # 7/2005-06]</p>
"Functions"	<p>4. <u>FUNCTIONS</u></p> <p>4.1 The Commission will monitor and control all public games, sports, races, athletic contests and other amusements being conducted within the Mohawk Territory of Kahnawà:ke, with the permission of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke in accordance with the following principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the safety and security of participants and spectators must be assured; b) when appropriate, adequate medical supervision of participants must be made available; c) the rules particular to the game, sport, race, athletic contest or other amusement must be enforced by an appropriate official or referee retained for that purpose; [amended by MCR # 7/2005-06] <p>4.2 At least one (1) member of the Commission must attend any game, sport, athletic contest, race, or other amusement pursuant to this Law. [amended by MCR # 7/2005-06]</p>

SECTION III

"Penalties"

5. PENALTIES

- 5.1 Any person who contravenes any provision of the Law, including any order by a member of the Commission pursuant to this Law, is guilty of an offense punishable by a fine up to one thousand (\$1,000) dollars or imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both.
[amended by MCR # 7/2005-06]

"Enforcement"

6. ENFORCEMENT

- 6.1 An order by a member of the Commission stopping or suspending a game, sport, race, athletic contest or other amusement may be made orally or in writing and is effective from the moment it is conveyed to a person in charge of, or a participant involved in the game, sport, race, athletic contest or other amusement.

"Court"

7. COURT

- 7.1 The Court of Kahnawà:ke has jurisdiction over all matters related to this law.

SECTION IV

"History"

8. HISTORY

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