

205 CMR 250: PROTECTION OF MINORS AND UNDERAGE YOUTH FROM SPORTS WAGERING

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250.01: Preventing Sports Wagering by Underage Persons

- (1) Each Sports Wagering Operator shall implement policies, procedures and practices designed to prevent Persons younger than 21 years old, except for an employee 18 years of age or older solely acting in the performance of the employee’s duties, from:
  - a. Entering a Sports Wagering Area or Sports Wagering Facility;
  - b. Placing a bet at a Sports Wagering Kiosk; or
  - c. Holding a Sports Wagering Account.
- (2) Each Sports Wagering Operator shall submit a written policy that includes the policies, procedures and practices described in 205 CMR 250.01(1) and (5), including but not limited to measures to prevent minors and underage youth from placing a Sports Wager at a Sports Wagering Kiosk, for Commission approval at least 30 days before the Sports Wagering Operator begins accepting bets from individuals participating in Sports Wagering from Massachusetts. The Commission shall review the plan, and if approved, the plan shall be implemented and followed by the Sports Wagering Operator. If the plan is not approved, the Commission may withhold issuance of an Operations Certificate until the Sports Wagering Operator has submitted a new policy that is approved by the Commission.
- (3) The Commission shall review each Sports Wagering Operator’s written policy at least once a year.
- (4) If a Sports Wagering Operator amends its written policy prior to the Commission’s annual review, the Sports Wagering Operator shall submit an amended written policy for Commission approval within 30 days of amending the written policy. The Sports Wagering Operator shall not implement the amended written policy until the Commission approves the amended written policy. While the Commission reviews the amended written policy, the Sports Wagering Operator shall continue to implement the written policy most recently approved by the Commission.
- (5) The policies, procedures and practices shall include but not be limited to an ongoing program of training for personnel at the gaming establishment or Sports Wagering Facility, or for personnel who are responsible for regulating access to a Sports Wagering Platform, that emphasizes the responsibility of those personnel for identifying and preventing Sports Wagering by persons younger than 21 years old.

- (6) In cooperation with the Commission, and where reasonably possible, the Sports Wagering Operator shall determine the amount wagered and lost by a Person younger than 21 years old. The monetary value of the losses shall be paid to the Commission for deposit into the Sports Wagering Fund within 45 days established in M.G.L. c. 23N, § 17.

250.02: Monitoring the Premises for Unattended Minors

Sports Wagering Operators shall be subject to the same responsibilities regarding the monitoring of parking areas and the safety of minors on the premises of a gaming establishment or Sports Wagering Facility as gaming licensees as set forth in 205 CMR 150.02.

250.03: Preventing the Service of Alcohol to Underage Persons

Each Sports Wagering Operator shall implement policies, procedures and practices in accordance with 205 CMR 138.12 to prevent the service of alcoholic beverages to underage Persons upon the premises of the gaming establishment or Sports Wagering Facility.

250.04: Reporting Requirements Related to Minors and Underage Persons

Each Sports Wagering Operator shall submit an underage Person report to the bureau by the tenth day of each month reporting the following information for the previous month, as applicable to either in-person or mobile Sports Wagering operators:

- (1) The number of Persons younger than 21 years old found in the Sports Wagering Facility;
- (2) The number of Persons younger than 21 years old found Sports Wagering or attempting to Sports Wager in the Sports Wagering Area, including but not limited to, wagering on a Sports Wagering Kiosk;
- (3) The number of Persons younger than 21 years old found Sports Wagering or attempting to Sports Wager on a Sports Wagering Platform;
- (4) The number of Persons younger than 21 years old found consuming or attempting to consume alcohol in the Sports Wagering Area or Sports Wagering Facility;
- (5) The number of Persons younger than 21 years old turned over to the proper law enforcement authority by the Sports Wagering Operator; and
- (6) The number of Persons younger than 21 years old escorted from the Sports Wagering Area.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY

M.G.L. c. 23N, §§ 4, 13(d), 13(e)(2).