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Plainridge Park Casino Fined for Sports Wagering Catalog Noncompliance *Plainridge Park Casino Sportsbook Offered Wagering on an Unauthorized Event*

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) has issued a fine of \$20,000 to Plainridge Park Casino (PPC) as a result of PPC's sportsbook offering wagering on an unauthorized event involving a Massachusetts collegiate team not involved in a collegiate tournament, which is prohibited under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 23N Section 3, MGC regulation 205 CMR 247.01(2)(a)(2), and the Massachusetts Sports Wagering Catalog.

PPC accepted 33 wagers across 27 tickets on a February 2, 2023 Merrimack College vs. Long Island University men's regular season basketball game.

On February 3, 2023, PPC notified the MGC's Sports Wagering Division that wagering was mistakenly offered on an unauthorized event and that wagering was open on this event for approximately seven hours. The unauthorized event was recognized by a PPC employee when a patron sought to cash a winning ticket including this event.

In a number of instances, patrons cashed winning tickets ahead of PPC identifying the issue and implementing a fix. Patrons who sought to cash a winning ticket following PPC identifying the issue and implementing a fix had their wagers refunded. Patrons who produced a losing ticket to PPC following the issue being identified also had their wagers refunded.

This event was available to be wagered on due to a backend data entry error where the location of Merrimack College was listed as being in Florida.

Kambi, PPC's sports wagering vendor, has addressed the issue and corrected Merrimack College's location to Massachusetts. Kambi has also confirmed that no other games involving a Massachusetts team were offered. No suspicious wagering activity was identified upon a review of the wagers placed.

Additionally, Kambi has conducted an audit to ensure Massachusetts college sports teams regular season games have not been and are not available to be wagered on. PPC will continue to coordinate with the MGC's Sports Wagering Division to ensure they remain in compliance with rules and regulations.

The MGC appreciates that PPC self-disclosed this noncompliance and recognized and rewarded the team member who brought the noncompliance incident to its attention. It has also been noted that PPC and their vendor worked to rectify the problem and put measures into place to avoid future noncompliance.

The full decision can be found [here](#).

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