

# Retention and Classification Report

**Agency:** Racing Commission (828)

, UT

**Records Officer**

19602 \*Correspondence  
19603 \*Financial records  
19604 \*Laws and agreements  
01194 \*Minutes

**AGENCY:** Racing Commission

**SERIES:** 19602

4

**TITLE:** Correspondence

**DATES:** i 1925-1927.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological.

**TOTAL VOLUME:** 0.20 cubic feet.

**DESCRIPTION:**

Correspondence handled by the Racing Commission during its two years of operation. The letters are primarily from individuals seeking licenses to hold racing meets in Ogden, Farmington, and Salt Lake. Some parties wrote to give their support for one racing venue or another. The correspondence clarifies the commission's implementation of various rules and procedures. Jockies and horse owners from Canada, Mexico, and many U.S. states applied for licenses to participate in the races.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

These records are in Archives' permanent custody.

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

**APPRAISAL:**

Administrative Historical

This disposition is based on this series being one of only four series of records from the Utah Racing Commission. Its role in horse racing and pari-mutuel betting in Utah reveals the extent of interest in the state's racing meets.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Racing Commission

**SERIES:** 19603

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**TITLE:** Financial records

**DATES:** i 1925-1927.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical and chronological by name and date of book entry.

**TOTAL VOLUME:** 0.20 cubic feet.

**DESCRIPTION:**

Income statements, audit reports, bank account books, and license books maintained by the Racing Commission during its two year existence. There are also audits of the Utah Agricultural and Racing Association (UARA). The audits of the Racing Commission were performed by the State Auditor and independent accounting firms. The UARA audits were done by independent firms as well. The series details profits made from licensing fees, ticket sales, and pari-mutual betting. Two ledger books record the licenses granted to jockies, trainers, and horse owners from Canada, Mexico, and thirty-one states in the U.S.

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**APPRAISAL:**

Administrative Fiscal Historical

This disposition is based on this series being one of only four series of records of the Utah Racing Commission and its role in horse racing and pari-mutuel betting in Utah is well documented.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Racing Commission

**SERIES:** 19604

3

**TITLE:** Laws and agreements

**DATES:** 1925-1927.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological.

**TOTAL VOLUME:** 0.20 cubic feet.

**DESCRIPTION:**

A forty-eight page booklet, entitled Racing Laws and Rules, containing the rules governing the Utah Racing Commission. There is also an agreement between the Utah State Fair Association, which organized and controlled horse racing at the state fair grounds, and the Utah Agricultural and Racing Association. Both were organizers and officiators of many racing meets held during 1925 to 1927.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

**APPRAISAL:**

Administrative Historical Legal

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Racing Commission

**SERIES:** 1194

4

**TITLE:** Minutes

**DATES:** i 1925-1927.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date of commission meetings.

**TOTAL VOLUME:** 0.20 cubic feet.

**DESCRIPTION:**

The minutes were created by the commission in order to maintain a record of its discussions of several issues: racing meet schedules, fees, and locations; licensing of jockeys, trainers, and racing parks; pari-mutual betting, regulations, and general operating procedures. Several letters to the commission were reproduced in the minutes Racing Commission during its two year existence.

**RETENTION:**

Retain Permanent. In Archives custody.

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to the State Archives with authority to weed.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

**APPRAISAL:**

Administrative Historical

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public