

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF RACING

Licensing Process Description

According to A.R.S. § 5-107.01, all individuals participating in horse or greyhound racing in Arizona must obtain a license from the Department. It is the responsibility of each licensee to be familiar with and comply with the statutes and rules governing racing in this state.

Applications

License applications may be submitted by mail or may be completed at any licensing facility located on the grounds of a racetrack currently conducting live racing. The appropriate license fee for each license category requested must accompany the application in addition to the appropriate fingerprint fee, if required. A separate license is required for each license category, but one license application form may be submitted for up to five license categories. Licenses are issued for a three-year cycle. Current horse racing licenses expire on June 30, 2010 and every third year thereafter. Current greyhound racing licenses expire January 31, 2011 and every third year thereafter. Off-track betting (OTB) licenses expire at the same time as greyhound licenses (January 31, 2011). License fees are pro-rated during the second and third year of the cycle. All licenses issued are temporary for 90 days and may be denied permanent status during this time period.

Fingerprinting and Background Check

Each applicant 18 years of age or older must be fingerprinted. Two fingerprint cards must be submitted along with a fingerprint processing fee of \$29. Fingerprints are required every three-year license cycle. The fingerprints may be taken by the Department, municipal police department, sheriff's office or other recognized authority acceptable to the Department.

All license applicants are subject to a background investigation, including fingerprint processing through the Arizona Department of Public Safety, FBI, review of records of the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI), court, law enforcement agencies and any other method deemed necessary by the Department. The Department is prohibited by statute from participating in fingerprint reciprocity with other racing jurisdictions except through the National Racing Compact.

License applicants must complete and submit:

- License Application(s) with the appropriate fee for each license category, up to five license categories may be submitted in one License Application form
- Two fingerprint cards with a \$29 processing fee
- You may submit one check or money order for the total amount due. Please make all personal checks, money orders or certified checks payable in U.S. currency to **ADOR**.