

Title

KAHNAWÁ:KE ATHLETIC EVENTS LAW

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[Enacted by MCR # 10/1996-97 on 4 Onerahtókha/ April 1996]

Preamble

WHEREAS the Mohawk Council of Kahnawá: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 Kahnawá:ke Athletic Commission to regulate and control public games, sports, races, athletic contests and other amusements that occur within the Mohawk Territory of Kahnawá:ke; and

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

SECTION I

"Jurisdiction & Definitions"

1. JURISDICTION AND DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá: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 Kahnawá: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 Kahnawá: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 Kahnawá:ke.

"Authority"

3. **AUTHORITY**

- 3.1 In the event a member of the Commission has reasonable grounds to believe that any game, sport, race, athletic contest 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.

"Functions"

4. **FUNCTIONS**

- 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 Kahnawá:ke with the permission of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke in accordance with the following principles:
- 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 of other amusement must be enforced by an appropriate official or referee retained for that purpose;
- 4.2 At least one (1) member of the Commission must attend any game, sport, athletic contest pursuant to this Law.

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 thirty (30) days, or both.

"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.

SECTION IV

"History"

7. HISTORY

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