BASIS AND PURPOSE FOR RULE 8

The purpose of Rule 8 is to specify the requirements of sports betting integrity; confidential information; specify certain duties of licensees related to sports betting information, sports betting integrity, and nature of the confidentiality of betting information. “Confidential information” as referred to in this section is not governed by the provisions of 44-30-526, C.R.S., unless otherwise deemed applicable by the Division and/or Commission. The statutory basis for Rule 8 is found in sections 44-30-201, C.R.S., 44-30-202, C.R.S., 44-30-203, C.R.S., 44-30-302, C.R.S., 44-30-510, C.R.S., 44-30-528, C.R.S., 44-30-833, C.R.S., and part 15 of article 30 of title 44, C.R.S.

RULE 8 SPORTS BETTING INTEGRITY; CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION Effective 4/14/20

8.1 Sports betting integrity.

(1) All licensed Sports Betting Operations in the State of Colorado shall provide betting information as required by applicable Rules and Regulations to the Division. To facilitate the collection of aggregate data in a format that can be efficiently utilized by the Division, licensees will submit required betting information to an approved Independent Integrity Monitoring provider(s) with sufficient information to ensure the Division can properly monitor sports betting information. The following information shall be reported to the Division via its approved Independent Integrity Monitoring Provider:

(a) Time of wager;
(b) Odds of wager;
(c) Location of wager (while labeling relevant wagers “mobile” if applicable);
(d) Amount of dollars wagered;
(e) Win amount of wager;
(f) Wager type (e.g., straight bet, parlay, point spread, total, moneyline, etc.); and
(g) Team, side or total that the wager was placed upon.

(2) A Sports Betting Operation shall have internal controls in place to identify unusual betting activity and report such activity to the Division and an Independent Integrity Monitoring Association as directed by the Division Director.

(3) All Independent Integrity Monitoring Providers shall share information with each member and shall disseminate all reports of unusual activity to all member Sports Betting Operations. All Sports Betting Operations shall review such reports and notify the Independent Integrity Monitoring Provider whether they have experienced similar activity.
If an Independent Integrity Monitoring Provider finds that previously reported unusual betting activity rises to the level of suspicious betting activity, it shall immediately notify all other Independent Integrity Monitoring Providers, their member Sports Betting Operations, the Division, and all other regulatory agencies as directed by the Division. All Independent Integrity Monitoring Providers receiving a report under this section shall share such report with their member Sports Betting Operations.

A Sports Betting Operation must submit a yearly report to the Division which details its integrity monitoring efforts and summarizes any unusual betting activity or other suspicious betting activity notifications issued during that time period.

A Sports Betting Operation receiving a report of suspicious betting activity shall be permitted to suspend betting and related wagers on events related to the report, but may only cancel related wagers after receiving approval from the Director or the Director’s designee.

If the Division receives a suspicious betting activity report from an Independent Integrity Monitoring Provider, the Division shall notify the relevant sports governing body as expeditiously as possible.

The Division may require a Sports Betting Operation to provide hardware necessary to the Division for evaluation of its sports betting offering or to conduct further monitoring of data provided by its system.

As authorized by section 44-30-1506(7), C.R.S., each Sports Betting Operation may set such bet limits as it, in its sole discretion, finds appropriate, including limits as to a form or class of sports betting, a specific sports event, or a person placing a bet.

8.2 Confidential information.

(1) All information and data received pursuant to this Rule by the Commission related to unusual or suspicious betting activity shall be considered confidential and shall not be revealed in whole or in part, except as required by law, by the Commission, or by lawful order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or to any law enforcement entity, member club, sports governing body, Independent Integrity Monitor Provider, or regulatory agency that the Commission deems appropriate to protect the integrity of sport betting.

(2) All information, including personally identifiable information of patrons, disclosed between Sports Betting Operations and member clubs, sports governing bodies, or Independent Integrity Monitor Providers pursuant to this rule, shall be kept private and confidential by all of the above persons and entities, except as required by law, by the Commission, or pursuant to the lawful order of a court of competent jurisdiction. With respect to any information provided by Sports Betting Operations to member clubs, sports governing bodies or, Independent Integrity Monitor Providers, such person or entity:

(a) May only use such information for integrity purposes; and

(b) Shall maintain the confidentiality of such information, unless disclosure is required by law, the Commission, court order, or unless the Sports Betting Operation consents to disclosure, provided that such person or entity may make disclosures necessary to conduct and resolve integrity-related investigations and may publicly disclose such information if required by such person’s or entity’s integrity policies or if deemed by the such person or entity in its reasonable judgment to be necessary to maintain the actual or perceived integrity of its sporting events, and subject in all cases to such person’s or entity’s compliance with federal, state and local laws and regulations, including without limitation, laws and regulations relating to privacy and personally identifiable information.
Prior to any such public disclosure that would identify the Sports Betting Operation by name, such person or entity will provide such Sports Betting Operation with notice of such disclosure and an opportunity to object to such disclosure.

(3) No information disclosed between Sports Betting Operations and member clubs, sports governing bodies or, Independent Integrity Monitor Providers shall be used by any party for marketing, advertising, or other commercial purposes.

(4) Where necessary and/or required, redaction of confidential or personally identifiable information shall occur prior to release of information pursuant to this rule.

8.3 Licensing Independent Integrity Monitoring Providers.

Any Independent Integrity Monitoring Provider operating in Colorado must obtain a Vendor Minor license.