

**[PHILRACOM Resolution No. 17-15, April 08,
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ADDITION TO PR 5-C(3) AND PR 60

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WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 420 gives the Philippine Racing Commission exclusive jurisdiction and control over all aspects of the conduct of horse racing, including the framing and scheduling of races, the construction and safety of horse racing, the allocation of prizes, and the security of racing;

WHEREAS, PD. 420 mandates the Commission to, among others, promote and maintain efficient and unbiased operation of racing exclusive of the supervision of betting therein, and to raise public confidence in the sport and minimize infraction of the rules of racing;

WHEREAS, the same law gives the Commission the power to prescribe additional rules and regulations not otherwise inconsistent therewith and to impose fines, penalties and forfeitures to erring parties under the rules and regulations of the Commission, which fines, penalties and forfeitures shall accrue to the funds of the Commission;

WHEREAS, PR 5-C (3) of the Rules and Regulations Governing Horse Racing Participants provides, among others, that unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, the use of cellular phones, beepers and other systems of communications shall not be allowed inside the Stewards Stand;

WHEREAS, PR 60 of the Rules and Procedures Governing the Conduct of Races prohibits the use of cellular phones at the Stewards' Stand, Jockey's Quarters, Paddocks and Computer Room and provides for penalties in the event that a jockey is caught violating the said rule;

WHEREAS, there is a need to update the said Rules to make them more responsive to the times, considering the advances in modern communications and technology;

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, as it is hereby RESOLVED that in addition to PR 5-C (3) and PR 60, the **use or possession** of cellular phones, internet wristwatches, beepers and other similar systems of electronic communications, except hand held radios or intercoms accredited by the Commission, shall not be allowed inside the Stewards' Stand, Board of Judges' Stand, Jockeys Quarters, Paddocks and Computer Room.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that cellular phones, internet wristwatches, beepers and other similar systems of electronic communications used or brought inside the