

Jurisdiction and Rule Web address	Rule Number	Rule Language
ARCI Model Rule http://www.ua-rtip.org/industry_service/download_model_rules	ARCI-010-010 G.	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions . The number of starters may be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start .
United States Flat Racing		
Arizona http://www.azsos.gov/public_services/Title_19/19-02.htm	Not found	
Arkansas www.dfa.arkansas.gov/offices/racingCommission/Pages/thoroughbreds.aspx	2258. (a)	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the Association starting gate and extensions thereof . The maximum number of starters shall further be limited by the number of horses that, in the opinion of the Stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders, can be afforded a fair and equal start.
California http://www.chrb.ca.gov/rules_law.html	not found	
Colorado http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/Rev-Racing/RRAC/1209030659304	7.274	In determining the maximum number of starters which may run in a race the capacity of the starting gate and the width of the racing strip must be considered. The track width must allow a minimum of five (5) feet per starter .
Delaware http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title3/1000/1001/index.shtml#TopOfPage	Title 3 1001 11.7.1	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the Licensee's starting gate and such extensions thereof as can be positioned across the width of the track at the starting point for such race. Such maximum number of starters shall be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the Stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders and the distance from the start of the first turn, can be afforded a fair and equal start .
Florida www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/pmw/statutes.html	Not found	
Idaho http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/11/index.html#Racing%20	11.04.07 - 300. 01. & 03.	01. Track Width. A minimum of twenty (20) feet of track width must be allowed for the first two (2) horses in a race, with an additional five (5) feet for each added starter. 03. Limit on Number of Horses. No more than eight (8) horses may start in any race on a one-half (1/2) mile track.
Illinois www.state.il.us/agency/irb/	Title 11: Subtitle B: Chapter I Subchapter g: § 1415.140	The number of starters in overnight races shall be limited by the width of the track at the starting post, the maximum number to be determined by the stewards.
Indiana www.in.gov/legislative/iac/title71.html	71 IAC 7.5-1-7	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions . The number of starters may be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, can be afforded a safe, fair, and equal start .
Iowa www.state.ia.us/irgc/Content.htm#top	491 - 10.6(99D) 10.6(5) d.	Limitation on overnight entries. If the number of entries to any purse or overnight race is in excess of the number of horses that may be accommodated due to the size of the track, ...
Kansas http://krgc.ks.gov/index.php?id=25	Not found	
Kentucky http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/TITLE810.HTM	810 KAR 1:027 § 8. (1)	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and any extensions approved by the commission as can be positioned across the width of the track at the starting point for the race. The maximum number of starters further shall be limited by the number of horses that, in the opinion of the stewards after considering the safety of the horses and riders and the distance from the start to the first turn, may be afforded a fair and equal start .

<p>Louisiana http://horseracing.la.gov/rules.html</p>	<p>§6351. A.</p>	<p>The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and extensions thereof. The maximum number of starters shall further be limited by the maximum number of starters shall further be limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders, can be afforded a fair and equal start.</p>
<p>Maryland www.dsd.state.md.us/comar/subtitle_chapters/09_Chapters.aspx#Subtitle10</p>	<p>09.10.01.17 BB.</p>	<p>Each horse is entitled to 5 feet of the width of the track. If the starters exceed the width of allowance for the whole number, owners may be required to decide by lot on the horses that are to run; provided, however, that in stake races the horses may be arranged in lines behind a barrier approved by the steward.</p>
<p>Massachusetts http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/government/oca-agencies/src-lp/rules-and-regs-src/</p>	<p>4.11: (1)(f)</p>	<p>Number of Starters in a Race. The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions. The number of horses that, in the opinion of the stewards, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start may further limit the number of starters.</p>
<p>Michigan http://www.michigan.gov/mgcb/0,1607,7-120-57232_57204_57205---,00.html</p>	<p>R 431.3125 (1)</p>	<p>The maximum number of starters in a race shall be limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders and the distance from the start to the first turn, can be afforded a fair and equal start.</p>
<p>Minnesota http://www.mrc.state.mn.us/Racing/default.html</p>	<p>Not found</p>	
<p>Montana www.mtrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=32.28</p>	<p>Not found</p>	
<p>Nebraska www.horseracing.state.ne.us/</p>	<p>3.001.05</p>	<p>The maximum number of starters on a five-eighth (5/8) mile track shall be ten (10). The maximum number of starters on a one-half (1/2) mile track shall be eight (8). The Racing Commission may establish a lesser maximum number of starters for tracks or races at specified distances.</p>
<p>Nevada http://gaming.nv.gov/index.aspx?page=51</p>	<p>30.353</p>	<p>1. The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions. 2. The number of starters may be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the state steward, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start. No more than eight (8) horses may enter any one race on a half-mile track in Nevada.</p>
<p>New Jersey</p>	<p>//////</p>	<p>//////</p>
<p>New Mexico http://nmrc.state.nm.us/dyn/rules_reg_00.html</p>	<p>Title 15 Chpt. 2 Part 5 15.2.5.8 E.</p>	<p>The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions. The number of starters may be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start.</p>
<p>New York www.racing.state.ny.us/racing/racing.home.htm</p>	<p>4021.4</p>	<p>The number of starters in overnight races shall be limited by the width of the track at the starting post, the maximum number to be determined by the stewards. ...</p>
<p>North Dakota www.legis.nd.gov/information/acdata/html/Title69.5.html</p>	<p>Not found</p>	
<p>Ohio http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/3769</p>	<p>3769-4-36</p>	<p>The stewards shall determine the number of horses which may safely be started in any purse race, taking into account the limitations of the track. ...</p>
<p>Oklahoma www.ohrc.org/rulesonline.html</p>	<p>Not found</p>	
<p>Oregon http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OARS_400/OAR_462/462_tofc.html</p>	<p>462-150-0050 (3)</p>	<p>In determining the number of horses that can be drawn into a race the width of the track shall be at least the total of 10 feet for the first horse plus 5 feet for each additional horse.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/058/partIVtoc.html</p>	<p>§ 163.130 (a)</p>	<p>In the absence of specific conditions, the maximum number of starters in a race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and extensions thereof. The maximum number of starters is further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders, can be afforded a fair start. ...</p>

South Dakota http://legis.state.sd.us/rules/DisplayRule.aspx?Rule=20:04:24:83 0:04	20:04:24:83	In stakes races, the number of horses to compete shall be limited to the horses nominated but not more than the number of stalls in the starting gate . No more than eight horses may compete on a one-half mile track unless special permission is granted by the commission.
Texas www.txrc.state.tx.us/laws/racing_rules.php	Not found *	
	11VAC10-110-80.	Except for steeplechase races, the maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the licensee's starting gate and any extensions to the starting gate approved by the stewards. The stewards also shall consider any guidelines promulgated by the associations appropriate to the breed of horses racing, the distance from the start to the first turn, any other conditions affecting the safety and fairness of the start.
Virginia www.vrc.virginia.gov/racingrules.shtml	WAC 260-40-260 (2)	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions . The number of starters may be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start.
Washington www.whrc.wa.gov/?page=400	§178-1-39 39.5.a.	The maximum number of starters in any race shall be limited to the number of starting positions afforded by the association starting gate and its extensions . The number of starters may be further limited by the number of horses which, in the opinion of the stewards, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start.
West Virginia www.wvracingcommission.com/wvrc_010.htm	CHAPTER VIII SECTION 1. (c) and (d)	(c) A maximum of ten (10) Quarter Horse and twelve (12) Thoroughbred horses shall start in any race in Wyoming unless special permission is received from the Commission. (d) All straight races shall be eligible for up to ten (10) horse participation. Races around the turn on tracks of less than 3/4 mile circumference shall start a maximum of eight (8) horses.
Wyoming http://parimutuel.state.wy.us/Rules.aspx		
* some indication in RACETRACK LICENSES AND OPERATIONS but not specific.		
Fourteen jurisdictions have rules that begin setting the number of starters by the number of starting positions in the gate and its extension or simply the gate.		
This limit is further modified by the following criteria:		
	six jurisdictions follow the model rule of in the opinion of the stewards , can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start.	
	one jurisdiction has "in the opinion of the Stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders, can be afforded a fair and equal start."	
	Two jurisdiction's have "in the opinion of the Stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders and the distance from the start of the first turn, can be afforded a fair and equal start."	
	One jurisdiction has "in the opinion of the state steward, can be afforded a safe, fair and equal start. No more than eight (8) horses may enter any one race on a half-mile track in Nevada.	
	One jurisdiction has "track width must allow a minimum of five (5) feet per starter."	
	One jurisdiction has "in the opinion of the stewards, considering the safety of the horses and riders, can be afforded a fair start. (NOTE: "equal" is not included)	
	One jurisdiction has " No more than eight horses may compete on a one-half mile track unless special permission is granted by the commission."	
	One jurisdiction has "The stewards also shall consider any guidelines promulgated by the associations appropriate to the breed of horses racing, the distance from the start to the first turn, any other conditions affecting the safety and fairness of the start.	
Seven Jurisdictions limit the number of starters based on track size (width?)		
One jurisdiction limits the number of starters based on the distance from the start to the first turen in order to afford a fair and equal start.		
Two jurisdiction have a set number of starters allowed based on track length.		
In eighth jurisdictions a rule setting the number of starters was not found.		