

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**74-8760. Unlawful wagering; penalties.** (a) Except in accordance with rules and regulations of the Kansas racing and gaming commission or by written authority from the executive director of the Kansas racing and gaming commission in performing installation, maintenance, inspection and repair services, it is a class A nonperson misdemeanor for the following to place a wager on or play an electronic gaming machine game or a lottery facility game at a lottery gaming facility in this state: The executive director of the Kansas lottery, a member of the Kansas lottery commission or any employee or agent of the Kansas lottery; the executive director, a member or any employee or agent of the Kansas racing and gaming commission; or the lottery gaming facility manager or any employee of the lottery gaming facility manager.

(b) Except in accordance with rules and regulations of the Kansas racing and gaming commission or by written authority from the executive director of the Kansas racing and gaming commission in performing installation, maintenance, inspection and repair services, it is a class A nonperson misdemeanor for the following to place a sports wager in this state:

- (1) The executive director of the Kansas lottery, a member of the Kansas lottery commission or any employee or agent of the Kansas lottery;
- (2) the executive director, a member or any employee or agent of the Kansas racing and gaming commission;
- (3) a lottery gaming facility manager, any director, officer, owner or employee of such manager or any relative living in the same household as such persons who places any wager with the manager at the manager's location or through the manager's interactive sports wagering platform;
- (4) an interactive sports wagering platform, any director, officer, owner or employee of such platform or any relative living in the same household as such persons who places any wager with the manager through such platform or at the manager's location, except that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit any such person from placing any wager through a lottery gaming facility manager or interactive sports wagering platform with which such person has no affiliation;
- (5) any owner, officer, athlete, coach or other employee of a team or any person participating as an individual in any sporting event; or
- (6) any director, officer or employee of a player or referee union.

(c) It is a severity level 8, nonperson felony for any person knowingly to place a sports wager: (1) With access to nonpublic confidential information held by the lottery gaming facility manager; (2) as an agent or proxy for other persons; (3) using funds derived from illegal activity; (4) to conceal money derived from illegal activity; (5) through the use of other individuals to place wagers as part of any wagering scheme to circumvent any provision of federal or state law; or (6) using false identification to facilitate the placement of the wager or the collection of any prize in violation of federal or state law.

(d) It is a severity level 8, nonperson felony for any person playing or using any electronic gaming machine in Kansas knowingly to:

- (1) Use other than a lawful coin or legal tender of the United States of America, or to use coin not of the same denomination as the coin intended to be used in an electronic gaming machine, except that in the playing of any electronic gaming machine or similar gaming device, it shall be lawful for any person to use gaming billets, tokens or similar objects therein which are approved by the Kansas racing and gaming commission;
- (2) possess or use, while on premises where electronic gaming machines are authorized pursuant to the Kansas expanded lottery act, any cheating or thieving device, including, but not limited to, tools, wires, drills, coins attached to strings or wires or electronic or magnetic devices to facilitate removing from any electronic gaming machine any money or contents thereof, except that a duly authorized agent or employee of the Kansas racing and gaming commission, lottery gaming facility manager or racetrack gaming facility manager may possess and use any of the foregoing only in furtherance of the agent's or employee's employment at the lottery gaming facility or racetrack gaming facility; or

(3) possess or use while on the premises of a lottery gaming facility or racetrack gaming facility, or any location where electronic gaming machines are authorized pursuant to this act, any key or device designed for the purpose of or suitable for opening or entering any electronic gaming machine or similar gaming device or drop box.

(e) Any duly authorized agent or employee of the Kansas racing and gaming commission, a lottery gaming facility manager or a racetrack gaming facility manager may possess and use any of the devices described in subsection (e)(3)\* in furtherance of inspection or testing as provided in the Kansas expanded lottery act or in furtherance of such person's employment at any location where any electronic gaming machine or similar gaming device or drop box is authorized pursuant to the Kansas expanded lottery act.

**History:** L. 2007, ch. 110, § 29; L. 2022, ch. 91, § 34; July 1.

\* The reference to subsection (e)(3) should be to subsection (d)(3).