Wagering Information



AT CHARLES TOWN RACES

Type of Wager	What is it?
Win	Your horse must win.
Place	Your horse must finish first or second.
Show	Your horse must finish first, second or third.
Across the Board	Wager the same amount on one horse to win, place and show.
Exacta	Pick the first two horses in exact order of finish
Trifecta	Pick the first three horses in exact order of finish
Superfecta	Pick the first four horses in exact order of finish.
Daily Double	Pick the winners of two consecutive races.
Pick Three	Pick the winners of three consecutive races.
Pick Four	Pick the winners of four consecutive races.

Approx. Payoff to Win on a \$2 Wager						
<u>ODDS</u>	<u>PAYS</u>	<u>ODDS</u>	<u>PAYS</u>			
1-5	\$2.40	6-1	\$14.00			
2-5	\$2.80	7-1	\$16.00			
1-2	\$3.00	8-1	\$18.00			
3-5	\$3.20	9-1	\$20.00			
4-5	\$3.60	10-1	\$22.00			
Even	\$4.00	11-1	\$24.00			
6-5	\$4.40	12-1	\$26.00			
7-5	\$4.80	13-1	\$28.00			
3-2	\$5.00	14-1	\$30.00			
8-5	\$5.20	15-1	\$32.00			
9-5	\$5.60	16-1	\$34.00			
2-1	\$6.00	17-1	\$36.00			
5-2	\$7.00	18-1	\$38.00			
3-1	\$8.00	19-1	\$40.00			
7-2	\$9.00	20-1	\$42.00			
4-1	\$10.00	25-1	\$52.00			
9-2	\$11.00	30-1	\$62.00			
5-1	\$12.00	50-1	\$102.00			

Boxing	Exacta Box		Trifecta Box		Superfecta Box			
If you like several horses in a	# of horses	\$1 bet cost	# of horses	\$1 bet cost	# of horses	\$0.50 bet cost	\$1 bet cost	
race, but aren't sure in w hat order they will finish, it can	2	\$2.00	3	\$6.00	4	\$12.00	\$24.00	
be useful to box your wager.	3	\$6.00	4	\$24.00	5	\$60.00	\$120.00	
This gives you all possible	4	\$12.00	5	\$60.00	6	\$180.00	\$360.00	
combinations of your selected horses. You can	5	\$20.00	6	\$120.00	7	\$420.00	\$840.00	
box exactas, trifectas and	6	\$30.00	7	\$210.00	8	\$840.00	\$1,680.00	
superfectas.	7	\$42.00	8	\$336.00	9	\$1,512.00	\$3,024.00	
Example: "Charles Town, 6th race, \$1 Trifecta Box, 1, 3, 5". This will cost \$6.00.								

Keying	Exacta Key		Trifecta Key		Superfecta Key			
If you feel that one of the horses you like will finish in a certain position and want to	# of horses	\$1 bet cost	# of horses	\$1 bet cost	# of horses	\$0.50 bet cost	\$1 bet cost	
	3	\$2.00	3	\$2.00	4	\$3.00	\$6.00	
	4	\$3.00	4	\$6.00	5	\$12.00	\$24.00	
bet an exacta, trifecta or superfecta, you can use that	5	\$4.00	5	\$12.00	6	\$30.00	\$60.00	
horse as a "key" with other	6	\$5.00	6	\$20.00	7	\$60.00	\$120.00	
horses you think w ill also figure into your wager.	7	\$6.00	7	\$30.00	8	\$105.00	\$210.00	
	8	\$7.00	8	\$42.00	9	\$168.00	\$336.00	

Minimum Betting Age

You must be 18 years of age or older to place a wager on racing here at Charles Town.

How To Wager

How do I place a wager?

Live teller wagering windows and self-service terminals are located throughout the racetrack. The self-service touch screen terminals are fan friendly and easy to use. Just insert a betting voucher, winning mutuel ticket or Fast Bet card and enjoy the convenience and privacy of do-it-yourself wagering. Always double check your tickets before leaving the window or self-service terminal.

Vouchers can be purchased at all windows. Each individual race page has a listing of all wagers offered in that race.

How do I open a Fast Bet account?

You can sign up for a Fast Bet account at the program stand located on the first floor of the grandstand.

How much do I have to bet?

For each bet you make, the total amount wagered must be at least \$2. For Exacta, Daily Double, Trifecta and Pick 3 wagers, you may make bets in increments of \$1, so long as the number of combinations wagered on totals at least \$2. For Superfecta and Pick 4 wagers, you may make bets in increments of .50 cents, so long as the number of combinations wagered on totals at least \$2.

How do I place the wager at the window?

State the NAME of the track.
State the RACE NUMBER.
State the AMOUNT of the bet.
State the TYPE of the bet.
State the NUMBER of the horse(s).

Example: "Charles Town, 6th race, \$2 to Win on 3."

How are the odds determined?

The track handicapper sets the morning line, which are the odds he believes the horses will be at post time. As money is wagered, the odds change continuously until post time, and are determined by the amount of money wagered on each horse.

Why do odds fluctuate after the race starts?

Wagering at Charles Town closes when the starting gate opens. Final odds cannot be posted until the race is in progress. There is a slight delay due to the high volume of last-minute wagering at simulcast sites across the nation as final odds are calculated by the totalisator system. No wagering site can accept bets after the start of a race.

How do I find out if I won?

Check the tote board and television monitors after the race becomes official. The amount you win depends on how much you wager, the type of bet you make and the horse's odds.

What happens if there is a late scratch?

This depends on what type of wager it is. If a horse is scratched, refunds will be given on Win, Place, Show, Exacta, Trifecta and Superfecta wagers.

Daily Double and Pick 3 Scratches

If there is a scratch prior to the first leg of the Daily Double or Pick 3, the bettor will receive a refund. In the event of a late scratch after the running of the first leg, a consolation payoff is paid to bettors with the winner in the other leg(s).

Pick 4 Scratches

If there is a scratch in a Pick 4, prior to the first leg, the bettor may exchange their ticket and receive a refund for the scratched horse or substitute another betting interest for the scratched horse. Should the bettor not exchange their ticket, they will receive the post time favorite as a substitute for the sratched horse. In the event of a late scratch after the first leg in the Pick 4 has been run, the bettor will receive the post time favorite.

Very important: Hold all tickets until the race is official

Make sure that you hold all tickets until results are made official, as there could be changes in the order of finish due to disqualification. For your convenience and ease in speedily cashing winning tickets and vouchers, it is requested that your tickets not be torn, folded or otherwise damaged.

Bet Cancellation Policy

Please examine your mutuel tickets carefully. Cancellations can only be made prior to the start of the race. Wagers made on Fast Bet cards can only be cancelled by the Mutuel Department.

Rule for Uncashed Tickets

Patrons have until the end of the quarter in which the winning bet was made, plus an additional quarter to redeem the winning ticket on track.

Example: a winning bet placed on February 15th could be redeemed on track until June 30th (the end of the quarter in which the bet was made being March 31th and the additional quarter ending on June 30th).

Following this period, patrons have an additional quarter to request payment on their winning ticket from the West Virginia Racing Commission.

Cashing Tickets by Mail

If still within this time frame, patrons can mail their tickets to be cashed by sending the ticket along with their name and address via certified or registered mail. Please make a copy of the ticket for your records and do not staple or place tape on the ticket(s). Mail to: Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races, Attn: Mutuel Department, P.O. Box 551, Charles Town, WV, 25414

Do I have to report my winnings to the IRS?

The Internal Revenue Service requires reporting of payouts on wagers that exceed odds of 300 to 1 and pay in excess of \$600. IRS regulations also require automatic withholding on payouts that exceed \$5,000. When cashing an IRS ticket, patrons must present a valid picture, government issued ID. A second form of identification showing the patron's social security number must also be presented.