

§ 18C-926. Places of public accommodation.

(a) Permanent places of public accommodation for the purpose of placing sports wagers may be associated with each sports facility, in accordance with this section and as specified in the written designation agreement.

(b) Permanent places of public accommodation permitted under this section shall be located as follows:

- (1) On the property of the sports facility.
- (2) No more than one place of public accommodation may be on other property owned or controlled by the owner or operator of the sports facility or an affiliated entity of the owner or operator of the sports facility that is located within a one-half mile radius of a sports facility as defined in G.S. 18C-901(17)a. or G.S. 18C-901(17)c.
- (3) No more than one place of public accommodation may be on other property owned or controlled by the owner or operator of the sports facility that is located within a one and one-half mile radius of a sports facility as defined in G.S. 18C-901(17)b.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt a place of public accommodation from the provisions of any other law that may be enforceable.

(d) Mobile devices, computer terminals, similar devices, and cashiers used to operate the place of public accommodation shall have the ability to accept cash and cash equivalents and to distribute cash or cash equivalents. Only a cashier may distribute cash or cash equivalents at a place of public accommodation. All cashiers that accept or distribute cash or cash equivalents shall be employees of an interactive sports wagering operator.

(e) A place of public accommodation under this section may be advertised by the owner or operator of the sports facility. Such advertisements shall comply with the requirements listed in G.S. 18C-910(e).

(f) Notwithstanding subsections (a) through (c) of this section, temporary places of public accommodation may be established by only one of the following means:

- (1) If a permanent place of public accommodation is not located at the sports facility as defined in G.S. 18C-901(17)b., no more than one temporary place of public accommodation may be established at that sports facility as defined in G.S. 18C-901(17)b. during the professional golf tournament by the interactive sports wagering operator that has entered into a written designation agreement with that sports facility.
- (2) The owner or operator of a facility hosting a professional golf event played in this State that has more than 50,000 live spectators anticipated to attend based on similar prior golf events may contract with no more than one interactive sports wagering operator to establish and operate no more than one temporary place of public accommodation during the professional golf event. The interactive sports wagering operator shall immediately notify the Commission of any contract entered into under this subdivision as if it were a written designation agreement.

(f1) The temporary place of public accommodation established under subsection (f) of this section need not comply with local ordinances under Chapter 160D of the General Statutes. For purposes of this section, "temporary" shall mean opening no more than five calendar days prior to the professional golf tournament or event and closing no later than five calendar days after the professional golf tournament or event.

(g) The Commission may adopt rules as necessary governing the placement of any place of public accommodation on the property of a sports facility. (2023-42, s. 1; 2023-134, s. 11.18(j).)