To secure registration certificate, the applicant shall submit the following documents:

(a) a copy of the location or vicinity plan of the cockpit

(b) a copy of the cockpit building plan

(c) a certificate of the franchise to operate a cockpit, granted by the Sangguniang Bayan concerned

(d) Mayor's permit

(e) Photographs of the cockpit showing the front, backsides of the cockpit arena and existing facilities such as toilets, restrooms, faucets and water system

(f) List of all duly licensed personnel and a copy of their respective license.

SECTION 13. COCKFIGHTING OFFICIALS – The following cockfighting officials shall be maintained and are required to register with the Mayor's Office not later than January 15 of each year.

(a) Promoters
(b) Pit managers
(c) Referee (sentenciador)
(d) Bet managers (kasador)
(e) Bet takers (kristo)
(f) Gaffers (mananari)

The above-mentioned officials shall not officiate as such in any cockfight herein authorized without first securing a certificate of registration from the Municipal Mayor of Roxas not later than January 15 every year. The Mayor may revoke the registration certificate together with the corresponding license issued for any violation of this ordinance.

Only duly licensed cockpit officials shall officiate in all kinds of cockfight.

SECTION 14. UNIFORM OF COCKPIT OFFICIALS – The duly registered cockpit officials above mentioned shall use as a uniform with their names and positions printed in big letters at the back and the name of the cockpit at the front. They shall also use an Identification Card (ID) which they shall always display in their uniform when officiating during an authorized cockfight.

No operator of cockpit shall employ any gaffer, referee, bet taker (kristo), promoter, bet manager and pit manager who has not secured a Mayor's Permit.

SECTION 15. TIME AND PLACE OF HOLDING COCKFIGHTS – Cockfights may be held only in licensed cockpit during Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, except for the following days when no cockfighting shall be held.

(a) Maundy Thrusday
(b) Good Friday

(c) All Saints Day
(d) Election day or Referendum Day
(e) Registration Day on such Election or Referendum Day

SECTION 16. PROHIBITION INSIDE THE COCKPIT:

(a) No person shall make any bet in a duly authorized cockfight without the corresponding money at his disposal;

(b) No person shall talk to, interfere with or in any way obstruct the act of the handler while the latter is releasing his fighting cocks nor shall any person talk to, interfere with the latter in overseeing the cockfight in progress especially when he is in the act of rendering or about to render his decision in a consummated cockfighting match;
(c No person except the sentenciador, handlers and such other authorized officials shall be allowed inside the cockpit arena while a cockfight is in progress.

SECTION 17. WHEN SPECIAL COCKFIGHTING MAY BE ALLOWED - Special cockfighting may be allowed on the following occasion upon resolution of the Sangguniang Bayan concerned:

(a) During the town fiesta for not more than three (3) consecutive days and not more than once a year;

(b) During a provincial, municipal,. agricultural, commercial or industrial fair, carnival or exposition for a similar period of time, three (3) consecutive days;

(c For an entertainment of foreign dignitaries or for tourist or for returning Filipinos commonly known as Balikbayan; provided that the only one (1) permit be issued for some purposes in a calendar year by the Municipal Mayor for a period of not exceeding three (3) days; and

(d) For the support of local fund raising campaign for charitable purposes may be authorized by the Mayor after consultation with the Department of Social Service and Development (DSWD).

SECTION 18. PERMIT REQUIRED FOR SPECIAL COCKFIGHTS – No special cockfight including National Cockfights Derby shall be allowed unless authorized by previous resolution of the Sangguniang Bayan and after payment of the permit fee. Application for such special cockfight shall be filed with the Sangguniang Bayan at least fifteen (15) days before the event.

The application shall be under oath, sign by the owner, operator or licensee of the cockpit where such special cockfight is to be held. It must be countersigned by the promoter or representative of the beneficiary to be supported by the necessary documents as follows:

(a) Copy of the proclamation or resolution authorizing the fund-raising campaign.

(b) Letter-request of the beneficiary to the cockpit owner, operator or licensee to stage a special cockfight on such a particular cockpit.

(c) Recommendation or endorsements by the Municipal Mayor to the Sangguniang Bayan to authorize the holding of such special cockfight.

(d) In respect to an International Cockfight Derby, a list of expected foreign and local participants,

Not more than five (5) International Cockfight Derby, a list of expected foreign and local participants.

SECTION 19. PROHIBITED GAMBLING DURING COCKFIGHTS – During an authorized cockfight, no gambling game of any kind shall be permitted at a distance of two hundred (200) linear meters. Any form of gambling within the same distance shall constitute a prima facie evidence of guilt on the part of the operator, owner or licensee.

The owner, operator or leasee of the cockpit and all violators of this particular provisions of the ordinance may be criminally liable for a violation of this section.

SECTION 20. PROHIBITING AGAINST MINOR – Any person less than fifteen (15) years old may be allowed to enter the premises of the cockpit, but prohibited to bet during any cockfight duly authorized. The owner, operator or licensee shall be liable for a violation of this section.

SECTION 21. COMMERCIAL BREEDING OF GAMECOCKS OR FIGHTING COCKS – No person shall be allowed to breed fighting cocks for commercial or business purposes without first registering with the Office of the Municipal Mayor. The latter shall furnish the local office of the Department of Agriculture (Bureau of Animal Industry) a list of duly registered commercial breeders.

Any duly registered breeders who sells more than five (5) gamecocks annually shall be considered a commercial breeder.

SECTION 22. COMPLAINT AND PROTEST – All administrative complaint related to the establishment, operation and maintenance of the cockpit or the conduct of cockfighting and violation of the provision of this ordinance which may cause the withdrawal of license or franchise and closure of the cockpit shall be filed with the Sangguniang Bayan concerned within ten (10) days from notice of discovery of such violation. The complaint or protest must be in writing and verified by the complainant. This is without prejudice to the criminal liability which shall be filed with the proper courts.

The Sangguniang Bayan shall decide the complaint or protest within sixty (60) days from filing thereof.

SECTION 23. GROUNDS FOR THE CANCELLATION, REVOCATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF FRANCHISE.

(a) Failure to operate within a period of six (6) months from the granting of franchise.

(b) Final conviction of the grant/license by competent court of a crime involving moral turpitude.

(c) A finding by the Sangguniang Bayan that the cockpit has been operated/used for other forms of illegal gambling or other illegal activities.

(d) A finding with the Sangguniang Bayan that the franchise holder, owner/operator is a dummy.

(e) Failure to pay all taxes, fees and charges to the Municipal Government.

(f) Failure to comply with all the requirements and conditions provided for in the ordinance for the granting of franchise.

(g) Failure to register and secure a license from the Municipal Mayor with the period provided for this ordinance.

SECTION 24. FEES TO BE PAID – The following fees shall be paid to the Municipal Treasurer.

(a) Filing fee for an applicant or a new franchise/ license to operate cockpit - P 10,000.00

(b) Cockpit registration yearly - 5,000.00

(c) Registration fee for its cockpit personnel:

1) Promoter (annually) - P1,000.00

2) Pit Manager (annually) - 500.00

3) Referee (annually) - 200.00

4) Bet Manager (annually) - 200.00

5) Bet Taker (annually) - 100.00

6) Gaffer (annually) - 100.00

(d) Permit fee for promoter of:

1) International Derby - P15,000.00

2) National Derby - 10,000.00

3) Regional Derby - 5,000.00

4) Local Derby (Provincial or Municipality)

a) 5-cock derby - P 5,000.00

b) 4-cock derby - 4,000.00

c) 3-cock derby - 3,000.00

d) 2-cock derby - 2,000.00

Special Cockfights:

e) Fee for commercial breeding of Gamecocks (annually) - P1,000.00

SECTION 25. BOOK OF ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS TO BE KEPT - All duly authorized cockpits shall be required to keep Books of Accounts and Records in connection with the operation of said cockpit. The Municipal Treasurer or his duly authorized representatives shall at all times during business hours be allowed to inspect and examine said Books and Records.

SECTION 26. FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF PROCEEDS FROM COCKFIGHT FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES – In cockfight for the support of national fund raising campaign for charitable purposes: the owner/operator or licensee shall state in a daily financial report the following data:

(a) the receipts from gate or entrance and ringside tickets;

(b) the total commission (plazada) for the day.

After the data of the cockfighting for charitable purposes, the owner, operator or licensee of the cockpit shall turn over to the authorized representative of the recipient charitable beneficiary its share of the proceeds per agreement or contract. In the absence of such agreement, the sharing shall be in proportion of seventy percent (70%) to the operator and thirty percent (30%) to the recipient charitable beneficiary.

The owner, operator or licensee of the cockpit shall submit within ten (10) days to the Mayor, copies of the daily financial report and the financial summary thereof.

SECTION 27. PENAL PROVISIONS - Any violation of the provision of this ordinance shall be punished by imprisonment of six (6) months. This is without prejudice to the penalties imposed for violation of Presidential Decree No. 1082 or the Revised Penal Code.

SECTION 28. EFFECTIVITY – This ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after approval.

On motion of Kagawad Ferdinand V. Talens duly seconded by all members present -

THIS ORDINANCE WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) JESUS M. DIMAPILIS
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Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

(SGD.) GELACIO I. YASON
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02/15/2000