

# Quick Guide to Lottery Licence Applications

# Are You Eligible for Charitable Gaming Licences?

The eligibility of your organization will be determined by the Gaming and Licensing Department you are applying to. Charitable registration with Revenue Canada or incorporation as a non-profit organization does **NOT** guarantee eligibility for lottery licensing. Eligibility must be determined prior to licensing. An eligibility review will be conducted once an organization completes and submits an 'Application for Lottery Licensing'.

Your organization may be eligible if it:

- has a purpose to provide charitable services to Ontario residents to:
  - relieve poverty
- advance religion
- advance education
- benefit the community
- has carried out activities consistent with its charitable purpose for at least 1 year
- is located in Ontario
- is non-profit

Examples may include:

- hospitals
- service clubs
- youth activities or sports
- · arts or culture

Organizations that only promote the private interests of their members do **NOT** qualify for gaming event licences. This may include, but is **NOT** limited to:

- adult recreation or sports
- individual sport teams
- unions or employee groups
- social clubs
- professional associations
- political, government, lobbying or advocacy groups.

# Note to Applicants

Ensure that you read and understand your event **Licence Terms and Conditions** before proceeding with the application package.

This package is used to apply to the municipal office of *The City of Windsor* for charitable gaming event licences.

- Keep a copy of all licence application documents for your records.
- Activities are regulated by Criminal Code of Canada, Section 206 & 207, Ontario Order in Council 1413/08, Gaming Control Act, 1992 and Regulations.
- You can obtain copies of the Gaming Control Act and Regulations, Provincial Information Bulletins, and forms from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario's website at www.agco.on.ca

## **Types of Licensable Events**

What is a **Bingo** Lottery?

Bingo is a game of chance where players are awarded a prize for being the first to complete a specified arrangement of numbers on bingo paper, based on numbers selected by random.

#### What is a **Break Open Ticket** Lottery?

Break Open Ticket is a game of chance to win instant prizes by revealing a specified arrangement of number or symbols. Prizes may be instant prizes or chances to win prizes determined by a subsequent event.

#### What is a **Raffle** Lottery?

A raffle is a lottery scheme where tickets are sold for a chance to win a prize in a draw.

# **Licence Application Instructions**

- Your licence application is a legal document and will be returned or delayed if the instructions (below) are not followed or if checklist items (on Application) are missing. This may result in the cancellation of your charitable gaming event.
- The City of Windsor requires a minimum of 15 days processing time and 45 days for first time licensees.
- Type or legibly print all information.
- Answer every question completely.
- Only **original** forms and signatures will be accepted.

- Persons signing any Licence Application must have a good knowledge of the applicable Licence Terms and Conditions.
- It is illegal to print tickets, promote or conduct a charitable gaming event without a licence.

# **Application Changes**

- If you make changes to your **Licence Application** package before you submit it to your Gaming and Licensing Office, each change must be initialed on each document by the **Licence Application** signors and other signors of that document.
- Changes to your submitted Licence Application package must be made in writing on your organization's letterhead, signed by the Licence Application signors and include supporting documents that are affected. Your municipality requires at least two (2) weeks written notice.
- Application changes are **NOT** automatically approved and may **NOT** be permitted.
- Once your lottery licence is issued, requests for changes will NOT be considered. Expired Licences may NOT be amended or cancelled.

### **Incomplete Applications**

Please note that all information including appropriate documentation and fees must be included in your application. Incomplete packages will be returned to your organization. Your organization cannot print or sell tickets until you are licensed and all tickets must indicate the licence number. It is your responsibility to notify the Gaming and Licensing Office of any changes to your organization such as changes to your Board of Directors, Signing Officers, changes in programs and services, etc.

If you require clarification on any of the above please feel free to contact a Municipal Gaming Analyst at:

Policy, Gaming, Licensing and By-Law Enforcement 519-255-6200, Option #1 licences@citywindsor.ca