

Policy Summary

Date	Policy Number	Summary
4/21/1998	-1	SECTION 313.040 (3), RSMo, ONLY RESTRICTS FREE PAPER TO BE GIVEN AWAY OR DISCOUNTED TO BINGO WORKERS. NO STATUTORY RESTRICTION EXISTS WHICH PROHIBITS OPERATORS FROM GIVING AWAY FREE PAPER TO PLAYERS. LICENSED BINGO ORGANIZATIONS MAY GIVE AWAY BINGO PAPER "FREE OF CHARGE" TO THE PLAYERS PROVIDED THEY ACCURATELY MAINTAIN DOCUMENTATION IN THEIR RECORDS AS TO THE QUANTITY OF PAPER GIVEN AWAY DURING EACH OCCASION. THE ORGANIZATION MUST ALSO STIPULATE IN THEIR HOUSE RULES, WHICH MUST BE POSTED IN A PROMINENT PLACE IN THE BINGO PREMISES, AS TO WHAT SITUATIONS WARRANT THE GIVEAWAYS, I.E. FREE PACKETS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ETC.
6/26/1998	-4	NEWLY FORMED POSTS, CHAPTERS OR ORGANIZATIONS WHO BY THEIR NATIONAL CHARTER HAVE ESTABLISHED A NEW SUBSIDIARY ORGANIZATION AND WHO OTHERWISE QUALIFY FOR A BINGO LICENSE UNDER CHAPTER 313, RSMo, MAY APPLY FOR A BINGO LICENSE PROVIDED THEY MEET THE PROOF OF EXISTENCE AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS IN THE MO CONSTITUTION AND CHAPTER 313. THE NEW SUBSIDIARY ORGANIZATION HAS TO HAVE AT LEAST 20 BONA FIDE TWO YEAR MEMBERS WHO HAVE TRANSFERRED FROM EXISTING UNITS WITHOUT A BREAK IN THEIR MEMBERSHIP.
4/16/1999	-5	ARTICLE III, SECTION 39(a) (3) (e) OF THE MO CONSTITUTION AND SECTION 313.035.1 (1), RSMo, PROHIBIT CONVICTED FELONS FROM BEING INVOLVED IN THE MANAGEMENT, CONDUCT OR OPERATION OF A BINGO GAME. OFFICERS OF LICENSED BINGO ORGANIZATIONS ARE CONSIDERED PART OF THE MANAGEMENT OF THE GAME, AND THEREFORE, WOULD BE PROHIBITED.
3/20/1999	-6	CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL ORGANIZATION OFFICERS AND WORKERS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE III, SECTION 39(a) (3) (e) OF THE MO CONSTITUTION AND SECTION 313.035, RSMo. ORGANIZATIONS ARE INSTRUCTED TO OBTAIN PRIOR APPROVAL FOR ALL OFFICERS AND WORKERS BEFORE THEY ARE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MANAGEMENT, CONDUCT OR OPERATION OF THE GAME.
6/13/2000	-8	SECTION 313.040(6), RSMo, LIMITS THE AMOUNT GAME OPERATORS CAN CHARGE FOR SPECIAL GAME CARDS AT \$.50 PER CARD AND ALSO LIMITS THE AMOUNT WHICH CAN BE CHARGED FOR REGULAR GAME CARDS AT \$1.00 PER CARD; HOWEVER, THE STATUTES DO NOT DEFINE SPECIAL VERSUS REGULAR GAME CARDS. GAME OPERATORS SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO SEE RULE 11 CSR 45-30.030 AND DESIGNATE ON THEIR GAME PROGRAM(S) THE SPECIAL GAMES VS. REGULAR GAMES AND CHARGE ACCORDINGLY.

Date
2/2/2000

Policy Number
-9

Summary
SECTION 313.057.4, RSMo, ALLOWS THE MO GAMING COMMISSION TO REQUIRE SUPPLIERS TO POST A BOND; HOWEVER, BINGO STATUTES DO NOT DEFINE THE TYPE OF BOND WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED. IRREVOCABLE LETTERS OF CREDIT (ILC) WERE DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION TO BE SUFFICIENT BONDING. THEREFORE, COMMISSION AGREED TO ACCEPT ILC'S IN LIEU OF SURETY BONDS.

Date
9/8/2000

Policy Number
-10

Summary
HOT BALL GAMES MAY BE PLAYED AS PROGRESSIVE GAMES, IF SUCH GAMES COMPLY WITH BINGO RULE 11 CSR 45-30.370, WHICH PROVIDES IN PART THAT IF AFTER TEN (10) OCCASIONS THE PROGRESSIVE PRIZE HAS NOT BEEN AWARDED, THE GAME OPERATOR MUST INCREASE THE NUMBER OF BALLS DRAWN TO COMPLETE THE WINNING PATTERN EACH OCCASION UNTIL THE PROGRESSIVE PRIZE IS AWARDED. EXAMPLE: WEEK 11, 2 HOTBALLS, WEEK 12, 3 HOT BALLS, ETC.

Date
8/29/2000

Policy Number
-11

Summary
PROGRESSIVE GAMES IN WHICH A SPECIFIC NUMBER OF BALLS ARE NEEDED TO WIN (NO MORE OR LESS) ARE ALLOWED AS LONG AS THE NUMBER OF BALLS TO WIN INCREASES IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN BINGO RULE 11 CSR 45-30.370. PLAYERS MUST BINGO ON SPECIFIC BALLS TO WIN THE PROGRESSIVE PRIZE. PLAYERS WHO BINGO IN LESS NUMBERS OR MORE NUMBERS ONLY RECEIVE A CONSOLATION PRIZE. EXAMPLE: WEEK 10, 42 (NO MORE OR LESS), WEEK 11, 43 OR 42 (NO MORE OR LESS), WEEK 12, 44, 43 OR 42 (NO MORE OR LESS) TO WIN, ETC.

Date
9/11/2000

Policy Number
-14

Summary
GAME OPERATORS MAY PLAY BOTH PROGRESSIVE BINGO GAMES AT THE SAME TIME USING TWO DIFFERENT BINGO SHEETS WITH ONE SET OF BINGO NUMBERS BEING CALLED. EACH SHEET WOULD REPRESENT A GAME AND WOULD HAVE A GRAND PRIZE AND A CONSOLATION PRIZE FOR EACH.

Date
7/26/2001

Policy Number
-15

Summary
BINGO GAME WORKERS DESIGNATED AS THE BINGO CHAIRMAN OR MEMBER IN CHARGE WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERALL GAME ACTIVITIES OF A BINGO EVENT CANNOT BOTH WORK AND PLAY BINGO AND/OR PULL-TABS DURING ANY EVENT(S) IN WHICH THEY ARE THE BINGO CHAIRMAN OR MEMBER IN CHARGE. REFER TO BINGO RULE 11 CSR 45-30.130.

Date
7/26/2001

Policy Number
-16

Summary
PULL-TABS THAT ARE CONSIDERED TO BE NO LONGER MARKETABLE MAY BE DISPOSED OF IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MANNERS: 1) OFFER THE REMAINING TABS FOR SALE AT A DISCOUNTED PRICE, EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR IN BUNDLES; 2) OFFER THE PULL-TABS AS A FREE PROMOTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATION 11 CSR 45-30.025; 3) COMBINE THE REMAINING TABS WITH ANOTHER TAB OF THE SAME FACE VALUE; OR 4) IF ENOUGH PRIZES HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO MEET STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AS OUTLINED IN SECTION 313.057.11, RSMo, THE GAME MAY BE DECLARED "DEAD" BY COMPLETING A FORM PROVIDED BY THE COMMISSION, AND BY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR RETENTION OUTLINED IN THE FORM.

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2/18/2003	-17	<p>ALTHOUGH SECTION 313.040 RSMO, GREATLY RESTRICTS THE USE OF BINGO PROCEEDS, THE COMMISSION IS ESTABLISHING THIS POLICY TO ALLOW FOR A LIMITED NUMBER OF CONVENTIONS TO BE ATTENDED, BY A LIMITED NUMBER OF MEMBERS, DUE TO THE EDUCATIONAL ASPECTS THE CONVENTIONS OFFER RELATED TO BINGO. BINGO FUNDS MAY BE USED FOR UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION TO ATTEND UP TO THREE BINGO RELATED CONVENTIONS PER CALENDAR YEAR. DIFFERENT MEMBERS MAY ATTEND DIFFERENT CONFERENCES, BUT ONLY 2 MAY BE FUNDED PER CONFERENCE AND NO MORE THAN 3 BINGO RELATED CONFERENCES MAY BE FUNDED PER YEAR. THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RETAINED IN YOUR BINGO RECORDS, AND MADE AVAILABLE TO COMMISSION STAFF UPON REQUEST, FOR ANY CONVENTION EXPENSES PAID FROM BINGO PROCEEDS: 1) AN OFFICIAL BROCHURE CONTAINING THE AGENDA AND COST OF THE CONVENTION; 2) THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS ATTENDING AND THE TITLE THEY HOLD IN THE ORGANIZATION; 3) ALL RECEIPTS FOR ASSOCIATED COSTS SUCH AS MILEAGE, HOTEL AND OTHER REASONABLE EXPENSES. THIS POLICY ALSO AUTHORIZES EACH ORGANIZATION TO PAY REASONABLE FEES TO HOLD MEMBERSHIP IN A BINGO ORGANIZATION SUCH AS THE ASSOCIATION OF CHARITABLE GAMES OF MISSOURI. DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RETAINED REFLECTING THE COST OF SAID MEMBERSHIP.</p>