

Municipal Lottery Licence

“Charitable gaming” refers to lottery schemes permitted by a licence under the Criminal Code of Canada. Typically these may include:

- Bingos events – including table board bingo, with prize boards of up to \$4,500.00;
- Raffle lotteries for total prizes of \$50,000.00 and under;
- Break open tickets for local organizations;
- Bazaar lotteries which include: wheel of fortune with a maximum bet of \$2.00, raffles not exceeding \$500.00 and bingo events up to \$500.00.

The municipality may attach terms and conditions to the licence in addition to those established by the province.

Lottery events are regulated through the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario. Your organization is encouraged to review the terms, conditions and forms at:

[AGCO Application Forms & Guides](#)

Qualifications

Organizations must have a demonstrated charitable or religious mandate to qualify; the funds can be used for: it provides programs for example:

- relief of poverty;
- advancement of education;
- advancement of religion;
- other charitable purposes beneficial to the community may include:
 - the promotion of arts & cultural activities;
 - cultural, ethnic, native, historic pursuits;
 - the improvement of the quality of health through medical research;
 - treatment programs and preventative programs;
 - youth sporting activities and
 - community projects undertaken by service organizations

Requirements

Please provide to the municipality along with lottery application:

- Constituting documents, including by-laws;
- Detailed program descriptions;
- Current operating budgets;
- Current listing of board of directors;
- Details of proposed use of lottery proceeds;
- Must be in existence for at least one year.

Banking and Financial

The licensee shall maintain:

- A separate lottery trust account for each type of lottery or;
- A single lottery account but maintain separate ledgers for each type of lottery;
- Accounts shall have a minimum of 2 signing officers;
- All expenses and use of proceeds shall be paid by cheque;
- Lottery proceeds may not be transferred to any account.