

**CHAPTER 47**

**RULES OF LEGALIZED GAMES OF CHANCE**

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## SUBCHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS

### Law Review and Journal Commentaries

Bingo and Raffles: Nonprofits and Games of Chance. Richard J. Van Wagner, Bernadette Fallows Davidson, 8189 N.J.L.J. 19 (1998).

**13:47-1.1 Words and phrases defined**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“Authorized purpose” means an educational, charitable, patriotic, religious or public-spirited purpose, which terms are defined to be the purpose of benefiting an indefinite number of persons either by bringing their minds or hearts under the influence of education or religion, by relieving their bodies from disease, suffering, or constraint, by assisting them to establish themselves in life or by erecting or maintaining public buildings or works, or otherwise lessening the burden of government or, in the case of a senior citizen association or club, the support of such organization. Authorized purpose includes capital improvements to a facility owned by the licensee as limited by N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.3. Authorized purpose does not include the erection or acquisition of property, real, personal or mixed, unless such property is and shall be used exclusively for one or more of the purposes hereinabove stated.

“Authorized use” means the use of funds for an authorized purpose.

“Balanced” means the wheel is so installed as to give each section or subsection on the wheel an equal opportunity to win.

“Big six wheel” means a wheel having a 60-inch diameter, manufactured to have 60 sections of equal size on the face of the wheel. Each section of the wheel contains three dice with one side of each of the three dice bearing one of the numbers 1 through 6. The wheel has a laydown containing the numbers 1 through 6.

“Bingo” means a specific kind of game of chance played for prizes with cards bearing numbers or other designations five or more in one line, the holder covering numbers, as objects, similarly numbered, are drawn from a receptacle and the game being won by the person who first covers a previously designated arrangement of numbers on such card, by selling tickets or rights to participate in such games.

“Bingo board” means a board containing more than one bingo card.

“Bingo card” means a card containing five lines of numbers or other designations, five or more in one line, with each line being identified by a letter printed at the top of the line in the following order B, I, N, G, O.

“Bingo equipment” means the receptacle and numbered objects to be drawn from it, the master board upon which such objects are placed as drawn, the cards or sheets bearing numbers or other designations to be covered and the objects used to cover them, the boards or signs, however operated, used to announce or display the numbers or designations as they are drawn, public address systems, and all other articles essential to the operation, conduct and playing of bingo.

“Bingo equipment provider” means any person licensed by the Control Commission to provide equipment for use in, or in connection with, the holding, operating or conducting of bingo games.

“Bingo occasion” means a single gathering or session at which a series of successive bingo games is played not to exceed 35 in number.

“Calendar raffle” means an off-premises draw raffle in which calendars bearing non-repeating consecutive numbers are sold. A specific cash or merchandise prize is designated for each date on the calendar upon which a prize(s) is to be awarded. The winners are determined by drawing from a container, objects bearing numbers matching the non-repeating numbers on all calendars sold.

“Capital improvements” means the improvement, maintenance or repair of a facility.

“Card” means a non-reusable card which is indelibly marked by the player upon which bingo is played.

“Consolation prize” means 25 percent of the gross receipts derived from the sale of cards to participate in a Progressive Jackpot Bingo Game on each occasion.

“Control Commission” means the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

“Deal” means a package sealed by the manufacturer consisting of one game of instant raffle tickets with the same serial number.

“Distributor” means any person who sells, offers to sell or otherwise provides to a registered organization, any instant raffle ticket or any equipment or device to be used in, or in connection with, an instant raffle game.

“Draw raffle” means a raffle in which the winners are determined by drawing from a container having therein counterparts of all tickets sold.

“Duck race raffle” means a variation of an off-premises draw raffle wherein a player is sold a ticket, share or right to participate. Game pieces representing all tickets, shares or rights to participate are released into a running waterway which has been barricaded in an acceptable form to create a gate which will permit the passage of only one game piece at a time. The winner is the holder of the ticket, share or right to participate on which is printed the number that corresponds with the number on the game piece that passes through the gate in the predetermined sequence required to win a particular prize.

“50/50 bingo game” means a bingo game played on non-reusable cards that are permanently marked wherein the prizes awarded are 50 percent of the gross receipts derived from the sale of cards for participation in the game.

“50/50 bingo game prize” means 50 percent of the gross receipts from the sale of all cards to participate in the game.

“Flare” means the information sheet provided by the manufacturer which describes a particular instant raffle game.

“Senior citizens association or club” means an association or club that is formed and is functioning as an organization not for profit to the benefit of its membership in general and is comprised predominantly of persons who are at least 62 years of age.

“Serial number” means a number having a minimum of five characters, printed by the manufacturer on each ticket, right or share to participate in an instant raffle game or on each card to participate in a special bingo game.

“Services rendered” means repair to equipment and reasonable compensation to bookkeepers or accountants who assist by rendering their professional services for an amount conforming to the schedule of authorized fees fixed by this chapter (see N.J.A.C. 13:47-16.2, Schedule of Fees, “B”). In the case of bingo “services rendered” also means rental of premises (see N.J.A.C. 13:47-14, Rental of Premises for Bingo). Where premises are not rented for a fee, “services rendered” may include a reasonable amount for janitorial service. In the case of raffles, “services rendered” does not include rental of premises but does include rental of equipment for raffles, when rented from an approved person in an amount conforming to the schedule of authorized rates fixed by these rules. In the case of raffles, “services rendered” shall not be an authorized expense unless rendered solely for the conduct of the raffle.

“Six-on playing board” means a playing board containing six playing cards used to play bingo.

“‘Special’ bingo game” means a game that is played in addition to a “regular” bingo game, for which a player must pay a charge in addition to the charge for admission to the room or place where the game is played. A “special” game must be played on a non-reusable card that is indelibly marked.

“Special door prize raffle” means a raffle for a door prize(s) of donated merchandise, the total retail value of which shall not exceed \$50.00, for which no extra charge is made, at an assemblage where no other game of chance is held, operated or conducted, and the net proceeds of which are devoted to an authorized purpose.

“Special Senior Citizen Bingo” means any bingo game held, operated and conducted by a senior citizen association or club solely for the purpose of amusement and recreation of its members, where:

1. No player or other person furnishes something of value for the opportunity to participate;
2. The prizes offered or awarded are of nominal value;
3. No person other than a bona fide active member of the licensed organization participates in the conduct of the game or games; and
4. No person is paid for conducting or assisting in the conduct of the game or games.

“Something of value” means any money or property, any token, object or article exchangeable for money or property, or any form of credit or promise directly or indirectly contemplating transfer of money or property or of any interest therein, or involving extension of a service, entertainment or a privilege of playing at a game without charge.

“Successive occasion” means the next occasion in the sequence of occasions for which the license is issued.

Amended by R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).

Added “calendar raffle”, “special senior citizen bingo” and “something of value”.

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See: 28 N.J.R. 1939(a), 28 N.J.R. 3180(a).

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See: 28 N.J.R. 3711(a), 28 N.J.R. 4486(a).

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See: 28 N.J.R. 4169(b), 28 N.J.R. 4891(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).

In “Calendar raffle”, inserted “upon which a prize(s) is to be awarded” at the end of the second sentence; in “Progressive jackpot bingo game”, inserted “except for the occasion upon which the jackpot prize is won,” in the last sentence; and added new “Golf Hole-in-One Contest” and “Predraw bingo game” definitions.

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See: 34 N.J.R. 986(a), 34 N.J.R. 2864(a).

Added “Bingo board”, “Bingo card”, “Registered organization”; deleted “Playing board” and “Playing card”.

Amended by R.2006 d.109, effective March 20, 2006.

See: 37 N.J.R. 1165(a), 38 N.J.R. 1462(a).

Rewrote definition “Authorized purpose”; added definitions “Capital improvements”, “Card” and “Issuing authority”.

Amended by R.2006 d.301, effective August 21, 2006.

See: 37 N.J.R. 3028(a), 38 N.J.R. 3309(b).

In definition “Qualified organization”, rewrote paragraphs 1, 2 and 3, and deleted 4 and 5.

**Cross References**

See Section 16.1 (Schedule of Rates “A”) of this Chapter.

**SUBCHAPTER 2. REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION**

**13:47-2.1 General provisions**

(a) Every organization desiring to apply for a license to conduct bingo or raffles or to allow its members to assist a licensed affiliated organization, as described in N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.4 shall, before making any such application or allowing any assistance, register with the Control Commission and secure an identification number.

(b) An identification number issued by the Control Commission shall be valid for a period of two years or until modified, suspended or revoked by the Control Commission.

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

**Case Notes**

Krishna colporteur (religious book peddling) at Meadowlands sports complex is protected under the free exercise of religion clause of the U.S. Constitution; as facility is not a public forum, lessee organizations have the right to regulate patrons' activities on the premises; bingo and raffle rules cited in support of precedent that fundraising for religious purposes is accorded free exercise clause protection. *International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc. v. New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority*, 532 F.Supp. 1088 (D.N.J.1981) affirmed 691 F.2d 155 (3rd Cir.1982).

**13:47-2.2 Registration form**

Registration shall be upon a form supplied on request by the Secretary of the Control Commission. Form 1-A is hereby adopted for that purpose.

**13:47-2.3 Application for registration: renewal; fees**

(a) Except as provided in (b) below, each organization requesting registration shall remit by check or money order a non-refundable biennial registration fee of \$100.00, payable to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission, and shall submit a completed application together with sufficient proof of the organization's eligibility for registration. Such proofs shall include at least the following:

1. The by-laws and constitution or any other written authority under which the applicant organization operates;
2. The names and addresses of five individuals over the age of 18 who are to be primarily responsible for the conduct of the games of chance on each occasion and who are to ensure proper utilization of the net proceeds; and
3. If incorporated, a copy of the applicant organization's articles of incorporation which have been filed with the proper governmental body in the state of incorporation.

(b) A senior citizen association or club requesting registration shall submit a completed application together with sufficient proof of the organization's eligibility for registration. Qualified senior citizen associations and clubs shall be exempt from the biennial registration fee.

(c) The Control Commission, when provided with all information required by this section and upon its considered review of such qualifying information, and being satisfied that the applicant organization is a qualified organization, shall direct the Secretary to assign an identification number to the organization and affix that number to a copy of Form 1-AC.

(d) Each registered organization requesting renewal of its registration with the Control Commission shall apply for renewal on the form provided by the Commission. The renewal form shall report any changes in the information previously supplied or shall confirm that the information previously supplied to the Commission has not changed.

(e) Each registered organization requesting renewal of its registration with the Control Commission shall remit by

check payable to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission, a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 together with any additional information requested by the Control Commission.

(f) If an organization does not renew its registration prior to its expiration date, the organization may renew its registration within 30 days of its expiration by filing an application for renewal of its registration together with a check in the amount set forth in (e) above, plus an additional amount of \$35.00 as a late filing fee.

(g) If an organization does not renew its registration within 30 days of its expiration, the organization may only re-apply for registration by fulfilling all of the initial registration requirements as set forth in (a) above.

Amended by R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).

Provided fee exemption for senior citizen associations.

Amended by R.2006 d.301, effective August 21, 2006.

See: 37 N.J.R. 3028(a), 38 N.J.R. 3309(b).

In the introductory paragraph of (a), deleted "subsection" preceding "(b)", deleted former (a)2 and (a)3; added new (a)2; recodified former (a)4 as (a)3; and in (a)3, substituted "proper governmental body in the state of incorporation" for "Secretary of State of New Jersey".

Amended by R.2006 d.294, effective August 21, 2006.

See: 38 N.J.R. 1535(a), 38 N.J.R. 3310(a).

In the introductory paragraphs of (a) and (e), substituted "\$100.00" for "\$50.00"; also in the introductory paragraph of (a), intended to delete "subsection" preceding "(b)" which was previously deleted at 38 N.J.R. 3309(b); and added (f) and (g).

**13:47-2.4 Identification number**

All applications for licenses, amendment of licenses, reports and any other papers relating to licensed games of chance, shall bear the identification number of the organization involved.

**13:47-2.5 Municipal approval**

Neither registration nor the assignment of an identification number shall entitle any organization to hold, operate or conduct, or assist in the holding, operating or conducting of, any game or games of chance without the approval of the issuing authority of the municipality in which the game or games are to be held, operated or conducted.

Repeal and New Rule, R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).

Old section was "Evidence of eligibility".

Amended by R.2006 d.109, effective March 20, 2006.

See: 37 N.J.R. 1165(a), 38 N.J.R. 1462(a).

Substituted "issuing authority" for "governing body".

**Case Notes**

Ordinance restricting issuance of bingo licenses was invalid as contrary to State law. *Kendall Park Chapter of Deborah v. New Brunswick*, 159 N.J.Super. 249, 387 A.2d 1214 (App.Div.1978), certification denied 78 N.J. 396, 396 A.2d 583 (1978).

**13:47-6.3 Use of proceeds; capital improvements**

(a) The entire net proceeds of the games of chance must be devoted to authorized purposes.

(b) A bona fide organization or association of veterans of any war in which the United States has been engaged, church or religious congregation or religious organization, charitable, educational or fraternal organization, civic or service club, officially recognized volunteer fire company, or officially recognized volunteer first aid or rescue squad licensed to hold and operate games of chance may use the net proceeds of games of chance for capital improvements to a facility owned by the licensee only if:

1. The facility is devoted full-time to an authorized purpose;

2. A portion of the facility is devoted full-time to an authorized purpose, in which case all of the net proceeds may be used for capital improvements to that portion of the facility so devoted; or

3. All or a portion of the facility is devoted part-time to an authorized purpose, in which case a percentage of the net proceeds may be used for capital improvements to the facility or to that portion of a facility so devoted. The percentage of the net proceeds which may be used for capital improvements under this paragraph shall be equal to the percentage that represents the number of days of the preceding calendar year during which the facility or portion thereof was devoted to an authorized purpose.

(c) In determining the amount of net proceeds a licensee may use for capital improvements pursuant to (b) above, an amount not to exceed 25 percent of the total cost of the capital improvement shall be allowed for facility space used full-time for administrative or operational activities of the licensee, provided the space is located in a facility at least half of which was devoted to an authorized purpose for at least 70 days in the previous calendar year.

(d) The use of a facility or a portion thereof for an authorized purpose for at least three hours in any one day shall be sufficient to substantiate that the facility or portion thereof was devoted that day to an authorized purpose.

Amended by R.2006 d.109, effective March 20, 2006.  
See: 37 N.J.R. 1165(a), 38 N.J.R. 1462(a).

Section was "Use of proceeds"; designated former section as (a); added (b) through (d).

**Statutory References**

As to Bingo, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-25, and as to Raffles, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-51.

**13:47-6.4 Conduct by active members and compensated non-members**

(a) No person shall assist in the holding, operating or conducting of a game of chance except:

1. Active members of the licensee, active members of its parent organization, active members of an auxiliary organization, active members of an organization of which the licensee is an auxiliary or active members of an organization having a common parent organization, provided that the assisting organization is registered with the Control Commission; and

2. A person who is not a member of the licensed organization, an auxiliary or affiliated organization as described in this subsection, and who has been approved by the Control Commission in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and who will be compensated for holding, operating or conducting or assisting in the holding, operating or conducting of the game.

(b) Before members of an affiliated organization assist the licensee in the conduct of a game of chance, the affiliated organization shall register with the Control Commission and secure an identification number.

(c) Bookkeepers and accountants who assist by rendering their professional services need not be within the categories stated in (a) above, provided the professional services of bookkeepers and accountants are limited to making bookkeeping entries for the operation of games of chance on any one day, preparing reports of operations required by this chapter for any game of chance, opening books for a games of chance account, or supervising bookkeeping and accounting systems for the operation of games of chance.

(d) No bookkeeper or accountant shall receive or handle any of the proceeds of a game of chance during the conduct of the game of chance or be present in the money room or other place on the licensed premises where the proceeds of the game of chance are received by the member of the licensee designated to be in charge of and primarily responsible for the proceeds.

(e) No bookkeeper or accountant shall assist in the holding, operating or conducting of a game of chance except as specified in (c) above.

(f) No person who has participated as a player in any game of chance held, operated or conducted concurrently with the holding, operating or conducting of bingo, including, but not limited to, participating in the playing of bingo shall hold, operate or conduct or assist in the holding, operating or conducting of any game of chance conducted on that occasion.

(g) No person who has held, operated or conducted or assisted in the holding, operating or conducting of any game of chance held, operated or conducted concurrently with the holding, operating or conducting of bingo shall participate as a player in any game of chance held, operated or conducted on that occasion including, but not limited to, the playing of bingo.

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

Amended by R.2001 d.343, effective September 17, 2001.  
See: 33 N.J.R. 2422(a), 33 N.J.R. 3336(a).  
Added (a)2.

### 13:47-6.5 Compensation

(a) No commission, salary, compensation, reward or recompense may be paid to any member of the licensed organization or a member of an organization which is auxiliary to or affiliated with the licensed organization for holding, operating or conducting, or assisting in the holding, operating or conducting of a game of chance, except for bookkeepers or accountants who assist by rendering their professional services for an amount within the schedule of fees fixed by these rules, or a person approved by the Control Commission as a game operator who is not a member of the licensed organization or a member of an organization which is auxiliary to or affiliated with the licensed organization.

(b) No person holding, operating or conducting, or assisting in the holding, operating or conducting of a game of chance may receive or accept any reward, compensation, gratuity or recompense, directly or indirectly, from any patron or participant in such game of chance.

Amended by R.2001 d.343, effective September 17, 2001.  
See: 33 N.J.R. 2422(a), 33 N.J.R. 3336(a).  
Rewrote the section.

#### Cross References

See Section 16.2 (Schedule of Fees "B") of this Chapter.

#### Statutory References

As to Bingo, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-26, and as to Raffles, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-52.

### 13:47-6.6 Display of license; other notice

(a) Each license issued for the conduct of a game of chance shall be conspicuously displayed at the place where the game of chance is being conducted at all times during the conduct of the game.

(b) Whenever an organization shall conduct a game of chance it shall display, adjacent to the wheel or the place of the allotment of prize(s) by chance, a sign as follows: "Is gambling a problem for you or someone in your family? Dial 1-800-GAMBLER." The sign shall be provided by the Control Commission.

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

#### Statutory References

As to Bingo, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-28, and as to Raffles, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-56.

### 13:47-6.7 Inspection

(a) The premises where any game of chance is being held, operated or conducted, or where it is intended that any game of chance shall be held, operated or conducted, or where it is

intended that any equipment be used, shall at all times be open to inspection by the officers and agents of the municipality in which the premises are situated and to the Control Commission and its agents and employees.

(b) If, in the course of such inspection, a violation of the rules and regulations of this Chapter or the Bingo Licensing Law or the Raffles Licensing Law shall be observed, said officers and agents of the municipality in which the premises are situated or said agents and employees of the Control Commission shall have the right to suspend the continued operation of any and all games of chance being held, operated or conducted on the premises until such time as said violation is corrected and all games of chance are held, operated and conducted in accord with the license therefor, the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Control Commission and the Bingo or Raffles Licensing Law.

#### Statutory References

As to Bingo, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-30, and as to Raffles, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-57.

### 13:47-6.8 Authorization by municipality for games on Sunday

No municipality may authorize the holding, operating or conducting of a game of chance on Sunday, unless specifically so authorized by an ordinance duly adopted by the municipality.

#### Statutory References

As to Bingo, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-31, and as to Raffles, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-58.

### 13:47-6.9 Provision in license for games on Sunday

No game of chance shall be conducted under any license on Sunday, unless the license specifically so provides.

#### Statutory References

As to Bingo, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-31, and as to Raffles, see N.J.S.A. 5:8-58.

### 13:47-6.10 Player age limitation

(a) No person under the age of 18 years shall be permitted to participate as a player in any game of bingo.

(b) No person under the age of 18 years shall be permitted to participate in any draw raffle or in any non-draw raffle offering and awarding cash or money as a prize.

(c) Except for the serving or selling of food and beverages, no person under the age of 18 years shall hold, operate or conduct or assist in the holding, operating or conducting of any game of chance held, operated or conducted under any license issued pursuant to the Bingo Licensing Law, N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq. or the Raffles Licensing Law, N.J.S.A. 5:8-50 et seq., and the rules set forth in this chapter.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.19 and amended by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).

Rewrote (a); and in (b), added new 2 and 3 and recodified former 2 and 3 as 4 and 5. Former N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.20, Conduct by unaffiliated organizations, was recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.21.

Amended by R.2002 d.258, effective August 5, 2002.

See: 34 N.J.R. 986(a), 34 N.J.R. 2864(a).

In (a), inserted "(except a gift certificate redeemable for live, edible seafood)".

Amended by R.2006 d.301, effective August 21, 2006.

See: 37 N.J.R. 3028(a), 38 N.J.R. 3309(b).

In (a), deleted "alcoholic beverages" following "seafood" and inserted a comma following "legal tender)".

**13:47-6.21 Conduct by unaffiliated organizations**

(a) Two or more unaffiliated organizations may not conduct bingo at the same place on the same day except as provided in N.J.A.C. 13:47-14.3(c).

(b) Two or more unaffiliated organizations may conduct raffles at the same place at the same time.

Amended by R.1988 d.184, effective April 18, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 249(a), 20 N.J.R. 912(b).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.20 by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.21, Time limit for devoting of proceeds, was recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.22.

**13:47-6.22 Time limit for devoting of proceeds**

(a) The net proceeds derived from the holding of a game of chance must be devoted to one or more of the authorized purposes within one year of the holding of the game of chance. Organizations failing to comply with this section will be required to show cause before the Commission why their right to conduct games of chance should not be revoked.

(b) Any organization desiring to hold the net proceeds of games of chance for a period longer than one year may apply to the Commission for special permission.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.21 by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.22, Unreasonable proceeds, was recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.23.

**13:47-6.23 Unreasonable proceeds**

Any organization licensed to conduct games of chance, which does not show that the conduct of games of chance during any one year period has produced reasonable net proceeds for authorized purposes, will be required to show cause before the Commission why its right to conduct games of chance should not be revoked.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.22 by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.23, Payment for equipment, was recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:47-6.24.

**13:47-6.24 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.2002 d.258, effective August 5, 2002.

See: 34 N.J.R. 986(a), 34 N.J.R. 2864(a).

Section was "Payment for equipment".

**13:47-6.25 Cheating: notification; liability**

(a) A player in any game of chance authorized by the Control Commission shall play the game solely to win and shall take no action to improve another player's chance of winning.

(b) A licensee who has reasonable cause to believe that a player has acted or is acting in violation of (a) above or any other regulation included in this chapter, shall require the player to cease playing the game and shall notify the Control Commission in writing as expeditiously as possible.

(c) A licensee who takes good faith action pursuant to (b) above shall not be required to refund or redeem any imitation money held by a player who improved the chances of another player or the player whose chances were improved.

New Rule, R.2003 d.199, effective May 19, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 1629(a), 35 N.J.R. 2233(a).

SUBCHAPTER 7. CONDUCT OF BINGO

**13:47-7.1 (Reserved)**

Amended by R.1989 d.431, effective August 21, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 698(b), 21 N.J.R. 2526(a).

Added (e) and (f).

Repealed by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

Formerly "Personnel".

**13:47-7.2 Amount of prize limitation**

(a) No prize may be offered or awarded in excess of the sum or value of \$250.00 for a single game, nor may the aggregate of all prizes offered and awarded in all games held on one occasion exceed \$1,000, except as provided in (b) below.

(b) No prize awarded in a bingo game wherein the prize is a percentage of the gross receipts derived from the sale of cards to participate in the game, which is authorized to be held, operated and conducted pursuant to this subchapter shall be subject to the limitations set forth in (a) above.

(c) No prize shall be offered or awarded in any bingo game in any manner that is not specifically authorized by this subchapter.

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).

Rewrote (b).

**Statutory References**

See N.J.S.A. 5:8-27.

**13:47-7.3 Alcoholic beverage prohibition**

No game may be conducted in any room or outdoor area where alcoholic beverages are sold, dispensed or consumed during the period between the commencement of the first and the conclusion of the last bingo game of the occasion.

**Statutory References**

See N.J.S.A. 5:8-33.

**13:47-7.4 Equipment, premises: limitation**

(a) No licensee shall use any equipment or premises for the holding, operating or conducting of bingo unless:

1. The equipment or premises is wholly owned by the licensee;
2. The equipment or premises is provided by a person, and at a rate approved by the Control Commission; or
3. The equipment or premises is loaned free of charge to the licensee by another qualified organization that is registered with the Control Commission.

(b) Any premises used for the holding, operating or conducting of bingo shall be used in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 13:47-14.

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

**Statutory References**

See N.J.S.A. 5:8-34.

**13:47-7.5 Charge for playing bingo**

(a) The fee for admission to a room or place in which bingo is to be held, operated or conducted shall not exceed \$5.00. This fee shall entitle a person to at least one card allowing such person to participate without additional charge in all regular games to be played on that occasion.

(b) No charge in excess of \$1.00 may be made for a single opportunity to participate in any special game to be played on an occasion.

(c) No more than \$1.00 may be charged for any extra card with which a player may participate in all regular games on an occasion.

(d) The charge for admission to the room or place where bingo is to be played and for any card(s) to participate in all games played on the occasion may be accepted in advance of the time and date bingo is to be played, provided a receipt is given to the purchaser upon payment of the charge, containing at least the following information:

1. The name of the registered organization holding, operating and conducting the bingo occasion and the identification number issued to it by the Control Commission;

2. The municipal license number issued for the occasion, and the date, time and place of the occasion; and

3. The price paid and the goods, wares or merchandise to be received for that price.

(e) Legally blind or otherwise disabled players may use their personal bingo card(s) or licensees may provide such players with modified bingo card(s) to participate in any bingo game upon payment of an amount equal to that paid by players using traditional cards.

(f) Legally blind or otherwise disabled players using modified card(s) to participate in a special bingo game shall purchase traditional special cards and keep them as proof of purchase until the game is won, at which time the member in charge of the occasion shall cause the paper special cards to be destroyed.

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).  
Amended by R.2002 d.258, effective August 5, 2002.  
See: 34 N.J.R. 986(a), 34 N.J.R. 2864(a).

Rewrote (e) and (f).  
Amended by R.2003 d.199, effective May 19, 2003.  
See: 34 N.J.R. 1629(a), 35 N.J.R. 2233(a).

Rewrote (a); in (b), substituted "\$ 1.00" for "\$ 0.25" preceding "may be made"; in (c), deleted "and no less than \$ 0.25" preceding "may be charged"; deleted former (d) and recodified former (e) as (d); deleted former (f) and recodified former (g) and (h) as (e) and (f).

**Statutory References**

See N.J.S.A. 5:8-35.

**13:47-7.6 Division of prize**

When more than one player is found to be the winner on the call of the same number in the same game, the designated prize shall be divided as equally as possible; and when division is not possible, substitute prizes, whose aggregate value shall not exceed that of the designated prize, shall be awarded; but such substitute prizes shall be of equal value to each other.

**13:47-7.7 Notice**

(a) The licensee shall conspicuously post a notice in the premises where bingo is played, listing the amounts of the charges for admission and the opportunity to play and for any other service or privilege offered.

(b) The notice shall also describe the nature and amount of prizes to be awarded.

(c) The notice shall also bear the name of the licensee, the name of the member in charge, and the identification and license numbers.

(d) The notice shall also bear the statement "no tipping of bingo workers."

(e) The notice shall include the statement "Is gambling a problem for you or someone in your family? Dial 1-800-GAMBLER." The notice shall be provided by the Control Commission.

Amended by R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.  
See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).  
Added (d).

Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).

**13:47-7.8 Person conducting bingo; restriction; minimum age**

(a) No licensee shall permit any person to engage in the conduct of bingo for it or in its behalf who has engaged in the conduct of bingo for or on behalf of any unaffiliated licensee during the same calendar year.

(b) No licensed organization shall permit any person under the age of 18 years to conduct or assist in the conduct of bingo including the sale or distribution of any bingo card, merchandise or service, except for food or beverages, at any time after the room or area where bingo games are to be played is open to the players.

Amended by R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.  
 See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).  
 Amended by R.1998 d.428, effective August 17, 1998.  
 See: 30 N.J.R. 978(a), 30 N.J.R. 3062(a).  
 Added a new (b).  
 Amended by R.2006 d.109, effective March 20, 2006.  
 See: 37 N.J.R. 1165(a), 38 N.J.R. 1462(a).  
 In (b), substituted "except" for "including".

**13:47-7.9 Equipment; general operation of bingo**

(a) Bingo games shall be held, operated and conducted in the manner prescribed by N.J.S.A. 5:8-25 and by Section 1.1 (Definitions) of this Chapter.

(b) Effective September 20, 2006, all bingo games shall be played on non-reusable cards which are to be indelibly marked when played.

(c) The equipment used in the playing of bingo and the method of play shall be such that each card shall have an equal opportunity to be a winner.

(d) The objects to be drawn shall be essentially equal as to size, shape, weight and balance and as to all other characteristics that may control their selection and all shall be present in the receptacle before each game is begun.

(e) Objects shall not be drawn from the receptacle until the caller is ready to announce the number on the object. Numbers on objects drawn from the receptacle shall not be announced if a player declares bingo prior to the caller starting vocally to make the announcement. Numbers on the objects drawn from the receptacle shall be announced so as to be visible or audible to all players.

(f) When a player achieves bingo, it shall be that player's responsibility to declare bingo loud enough for the caller to hear and so that the calling of numbers is stopped. If the player fails to do so and another number(s) is called, the player who had bingo and failed to make his or her bingo known to the caller shall share the prize with any player(s) who achieved bingo on the call of the additional number(s). If the last number called is required to win the game, the player who did not make his or her bingo known prior to the call of an additional number shall not be entitled to any portion of the prize.

(g) If a player is required to achieve bingo in a pre-designated number of numbers called and the player fails to make his or her bingo known to the caller until after that number of calls has been exceeded, the player shall not be entitled to the prize offered for achieving bingo in the pre-determined number of calls.

(h) Whenever a player declares bingo, the caller shall not modify the operation of the ball selection device until the card is verified as a winner. In the event the declaration of bingo was made in error the caller shall continue the game by calling the number that was next to be called prior to the erroneous declaration of bingo.

(i) No licensed organization shall reserve or allow to be reserved any specific bingo card for use by players except modified cards for use by legally blind or otherwise disabled players. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the acceptance of the charge for admission to the room or place where bingo is to be played or for cards to participate in any game played on a bingo occasion in advance of the time or date of the occasion provided a receipt in the form prescribed in N.J.A.C. 13:47-7.5(b) is issued to the purchaser.

(j) Modified cards used by legally blind or otherwise disabled players shall be commercially produced by a manufacturer approved by the Control Commission.

(k) A licensed organization shall have and exercise the right to inspect, accept or reject, with due cause, any personal bingo card used by a legally blind or otherwise disabled player.

(l) All cards to participate in any bingo game shall be purchased prior to the call of the first number in the game. A card purchased after the call of the first number in the game shall not be valid in that game and the holder of the card shall not be eligible for any portion of the prize offered in that game.

(m) In a multi-part game, the order in which the parts of the game were announced before the game began is the order in which the game shall be played. Each part of the game shall be played to conclusion and the winner(s) awarded the prize(s) before continuing to the next part of the game. If a player achieves a bingo in a part of the game other than the part being played, which has not been closed, the player shall wait until the caller opens the part of the game in which he or she has achieved bingo and declare bingo prior to the call of the first number in that part of the game.

(n) In a multi-part game, if a player declares bingo when the caller opens a particular part of the game, no additional number shall be called until the bingo is either verified or rejected as erroneous. If the bingo is verified the caller shall proceed to close that part of the game and award the prize. If the bingo is erroneous, the caller shall continue to call numbers until a winner(s) is declared.

Amended by R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.  
 See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).  
 Revised (d)-(e); added (f).  
 Amended by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
 See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).  
 Amended by R.2002 d.258, effective August 5, 2002.  
 See: 34 N.J.R. 986(a), 34 N.J.R. 2864(a).  
 Rewrote (e) through (h) and (k) through (l); added (m).

Amended by R.2006 d.109, effective March 20, 2006.  
See: 37 N.J.R. 1165(a), 38 N.J.R. 1462(a).

Added (b); recodified former (b)-(m) as (c)-(n).

### 13:47-7.10 Arrangement of numbers; announcement

The particular arrangement of numbers required to be covered in order to win the game shall be clearly described and announced to the players immediately before each game is begun.

### 13:47-7.11 Arrangement of numbers; limitations; required notice

(a) The licensee shall describe and illustrate in the application for license the arrangement of numbers required to be covered in order to win each game.

(b) No arrangement of numbers shall require a player to cover fewer than four numbers on any one card.

(c) No arrangement of numbers shall require the use of more than four cards.

(d) An illustration of the arrangement of numbers required to win the game must be clearly visible to all players during the conduct of the game.

Amended by R.1992 d.96, effective March 2, 1992.  
See: 23 N.J.R. 3638(b), 24 N.J.R. 854(a).

#### Case Notes

Commission rules provide for types of arrangements of numbers on bingo cards. Kendall Park Chapter of Deborah v. New Brunswick, 159 N.J.Super. 249, 387 A.2d 1214 (App.Div.1978), certification denied 78 N.J. 396, 396 A.2d 583 (1978).

### 13:47-7.12 Alternate prizes

(a) Within the limits contained in N.J.A.C. 13:47-7.2, alternate prizes may be offered depending upon the number of calls within which bingo is reached, provided the application for bingo license and the license so specify.

(b) If a licensee avails itself of the provisions of this Section, it must announce at the beginning of each game the number of calls within which bingo is to be reached and the amount of the alternate prizes to be awarded.

(c) Within the limits contained in N.J.A.C. 13:47-7.2, the prizes offered may be varied depending upon the number of people who attend the occasion, provided the application for bingo license and the bingo license so specify.

(d) If a licensee avails itself of the provisions of this section, it must announce at the beginning of each game the number of people present and the prizes to be awarded.

Amended by R.2002 d.258, effective August 5, 2002.  
See: 34 N.J.R. 986(a), 34 N.J.R. 2864(a).

In (a), substituted "N.J.A.C. 13:47-7.2" for "Section 7.2 (Amount of prize limitation) of this chapter"; added (c) and (d).

### 13:47-7.13 Verification of numbers

(a) Prior to the commencement of bingo games on any occasion, the member in charge of the game shall cause to be made a verification of all objects to be placed in the receptacle and shall inspect the objects in the presence of a disinterested person to insure that all objects are present and that there is no duplication of numbers on said objects prior to the commencement of the bingo games.

(b) Any player shall be entitled to call for a verification of all numbers drawn at the time a winner is determined, and for a verification of the objects remaining in the receptacle and not yet drawn. The verification shall be made in the immediate presence of the member designated to be in charge on the occasion, but if such member be also the announcer, then in the immediate presence of an officer of the licensee.

#### Case Notes

Commission rules provide for the manner in which winning numbers shall be determined and declared. Kendall Park Chapter of Deborah v. New Brunswick, 159 N.J.Super. 249, 387 A.2d 1214 (App.Div.1978), certification denied 78 N.J. 396, 396 A.2d 583 (1978).

### 13:47-7.14 Determination of winner

(a) When a caller has started vocally to announce a call, he shall complete the call of that number.

(b) After the caller has started vocally to announce a call, if any person shall have gone bingo based upon the previous number called, such person shall share the designated prize with any other person or persons who may have gone bingo on the completed call.

(c) When a player declares "bingo," the usher shall announce the serial number and color of the card and the numbers on the card which confirm it as a winner of the game. The caller shall repeat the numbers announced by the usher and verify or reject the card presented as a winner. In the event an electronic verifier is used, which contains the identical permutations as those on the cards in play, it is permissible for the usher to substitute the permutation number of the card for the numbers contained in the arrangement of numbers required to win the game, provided a screen displaying a reproduction of the card presented as a winner is visible to the players.

(d) When a winner of a bingo game is determined, the caller shall announce to the players present, "Are there any other winners?" If there are no other winners, the caller shall then state, "I declare this game closed," and shall proceed to award the prize.

(e) No person shall be entitled to share the designated prize unless he or she shall have declared bingo and his or her card determined to be a winner prior to the announcement that the game has been closed.

(f) If it is determined that a player(s) has won a bingo game on two or more identical bingo cards containing the

Schedule of Fees "B"

<u>Service</u>	<u>Fee</u> <u>(No more than)</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Fee</u> <u>(No more than)</u>
Making bookkeeping entries for operation of games of chance on any one day.....	\$ 2.00	Supervising accounting system and making bookkeeping entries and preparing reports.....	15.00 per month
Preparing Reports of Operations for any one game .....	3.00	Armchair race projectionist.....	\$250.00 per day
Opening books for a game of chance account.....	15.00	Armchair race cashier .....	\$250.00 per day
Supervising bookkeeping and accounting system without making entries or preparing reports .....	5.00 per month	Class "A" casino night operator .....	\$500.00 per day
		Class "B" casino night operator .....	\$250.00 per day

(b) No rate in excess of that set forth in this section shall be paid or accepted for the services provided.

Administrative correction.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2078(b).  
 Administrative correction.  
 See: 31 N.J.R. 886(a).  
 Amended by R.2001 d.343, effective September 17, 2001.  
 See: 33 N.J.R. 2422(a), 33 N.J.R. 3336(a).  
 Rewrote the section.  
 Amended by R.2003 d.199, effective May 19, 2003.  
 See: 34 N.J.R. 1629(a), 35 N.J.R. 2233(a).  
 In (a), inserted fees for class "A" and class "B" casino night operators in the Schedule of Fees "B".

**13:47-16.3 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1966 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 1-A".

**13:47-16.4 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 2B-A".

**13:47-16.5 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 2R-A".

**13:47-16.6 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "Form 3".

**13:47-16.7 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "Form 4".

**13:47-16.8 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 5-A".

**13:47-16.9 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "Form 6B/R".

**13:47-16.10 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 7-A".

**13:47-16.11 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
 See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).  
 Formerly "LGCCC 8B-A".

**13:47-16.12 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1995 d.41, effective January 17, 1995.  
 See: 26 N.J.R. 4326(a), 27 N.J.R. 374(a).  
 Formerly "LGCCC 8R-A".

**13:47-16.13 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 8R-A1".

**13:47-16.14 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 9".

**13:47-16.15 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 10-A".

**13:47-16.16 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 11".

**13:47-16.17 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 12".

**13:47-16.18 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 12A".

**13:47-16.19 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 13".

**13:47-16.20 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 14".

**13:47-16.21 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 15".

**13:47-16.22 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 16".

**13:47-16.23 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 17".

**13:47-16.24 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 18".

**13:47-16.25 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.  
 See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).  
 Section was "LGCCC 19".

**13:47-16.26 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1996 d.177, effective April 1, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4498(a), 28 N.J.R. 1863(a).

Section was "LGCCC 20".