

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 12, 2008
TO: Licensed Charitable Organizations
FROM: Registrar's Office
RE: Terms and Conditions - Raffle Lottery Schemes
Lottery Licensing Act

Consumer Services has concluded a review of the policy on terms and conditions of raffle lottery schemes; specifically "Single Day" (7-Hour) Raffles, or better known as 50/50 draws. Effective September 12, 2008, charitable organizations will have additional options for conducting and operating a single day raffle scheme.

In summary, the length of the raffle will continue to be limited to a 7-hour period; however, within that period of time, multiple draws are an option for the organization to decide upon.

The revised terms and conditions for a single day raffle are outlined below.

Single Day (7-Hour) Raffles

These ticket sales and draws are conducted on a single day and managed at a single location. Single day raffles include:

- Percentage-based raffles such as **50/50**, where the prize is a percentage of the money earned through ticket sales;
- **Meat/product draws**, where the prizes are meat or products.

All ticket sales (up to the licensed ticket sale value) must be made in the same room and the draws for the winning tickets must be held within 7 hours of when the ticket sales start. The prize is awarded to the person who presents the matching number to the ticket part that is drawn (roll tickets).

Changes to Terms and Conditions

Licensed organizations currently **pay a licensing fee for each draw**. That one draw was to take place in a 7-hour period.

Amendment – effective September 12, 2008

A licensed organization shall now pay one licensing fee but may now operate and manage a **series of draws**. The draws must take place within a 7-hour period as set in regulation. The amount of ticket sales during the 7-hour period must not exceed the total dollar value approved for sale by the licensing fee.

*Example: Licensing fee of \$10.00 is paid. This allows the organization to conduct **as many draws as the organization decides upon** - sales during the 7-hour period may not exceed \$1000.00. Conduct and management of the lottery event starts at 1:00 p.m. and the event must concluded by 8:00 p.m.*

*Example: Licensing fee of \$25 is paid. This allows the organization to conduct **as many draws as the organization decides upon** – sales during the 7-hour period may not exceed \$5,000. Management of the lottery event starts at 1:00 p.m. and event must be concluded by 8:00 p.m.*

The licensing fee for a single day raffle is based on the ticket sale value, established in *Lotteries and Games of Chance Regulations, Lottery Licensing Act*. Please refer to the website http://www.gov.yk.ca/legislation/regs/oic1987_180.pdf, or alternately you may pick up a copy of the legislation at Consumer Services.

If you require further information please call Roberta Allen, Deputy Registrar at 667-5360 or David Brown, Deputy Registrar at 667-5212.