WAC 230-14-090 Controlling prizes. Punch board and pull-tab operators must:

(1) Protect players from fraud and game manipulation.

(2) Award all prizes won.

(3) Only award cash or merchandise as prizes. A player who has won a cash prize may make a request to the person redeeming the winning pull-tab that the player be given additional pull-tabs instead of cash. An operator may agree to such a request.

(4) Not offer to pay cash instead of merchandise prizes.

(5) Not award additional punches or tabs as a prize. Prizes, however, may involve the opportunity to advance and win a larger prize on the same punch board or pull-tab series. Operators must award an immediate additional opportunity to advance called a bonus prize when offered in a bonus pull-tab series or a step-up prize when offered on a punch board.

(6) Immediately pay out a minimum of two thousand five hundred dollars for verified cash prizes won and pay the remaining balance within twenty-four hours by check. The winner may request that the operator pay up to the entire prize balance by check. Operators must then issue a check for the entire prize balance within twenty-four hours.

(7) Have funds available to pay out all cash prizes offered. A licensee's failure to pay out all cash prizes as required by this rule is prima facie evidence of defrauding the public and a violation of RCW 9.46.190.

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