

WAC 230-10-125 Duplicate bingo cards pay out and documentation for bingo games. (1) If bingo licensees with gross receipts over one hundred fifty thousand dollars in their previous license year inadvertently sell duplicate bingo cards, they must:

(a) Pay all winners with duplicate cards the entire prize amount that would be due if there were no duplicate cards; or

(b) Compute and pay all winners with duplicate cards using the following guidelines:

(i) **If the game provides a bonus for a single winner and all winners have duplicate cards,** then the licensee must pay all winners the bonus; or

(ii) **If the game results in multiple winners and some of the players have duplicate cards,** then the licensee must calculate the split of the prize pool by counting all duplicate card winners as one. All winners will be paid according to the calculated prize split; or

(iii) **If the prize pool contains noncash or merchandise prizes,** then the licensee may use the cost or retail value of the merchandise, whichever is posted in the game schedule, to calculate the amount added to the prize pool to make the split. Manufacturers are not responsible for reimbursement to this noncash or merchandise prize pool; or

(iv) **If the prize is more than one thousand dollars,** then the licensee must increase the total prize pool by no more than fifty percent or five thousand dollars, whichever is less. We authorize this limitation only once within a twelve-month period; and

(2) Licensees may deduct increases to prize pools caused by card manufacturers from prize pay outs when calculating cash flow.

(3) Licensees must document details of circumstances that resulted in duplicate cards being sold and maintain that documentation as a part of the daily bingo record for the session.

(4) Licensees must notify us within forty-eight hours after discovery of a duplicate card sale if:

(a) Manufacturer printing, packaging, or collation errors caused the duplication. Licensees must request reimbursement from the manufacturer responsible for duplicate card errors; or

(b) The licensee did not pay any winning player with a duplicate card the entire prize amount.

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