

**WSR 23-11-093
PERMANENT RULES
GAMBLING COMMISSION**

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Purpose: The proposed rule amendments adjust license fees paid by charitable or nonprofit organizations, commercial stimulant organizations, sports wagering vendors, and other businesses. The adjustments are necessary to ensure that the fees reflect the commission's costs of licensing, regulation, and enforcement.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 230-05-160, 230-05-165, and 230-05-170.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 9.46.070.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-21-079, filed 10/18/21, effective 11/18/21)

WAC 230-05-160 Charitable or nonprofit organization fees. Bona fide charitable and nonprofit organizations must pay the following fees:

(1) Annual licenses:

License Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Amusement games	(\$65) <u>\$70</u> plus (\$65) <u>\$70</u> per approved location	(0.730%) <u>0.774%</u>	(\$1,000) <u>\$1,600</u>
Bingo	(\$65) <u>\$70</u>	(0.460%) <u>0.488%</u>	(\$11,000) <u>\$17,600</u>
Card games - House-banked	(\$10,000) <u>\$11,000</u>	(1.462%) <u>1.550%</u>	(\$40,000) <u>\$64,000</u>
Card games - Nonhouse-banked	(\$65) <u>\$70</u>	(0.430%) <u>0.456%</u>	(\$1,000) <u>\$1,600</u>
Combination	(\$125) <u>\$140</u>	-	-

License Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Fund-raising equipment distributor	((\$270) <u>\$295</u>)	((1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>)	((\$700) <u>\$1,120</u>)
Punch board/pull-tabs	((\$650) <u>\$715</u>)	((1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>)	((\$10,000) <u>\$16,000</u>)
Raffles	((\$65) <u>\$70</u>)	((3.380%) <u>3.583%</u>)	((\$2,000) <u>\$3,200</u>)
Raffles - Credit Union	((\$65) <u>\$70</u>)	((3.380%) <u>3.583%</u>)	((\$2,000) <u>\$3,200</u>)
Raffles - Enhanced ((raffles))	((\$5,000) <u>\$5,500</u>)	((0.430%) <u>0.456%</u>)	((\$32,000) <u>\$51,200</u>)
Raffles - Electronic* ((raffles))	((\$5,000) <u>\$5,500</u>)	((0.430%) <u>3.583%</u>)	((\$32,000) <u>\$51,200</u>)

* Commission will bill for actual expenses related to verifying/investigating electronic raffle operating and system requirements.

(2) Event licenses or permits:

License Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Fund-raising event	((\$180) <u>\$200</u>)	((3.130%) <u>3.318%</u>)	((\$1,000) <u>\$1,600</u>)
Recreational gaming activity	((\$65) <u>\$70</u>)	-	-
Special property bingo/change of bingo premises	((\$30) <u>\$35</u>)	-	-

(3) Change fees:

Change of:	Fee
Name	((\$100) <u>\$110</u>)
Location	((\$100) <u>\$110</u>)
Fund-raising event location, date, or time	((\$50) <u>\$55</u>)

(4) Other fees:

Transaction	Fee
Add a new amusement game location	((\$65) <u>\$70</u>)
Duplicate license	((\$50) <u>\$55</u>)
Review, inspection, and/or evaluation of gambling equipment, supplies, services, games, or schemes	Deposit and cost reimbursement

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 21-21-079, § 230-05-160, filed 10/18/21, effective 11/18/21; WSR 20-04-011, § 230-05-160, filed 1/24/20, effective 2/24/20; WSR 18-05-026, § 230-05-160, filed 2/9/18, effective 5/1/18.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-05-026, filed 2/9/18, effective 5/1/18)

WAC 230-05-165 Commercial stimulant organization fees. All commercial stimulant organizations must pay the following fees:

(1) Annual licenses:

License Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Card games - Nonhouse-banked	(\$65) <u>\$70</u>	(1.462%) <u>1.550%</u>	(\$20,000) <u>\$32,000</u>
Card games - House-banked	(\$10,000) <u>\$11,000</u>	(1.462%) <u>1.550%</u>	(\$40,000) <u>\$64,000</u>
Punch boards/pull-tabs	(\$700) <u>\$770</u>	(1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>	(\$13,000) <u>\$20,800</u>

(2) Change fees:

Change of:	Fee
Name	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Location	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Business classification (same owners)	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Corporate stock/limited liability company shares/units	(\$100) <u>\$110, and cost reimbursement for investigating the transaction and qualification of each substantial interest holder</u>
License transfers	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>

(3) Other fees:

Transaction	Fee
Duplicate License	(\$50) <u>\$55</u>

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 18-05-026, § 230-05-165, filed 2/9/18, effective 5/1/18.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-16-072, filed 7/30/21, effective 8/30/21)

WAC 230-05-170 Fees for other businesses. All other business organizations must pay the following fees:

(1) Annual licenses or permits:

License Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Agricultural fair bingo (annual permit)	(\$200) <u>\$220</u>	-	-
Call centers for enhanced raffles	(\$4,800) <u>\$5,280</u>	-	-
Commercial amusement games	(\$500) <u>\$550</u> plus (\$65) <u>\$70</u> per approved location	(1.130%) <u>1.198%</u>	(\$11,000) <u>\$17,600</u>
Distributor	(\$700) <u>\$770</u>	(1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>	(\$7,000) <u>\$11,200</u>
Fund-raising event distributor	(\$280) <u>\$310</u>	(1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>	(\$1,000) <u>\$1,600</u>
Linked bingo prize providers	(\$1,500) <u>\$1,650</u>	(.046%) <u>0.048%</u>	(\$20,000) <u>\$32,000</u>
Manufacturer	(\$1,500) <u>\$1,650</u>	(1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>	(\$25,000) <u>\$40,000</u>
Manufacturer's special sales permit	(\$250) <u>\$275</u>	-	-
Punch board/pull-tab service business permit	(\$250) <u>\$275</u>	-	-

License Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Gambling service supplier	(\$300) <u>\$330</u>	(1.430%) <u>1.516%</u>	(\$7,000) <u>\$11,200</u>
Major sports wagering vendor	(\$65,000) <u>\$30,000</u>	-	-
Mid-level sports wagering vendor	(\$10,000) <u>\$5,000</u>	-	-
Ancillary sports wagering vendor	(\$5,000) <u>\$2,000</u>	-	-

(2) Events or permits:

License or Permit Type	Base License Fee	Gross Gambling Receipts Rate	Maximum Annual License Fee
Recreational gaming activity	(\$65) <u>\$70</u>	-	-
Special property bingo	(\$30) <u>\$35</u>	-	-

(3) Change fees:

Change of:	Fee
Name	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Location	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Business classification (same owners)	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Corporate stock/limited liability company shares/units	(\$100) <u>\$110, and cost reimbursement for investigating the transaction and qualification of each substantial interest holder</u>
License transfers	(\$100) <u>\$110</u>

(4) Other fees:

Transaction	Fee
Add a new amusement game location	(\$65) <u>\$70</u>
Defective punch board/pull-tab cost recovery fees	Up to (\$100) <u>\$110</u>
Duplicate license	(\$50) <u>\$55</u>
Pre- and post-licensing investigations	Cost reimbursement
Review, inspection, and/or evaluation of gambling equipment, supplies, services, games, schemes, or group 12 amusement games	Deposit and cost reimbursement

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070, 9.46.075, 9.46.140, 9.46.153, 9.46.210. WSR 21-16-072, § 230-05-170, filed 7/30/21, effective 8/30/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 18-11-055, § 230-05-170, filed 5/10/18, effective 6/10/18.]