§1807. Permitting Process

A. Eligibility. Permit stamps for electronic video bingo shall only be issued to:

1. a charitable organization doing business in those parishes or incorporated municipalities where an ordinance has been adopted allowing gaming by means of electronic video bingo; or

2. a manufacturer or distributor of electronic video bingo machines who is registered under these rules and who leases or rents such machines only to charitable organizations in parishes or incorporated municipalities where an ordinance has been adopted allowing gaming by means of electronic video bingo.

B. Application for Permit Stamp

1. An application to permit an electronic video bingo machine must be submitted to the Electronic Video Bingo Panel of the department upon forms prescribed by the department. The application is not complete unless it is dated and signed by the applicant, and contains all information and statements required by the department.

2. A separate application must be completed for each machine.

3. The first installment $150 of the $600 permit fee must accompany each application.

4. A machine permitted under these rules must comply with all requirements and specifications of the act and these rules.

C. Issuance of Permit Stamp

1. Upon approval of an application, the department shall issue a permit, stamp, a logic board seal, (Seal A) and a hard meter seal, (Seal B).

2. The permit stamp and seals will be affixed to the machine by the department's representatives. The permit stamp must be affixed to the exterior machine cabinet so that the stamp is visible and easily read. The machine may not abut another machine, wall or other obstruction which would obscure a person's ability to see and read the permit stamp.

3. The permit stamp and seals must be affixed to a machine before the machine is placed in service.

4. The permit stamp and seals must be affixed to the machine for which they were applied and are not transferrable to any other machine.

5. A violation of the aforementioned provisions may result in a civil violation and fee and possible revocation of license in accordance with these regulations.

D. Permit Stamp not Transferrable

1. A permit stamp for an electronic video bingo machine is only valid for the applicant and the premises identified on the permit application.

2. A permit stamp is further restricted to the particular machine approved by the department and identified on the permit application.

3. A permit stamp issued pursuant to the act and these rules is a privilege and not personal property.

4. A machine may not be moved from the location named in the permit application and placed in service at another location unless application is made for transfer, the video bingo machine is permitted at the new location, the machine is inspected, the permit fee is current and a new permit stamp is issued.

A new permit stamp is required even if a machine has a current unexpired permit stamp for the former location.

E. Expiration or Renewal of Permit

1. All permits expire at midnight June 30, each year.

2. An application for permit renewal and the nonrefundable permit fee must be submitted to the Electronic Video Bingo Panel of the department on forms prescribed by the department 90 days prior to June 30, the expiration date of all permits. All fees must be paid, a new permit issued, and seals issued and affixed to the machine before a previously permitted machine may be operated after midnight of June 30.

3. The department will consider the same criteria for renewal of permits as for the original issuance of permits. Failure to satisfy permit criteria contained in the act and these rules may result in denial of renewal of a permit, except for permits requested in fiscal year 1988-89; for said year the panel will develop a particular timeline for permit renewal and publish this timeline to all interested persons.

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