IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SMALL GAMES OF CHANCE

Excerpts from the Pennsylvania Code Section 901
Subchapter G: Operation of Games

§ 901.701. Games of chance permitted.

- (a) A licensed eligible organization may conduct games of chance only for the purpose of raising funds for public interest purposes as defined in the act or this part.
- (b) A licensed eligible organization shall use games of chance proceeds exclusively for public interest purposes or for the purchase of games of chance permitted by the act or this part. For purposes of this subsection, the term "games of chance" includes merchandise prizes awarded in a game of chance.
- (c) A game of chance may not be conducted in this Commonwealth in which a participant who purchases a chance in the game can control, effect or choose the winning chance or chances or the corresponding prize or prizes.

§ 901.703. Place of conduct.

A licensed eligible organization shall conduct games of chance only on the licensed eligible organization's licensed premises or at places as otherwise provided by the act and this part. A licensed eligible organization may sell raffle tickets off the licensed premises but only in municipalities that have approved games of chance through a valid referendum.

§ 901.743. Raffle tickets.

- (a) Tickets for entry into a raffle shall be sold or issued separately and each ticket shall constitute a separate and equal chance to win with other tickets sold or issued. A person may not be required to obtain more than one ticket, or to pay for anything other than the ticket, to enter a raffle.
- (b) Tickets for use in a raffle must have a stub or other detachable section, be **consecutively numbered** and be accounted for separately through the use of a log book showing to whom the tickets were given to be sold. The ticket stub or other detachable section of the ticket must bear a duplicate number corresponding to the numbers on the ticket and contain the purchaser's name, complete address and telephone number. Both parts must be imprinted with sequential numbers commencing with the number "1" through the maximum number of tickets to be sold; or in the case of a raffle where the winner is determined by a drawing conducted by the Department under the State Lottery Law, the universe of eligible ticket numbers must correspond to the universe of eligible numbers in the State Lottery drawing.
- (c) A raffle ticket shall be sold for the price stated on the ticket.

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- (d) A person may not be required to be present at a raffle drawing to be eligible for the prize drawing or to claim the prize awarded.
- (e) A ticket seller shall return the stubs or other detachable section of tickets sold to the eligible organization. The eligible organization shall then place each stub or other detachable section of ticket sold into a receptacle out of which the winning tickets are to be drawn. The receptacle must be designed so that each ticket placed therein has an equal opportunity with every other ticket to be the one withdrawn.
- (f) If a ticket stub or other detachable portion was not placed in the receptacle from which the winners were drawn, prior to the drawing, the purchase price of the ticket must be refunded to the purchaser.
- (g) The purchaser's name, address and telephone number must appear on the stubs or other detachable section.

§ 901.745. Printing requirements

The following information must be printed upon each raffle ticket sold:

- (1) The dates and times of the drawings.
- (2) The location of the drawings.
- (3) The name of the licensed eligible organization conducting the raffle.
- (4) The games of chance license number of the licensed eligible organization.
- (5) The special raffle permit number, if applicable.
- (6) The price of the ticket.
- (7) The prize or prizes to be awarded.

§ 901.749. Open drawing.

- (a) A drawing and allotment by chance shall be conducted openly and in plain view of players present.
- (b) A licensed eligible organization shall immediately exhibit and hold open for inspection drawn raffle ticket stubs or detachable sections until the end of the raffle. A licensed eligible organization shall retain the stubs or detachable sections as provided under the act or this part.

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§ 901.750. Printer invoice.

- (a) A licensee shall secure an invoice from the printer of tickets showing:
 - (1) The number of tickets printed.
- (2) The first and last numbers used.
- (3) The tickets were consecutively numbered.
- (4) A sample of the ticket.
- (b) One invoice shall be attached to each copy of the raffle records.

§ 901.751. Ticket sales.

A licensed eligible organization may only sell raffle tickets in municipalities that have approved the use of games of chance by means of a valid local referendum in accordance with the act. A licensed eligible organization may sell raffle tickets at locations other than the licensed eligible organization premises. A licensed eligible organization that plans to sell raffle tickets in a municipality located in a county other than the county in which it is licensed shall notify that county's district attorney and licensing authority in writing of the location and date that the eligible organization plans to sell raffle tickets at least 10 days prior to selling raffle tickets in that county.

§ 901.752. Printer requirements.

An entity providing raffle tickets to a licensed eligible organization shall attach a copy of the organization's games of chance license to the raffle ticket purchase invoice or other document evidencing the sale. If the raffle pays a prize or prizes in excess of \$500 each, a copy of the licensed eligible organization's special raffle permit shall also be attached.