

New York State Racing & Wagering Board

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Guidelines For Conducting Raffles

A reference guide of Raffle operational highlights for authorized organizations, municipal clerks, and chief law enforcement officers.

The following restrictions apply to the conduct of all raffle categories:

- ✓ Raffle tickets may be sold and drawings conducted on an authorized organization's premises; during its licensed casino nights or carnival games of chance events; and during its licensed bingo occasions, in accordance with Section 5620.22(b)(5) of the Board's Rules and Regulations.
- ✓ Only persons eighteen years of age or older shall purchase raffle tickets, sell raffle tickets, or conduct or assist in the conduct of a raffle drawing.
- ✓ Raffle tickets, as authorized under Section 5620.22(b)(6) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, may also be sold to the public outside the premises of an authorized organization or an authorized games of chance lessor, provided such sales occur in municipalities which have passed a local law, ordinance or resolution in accordance with Sections 187 and 188 of the General Municipal Law that are located in the county in which the municipality in which the authorized organization is located, and in the counties which are contiguous to the county in which the municipality in which the authorized organization is located, provided those municipalities have authorized the licensee, in writing on a Raffle Consent Form, to sell such raffle tickets therein.
- ✓ No sale of raffle tickets shall be made more than one hundred eighty days prior to the date scheduled for the occasion at which the raffle will be conducted.
- ✓ Raffle tickets can be sold by a member of an authorized organization eighteen years of age or older, and may also be sold by any person eighteen years of age or older with a blood relationship or affinity with a member of an authorized organization licensed to conduct a raffle pursuant to Rule 5620.22(b)(11), or a by any person eighteen years of age or older with a blood relationship or affinity with a member of an authorized organization conducting a raffle.
- ✓ The winner of any raffle prize shall not be required to be present at the time such raffle drawing is conducted.