

Community Bingo Terms & Conditions (CBTC)

Summary of Key Policy Amendments (Updated Handbook Format)

The following key amendments reflect the main policy amendments of the CBTC review project:

SUMMARY OF KEY AMENDMENTS	
Section 1 - General	<p>1.1 Definitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the following definitions; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Bingo game" b. "Bingo program" c. "Bingo scheme" • Removed the following definition; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Seeding" <p>1.2 Legislation and Board Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the statement "If CBTC does not specifically permit an activity, it is prohibited". • Policy added for non-compliance of CBTC may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension or cancellation of a licence. <p>1.4 Contacting AGLC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update to contact information, alignment with other AGLC policy.
Section 2 – Complying with a Licence	<p>2.1 Application Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available licences and licensing period added for information and awareness. <p>2.2 Media Bingo Licence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Media bingo" guidelines are now part of the application requirements for media bingo events. This will provide clarity for the applicants wanting to hold media bingo events.
Section 3 - Staffing	<p>3.1 General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added a conduct statement for Volunteers and Paid Staff, including the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Volunteer and paid staff must not be under the influence of liquor, cannabis or illegal drugs while on duty. b. Prescription or off-the-shelf medication use while working an event must be consistent with the licensee's policy and procedures and must not interfere with the ability of the volunteer and/or paid staff to perform their duties. <p>3.2 Position Descriptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amended "Staffing Guidelines" to "Position Descriptions" to provide clarity on the duties for volunteer and paid positions.
Section 4 –Bingo Events	<p>4.1 Bingo Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removed the maximum number of bingo games allowed in a bingo program for an event (previously limited to 75 games). • Removed the Rules of Play (Section 5) from the CBTC to a standalone document, "Community Bingo Rules of Play and House Rules" (outlines AGLC Standard Rules of Play, Licensee Rules of Play and House Rules requirements). This change will provide more flexibility to update these policies to reflect the industry's changing needs and practices. Policy will state the requirement to comply with the AGLC Community Bingo Rules of Play and House Rules. • Added references to Community Bingo Rules of Play and House Rules document.

	<p>4.2 Bingo Cards and Sales</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the ability to use Braille cards for more flexibility to provide service to patrons. • Amended paper card requirements for games with pre-determined, set numbers and/or wild numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. requiring folded and sealed bingo cards if games have pre-determined or set numbers; and b. requiring folded cards for games where “wild numbers” are determined at the event level. • Added the ability to use credit cards for bingo card sales and/or admission to a bingo event. • Removed the maximum of bingo card types that can be sold per seller. Licensee will decide how many types of cards can be sold per seller. <p>4.3 Prizes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amended the cash and non-cash prize requirements for clarity, to include “seeded funds” and donated non-cash prizes. • Added "Seeding" process for use of gaming and non-gaming funds for regular and special games as well as for progressive contributions. Non-gaming funds used cannot be revoked. • Amended policy on minimum and/or guaranteed progressive jackpot contributions using seeding from either event revenue and/or non-gaming funds. • Added information on progressive jackpot requirements for games and/or schemes to provide clarity. This will streamline the requirements for licensees to create effective rules of play for progressive game and/or schemes for their bingo program(s). • Added details on fire ball progressive jackpots for clarity. • Added the ability to have capped progressive jackpots and the rules of play requirements. This will provide more options for the licensee when offering games and/or schemes with progressive jackpots.
<p>Section 5 – Suppliers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated and clarified the requirement for verification unit use.
<p>Section 6 -Financial</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amended list of expenses for better flow and clarity. • Streamlined financial control system requirements for bingo event cash and inventory management controls. All cash and inventory transactions are required to be recorded, verified and initialed between the volunteer and/or paid staff. • Requirement added for event financial/inventory controls forms to be completed as transactions occur, in real time.