



Service Nova Scotia
Alcohol, Gaming Fuel, and Tobacco

Policy – Chase the Ace Style Lotteries (Licensing Conditions)

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I. POLICY STATEMENT

The Nova Scotia Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel, and Tobacco Division (AGFT), in accordance with the Nova Scotia Ticket Lottery Regulations, issues Chase the Ace licenses to charitable and religious organizations as per the Nova Scotia Ticket Lottery Regulations and as per the licensing conditions found in this policy.

II. OBJECTIVES

This policy is intended to clarify the licensing requirements for Chase the Ace style lotteries and ensure they are conducted consistently with the highest levels of honesty and integrity and in accordance with the Criminal Code of Canada, the Gaming Control Act, and Nova Scotia Ticket Lottery Regulations.

III. APPLICATION

This Policy applies to any Chase the Ace style lottery license issued by the AGFT.

IV. POLICY

The following licensing conditions will be imposed on all licenses for Chase the Ace style lottery schemes:

1. Specify Lottery Time: START to FINISH
2. Chase the Ace style lotteries are for 52 draws maximum. A maximum of 52 cards are to be used. If a joker is used, another card must be removed and destroyed prior to the start of the game.

3. The licensee must maintain a record which is available for every draw denoting the serial (sequence) number for all tickets in play for each week of the lottery to ensure that there are no duplicate ticket rolls being used in the draw.
4. Any revision to a draw scheduled must be approved by the AGFT.
5. The licensee must ensure records are maintained and available detailing weekly financials, complete draw details and any other information relevant to the lottery scheme.
6. Licensee to notify AGFT, as soon as reasonably possible, if the jackpot exceeds \$50,000.00.
7. Any additional selling locations must be approved by AGFT.
8. Unless otherwise approved, no lotteries are permitted to take place at any venue whereby a Chase the Ace style lottery event is underway. Other lotteries are permitted only when conducted and concluded before or after the Chase the Ace event for that day. Alternate ticket formats may be considered.
9. Video tape the ticket draw and selection of the card or other approved draw item.
10. Immediately prior to the draw, an announcement is to be made identifying the ticket sales for the day, amount of the ticket winner prize, amount to be added to the jackpot and the revised jackpot amount.
11. Show empty hands prior to drawing the ticket, before and after handling cards.
12. Roll up sleeves or wear short sleeves when drawing ticket and handling cards.
13. Minimize the handling of cards or other approved draw items.
14. Winning numbers to be announced at least three times by both audio and visual means subsequent draws not to take place any less than 15 minutes apart.
15. House rules must be displayed at all times and copies available upon request.
16. Licensee to notify AGFT in writing immediately when the building jackpot is awarded; this will cause the expiry of this license.
17. Posting of the requirement to be in attendance is required during the selling of tickets.
18. The person drawing the ticket or involved in the setup of any cards for that current draw must not hold a ticket for that draw. The licensee (and key personnel) cannot be a ticket holder.
19. Once the jackpot reaches \$50,000.00, revised house rules may be required at this time and the following additional conditions will apply:
 - a. Tickets (serialization and identification) must be unique from draw to draw.
 - b. **Lottery Operational Plan** will be submitted to AGFT including a communication strategy, exit plan to terminate the draw and a security detail plan that outlines, cash management, traffic management, applied police/security resources and other general public safety concerns. Please see “Best Practices – Chase the Ace Style Lotteries documents for more details on how to prepare.

V. ACCOUNTABILITY

All Chase the Ace style lottery licensees must ensure that they have a valid ticket lottery license prior to the commencement of and for the duration of any Chase the Ace style lottery.

VI. REFERENCES

Section 9 of the Ticket Lottery Regulations allows the AGFT to prescribe conditions on a Ticket Lottery License. Section 9 states:

(9) The Commission may prescribe such terms and conditions on a ticket lottery licence or permit as it considers necessary or desirable for the public interest and for the proper administration of these regulations.

VII. INQUIRIES

Application for License: <http://www.novascotia.ca/sns/pdf/agd-application-for-lottery-permit-over-500.pdf>

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