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BINGO GAME RULES

1. A BINGO GAME must not be conducted or operated as a **business activity** or for a **commercial purpose**;
2. Any person **under the age of 21 (MINOR)** is strictly prohibited from entering a gaming venue to play nor to be used as a person assisting with the operation of the game;
3. The BINGO session shall be conducted at the **approved venue and location**;
4. The License Certificate must be **properly displayed at the approved venue**;
5. A **maximum of two (2) sessions** can be conducted at the approved venue at different times;
6. No session shall be played for a **period longer than 4 consecutive hours** and all sessions conducted at **night shall be completed by 11pm**;
7. Strictly no BINGO session to be conducted on **SUNDAY**;
8. **All State of Emergency (SOE) and COVID 19 Pandemic Orders must be adhered**;
9. **Liquor or alcohol of any kind must not be sold or consumed at any Bingo venue.** Any person that is witnessed or believe to be under the influence of alcohol must not be allowed to enter the venue;
10. The organization must **not make payment as salaries or commission to any person** assisting with the conduct and operation of any BINGO session;
11. The organization shall **have an official Stamp or Seal** affixing the name of the organization;
12. **Designate Games Manager (DGM):**
The designated games manager (DGM) must ensure that:
 - a) *Each session is conducted only on the approved venue, date and time;*
 - b) *The BINGO machine is in good operational condition;*
 - c) *The callers, sellers or any person assisting the conduct of each session is over 21 years of age;*
 - d) *No salary or commission is paid to any volunteer assisting in the bingo operations*
 - e) *These rules are adhered to at all times during each session.*
13. The DGM and any person assisting are **not allowed to participate as players** for each session which they are acting on such role;
14. Prior to starting each game, the DGM must **announce the name of the game** to be played and the **prizes for each game**;

15. A **'Jackpot'** may be offered subject to the following conditions:

- a) *The amount shall not exceed \$1,000.00;*
- b) *Only 1 jackpot is offered at each session;*
- c) *The number of Jackpot numbers shall commence at not less than 45 numbers;*
- d) *The Jackpot prize must be paid in full to the winner or winners immediately after the conclusion of the Jackpot game;*

16. **WINNINGS per game :**

- a) *PACKS (Pakeki) \$300.00*
- b) *SPECIALS \$400.00*
- c) *Early Birds \$300.00*
- d) *JACKPOT \$1000.00*

The JACKPOT amount shall not exceed \$1,000.00;

- 17. All the prizes **must be paid in full amount** or **distributed equally** if more than one winner;
- 18. FLYERS and banners displaying games winnings **must be installed** at all Bingo venues with the **Organization's Name and License number;**
- 19. A **full report** must be submitted at the **expiry of the license period** providing details of total funds raised, the authorised expenses and **total funds expended towards the approved authorised purpose;**
- 20. It is **illegal** to conduct a Bingo Game once the **gaming license has expired.**



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