

RESOLUTION  
JERSEY COUNTY RAFFLES ACT

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to 230 ILCS 15/2 et seq, the following system for the licensing of organizations to operate raffles in Jersey County is as follows:

1. The application must be signed by the President or Executive Director or Head of the entity applying for same.

2. The duration of the license shall be limited to one year or less, depending on the type of raffle and frequency.

3. The aggregate retail value of all prizes or merchandise awarded by a license in a single raffle shall not exceed \$100,000.

4. The maximum price which may be charged for each raffle chance issued or sold shall not exceed \$100.

5. The maximum number of days during which chances may be issued or sold is 364 days.

6. The fee for each license is \$10.

7. Licenses issued pursuant to this Resolution shall be valid for one raffle or for a specified number of raffles to be conducted during a specified period not to exceed one year and may be suspended or revoked for any violation of this act.

8. Upon written application received by the County Clerk, the Chairman of the County Board shall, within 30 days of receipt of said application, either grant or deny said license.

9. This resolution only applies to areas outside of the corporate limits of any city, town, or village located in Jersey County, unless said city, town or village, pursuant to a written agreement, jointly accepts this Resolution or the system for the

of learning which compare favorably in their scope and intensity with the course of study presented in tax-supported schools.

Religious: Any church, congregation, society, or organization founded for the purpose of religious worship. Fraternal: An organization of persons having a common interest, the primary interest of which is to both promote the welfare of its members and to provide assistance to the general public in such a way as to lessen the burdens of government by caring for those that otherwise would be cared for by the government. Veterans: An organization or association comprised of members of which substantially all are individuals who are veterans or spouses, widows, or widowers of veterans, the primary purpose of which is to promote the welfare of its members and to provide assistance to the general public in such a way as to confer a public benefit. Labor: An organization composed of workers organized with the objective or betterment of the conditions of those engaged in such pursuit and the development of a higher degree of efficiency in their respective occupations. Business: A voluntary organization composed of individuals and businesses who have joined together to advance the commercial, financial, industrial, and civic interests of a community.

12. (a) No person, firm, or corporation shall conduct raffles or chances without having first obtained a license therefor pursuant to this Resolution.

(b) The license and application for license must specify the area or areas within the county in which raffle chances will be sold or issued, the time period during which raffle chances will be sold or issued, the time of determination of winning chances and

licensing of organizations to operate raffles within these corporate boundaries.

10. Authorized organizations conducting an authorized bingo may also conduct a raffle when the winner is limited to a person playing bingo and said raffle may be limited to bingo players only.

11. Licenses shall be issued only to bona fide religious, charitable, labor, business, fraternal, educational or veterans' organizations that operate without profit to their members and which have been in existence continuously for a period of five years immediately before making application for a license and which have had during that entire 5 year period a bona fide membership engaged in carrying out their objects, or to a non-profit fund-raising organization that the licensing authority determines is organized for the sole purpose of providing financial assistance to an identified individual or group of individuals suffering extreme financial hardship as the result of an illness, disability, accident, or disaster.

For purposes of this Resolution, the following definitions apply. Non-profit: An organization or institution organized and conducted on a not-for-profit basis with no personal profit inuring to any one as a result of the operation. Charitable: An organization or institution organized and operated to benefit an indefinite number of the public. The service rendered to those eligible for benefits must also confer some benefit on the public. Educational An organization or organization or institution organized and operated to provide systematic instruction in useful branches of learning by methods common to schools and institutions

the location or locations at which winning chances will be determined.

(c) The license application must contain a sworn statement attesting to the not-for-profit character of the prospective licensee organization, signed by the presiding officer of that organization.

13. The following are ineligible for any license under this Resolution:

(a) any person who has been convicted of a felony;

(b) any person who is or has been a professional gambler or gambling promoter;

(c) any person who is not of good moral character;

(d) any firm or corporation in which a person defined in (a), (b), or (c) has a proprietary, equitable or credit interest, or in which such a person is active or employed;

(e) any organization in which a person defined in (a), (b) or (c) is an officer, director, or employee, whether compensated or not;

(f) any organization in which a person defined in (a), (b) or (c) is to participate in the management or operation of a raffle as defined in this resolution.

14. The conducting of raffles is subject to the following restrictions:

(a) The entire net proceeds of any raffle must be exclusively devoted to the lawful purpose of the organization permitted to conduct that game.

(b) No person except a bona fide member of the sponsoring

organization may participate in the management or operation of the raffle.

(c) No person may receive any remuneration or profit for participating in the management or operation of the raffle.

(d) A licensee may rent a premises on which to determine the winning chance or chances in a raffle only from an organization which is also licensed under this resolution.

(e) Raffle chances may be sold or issued only within the area specified on the license and winning chances may be determined only at those locations specified on the license.

(f) No person under the age of 18 years may participate in the conducting of raffles or chances. A person under the age of 18 years may be within the area where winning chances are being determined only when accompanied by his parent or guardian.

15. All operation of and the conduct of raffles shall be under the supervision of a single raffles manager designated by the organization. The manager shall give a fidelity bond in the sum of an amount determined by the county clerk in favor of the organization conditioned upon his honesty in the performance of his duties. Terms of the bond shall provide that notice shall be given in writing to the county clerk not less than 30 days prior to its cancellation. The county clerk and board chairman may waive this bond requirement.

16. (a) Each organization licenses to conduct raffles and chances shall keep records of its gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds for each single gathering or occasion at which winning chances are determined. All deductions from gross receipts for

each single gathering or occasion shall be documented with receipts or other records indicating the amount, a description of the purchased item or service or other reason for the deduction, and the recipient. The distribution of net proceeds shall be itemized as to payee, purpose, amount and date of payment.

(b) Gross receipts from the operation of raffles programs shall be segregated from other revenues of the organization, including bingo gross receipts, if bingo games are also conducted by the same nonprofit organization pursuant to license therefor issued by the Department of Revenue of the State of Illinois, and placed in a separate account. Each organization shall have separate records of its raffles. The person who accounts for gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds from the operation of raffles shall not be the same person who accounts for other revenues of the organization.

(c) Each organization licensed to conduct raffles shall report promptly after the conclusion of each raffle to its membership, and to the county clerk, its gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds from raffles, and the distribution of net proceeds itemized as required in this resolution.

(d) Records required by this section shall be preserved for 3 years, and organizations shall make available their records relating to operation of raffles for public inspection at reasonable times and places.

17. Nothing in this resolution shall be construed to authorize the conducting or operating of any gambling scheme, enterprise, activity or device other than raffles as provided for herein.

18. The County Board Chairman is hereby authorized to enter into inter-governmental agreements with any municipality which desires to have this or any successor ordinance enforced within that municipality.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE JERSEY COUNTY BOARD THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF July, 1995.

  
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Chairman, Jersey County Board

ATTEST:

  
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County Clerk

CONTRACT FOR ESTABLISHMENT  
OF JOINT RAFFLE LICENSING BY  
JERSEY COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND  
THE CITY OF JERSEYVILLE, ILLINOIS

Pursuant to 230 ILCS 15/0.01 et seq, Jersey County, Illinois, and the City of Jerseyville, by their respective executive officers, hereby agree as follows:

1. That Jersey County has previously adopted a Raffle Ordinance pursuant to the above-mentioned statutory provisions.

2. That the City of Jerseyville hereby authorizes Jersey County, Illinois to enforce said ordinance as adopted or as amended in the future within the Limits of the City of Jerseyville.

3. That Jersey County hereby agrees to enforce said ordinance within the City Limits of Jerseyville pursuant to the City's stated authorization.

4. That either party may terminate this agreement for any reason by giving the other 30 days written notice.

5. That nothing herein shall prevent the City of Jerseyville from adopting its own raffle ordinance at any time, the adoption of which shall automatically terminate this agreement.

ENTERED INTO THIS 5th DAY OF July, 1995.

BY: Richard Allen  
Jersey County, Illinois

BY: James W. Thomas  
City of Jerseyville

ATTEST James D. Crotchett

ATTEST Yvonne Hartmann