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Do I need a lottery licence?

Games of chance are regulated by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) in Ontario. When planning your next event, consider whether a lottery licence from AGCO is required.

Will the winner of your game be chosen at random? A game of chance is defined as a game where the winner is random, and no skill is involved in deciding the winner.

Could you sell your prizes for cash? Are you offering prizes that have a defined cash value? (*Note that vacation and work-from-home days are not considered to have a defined cash value*).

If you answered yes to both questions, a lottery licence is required.

Examples of activities that require may require a licence:

BINGO

Chase the Ace

Rubber Duck Rase

Raffle

50/50

Stub Hub

Examples of activities that do not require a licence:

Trivia

Wellness/Health Fairs

Orchid Sales

Silent Auctions

Samosa Sales

White Elephant Sales

Bake Sales