

FAQs: LOTTERY LICENSING



Did You Know?

When you apply for a gaming license through United Way Regina as part of your Charitable Campaign, United Way Regina is eligible to receive an SLGA grant equal to 25% of the net proceeds earned!

Gambling in Canada is federally regulated under the Criminal Code. Most gambling is considered illegal with one of the exceptions being for charities and religious organizations; it is up to provincial authorities, in Saskatchewan this is SLGA, to regulate and monitor any and all gambling that occurs within these 'exempted' areas.

As a charity, United Way Regina works closely with SLGA to ensure all fund-raising based in gaming, is handled in accordance with the law and regulations within the province.

Q: Which licensed events does UWR support?

A: United Way Regina can provide assistance with Raffles, 50/50's, and Pools **ONLY**.

Q: How do I apply for a gaming license that UWR supports?

A: Every organization has the ability to apply for a maximum of 2 Public Amusement and Municipal Raffles per year on their own. As a registered charity, United Way Regina has access to unlimited small-lottery licenses.

United Way Regina wants to help, so we are offering to work with you to apply for your special event licenses on your behalf and ensure that we meet the legal requirements of the license.

We will consider co-application for special event licenses that meet the following criteria:

1. Each license will have a prize value of no more than \$2,500.
2. The representative from the workplace agrees to work in partnership with the United Way Regina to ensure all legal obligations of the license are met.
3. **The license is for 50/50's, Raffles, and Pools ONLY.**
4. The application form will be submitted to United Way Regina **at least 2 weeks prior to the event.** If requests are not submitted with enough lead time, we cannot guarantee they will be processed in time for the beginning of your event.

Once the completed application is received, United Way Regina will process the application online on your behalf. You will receive an email including the license once SLGA has approved it. The license includes SLGA 'Terms & Conditions' for you to read through and abide by.

Q: Is there a maximum prize value for my 50/50 draw?

A: Yes. The prize value of 50/50's can be no more than \$2,500 per license.

There can be multiple draws and draw dates on one license, but the overall prize value cannot exceed \$2,500. **NOTE:** If you do multiple 50/50's on one license, you must track how much was raised for each draw and the cumulative total.

Q: Do I need a license for each raffle I hold?

A: Yes. SLGA requires that each raffle draw must have a separate license.

Note that the total value of tickets printed and offered for sale for your raffle cannot exceed 12 times the retail value of all prizes to be awarded (but may exceed \$5000). Example:

Prize value: \$150

$\$150 * 12 = \1800

Gross ticket sales: \$1800

Q: What do I need to know about sports pools?

A:

- Maximum ticket sales are \$5000.
- If you are selling squares in a grid, you must have a plan to deal with unsold squares being the winning square. Example: the square above the unsold square will win or the square to the right, etc.
- You cannot use a 3rd party tool or software to manage your pool or determine the winner.

Q: How does UWR receive the 25% grant from SLGA?

A: United Way Regina must receive your completed financial report within 5 business days of your final draw date. United Way Regina must provide this report to SLGA to receive the grant.

Q: What do I do once the lottery or raffle is completed?

A: Once your draw(s) is complete, your financial report is due within 5 business days. The funds raised by your draw(s) can be dropped off before or after the final draw date. Please contact your United Way representative to arrange drop off of the funds.

If you have further questions, please contact: Campaign@unitedwayregina.ca.

All Terms and Conditions are established by SLGA and apply to all licenses issued pursuant to section 207 of the Criminal Code. Everyone is encouraged to visit the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority <https://www.slga.gov.sk.ca> to review the legal requirements.