

# Non-Profit Lotteries

## Overview

The Non-Profit Lottery Form needs to be filled in by any person or organisation wishing to obtain a Low Risk Games Permit, whereby ninety per cent (90%) or more of the net proceeds shall be forwarded to an entity with a charitable, sporting, religious, philanthropic, cultural, educational, social, or civic purpose.

The operation of such lottery games requires a specific permit issued by the Authority, subject to a number of conditions, which is only valid for a singular event and will expire when the event is concluded.

## Fees

The application needs to include a one-time, non-refundable games permit application fee of twenty-five Euro (€25) in respect of each permit, payable to the Malta Gaming Authority.

An additional fifteen Euro (€15) inspection fee is applicable if the draw shall be held at the MGA Offices, or a twenty-five Euro (€25) inspection fee if the draw shall be held elsewhere.

Completed Application Forms need to be submitted to the Authority at least seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the sale of the lottery tickets through the Licensee Relationship Management System. Late application forms will incur an additional twenty-five Euro (€25) non-refundable late application fee.

Payments can be made via bank transfer to:

Bank:	Bank of Valletta – Gzira
Beneficiary:	MALTA GAMING AUTHORITY
Bank's BIC:	VALLMTMT
IBAN EURO A/C:	MT 71 VALL 2201 3000 0000 4001 2366 815

Alternatively, MGA is listed as a payee on BOV 24x7.

## Lottery Terms and Conditions

The Terms and Conditions for Non-Profit Lottery games should include:

- The Malta Gaming Authority's Permit number;
- The Voluntary Organisation (VO) Number;
- A Statement that participants under the age of eighteen (18) years are not allowed to participate in the game;
- The date of the commencement of the sale of the lottery tickets;
- The date and time of the draw, and whether the draw date can be postponed or otherwise;
- Details on how to purchase tickets, ticket fees and eligibility criteria;
- Draw and winner selection, including the method of how the lottery shall be drawn, and if tickets/prizes are transferrable or exchangeable;
- Prize details, including a list and description of the prizes, the number of prizes that can be won per type (if more than one type of prize is on offer), and the order in which the prizes will be won;
- Prize details should also care for any prize/s that have not been claimed, including whether the applicant will be allowing someone else to be selected, or if the prize shall be lost. Should there be any reserve draws, details of such draws should be provided;
- The date when the results will be announced and the manner in which they shall be announced;
- The time period during which prizes must be collected; and
- The Privacy policy.

## Some points to remember while filling out the Application Form:

- Use N/A in response to any question which is not applicable.
- The Form shall not be accepted unless all relevant parts have been completed and the required documents submitted in full.
- **Any applications which are not submitted in full and do not include the proof of payment or the signed declaration will be set to a one-time 'Incomplete' status for sixty (60) days.** If the application is not resubmitted in full, whereby any missing sections and/or documents are filled in and/or uploaded successfully within this period, the application will be rejected and will be closed off. Any application fees paid in relation to rejected applications will not be refunded, and cannot be used for any other applications. Any applications re-submitted less than seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the sale of lottery tickets will incur the additional twenty-five Euro (€25) non-refundable late application fee.
- **The Non-Profit Lottery Permit will only be issued upon successful review of the application.** Lottery tickets cannot be sold without the relevant Permit.

- The Non-Profit Lottery Permit will include the date and time of the lottery draw as per the information submitted within the application. Any changes to this information, or any other information submitted with the application need to be communicated to the Authority on [landbased.mga@mga.org.mt](mailto:landbased.mga@mga.org.mt) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the draw. Any changes to the Terms and Conditions, Prizes or to the Draw Details strictly require the prior approval of the Authority.
- Should the applicant opt to distribute the lower prizes before the first prize, any winning tickets need to be placed back in the urn/draw for a fair draw, unless a different methodology is clearly specified in the Terms and Conditions.

### Application Enclosure Requirements

1. Document showing proof of payment of application fees
2. Signed 'Declaration Form', obtained electronically in the last step of the application form
3. Lottery Terms and Conditions
4. Full address of draw location, including the geographic/ GPS co-ordinates if applicable
5. Voluntary Organisation (VO) certificate\*
6. Voluntary Organisation Statute\*
7. List of committee members forming part of the board of directors of the VO\*
8. Annual compliance VO certificate or any official communication confirming compliance\*
9. Certified true copy of the ID card of the front and back of the representative\*

*Enclosures marked with an '\*' are not required if such documents have already been submitted to the Authority within the past 12 months and are still valid.*