

Chapter 55

BINGO

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Patterson 8-8-79 as Ord. No. 2-1979. (readopted 4-13-2005 by L.L. No. 9-2005) Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Games of chance - See Ch. 94.

§ 55-1. Conduct authorized.

It shall be lawful for any authorized organization, as defined in §476 of the General Municipal Law, upon obtaining the required license, to conduct the game of bingo within the territorial limits of the Town of Patterson, subject to the provisions of this chapter, Article 14_H of the General Municipal Law and Article 19-B of the Executive Law.

1 Editor's Note: The ordinance adopted on May 2, 1958, was approved by the electors of the town on May 31, 1958.

§ 55-2. Sunday games.

The game of bingo conducted within the Town pursuant to a license issued in accordance with this chapter and the applicable statutes may be operated by authorized organizations on the first day of the week, commonly known as "Sunday".

§ 55-3. Compliance with statutory and chapter provisions.

The procedure for the issuing of licenses therefor, the conduct of the game, the restrictions and regulations governing the same and all other matters pertaining thereto shall be the same as described in said Article 14-H of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and shall also comply with each and every provision of this chapter.

§ 55-4. License required.

No person, firm, association, corporation or organization other than a licensee under the provisions of Article 14-H of the General Municipal Law shall conduct such game or shall lease or otherwise make available for conducting bingo a hall or other premises for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect.

§ 55-5. Rental agreements.

No bingo games shall be held, operated or conducted on or within any leased premises if rental under such lease is to be paid, wholly or partly, on the basis of a percentage of the receipts or net profits derived from the operation of such game.

§ 55-6. Suppliers of equipment.

No authorized organization licensed under the provisions of Article 14-H of the General Municipal Law shall purchase or receive any supplies or equipment specifically designed or adapted for use in the conduct of bingo games from other than a supplier licensed under the Bingo Control Law or except from another authorized organization.

§ 55-7. Use of proceeds.

The entire net proceeds of any game of bingo and of any rental shall be exclusively devoted to the lawful purposes of the organization permitted to conduct the same.

§ 55-8. Single prize limit.

No prize shall exceed the sum or value of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.) in any single game of bingo.

§ 55-9. Total prize limit.

No series of prizes on any one (1) bingo occasion shall aggregate more than three thousand dollars (\$3,000.).

§ 55-10. Management or operation of game.

No person except a bona fide member of any authorized organization shall participate in the management or operation of such game.

§ 55-11. Remuneration for operation or management prohibited.

No person shall receive any remuneration for participating in the management or operation of any game of bingo.

§ 55-12. Penalties for offenses.

The unauthorized conduct of a bingo game and any willful violation of any provision of this chapter shall constitute and be punishable as a Class A misdemeanor and punishable by a fine which shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.) or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

§ 55-13. Statutory amendments.

Any amendments or changes in said Article 14-H of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York which may hereafter be made by the Legislature of the State of New York and which shall be applicable to the Town of Patterson shall become and be a part of this chapter and effective at the time such amendments or changes become generally effective in the State of New York.