

Chapter 36

BINGO

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(History: Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Windsor 12-29-65.<sup>1</sup> Amendments noted where applicable.)

GENERAL REFERENCES

Games of chance--See Ch. 52.

§ 36-1. Territory affected.

This chapter shall be applicable to all territory within the limits of the Town of Windsor.

§ 36-2. Legalization of bingo.

This chapter shall be lawful for any authorized organization, namely, a bona fide religious, charitable or nonprofit organization of veterans, volunteer firemen and similar nonprofit organizations, upon obtaining a license therefor as provided by the General Municipal Law, Article 14-H, and rules and regulations adopted by the State Lottery Control Commission pursuant to the

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<sup>1</sup> As adopted as Ch. 6 of the 1972 Code of the Town of Windsor.

State Lottery Control Law, to conduct the game or games of bingo in the territory of the Town of Windsor.

**§ 36-3. Restrictions upon conduct of games.**

- A. No game shall be conducted on the first day of the week, commonly called "Sunday."
- B. No person, firm, association, corporation or organization other than an authorized organization licensed under the provisions of said Article 14-H of the General Municipal Law shall be permitted to conduct such games.
- C. The entire net proceeds of any game shall be exclusively devoted to the lawful purposes of the organization permitted to conduct the same.
- D. No single prize shall exceed the sum or value of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.).
- E. No series of prizes on any one (1) occasion shall aggregate more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.).
- F. No person except a bona fide member of any such organization shall participate in the management or operation of such games.
- G. No person shall receive any remuneration for participating in the management or operation of any such game.
- H. The unauthorized conduct of a bingo game and any willful violation of any provision of this chapter shall constitute and be punishable as a misdemeanor.
- I. No bingo game 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.

**§ 36-4. Delegation of authority.**

The Town Board of the Town of Windsor may, pursuant to § 498 of the General Municipal Law, delegate to an officer or officers of such township designated by the Town Board for such purpose any of the authority granted to such governing body by said Article 14-H

of the General Municipal Law in relation to the issuance, amendment and cancellation of licenses, the conduct of investigations and hearings, the supervision of the operation of the games and the collection and transmission of fees.

**§ 36-5. Penalties for offenses.**

The making of any false statement in any application for a license or in any statement annexed hereto, or any other violation of the provisions of said Article 14-H of the General Municipal Law or any violation of the terms of such license shall constitute a misdemeanor and shall subject the offender to forfeiture of license and shall render the offender ineligible to apply for a license for one (1) year thereafter, all pursuant to the provisions of § 495 of the General Municipal Law.

**§ 36-6. When effective.**

This chapter shall become effective:

- A. Upon approval of same by a majority of the qualified electors of the Town of Windsor, voting on a proposition therefor duly submitted at a general or special election held within the town as provided by law;<sup>2</sup> and
- B. Upon filing with the State Lottery Control Commission a copy of such chapter within ten (10) days after its adoption as above provided.

**§ 36-7. Repealer.**

Any and all ordinances or regulations in conflict with this chapter at any time heretofore adopted are hereby duly and fully repealed.

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<sup>2</sup> Editor's Note: Approved by the electors at a special election 1-22-66.