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GAME ENDORSEMENT FORM FOR NEW PROPRIETARY GAMES

DEPOSIT REQUIRED \$1000

INSTRUCTIONS

- You must use this form to submit new proprietary table games for use in Washington State.
- All new games and related equipment must be approved, and you must be licensed by us prior to marketing, selling, renting or otherwise supplying the game to licensed gambling operators or Class III gaming facilities in Washington State.
- The initial deposit to review each game is \$1,000.00. The commission may also assess additional amounts to cover associated inspection and investigative costs as required by law. These costs, which are in addition to the initial deposit, will be determined by our staff and are payable prior to the completion of the evaluation as prescribed by Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 230-06-050.
- Please use one form for each game.
- Make check payable to the Washington State Gambling Commission.
- You must submit a different application and fees to begin the licensing process. The game review and licensing processes are independent of each other but both must be completed before marketing, selling, renting or otherwise supplying your game in Washington.

YOUR APPLICATION AND THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

From the moment we receive your application, it becomes a public document subject to the Public Records Act (RCW 42.56) and other Washington laws. The Commission may disclose to the public or discuss at a public meeting, all information set forth in this application and all supplemental information submitted. The Commission responds to public document requests through a Public Disclosure Request process. In the event that the Commission receives a public disclosure request regarding this application or the license file established, you may request in writing, that the Commission notify you of such request as provided in RCW 42.56.540.

CONDENSED RULES REGARDING GAMES AND GAME REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

WAC 230-15-035 Authorizing new games or changing game rules. Card game licensees must operate only the card games the director or the director's designee has specifically authorized. The director or the director's designee authorizes each new card game or changes to existing card games on an individual basis. A list of all authorized games and the rules of play are available at all commission offices and on the commission web site.

- (1) Card game licensees must submit:
 - (a) Requests for authorizing new card games in the format we require; and
 - (b) Changes to an existing card game in writing.
- (2) The director or the director's designee will notify the licensee in writing if the request is denied. The notification will include reasons for the denial and provide the licensee all information necessary to file a petition to the commission for rule making.

WAC 230-15-040 Requirements for authorized card games. (1) In order for a game to be authorized, the game must:

(a) Be played with standard playing cards or with electronic card facsimiles approved by the director or the director's designee; and

(b) Offer no more than three separate games with a single hand of cards. We consider bonus features and progressive jackpots separate games. If a player does not have to place a separate wager to participate, we do not consider it a separate game. An example of this is an "envy" or "share the wealth" pay out when another player achieves a specific hand; and

(c) Not allow side bets between players.

(2) Card game licensees may use more than one deck of cards for a specific game. They also may remove cards to comply with rules of a specific game, such as Pinochle or Spanish 21.

(3) Players must:

(a) Compete against all other players on an equal basis for nonhouse-banked games or against the house for house-banked games. All players must compete solely as a player in the card game; and

(b) Receive their own hand of cards and be responsible for decisions regarding such hand, such as whether to fold, discard, draw additional cards, or raise the wager; and

- (c) Not place wagers on any other player's or the house's hand or make side wagers with other players, except for:
- (i) An insurance wager placed in the game of Blackjack; or
 - (ii) An "envy" or "share the wealth" wager which allows a player to receive a prize if another player wins a jackpot or odds-based wager; or
 - (iii) A tip wager made on behalf of a dealer.
- (4) Mini-Baccarat is authorized when operated in the manner explained for Baccarat in the most current version of *The New Complete Hoyle, Revised* or *Hoyle's Encyclopedia of Card Games*, or similar authoritative book on card games we have approved. However:
- (a) Card game licensees may make immaterial modifications to the game; and
 - (b) Subsection (3) of this section does not apply; and
 - (c) The number of players is limited under WAC 230-15-055.
- (5) A player's win or loss must be determined during the course of play of a single card game.

WAC 230-15-045 Withdrawing card game authorization. If the director or the director's designee withdraws authorization of a card game:

- (1) The director or the director's designee will give licensees written notice and an opportunity to object to the decision. If a licensee files an objection in writing, an administrative law judge will review the decision.
- (2) The director or the director's designee will provide written notice to impacted licensees after a final decision is made.

WAC 230-03-200 Defining "gambling equipment."

"Gambling equipment" means any device, gambling-related software, expendable supply, or any other paraphernalia used as a part of gambling or to make gambling possible.

"Gambling equipment" includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) Amusement games;
- (2) Punch boards and pull-tabs;
- (3) Devices for dispensing pull-tabs;
- (4) Electronic devices for conducting, facilitating, or accounting for the results of gambling activities, including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Components of a tribal lottery system;
 - (b) Electronic devices for reading and displaying outcomes of gambling activities; and
 - (c) Accounting systems that are a part of, or directly connected to, a gambling system including, but not limited to:
 - (i) Bet totalizers; or
 - (ii) Progressive jackpot meters; or
 - (iii) Keno systems;
- (5) Bingo equipment;
- (6) Devices and supplies used to conduct card games, fund-raising events, recreational gaming activities, or Class III gaming activities, as defined in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act at U.S.C. 25 chapter 29 § 2703 and in tribal-state compacts including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Gambling chips;
 - (b) Cards;
 - (c) Dice;
 - (d) Card shuffling devices;
 - (e) Graphical game layouts for table games;
 - (f) Ace finders or no-peek devices;
 - (g) Roulette wheels;
 - (h) Keno equipment; and
 - (i) Tables manufactured exclusively for gambling purposes.

THIS FORM WILL BE READ BY A VERY SENSITIVE SCANNING DEVICE

Please use the following examples to fill out this form:

Print with a black ballpoint pen and press firmly, or use a typewriter.

- For best results, please print in capital letters and avoid contact with the lines. The following will serve as an example:



- Please 'X' the boxes. Do NOT shade-in or use '✓'.



- When asked for additional lists or comments, the information must be neatly printed or typewritten on sheets of white 8 1/2 X 11 inch paper.
- When asked for legal or business documents, the copies must be clean and legible and marked so the document can be identified to the question being asked.



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USE ONE INFORMATIONAL FORM, Attachment A, B, and C, FOR EACH GAME

Please provide the official name of the game you wish to have approved:

Proprietary Game: _____

1. Indicate which market you plan to solicit your proprietary game: (Mark one)

Tribal Only

Commercial and Tribal (Games authorized commercially are automatically authorized for Tribal use.)

2. Name of

Company: _____

3. Are you already licensed with Washington State Gambling Commission:

Yes: License Number: _____ - _____

No: You must be licensed prior to marketing, selling, or renting your game in Washington.

4. Who owns the rights to the game:

Last Name

First Name

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Mailing Address

City

State

Zip

Phone number

5. Is this game identified by any other name(s)?

Yes

No

If YES, what is / are the other name(s)?

Agency Use Only:

Code: 211-72 Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Amount: \$ _____ Val.#: _____

6. Is there any equipment that goes with the game?

Yes No **If YES**, list the related equipment: (Attach separate sheet if needed)

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7. Is this a modification of an existing game?

Yes No **If YES**, list the game:

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8. Is this a replacement for an existing game?

Yes No **If YES**, list the game:

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9. What is your legal right to this game?

a. I invented this game. **Enclose a copy** of your patent, copyright, and trademark documents.

b. I have the written, legal rights to market this proprietary game.

➤ **Enclose a copy** of the contract that allows you to market this proprietary game.

➤ **Enclose a copy** of the contract from the game inventor allowing this proprietary game to be marketed.

c. Are you currently seeking a patent / copyright / trademark?

➤ Yes, **Enclose copies of all documents** associated with the patent / copyright / trademark applications(s).

➤ No.

10. Is there legal action or litigation underway that would affect the ownership of this new proprietary game or affect your rights to market this game in Washington State?

Yes No **If YES**, describe the nature of the action on a separate sheet of paper.

11. Is this new proprietary game currently being played *outside* Washington State?

Yes No **If YES**, provide a list of all locations on a separate sheet of paper.

12. Is this new proprietary game currently being played at Tribal casinos *inside* Washington State?

Yes No **If YES**, provide a list of those in-state locations on a separate sheet of paper.

13. On the provided attachments (GC4-303a, GC4-303b, and GC4-303c) with this application, specify each location where the game and associated equipment is manufactured, assembled and stored. List all entities and persons that will benefit, share or receive any proceeds from the operation of this game and associated equipment. Start with yourself and your spouse. Feel free to duplicate the worksheet to accommodate all required information.

