

Bingo Ordinance

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WHEREAS, the Iroquois' of St. Regis Band Council desires additional revenue to carry our needed social programs; and

WHEREAS, the Iroquois of St. Regis Band Council desires to undertake the conduct of bingo games on the reserve, all of the proceeds from which will go to support Community health, education, welfare and Community economic development and;

UNEREAS, this activity is not prohibited by the Dominion of Canada and the Community needs to regulate the conduct of this activity in keeping with the customs, traditions, and mores of its own Iroquois of St. Regis people.

NOW INEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Iroquois of St. Regis Band hereby enacts this Bingo Ordinance which is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof.

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IROQUOIS OF ST. REGIS BAND BINGO ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE LICENSING AND PERMITTING PLAY OF BINGO ON THE IROQUOIS OF ST. REGIS RESERVE NO. 59 UNDER CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE IROQUOIS OF ST. REGIS BAND:

SECTION I – Definitions

The following terms and phrases when used in this ordinance, shall have the meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- (a) Bingo or guest game shall mean and refer to the activity commonly known as bingo, and all other similarly organized and played games wherein participants pay a sum of money for the use or benefit of one or more numbered cards. When the game commences, numbers are drawn by chance, one by one, and announced, and the numbers are continually ascertained at random, until a participant announces that he has matched up on his numbered purchased card, enough randomly drawn numbers to complete the desired winning pattern of numbers. At this time the participant calls out "bingo" or such other desired word or phrase and is declared the winner of a predetermined prize.
- (b) Bingo cards shall mean and refer to the flat, usually rectangular piece of paper or thin pasteboard normally employed by players engaged in the game of bingo. More than one set of bingo numbers may be printed on any single piece of paper.
- (c) The Iroquois of St. Regis Band is a non-profit Indian Government organization engaged in charitable, civic, community, benevolent, religious and scholastic works.
- (d) Owner shall mean and refer to the Iroquois of St. Regis Band. Hereafter, the words "Owner" and "Band" shall be defined and used interchangeably.
- (e) Contractor shall mean and refer to the management contractor who operates for the Owner the premises used for bingo.
- (f) Player shall mean any person paying some amount of currency to the Owner or the Operator or his agent, servant, or employee for admission to, or participation in, a bingo game and who has some reasonable expectation of receiving a prize if one or more of his numbered cards contains a sufficient amount of numbers which are the same as those announced by the Contractor during a bingo game.

- (g) Prizes shall mean and refer to any currency, cash or other property or thing of value awarded to a player of a bingo game or players in a series of bingo games.
- (h) Proceeds. All the proceeds derived from the bingo game(s) after payment of prize money, expenses and fees, shall be collected by the Iroquois of St. Regis Band for the support of programs to promote the health, education and general welfare of the Iroquois of St. Regis Band by:
 - Benefiting persons by enhancing the opportunities for religious or educational advancement, by relieving or protecting them from disease, suffering or distress, by contributing to the physical well-being by assisting them in establishing themselves in life as worthy useful citizens, or by increasing their comprehension of and devotion to the principles upon which this Nation was founded;
 - 2) Initiating, performing or fostering worthy public works or enabling and furthering the erection or maintenance of public structures;
 - 3) Lessening the burdens borne by government or voluntarily supporting, augmenting or supplementing services which government would normally render to the Iroquois of St. Regis Band; or
 - 4) The improving, expanding, maintaining or repairing of real property, owned by the Iroquois of St. Regis Band.

Section II – Operations

- (a) It shall be unlawful for anyone to perform, conduct, operate, maintain or supervise a bingo game or a series of bingo games except the Iroquois of St. Regis Band.
- (b) Days of Operation. Bingo games may be conducted each and every day of the week and at any hour of the day or night at the discretion of the Band/Owner and there shall be no limit as to prize money for any single game or session.
- (c) All persons involved in the conduct of guest games must be bonafide employees of the Iroquois of St. Regis Band or the Contractor.
- (d) No one under eighteen (18) years of age shall be allowed to play.

Section III - Name Tags

(a) All person operating or assisting the operation or conduct of any bingo game shall wear legible tags evidencing their names and the legend of the Iroquois of St. Regis Band. Tags must be visible and worn or otherwise affixed to all persons operating or assisting in the operation of the bingo games.

SECTION IV - Penalties

(a) Any organization or other person who willfully and knowingly violates any provision of this ordinance is punishable by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, for each violation, or for each day the violation continues.

SECTION V – Amendments

This ordinance may be amended by the Iroquois of St. Regis Band by and through its duly recognized governing Council. Any such amendments will be institutes and made by following the Bands normal procedure for amending such ordinances.

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