

Rule 432.1322(4) of the Board's Administrative Rules authorizes the Michigan Gaming Control Board to exempt any person or field of commerce from the supplier licensing requirements if certain provisions apply. The following is provided as a general reference to help you understand the exemption process.

• **Field of Commerce Exemptions** -

Applicants for a Field Exemption must establish that their business with a casino developer/operator is within *one of the following eight exempt fields of commerce* as set forth in Executive Director Order No. 1998-01:

1. Medical corporations, partnerships or sole proprietorships, where the officers, directors and owners are physicians licensed in Michigan.
2. Insurance companies licensed to transact business in Michigan.
3. Attorneys licensed to practice law in Michigan, including legal partnerships and legal professional corporations.
4. A Michigan or federally chartered financial institution.
5. Michigan public institutions of higher education.
6. Public utilities regulated by the Michigan Public Service Commission.
7. Local, state and federal governmental agencies in Michigan, including the US Postal Service.
8. Travel industry enterprises licensed by the Interstate Commerce Commission or the Michigan Public Utilities Commission or

approved by the Air Traffic Conference or the International Air Transport Association. *(This exemption does not apply to a junket enterprise as defined by the Michigan Gaming Control & Revenue Act.)*

- **Person Exemptions** - Applicants for a Person Exemption must establish that licensing is not necessary for one or more of the reasons set forth in Rule 432.1322(4)(a)-(d) by detailing all factors relevant to their exemption request, and by submitting supporting documentation.

Please note that an applicant is required to obtain a Vendor Registration Number prior to submitting a Person Exemption request to the MGCB. The applicant must contact the casino developer/operator to file its Vendor Registration Form.

Applicants for either of the above exemptions must submit documentary evidence in support of their request which demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the MGCB, that the applicant's business is an exempt field of commerce, or that it is not necessary to license the applicant to (a) protect the public interest, or (b) accomplish the policies or purposes of the state laws governing casinos. Examples of documentary evidence may include an affidavit of current licensure by another government agency; detailed proof of regulation by another agency that involves examination of the applicant's moral character, financial responsibility, and business probity and practices; or evidence that the applicant's supplier relationship with the casino developer or casino project will be of short duration.

***How do I apply for an exemption?***

1. The first step is to complete the appropriate Exemption Request form. Submit the form,

along with supporting documentary evidence, to the MGCB. **Requests for exemption submitted without supporting documentation will be returned.** The Exemption Request forms may be obtained by contacting the MGCB via telephone or letter. The forms may also be obtained from the Michigan Gaming Control Board website ([www.michigan.gov/mgcb/](http://www.michigan.gov/mgcb/)).

- If applying for a Field of Commerce Exemption, complete the form entitled "Field of Commerce Exemption Request."
  - If applying for a Person Exemption, complete the form entitled "Supplier License Exemption Request."
2. Based on the information provided, the MGCB Executive Director will make a decision to grant or deny the request for exemption.
  3. A copy of the MGCB Executive Director's decision will be forwarded to the applicant and the Board.

***Is there a fee?*** No. The MGCB does not require a fee to process an Exemption Request form or to issue an exemption.

***Is an applicant for a Field of Commerce exemption required to obtain a Vendor Registration Number prior to submitting its exemption request?*** An applicant may be required to submit a completed Vendor Registration Form during the exemption process. The applicant will be notified by the MGCB if this filing is required.

***Will supplemental information be requested?*** No. The MGCB will not request additional

information after receipt of the Exemption Request form. The disposition of the exemption request will be based on the information provided by the applicant.

***How long does it take the MGCB to process an exemption request?*** The MGCB will make every effort to handle each request in the most expeditious manner possible. However, the MGCB will take whatever time necessary to conduct a thorough review of the exemption request.

***If I am denied an exemption, is there an appeal process?*** Yes. An applicant that is denied an exemption by the MGCB Executive Director may petition the Board for review.

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