

Internet Sports Betting and Internet Gaming Occupational Licensing

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. How do I obtain an internet sports betting or internet gaming occupational license application?

A. Applications may be downloaded from the Michigan Gaming Control Board (MGCB) website. The application cannot be submitted until the business entity that has employed or will employ the individual has been granted a provisional license or is licensed by the MGCB.

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A. An individual must complete an occupational license application in the manner and form prescribed by the MGCB and submit it with the required application fee and a written statement from an operator or supplier indicating it has employed or will employ the individual. An operator, supplier, or vendor registrant may submit an occupational license application on behalf of an employee if the required application fee and written statement about employment is included.

Q. Can I receive a temporary occupational license?

A. Yes, if a preliminary review of the application and criminal history check does not uncover or indicate any circumstance that may require denial of the application under the licensing standards established in the rules. The temporary occupational license authorizes the individual to perform the employment duties for which the license is sought, pending action on the license application. A temporary license is valid until the occupational license application is withdrawn or denied, the temporary license is suspended or revoked, or the license is issued by the board.

Q. If I already have an occupational license under the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act or from another governmental agency in another jurisdiction, am I still required to obtain an occupational license?

A. The MGCB may exempt an individual from any or all of the occupational licensing requirements if any of the following apply:

- (a) The individual is licensed under the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.201 to MCL 432.226.
- (b) The individual is licensed under the lawful sports betting act, 2019 PA 149, MCL 432.401 to MCL 432.419.
- (c) The individual is licensed by another governmental agency.
- (d) The MGCB determines, in its sole discretion, that licensing is not considered necessary to protect the public interest or accomplish the policies of the act.

If an individual is exempted from occupational licensing, he or she be required to register with the MGCB.

Q. What is the application fee for an internet sports betting or internet gaming occupational license?

A. The cost is \$250.

Q. What is the licensing fee for an internet sports betting or internet gaming occupational license?

A. The fee is \$250 for the initial license and each biennial renewal.

Q. How often must an occupational license be renewed?

A. All occupational licenses must be renewed every two (2) years after the grant date.

Q. What positions require an occupational license?

A. An individual must have an occupational license if his or her duties directly impact the integrity of internet sports betting or internet gaming. This includes an individual who may be employed by a vendor registrant.

B. The following individuals when employed by an operator or supplier are considered by the MGCB to directly impact the integrity of internet gaming or internet sports betting:

1. An individual who has the capability to directly affect the outcome of an internet wager, internet sports betting wager, or internet game. This includes but is not limited to VP of IT, Senior Network Engineer, Support Services Manager, Sportsbook Administrator, IT Project Manager, Director of Poker, platform leadership team, and managers in charge of day-to-day operations.

An individual who has the capability of affecting a payout to an authorized participant. This includes but is not limited to an individual who supervises, approves, or completes payments to authorized participants.

Unless otherwise required by the MGCB, only individuals in an executive, management, or supervisory positions will be occupationally licensed.

Q. If I completed a Personal Disclosure Form in connection with my employer's operator or supplier license application, am I required to obtain an occupational license?

A. You may be required to obtain an occupational license if your job responsibilities directly impact the integrity of gaming. An application for an occupational license is not needed, but you will have to pay the application and licensing fee.

Q. What if an operator or supplier believes a position does not require an occupational

license?

A. An operator or supplier may provide an explanation, such as a job description, to support an assertion that an occupational license is not required for that position.