



## ALTERNATIVE METHOD FOR DETERMINING RAFFLE WINNERS GAME INSTRUCTIONS

### (Playing Card Bingo)

#### BACKGROUND

General Rule 101(1)(f) defines a raffle as: “. . . an event for which raffle tickets are sold and at which a winner or winners are determined either by randomly selecting stubs from all the raffle tickets sold for an event or by an alternative method that is approved in writing by the bureau, and at which a preannounced prize is awarded.”

Raffle Rule 508(1) states: “An alternative method of determining a winner may be used with the prior written approval of the bureau.”

#### GAME CONCEPT

A playing card bingo raffle, commonly referred to as meat bingo, three card bingo, three card raffle, etc., is an in-house raffle that is played in rounds similar to bingo but utilizes playing cards rather than bingo cards and bingo balls.

***A raffle licensee is approved to conduct a playing card bingo raffle, provided: (1) the licensee agrees to follow the requirements outlined in these game instructions, and (2) the licensee ensures compliance with the Bingo Act and Charitable Gaming rules.***

#### DEFINITIONS

1. “Call” means the announcement of the rank and suit of the playing card (e.g., two of diamonds, king of clubs, etc.) that is selected by the licensee from the draw pile.
2. “Draw pile” means a shuffled deck of playing cards placed face down and used by the licensee to call numbers and/or symbols for a playing card bingo raffle.
3. “In-house raffle” means a licensed raffle where the raffle tickets are only sold during the time of the licensed gaming event and sold only at the location listed on the license.
4. “Rack” means a set of playing cards that are secured together, typically in a group of three or four, and used by a participant in a playing card bingo raffle.

#### GAME CONDUCT

5. A playing card bingo raffle shall be conducted as an in-house raffle.
6. Each rack shall contain the same number of playing cards. Duplicate cards in a rack are not permitted.
7. All racks shall be sold for the same price.

8. A standard deck of playing cards shall be used for calling (jokers may be included).
  - a. Playing cards shall be verified to ensure all cards are present before a playing card bingo raffle begins.
  - b. All playing cards shall be thoroughly shuffled and placed face down.
  - c. The licensee shall draw one playing card from the top of the draw pile and call it in a clear and audible manner. Participants with the matching playing card shall mark it on their rack.
  - d. Calls shall continue until a winner or winners are determined.

**HOUSE RULES**

9. House rules shall be in accordance with Raffle Rule 510 and shall contain the following information:
  - a. The price of a rack.
  - b. Prizes to be awarded. **NOTE:** If the licensee holds a small raffle license, then the total retail value of all prizes may not exceed \$500 for each raffle date.
  - c. A provision for a tie.
  - d. All other information essential to a participant's understanding of how the playing card bingo raffle will be conducted.
10. House rules shall be retained with the game records.