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Charitable Gaming Directive No. 3.01.03

Michigan Progressive Jackpot Bingo Game

BACKGROUND

Act 382 of the Public Acts of 1972 was amended to allow organizations to conduct a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game in conjunction with a licensed large bingo occasion. The jackpot prizes and the consolation prizes awarded through the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game are not subject to the \$1,100 per game and \$3,500 per occasion prize limitations as stated in section 3a (3) of the act.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. A bingo licensee may conduct two Michigan progressive jackpot bingo games provided one of the games is the Electronically Linked Bingo Game (Big Money Bingo).
- 2. A bingo licensee shall not interrupt a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game to conduct another Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game.
- 3. The Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall only be played on disposable bingo cards which shall be a color or design the licensee does not use in any other game.
- 4. All bingo cards sold for the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be sold at a uniform price. There shall be no discount for the purchase of more than one card (this includes books, pads, packets, or other combinations of cards offered for sale). For example, if a 3-on sheet is sold for \$1.50, a 6-on sheet shall be sold for \$3.00. A card is considered to be one face. Therefore, a 6-on sheet contains six cards.
 - **NOTE:** The disposable bingo cards for the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall not be sold as part of a book if the licensee offers a discount for the purchase of more than one book.
- 5. All bingo cards used in the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be sold prior to the drawing of the first ball for that game.
- 6. The Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game is a coverall only. No other combinations will be allowed.
- 7. The Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game prize shall be paid by check. The consolation prize may be paid by cash or check.
- 8. The consolation prize shall not be paid from the 50% of the card sales used to fund the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game.

GAME CONDUCT

- 9. On the first bingo occasion of a progression, an organization shall establish the maximum number of calls needed to win the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game. The maximum number of calls at the start of a progression shall not be less than 50. The number of allowable calls shall increase by one on each successive bingo occasion in a particular progression until the jackpot prize is awarded.
- 10. If a player does not bingo in the number of allowable calls for that occasion, the coverall game shall continue until a consolation prize is awarded.
- 11. Once a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game has been started, the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game prize shall be offered at each successive bingo occasion for that license until the jackpot prize is won.

NOTE: If an organization's bingo license will expire and is not renewed, or is suspended, revoked, or surrendered before the jackpot prize has been awarded, the winner shall be determined and the jackpot prize shall be awarded on the last authorized bingo occasion regardless of the number of calls needed to determine a winner.

12. A disputed Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be resolved in accordance with Bingo Rule R 432.21324.

PRIZE AMOUNTS

- 13. The starting jackpot for each Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game is either:
 - a. 50% of the card sales for the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game for that occasion, or
 - b. An amount predetermined by each individual organization. This predetermined amount for the first game of the jackpot progression shall not exceed \$500.00.
- 14. On each succeeding occasion, the jackpot prize is the entire amount of the preceding occasion's jackpot plus 50% of the card sales for the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game for the current bingo occasion.
- 15. Each organization shall set an amount to be awarded as a consolation prize. The consolation prize shall be a predetermined amount that does not exceed \$100.00 per occasion. If the jackpot prize is won, no consolation prize shall be awarded.

POSTING AND ANNOUNCING

- 16. Prior to the start of the bingo occasion, the licensee shall post a notice with the following information:
 - a. The maximum number of allowable calls in which the player must complete a coverall pattern in order to win the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game prize for that occasion.
 - b. The prior week's Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game prize.
 - c. The amount of the consolation prize.
 - d. The date the next bingo occasion will occur in that particular progression if the jackpot is not awarded.
 - e. The color or design of the bingo card used in the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game.
- 17. Prior to the start of the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game, the licensee shall announce the following information:
 - a. The maximum number of allowable calls in which the player must complete a coverall pattern in order to win the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game prize for that occasion.
 - b. The prize amount of the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game for that occasion.
 - c. The amount of the consolation prize.

Signed copy available upon request	
Gary C. Peters, Lottery Commissioner	Date