

99B.22 Bingo conducted at a fair or community festival.

1. For purposes of [this section](#):

a. “*Community festival*” means a festival of no more than six consecutive days in length held by a community group.

b. “*Community group*” means an Iowa nonprofit, tax-exempt organization which is open to the general public and established for the promotion and development of the arts, history, culture, ethnicity, historic preservation, tourism, economic development, festivals, or municipal libraries. “*Community group*” does not include a school, college, university, political party, labor union, fraternal organization, church, convention or association of churches, or organizations operated primarily for religious purposes, or which are operated, supervised, controlled, or principally supported by a church, convention, or association of churches.

2. Bingo may lawfully be conducted at a fair or a community festival if all the following conditions are met:

a. Bingo is conducted by the sponsor of the fair or community festival or a qualified organization licensed under section [99B.12](#) that has received permission from the sponsor of the fair or community festival to conduct bingo.

b. The sponsor of the fair or community festival or the qualified organization has submitted a license application and a fee of fifty dollars to the department, has been issued a license, and prominently displays the license at the area where the bingo occasion is being held. A license shall only be valid for the duration of the fair or community festival indicated on the application.

c. The number of bingo occasions conducted by a licensee under [this section](#) shall be limited to one for each day of the duration of the fair or community festival.

d. The rules for the bingo occasion are posted.

e. Except as provided in [this section](#), the provisions of [this chapter](#) related to bingo shall apply.

3. An individual other than a person conducting the bingo occasion may participate in the bingo occasion conducted at a fair or community festival, whether or not conducted in compliance with [this section](#).

4. Bingo occasions held under a license under [this section](#) shall not be counted in determining whether a qualified organization has conducted more than fifteen bingo occasions per month. In addition, bingo occasions held under this license shall not be limited to four consecutive hours.

[2009 Acts, ch 181, §42](#)

[CS2009, §99B.5A](#)

[2011 Acts, ch 34, §26; 2011 Acts, ch 40, §1, 3; 2015 Acts, ch 99, §8 – 10, 56](#)

[C2016, §99B.22](#)