

**99B.55 Revocation of registration — electrical or mechanical amusement devices — suspension of retail alcohol license.**

1. *a.* The department may deny, suspend, or revoke a registration issued pursuant to [section 99B.53](#) or [99B.56](#), if the department finds that an applicant, registrant, or an agent of a registrant violated or permitted a violation of a provision of [section 99B.52](#), [99B.53](#), [99B.56](#), or [99B.57](#), or a departmental rule adopted pursuant to [chapter 17A](#), or for any other cause for which the director of the department would be or would have been justified in refusing to issue a registration, or upon the conviction of a person of a violation of [this chapter](#) or a rule adopted under [this chapter](#) which occurred on the premises where the registered amusement device is or is to be located.

*b.* The denial, suspension, or revocation of a registration for one amusement device does not require, but may result in, the denial, suspension, or revocation of the registration for a different amusement device held by the same distributor or owner.

*c.* A person who commits an offense of failing to include a security mechanism on an amusement device as required pursuant to [section 99B.52, subsection 4](#), shall be subject to a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars. A person who commits, within two years, a second offense of failing to include a security mechanism on an amusement device shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph “a”.

2. *a.* A person who commits an offense of awarding a cash prize of fifty dollars or less in violation of [section 99B.52, subsection 3](#), pursuant to rules adopted by the department, shall be subject to a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars. Additional sanctions beyond the civil penalty prescribed by this paragraph, including but not limited to the suspension or revocation of any retail alcohol license issued pursuant to [chapter 123](#) or registration issued pursuant to [section 99B.53](#) or [99B.56](#), shall not be applicable.

*b.* A person who commits, within two years, a second offense of awarding a cash prize of fifty dollars or less in violation of [section 99B.52, subsection 3](#), or a person who commits an offense of awarding a cash prize of more than fifty dollars in violation of [section 99B.52, subsection 3](#), pursuant to rules adopted by the department, shall be subject to revocation of the person’s registration and the following:

(1) If the person whose registration is revoked under this paragraph “b” is a person for which a class “C”, special class “C”, class “D”, or class “F” retail alcohol license has been issued pursuant to [chapter 123](#), the person’s retail alcohol license shall be suspended for a period of fourteen days in the same manner as provided in [section 123.50, subsection 3](#), paragraph “a”.

(2) If the person whose registration is revoked under this paragraph “b” is a person for which only a class “B” or class “E” retail alcohol license has been issued pursuant to [chapter 123](#), the person’s class “B” or class “E” retail alcohol license shall be suspended for a period of fourteen days in the same manner as provided in [section 123.50, subsection 3](#), paragraph “a”.

(3) If a person owning or employed by an establishment having a class “C”, special class “C”, class “D”, or class “F” retail alcohol license issued pursuant to [chapter 123](#) commits an offense as provided in this paragraph “b”, the retail alcohol license of the establishment shall be suspended for a period of fourteen days in the same manner as provided in [section 123.50, subsection 3](#), paragraph “a”.

(4) If a person owning or employed by an establishment having a class “B” or class “E” retail alcohol license issued pursuant to [chapter 123](#) commits an offense as provided in this paragraph “b”, the retail alcohol license of the establishment shall be suspended for a period of fourteen days in the same manner as provided in [section 123.50, subsection 3](#), paragraph “a”.

3. *a.* The process for denial, suspension, or revocation of a registration issued pursuant to [section 99B.53](#) or [99B.56](#) shall commence by delivering to the applicant or registrant notice, by means authorized by [section 17A.18](#), setting forth the proposed action and the particular reasons for such action.

*b.* (1) If a written request for a hearing is not received within thirty days after the delivery of notice as provided by paragraph “a”, the denial, suspension, or revocation of a registration

shall become effective pending a final determination by the department. The proposed action in the notice may be affirmed, modified, or set aside by the department in a written decision.

(2) If a request for a hearing is timely received by the department, the applicant or registrant shall be given an opportunity for a prompt and fair hearing before the department and the denial, suspension, or revocation shall be deemed stayed until the department makes a final determination. However, the director of the department may suspend a registration prior to a hearing if the director finds that the public integrity of the registered activity is compromised or there is a risk to public health, safety, or welfare. In addition, at any time during or prior to the hearing, the department may rescind the notice of the denial, suspension, or revocation upon being satisfied that the reasons for the denial, suspension, or revocation have been or will be removed. On the basis of any such hearing, the proposed action in the notice may be affirmed, modified, or set aside by the department in a written decision. The procedure governing hearings authorized by this subparagraph shall be in accordance with the rules adopted by the department and [chapter 17A](#).

c. A copy of the final decision of the department shall be sent by electronic mail or certified mail, with return receipt requested, or served personally upon the applicant or registrant. The applicant or registrant may seek judicial review in accordance with the terms of the Iowa administrative procedure Act, [chapter 17A](#).

d. If the department finds cause for denial of a registration issued pursuant to [section 99B.53](#) or [99B.56](#), the applicant shall not reapply for the same registration for a period of two years. If the department finds cause for a suspension or revocation, the registration shall be suspended or revoked for a period not to exceed two years.

[2003 Acts, ch 147, §3, 7](#)

CS2003, §99B.10B

[2004 Acts, ch 1118, §5, 11](#); [2007 Acts, ch 173, §5 – 7](#); [2008 Acts, ch 1032, §14](#); [2008 Acts, ch 1184, §50](#); [2012 Acts, ch 1089, §2, 3](#); [2015 Acts, ch 99, §21, 56](#)

C2016, §99B.55

[2016 Acts, ch 1073, §29](#); [2022 Acts, ch 1099, §98, 102](#)

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