

99G.36 Forgery — fraud — penalties.

1. A person who, with intent to defraud, falsely makes, alters, forges, utters, passes, redeems, or counterfeits a lottery ticket or share or attempts to falsely make, alter, forge, utter, pass, redeem, or counterfeit a lottery ticket or share, or commits theft or attempts to commit theft of a lottery ticket or share, is guilty of a class “D” felony.

2. Any person who influences or attempts to influence the winning of a prize through the use of coercion, fraud, deception, or tampering with lottery equipment or materials shall be guilty of a class “D” felony.

3. A person who knowingly or intentionally passes a lottery ticket or share in order to avoid the application of an offset under [section 99G.41](#) is guilty of the following:

a. If passing the lottery ticket or share would avoid an amount that exceeds ten thousand dollars, a class “C” felony.

b. If passing the lottery ticket or share would avoid an amount that exceeds one thousand five hundred dollars but does not exceed ten thousand dollars, a class “D” felony.

c. If passing the lottery ticket or share would avoid an amount that exceeds seven hundred fifty dollars but does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars, an aggravated misdemeanor.

d. If passing the lottery ticket or share would avoid an amount that exceeds three hundred dollars but does not exceed seven hundred fifty dollars, a serious misdemeanor.

e. If passing the lottery ticket or share would avoid an amount that does not exceed three hundred dollars, a simple misdemeanor.

4. A person who knowingly or intentionally passes a lottery ticket or share in order to circumvent prohibited player provisions found in [section 99G.31](#), [subsection 3](#), paragraph “g” or “h”, or applicable game specific rules is guilty of a class “D” felony.

5. No person shall knowingly or intentionally make a material false statement in any lottery prize claim, make a material false statement in any application for a license or proposal to conduct lottery activities, or make a material false entry in any book or record which is compiled or maintained or submitted to the department pursuant to the provisions of [this chapter](#). Any person who violates the provisions of [this subsection](#) shall be guilty of a class “D” felony.

[2003 Acts, ch 178, §89, 121; 2003 Acts, ch 179, §142; 2021 Acts, ch 94, §3, 4; 2022 Acts, ch 1021, §39; 2022 Acts, ch 1032, §32; 2023 Acts, ch 19, §2342](#)

Subsection 5 amended