

**721—21.820 (99F) Gambling elections.**

**21.820(1)** Petitions requesting elections to approve or disapprove the conduct of gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure shall be filed with the county board of supervisors and shall be substantially in the form posted on the state commissioner’s Web site titled “Petition Requesting Special Election.”

*a.* Within 10 days after receipt of a valid petition, the supervisors shall provide written notice to the county commissioner of elections directing the commissioner to submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition to approve or disapprove the conduct of gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in the county. The election shall be held on the next possible special election date pursuant to Iowa Code section 39.2, subsection 4, paragraph “a,” but no fewer than 46 days from the date notice is given to the county commissioner.

*b.* If a regularly scheduled or special election is to be held in the county on the date selected by the supervisors, notice shall be given to the commissioner no later than the last day upon which nomination papers may be filed for that election. If the excursion gambling boat or the gambling structure election is to be held with a local option tax election, the supervisors shall provide the commissioner at least 60 days’ written notice. Otherwise, the supervisors shall give at least 46 days’ written notice.

**21.820(2)** Form of ballot for election called by petition. Ballots shall be in substantially the following form:

(Insert letter to be assigned by the commissioner)

Shall the following public measure be adopted?

- YES
- NO

Gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County are approved.

**21.820(3)** Form of ballot for elections to continue gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure:

(Insert letter to be assigned by the commissioner)

Shall the following public measure be adopted?

- YES
- NO

Summary: Gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County are approved.

Gambling games, with no wager or loss limits, on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County are approved. If approved by a majority of the voters, operation of gambling games with no wager or loss limits may continue until the question is voted upon again at the general election held in 2010. If disapproved by a majority of the voters, the operation of gambling

games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure will end within 60 days of this election. (Iowa Code section 99F.7(10) "c")

**21.820(4)** Ballot form to permit gambling games at existing pari-mutuel racetracks:  
(Insert letter to be assigned by the commissioner)

Shall the following public measure be adopted?

YES

NO

The operation of gambling games at (name of pari-mutuel racetrack) in \_\_\_\_\_ County is approved.

**21.820(5)** Canvass of votes. The canvass of votes for a special election regarding excursion boat gambling shall be held on the Monday following the election. A copy of the abstract of votes of the election shall be sent to the state racing and gaming commission.

**21.820(6)** Ballot form for general election for continuing operation of gambling games at pari-mutuel racetracks:  
(Insert letter to be assigned by the commissioner)

Shall the following public measure be adopted?

YES

NO

Summary: The continued operation of gambling games at (name of pari-mutuel racetrack) in \_\_\_\_\_ County is approved.

The continued operation of gambling games at (name of pari-mutuel racetrack) in \_\_\_\_\_ County is approved. If approved by a majority of the voters, operation of gambling games may continue at (name of pari-mutuel racetrack) in \_\_\_\_\_ County until the question is voted on again at the general election in eight years. If disapproved by a majority of the voters, gambling games at (name of pari-mutuel racetrack) in \_\_\_\_\_ County will end.

**21.820(7)** Ballot form for general election for continuing gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure:  
(Insert letter to be assigned by the commissioner)

Shall the following public measure be adopted?

YES

NO

Summary: The continued operation of gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County is approved.

The continued operation of gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County is approved. If approved by a majority of the voters, operation of gambling games may continue on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County until the question is voted on again at the general election in eight years. If disapproved by a majority of voters, gambling games on an excursion gambling boat or at a gambling structure in \_\_\_\_\_ County will end nine years from the date of the original issue of the license to the current licensee.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 99F.7 and Iowa Code Supplement section 99F.4D.

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