

531—12.12(99G,252J,272D) Suspension or revocation of a license.

12.12(1) The lottery may suspend or revoke any license issued pursuant to these rules for one or more of the following reasons:

a. Failing to meet or maintain the eligibility criteria for license application and issuance established by Iowa Code chapter 99G or these rules.

b. Violating any of the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 99G, these rules, or the license terms and conditions.

c. Failing to file any return or report or to keep records required by the lottery; failing to maintain an acceptable level of financial responsibility as evidenced by the financial condition of the business, incidents of failure to pay taxes or other debts, or by the giving of financial instruments that are dishonored or electronic funds transfers that are not paid; fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or other conduct prejudicial to the public confidence in the lottery.

d. If public convenience is adequately served by other licensees.

e. Failing to sell a minimum number of tickets as established by the lottery.

f. A history of thefts or other forms of losses of tickets or revenue from the business.

g. Violating federal, state, or local law or allowing the violation of any of these laws on premises occupied by or controlled by any person over whom the retailer has substantial control.

h. Obtaining a license by fraud, misrepresentation, concealment or through inadvertence or mistake.

i. Making a misrepresentation of fact to the board or lottery on any report, record, application form, or questionnaire required to be submitted to the board or lottery.

j. Denying the lottery or its authorized representative, including authorized local law enforcement agencies, access to any place where a licensed activity is conducted.

k. Failing to promptly produce for inspection or audit any book, record, document, or other item required to be produced by law, these rules, or the terms of the license.

l. Systematically pursuing economic gain in an occupational manner or context which is in violation of the criminal or civil public policy of this state if such pursuit creates cause to believe that the participation of such person in these activities is inimical to the proper operation of an authorized lottery.

m. Failing to follow the instructions of the lottery for the conduct of any particular game or special event.

n. Failing to follow security procedures of the lottery for the management of personnel, handling of tickets, or for the conduct of any particular game or special event.

o. Making a misrepresentation of fact to a purchaser, or prospective purchaser, of a ticket, or to the general public with respect to the conduct of a particular game or special event.

p. For a licensee who is an individual, when the lottery receives a certificate of noncompliance from the child support recovery unit in regard to the licensee, unless the unit furnishes the department with a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance.

q. Allowing activities on the licensed premises that could compromise the dignity of the state.

r. Failing to accurately or timely account or pay for lottery products, lottery games, revenues, or prizes as required by the lottery.

s. Filing for or being placed in bankruptcy or receivership.

t. Engaging in any conduct likely to result in injury to the property, revenue, or reputation of the lottery.

u. Making any material change, as determined in the sole discretion of the lottery, in any matter considered by the lottery in executing the contract with the retailer.

v. When the lottery receives a certificate of noncompliance from the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue in regard to nonpayment of a state debt, unless the unit furnishes the lottery with a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance. This paragraph applies both to sole proprietorships and to persons with the requisite ownership interest in or relation to any other organized business entity as set forth in 531—12.3(99G). This paragraph applies in addition to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 272D.

12.12(2) The effective date of revocation or suspension of a license, or denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8, shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the licensee. The effective date of revocation or suspension of a license, or denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, for nonpayment of state debt, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 272D.8, shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the licensee. The effective date for all other notices of revocation or suspension shall be 20 days following service upon a licensee.

12.12(3) If a retailer's license is suspended for more than 180 days from the effective date of the suspension, the lottery will revoke the retailer's license upon 15 days' notice served in conformance with 531—12.13(99G,252J,272D).

12.12(4) Upon suspicion that a retailer has sold a ticket to an underage player, the lottery will investigate and provide a written warning to the retailer describing the report of the event and of the potential violation of Iowa Code section 99G.30(3). In the event a retailer sells a ticket to an underage player and the lottery can substantiate the claim, the lottery may suspend the retailer's license for 7 days. When a retailer sells a ticket to an underage player and the lottery can substantiate the claim a second time in a period of one year from the date of the first event, the lottery may suspend the retailer's license for a period of 30 days. When a retailer sells a ticket to an underage player and the lottery can substantiate the claim a third time in a period of one year from the date of the first event as described in this rule, the retailer's license may be suspended for one year.

12.12(5) Upon revocation or suspension of a retailer's license of 30 days or longer, the retailer shall surrender to the lottery, by a date designated by the lottery, the license, lottery identification card, and all other lottery property. The lottery will settle the retailer's account as if the retailer had terminated its relationship with the lottery voluntarily.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 99G.9(3), 99G.21(2), 99G.24, 99G.27, 99G.30(3), 99G.35, 252J.8, and 272D.8(2).

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