

TITLE 10: LOCAL LAWS
DIVISION 3: THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT (SAIPAN, ETC.)

§ 30405. Bingo License.

(a) There shall be no more than one bingo license issued during the period of the license. The Mayor of Saipan may authorize the sole bingo licensee to operate bingo games at different locations in Saipan. The operation of bingo games at different locations must be under the direct management and supervision of the sole bingo licensee. No other person, business, organization, group, or entity shall be authorized to operate bingo games.

(b) The sole bingo licensee may operate bingo games during the Fourth of July Liberation Day Celebration within the grounds of the festivities; provided, the sole licensee shall first obtain the written permission of the Mayor of Saipan, in prior consultation with the organizers of the Fourth of July Liberation Day Celebration before operating bingo games within the grounds of the festivities. The sole bingo licensee shall not be required to pay an additional bingo license fee, except that it may be required to pay a concession fee to be established by the Mayor of Saipan and the organizers of the Fourth of July Liberation Day Celebration. The concession fee that the sole bingo licensee shall be required to pay shall be twenty percent (20%) higher than the established concession fee for non-food concessionaires but in no event shall it be less than the established concession fee for non-food concessionaires.

(c) The sole bingo licensee may host bingo games for the purpose of assisting non-profit organizations raise funds for locally, i.e., within the CNMI, recognized charitable causes. Non-profit organizations that support charitable causes must be licensed to conduct non-profit work and business in the CNMI, must be a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, use of funds must be restricted within the CNMI, the purpose of the non-profit must be charitable, etc. All proceeds from the fundraising activity must be reported to the Mayor of Saipan which report must contain in detail the name of the non-profit organization, the total amount of funds raised, the total amount paid to the sole bingo licensee, and the name of the charitable cause benefiting from the fundraising activity. The funds raised shall be used only for the intended charitable cause. Fundraising from bingo games, as authorized under this subsection, shall not exceed five consecutive days in a calendar year. No non-profit organization shall be authorized to fundraise under this subsection more than once in any calendar year.

Source: SLL 20-16 § 5 (Oct. 25, 2017), modified.

Commission Comment: The Commission struck figures that were merely repetitions of written words pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(e). The Commission struck the comma after “entity” in (a) and inserted “and” before “the name of” in (c) pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(g).