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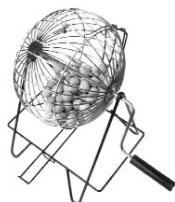
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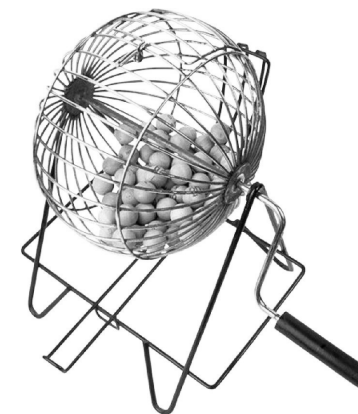
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Small society lotteries are currently registered under the Lotteries and Amusements act 1976. This will change this year with the Gambling Act 2005 coming into force in September 2007.

Under the 1976 Act, society lotteries with proceeds of less than £20,000 are currently required to register with their local authority, and to pay an annual fee. Similar arrangement will remain under the 2005 Act.

If you want to continue your registration, the usual arrangements and fee will apply. From 1 September 2007 this registration will be automatically converted to a registration under the Gambling Act 2005. The converted registrations will take effect from 1 September 2007, and will be subject to an annual fee in accordance with the provisions of the 2005 Act. Fees have not yet been set but a current consultation has proposed an annual fee of £20.

What do I need to do now?

If you want to continue the registration that enables you to hold society lotteries such as prize draws, just pay the £17.50 renewal fee as normal, quoting the invoice number.

What if I don't need the registration anymore?

Please write in and cancel, giving the name of the society and registration number (if known).

I am no longer involved in the society and the role has been taken over by someone else. I think the society will want the registration to continue. What should I do?

Please contact this office for a form to change the name of the promoter. Changes can be made free of charge.

Are there going to be any changes to the current limits on stakes and prizes, or value of tickets?

We don't yet know. We will send this information out to all those with a current registration as soon as it is available.