

WASHINGTON STATE GAMBLING COMMISSION MEETING

October 16, 2025 OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

Commissioners



Alicia Levy Chair



Sarah Lawson Vice Chair



Anders Ibsen



Michael Charles

Vacant

Ex Officios



Senator Steve Conway



Senator Jeff Holy



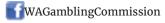
Representative Shelley Kloba

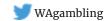


Representative Kevin Waters



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Washington State Gambling Commission

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September 11, 2025 Gambling Commission Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held at the Liquor and Cannabis Board in Olympia, WA.

Commissioners:

Chair Alicia Levy – Virtual Vice Chair Sarah Lawson – Virtual Anders Ibsen – Virtual Michael Charles – Virtual Ex Officio Members Present:
Senator Steve Conway – Virtual
Senator Jeff Holy – Excused
Representative Shelley Kloba –Virtual
Representative Kevin Waters- Virtual

Staff Present:

Tina Griffin, Executive Director; Jeneva Cotton, Deputy Director; Shannon Moore, Executive Assistant; Adam Amorine, Legal Manager

Staff Present Virtually:

Suzanne Becker, Assistant Attorney General; Nicole Frazer, Administrative Assistant; Adam Amorine, Legal Manager; Jim Melville, Special Agent

There was 1 person in the audience and 23 people attended virtually.

Chair welcomed everyone to the Liquor and Cannabis Board and called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM.

She announced that the meeting would be recorded and took the roll to ensure a quorum.

Tab 1-Consent Agenda and Executive Director's Report

Chair Levy asked the Commissioners if they had any changes to the consent agenda. They did not. She asked for public comment and there was none.

Commissioner Lawson moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Ibsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. 4:0

Director's Report

Tina Griffin, Executive Director (ED)

ED shared a presentation and gave an update on where we are at with our IT project. Staff presented to over thirty tribal gaming agency members from licensing units across the state that was well received. ED Griffin shared the IT project timeline and made everyone aware of the different stages of the project as well as the updated go live date, which is anticipated to be February 23, 2026. ED Griffin, shared accomplishments and the changes to my account for internal staff and external partners. We will have a system demonstration on Thursday, October 30, 2025, from 1:00 p.m-3:00 p.m. a registration QR code was shared for anyone interested in seeing the demonstration to sign up.

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Tab 2 Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF)

Jim Melville, Special Agent, introduced RMEF who are seeking approval to exceed the annual raffle prize limit of \$400,000 during their current license year that ends June 30, 2026. Staff recommended approval of the request. Justin Highland, Eastern Washington Regional Director of RMEF, shared how RMEF uses gambling proceeds to meet their mission.

Senator Lawson made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Charles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. 4:0

ED Griffin noted that there were no public comments on any of the agenda items today.

<u>Tab 3 Petion for Review - Hongmei Sheng CR 2024-01401</u>

The Commissioners went into closed session to meet with the AAG. Upon returning, they verified there was a quorum.

The Commissioners decided to remand this back to the Office of Administrative Hearings an order will be forthcoming that explains this decision in detail.

Tab 4 Default-Benny Cho CR2025-00830

Adam Amorine, Legal Manager, presented the information regarding this case.

Senator Lawson made a motion to revoke the license of Benny Cho as presented by staff. Commissioner Charles seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously. 4:0

At 10:27 AM, Chair Levy adjourned the meeting.



COMMISSION APPROVAL LIST (New Licenses & Class III Gaming Employees) October 2025

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Based upon the licensing investigations, staff recommends approving all new Licenses and Class III employees listed on pages 1 to 16.

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ORGANIZATION NAME

LICENSE NUMBER PREMISES LOCATION

NEW APPLICATIONS

BINGO

SAMOAN CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN WA

00-25625 01-02863

3807 S REITH RD S KENT WA 98032

RAFFLE

ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF THE EASTSIDE

00-16721 02-02789

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF WASHINGTON

00-24591 02-21099

BACKPACK BRIGADE

00-25765 02-21554

BREAKING BOUNDARIES FOUNDATION

00-25721 02-21540

FUTURA AGE FOUNDATION

00-25725 02-21543

NVC FOUNDATION

00-23018 02-09300

OPERATION CATCHING FREEDOM

00-25682 02-21521

SAMOAN CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN WA

00-25625 02-21502

SELAH SENIOR PARENTS BOOSTER CLUB

00-23076 02-09338

THE SALISH SEA SCHOOL

00-25764 02-21553

7345 164TH AVE NE

KIRKLAND WA 98052

901 E 7TH AVE

ELLENSBURG WA 98926

THE 101

SEATTLE WA 98104

10838 MAIN ST

BELLEVUE WA 98004

1301 N HIGHLANDS PKWY

TACOMA WA 98406

 $17070\ 140 \mathrm{TH}\ \mathrm{AVE}\ \mathrm{SE}$

RENTON WA 98058

254 N KENTUCKY AVE

EAST WENATCHEE WA 98802

3807 S REITH RD S

KENT WA 98032

801 N 1ST ST

SELAH WA 98942

2201 SKYLINE WAY

ANACORTES WA 98221

PUNCHBOARD/PULL-TAB NONPROFIT

SAMOAN CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN WA

00-25625 05-21956

3807 S REITH RD S KENT WA 98032 **DATE: 10/01/2025** Page 2 of 16

ORGANIZATION NAME

LICENSE NUMBER PREMISES LOCATION

NEW APPLICATIONS

PUNCHBOARD/PULL-TAB COMMERCIAL STIMULANT

BUENA TAVERN 670 BUENA RD 00-25629 05-21956 BUENA WA 98921

BUMPY'S 116 E MAIN

00-25732 05-21976 PUYALLUP WA 98372

FLAMIN' JOES 11618 E SPRAGUE AVE

00-25705 05-21971 SPOKANE VALLEY WA 99206-5137

LITTLEROCK SALOON 6520 128TH AVE SW 00-25696 05-21970 OLYMPIA WA 98512

RIVERBEND BAR & GRILL 2019 W MEEKER ST 00-25631 05-21958 KENT WA 98032

 SPORTY'S BAR & GRILL
 507 E BROADWAY AVE

 00-25712
 05-21973

 MOSES LAKE WA 98837

COMMERCIAL AMUSEMENT GAMES - CARNIVAL

ONE SWEET WORLD AMUSEMENTS LLC 00-25613 52-20119

1801 NW 30TH CIR CAMAS WA 98607 **DATE: 10/01/2025** Page 3 of 16

PERSON'S NAME

LICENSE NUMBER

EMPLOYER'S NAME

PREMISES LOCATION

NEW APPLICATIONS

MANUFACTURER REPRESENTATIVE

BRILLON, ROBERT

23-03204

BLUBERI GAMING CANADA INC
DRUMMONDVILLE QC J2C 4L2

CHAVARRIA, CLAUDIA ARISTOCRAT TECHNOLOGIES INC

23-02748 LAS VEGAS NV 89135

HARDIN, PATRICK K AGS LLC

23-04160 LAS VEGAS NV 89118

KLEIN, MATTHEW D LIGHT & WONDER

23-02054 LAS VEGAS NV 89119

MARANAYAKANAPALYA HANUMANTHAIAH, VARUN LIGHT & WONDER

23-04158 LAS VEGAS NV 89119

MOVCHAN, MICHAEL J ARISTOCRAT TECHNOLOGIES INC

23-04159 LAS VEGAS NV 89135

PFEIL, ANDREA P AGS LLC

23-04161 LAS VEGAS NV 89118

SURO RODRIGUEZ, ELLIOT V EVERI PAYMENTS INC

23-04164 LAS VEGAS NV 89113

THOMPSON, FAAULI L

23-04162

EVERI PAYMENTS INC
LAS VEGAS NV 89113

VAN SLYKE. KATHRYN J PAVILION PAYMENTS GAMING SERVICES

23-04165 LAS VEGAS NV 89128

WISLER, DAVID C MASQUE PUBLISHING INC

23-02156 LONE TREE CO 80124

MAJOR SPORTS WAGERING REPRESENTATIVE

BOYETTE, KEVIN A CAESARS SPORTSBOOK 33-00723 LAS VEGAS NV 89118

CASTILLO-VILLAMARES, JULIO C ISI SPORTS

33-00722 LAS VEGAS NV 89128

DYCUS, JOSHUA A ISI SPORTS

33-00494 LAS VEGAS NV 89128

JARUKARUTA, JOSHUA S ISI SPORTS

33-00721 LAS VEGAS NV 89128

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NEW APPLICATIONS

NON-PROFIT GAMBLING MANAGER

BROWN, REID T FOE 03480/ORTING 61-04881 ORTING WA 98360

BURT, RAYMOND K JR FOE 03242/BURLINGTON 61-04929 BURLINGTON WA 98233

LUNDELL, NICHOLAS C FOE 03480/ORTING 61-04882 ORTING WA 98360

MCCONNACHIE, TYLER K ROTARY CLUB/COLUMBIA CENTER

61-04927 KENNEWICK WA 99336

RYAN, ANGEL L FOE 03862/SHELTON 61-04887 SHELTON WA 98584

SEEL, KELLY J FOE 00026/WALLA WALLA WALLA WALLA WALLA WALLA WALLA WA 99362-3035

TENNEY, CATHY A
BPOE 01937/LONG BEACH
61-04928
LONG BEACH WA 98631-0370

UTTECH, MARNE J FOE 03144/VASHON 61-04696 VASHON WA 98070

SERVICE SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE

FUA, RYAN P RELIABLE SECURITY SOUND & DATA

63-00588 EVERETT WA 98206-1295

GEORGE, BENJAMIN D TNT DEADPULLS

63-01199 FEDERAL WAY WA 98023

KALLAI, ALEXANDER S
NORTH AMERICAN VIDEO
63-01201
POINT PLEASANT NJ 08742

RUTLEDGE, SOPHIE A MARNELL COMPANIES, LLC

63-01200 LAS VEGAS NV 89119

VISTEN, TYLER J RELIABLE SECURITY SOUND & DATA

63-01172 EVERETT WA 98206-1295

CARD ROOM EMPLOYEE

ALVARADO, NICHOLE D 68-38076

PAPAS CASINO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE MOSES LAKE WA 98837

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PREMISES LOCATION

NEW APPLICATIONS

CARD ROOM EMPLOYEE

| BINKLEY, MAKAYLA G 68-38069 | В | CASINO CARIBBEAN YAKIMA WA 98901 |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| CASTILLO, CHELSEA E 68-38065 | В | CRAZY MOOSE CASINO/PASCO PASCO WA 99301 |
| CATES, JOHN A JR 68-38068 | В | BUZZ INN STEAKHOUSE/EAST WENATCHE EAST WENATCHEE WA 98802 |
| CHHOUY, EAM 68-06723 | В | CHIPS CASINO/LAKEWOOD LAKEWOOD WA 98499 |
| CORTEZ, SALVADOR E 68-33860 | В | FORTUNE CASINO - RENTON RENTON WA 98055 |
| COTTON, ANNA M 68-38059 | В | SLO PITCH PUB & EATERY BELLINGHAM WA 98225 |
| DEAN, KARMELAH L 68-38058 | В | GRAND CASINO SHORELINE WA 98133 |
| GENITA, RAMILYN R 68-31359 | В | JOKER'S CASINO AND SPORTS BAR RICHLAND WA 99352-4122 |
| HERNANDEZ, RICHARD M 68-36803 | В | ROXBURY LANES AND CASINO SEATTLE WA 98126 |
| HUANG, MIAOLING 68-34846 | В | IMPERIAL PALACE CASINO TUKWILA WA 98188 |
| JOHNSON, MICHELLE K 68-10263 | В | FORTUNE POKER RENTON WA 98057 |
| JONES, ANDREW R 68-30332 | В | LAST FRONTIER LA CENTER WA 98629-0000 |
| JONES, KEITH C 68-15720 | В | FORTUNE CASINO - RENTON RENTON WA 98055 |
| LE, DIEM 68-21451 | В | IMPERIAL PALACE CASINO TUKWILA WA 98188 |
| LE, JULIE T 68-38064 | В | RIVERSIDE CASINO TUKWILA WA 98168 |
| LEAL, ANGEL A 68-38066 | В | JOKER'S CASINO AND SPORTS BAR RICHLAND WA 99352-4122 |
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NEW APPLICATIONS

CARD ROOM EMPLOYEE

| LINDENMUTH, BENJAMIN J 68-32499 | В | GOLDIES SHORELINE CASINO SHORELINE WA 98133 |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| MC NEAL, ALENA M 68-06146 | В | FORTUNE CASINO - LACEY LACEY WA 98516 |
| MELBY, STEFANIE M 68-38074 | В | CLEARWATER SALOON & CASINO EAST WENATCHEE WA 98802 |
| MOK, SOKHA 68-36681 | В | MACAU CASINO LAKEWOOD WA 98499-4457 |
| MONTE, JARETH A 68-38067 | В | BLACK PEARL RESTAURANT & CARD ROOM SPOKANE VALLEY WA 99206-4719 |
| NEWMAN, ERIC R 68-38082 | В | BLACK PEARL RESTAURANT & CARD ROOM SPOKANE VALLEY WA 99206-4719 |
| NISSLEY, MARK D 68-38061 | В | LILAC LANES & CASINO SPOKANE WA 99208-7393 |
| OUTLAW, CLAUDELL S 68-38060 | В | COYOTE BOB'S CASINO KENNEWICK WA 99336 |
| RAY, LEVI E 68-38081 | В | LILAC LANES & CASINO SPOKANE WA 99208-7393 |
| RIDDLE, MALLORY A 68-38083 | В | ALL STAR CASINO SILVERDALE WA 98383 |
| ROHN, PATRICIA W 68-38054 | В | FORTUNE CASINO - LACEY LACEY WA 98516 |
| RYAN, VICKI L 68-32485 | В | ACE'S POKER MOUNTLAKE TERRACE WA 98043 |
| SLATER, THOMAS G 68-38070 | В | ALL STAR CASINO SILVERDALE WA 98383 |
| SOSA-DAGDAGAN, MATTEO B 68-38071 | В | CASINO CARIBBEAN YAKIMA WA 98901 |
| THORNE, BAILEIGH A 68-37760 | В | BLACK PEARL RESTAURANT & CARD ROOM SPOKANE VALLEY WA 99206-4719 |
| TORBERT, REBECCA M 68-38062 | В | LANCER LANES AND CASINO CLARKSTON WA 99403-2219 |
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CARD ROOM EMPLOYEE

| TRACY HALL, MYKAH L 68-38077 | В | PAPAS CASINO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE MOSES LAKE WA 98837 |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| TRACY-HALL, AUNDRA F 68-38075 | В | PAPAS CASINO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE MOSES LAKE WA 98837 |
| VASQUEZ, JARETH M 68-38084 | В | FORTUNE CASINO - RENTON RENTON WA 98055 |
| ZICKLER, ANDREW J 68-38055 | В | SLO PITCH PUB & EATERY BELLINGHAM WA 98225 |

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NEW APPLICATIONS

CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

CHEHALIS CONFEDERATED TRIBES

CREAR, TRAVIS J FARRIS, CANDICE B

69-48780 69-38010

FERGUSON, RACHELLE W KLUTH, ANDRE A

69-17184 69-59197

MILLER, ZACHARY D PURCELL, NICHOLAS C

69-59252 69-57252

RAMIREZ CISNEROS, CARLOS J SMITH, ANGELA I

69-59195 69-59288

WILLIAMS, WYATT M

69-59251

COLVILLE CONFEDERATED TRIBES

CALKINS, JESSICA R CHAVEZ, JESUS A

69-59242 69-59327

CORBIN, MATTHEW P FERGUSON, SAMANTHA R

69-59326 69-59325

FLOWERS, MICHAEL G GONZALEAZ-CABRER, DENISE L

69-59222 69-59240

HENDRICKSON, LEVI M MITCHELL, EDWARD J

69-59324 69-59243

SEARCY, CECILIA S STANGER, HAYLEE J

69-59241 69-51794

ZACHERLE, ZYREL E

69-59323

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NEW APPLICATIONS

CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

COWLITZ INDIAN TRIBE

ALLEN, SYDNEY M AMARAL, GLORIA JEAN L

69-59191 69-59209

AUSTIN, LEAH M BORJA, JEREMIAH P

69-59225 69-59274

BOWEN, RYAN A BUKER, VINCENT G

69-55256 69-59275

CAJILI, EVELYN E CARMICHAEL, KEVIN A

69-59249 69-59203

DAVIS-KINMORE, DARLENE D DOTY, MICHELLE M

69-59207 69-59230

FRESE, ANNA E MORRIS, COURTENEY T

69-59196 69-59192

ROGERS, DEREK M SANCHEZ, MARCOS A

69-59285 69-27247

SIMPSON, LUKE E SOWDER, STACY L

69-59223 69-59262

ZUMWALT, MICHAEL P

69-59286

KALISPEL TRIBE

BAKER, BRIAN C BROWN, TOMMY J JR

69-59193 69-26198

CARO, PAXTON A CASCH, QIANA N

69-59232 69-59206

DUBROCK, JONATHAN R GUNTER, DILLON L

69-59235 69-59282

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

KALISPEL TRIBE

HANSON, LORNA M PAULSON, LAYNE A

69-59175 69-59258

SELLARS, ZACK M SMITH, JEREMY L

69-56601 69-59233

SNIDER, TARA R SONNABEND, ROBERT S

69-02662 69-59177

STOOPS, STEPHANIE L

69-42547

LUMMI NATION

MACCONNELL, GLODE L MIDDLETON, JANETTE L

69-59234 69-31093

MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN TRIBE

ALINSON, VICENTE Y JR CLARK, MATTHEW A

69-59338 69-59219

DANTES, TANYA J DODGE-GOSHEA, KYLA L

69-13091 69-59244

ELKINS, DAWNA C EMERY, MELISSA S

69-25745 69-59273

KHAM, JOHN H LEON, AGUSTIN

69-13050 69-39429

LOVEJOY, DAMIEN M MAHER, CATHERINE A

69-59339 69-59216

MAYES, TYLER W NGET, MALY

69-59217 69-40851

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN TRIBE

PASCO, D'ANGELO M

69-59294

POSIULAI TAAPE, TOALIMA A

69-59218

WITTROCK, JEWELIET R

69-59293

NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE

GARCIA, JOSE L JR HALEY, SEAN D

69-51120 69-40838

HICKS, BENJAMIN J JR

LEUTUTU, ROSELYNE L

69-59269 69-59236

NELSON, MARCI L
PAZ, ANITA J

69-59202 69-07685

SOM, SIHEAM WELLS, ROSE A

69-59261 69-59253

WORLEY, A J J JR

69-59298

NOOKSACK INDIAN TRIBE

PICKETT, STEPHANIE N ROETHLE, DANIEL R

69-59263 69-59135

TOLAND, RHONDA M

69-59287

PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

BARNUM, TAYLOR R MORRIS, MICHAEL C

69-59237 69-59255

SMITH, STEPHANIE L STOUDERMIRE, AVERY M

69-59238 69-54221

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

TAYLOR, ANDRAE A 69-59278

PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

ALVAREZ, DEBORAH B BAYINTHAVONG, BRIANNA J

69-38482 69-59341

BELL, DIANE Y EATON, JUSTIN D

69-59342 69-59199

FRANQUI, ADRIAN A GOLDBERG, SCOTT M

69-59368 69-59343

GREENE, GIGI L LOGSDON, GLORIA E

69-59317 69-39578

LOVELACE, MARQUEZ V LUJAN, DAVID J

69-48168 69-59307

MONTGOMERY, ALEXANDRIA R MORALES, CLAUDIA V

69-59310

OLSON, STEPHEN T RANDALL, DELORES D

69-44142 69-28695

SNGOUN, NETH G YIN, ERIK

69-59308 69-59344

QUINAULT NATION

BOCASAN, JESSICA B BRATTAIN, EAIN R

69-59204 69-59277

CONTRERAZ, JANET M FUNDENBERGER, JULIE L

69-40129 69-59205

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

QUINAULT NATION

RAMOS, ALEXANDRIA N WINTER, RIVER L

69-59276 69-59231

SHOALWATER BAY TRIBE

ARISS, KALEB J MOBERLY, STEVEN G

69-59190 69-59139

SKOKOMISH TRIBE

TEACHMAN, THOMAS E

69-59260

SNOQUALMIE TRIBE

ALLEN, KENDRICK W BIN, BRANDON N

69-41086 69-47050

BLOOD, MACKENZIE E CANASTRA, LUISA P II

69-59208 69-40927

CHEEKS, REGINALD P JR CHIKERENDA, ALEKSANDR P

69-59358

CHRISTIANSON, BRIAN C COLEMAN, CHANNING A

69-59303 69-59247

CRUSON, MICHAEL A DA, SOPHANI

69-59210 69-19992

DUNN, ETHAN W GRIFFITH, MILES B

69-59304 69-59271

HUANG, JIANER LEFSKY, CONNOR J

69-59305 69-59248

MARCHAND, ZAYDA A PENA, ANTHONY J

69-59302 69-59270

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

SNOQUALMIE TRIBE

PHE, NARRY SANDY L PILLAI, TARA 69-36586 69-59272

RAISKHAIL, MOHAMMAD S RECARDO, PAUL L JR

69-59361 69-59362

SIMPSON, JESSI R SINCERE, LECIA E

69-59306

STINE, BAILEY E TAOTOTO, PESI

69-59359 69-59187

TAYLOR, CASSIDY M WINGARD, BRYCE D

69-44546 69-59245

SPOKANE TRIBE

BERRY, RYAN P BLANCO, ADAN M

69-59189 69-56909

CAMACHO, JESSE A DAHMS, PATRICK

69-59264 69-59265

FOSTER, BRIAN L LAWRENCE, ASHLEY L

69-59250

SANCHEZ, DYLAN W SICAM, NICHOLAS L

69-59254 69-59198

WILLIAMS, KIMBERLY A

69-59160

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

DOOGAN, ERIC C FLOCKOI, GREGORY R JR

69-59259 69-36118

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

SANTEE, JOSEPH W SIMMONS, MERLIN R

69-59256 69-51284

SWINOMISH INDIAN TRIBAL COMMUNITY

ADAMS, ERIC D BENIPAYO, DAVY JOHN L

69-59214 69-59211

BRUNDAGE, JOSEPH W GRIGGS, JUNIOUS C IV

69-59128 69-59212

OLOMUA, JEVON E

69-59213

THE TULALIP TRIBES

BEARDSLEE, JORDAN M DICK, EDWARD J

69-20998 69-05732

DOMINGO, ALLYSSA ELLENWOOD, ARIELL D

69-59228 69-50519

FLETCHER, BRANDICE D GREEN, CHARLES R JR

69-59267 69-59201

JACOBSON, GAVIN R JIMICUM, JAMES M

69-59200 69-55304

KENDALL, NICHOLAS A LAUER, MICHAEL R

69-59224 69-59227

MORAN SOLORZANO, ADALICIA C MORTENSEN, MELINDA G

69-59268 69-59266

OBANA, SERAPIO L SNEATLUM-FRYBERG, DEREKA L

69-59280 69-59281

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CLASS III GAMING EMPLOYEE

THE TULALIP TRIBES

THOMPSON, ETHAN O 69-59279

UPPER SKAGIT INDIAN TRIBE

BEAR, LIBBE A STICKNEY, CAROLINE N

69-59292 69-59299

YAKAMA NATION

ARMSTRONG, CORDAN J BUSHMAN, MICHAEL E JR

69-59309 69-59283

GONZALEZ, CARLOS A JR LEWIS, TRAVIS L

69-59284 69-31565



HOUSE-BANKED PUBLIC CARD ROOM REPORT

| Licensed and Operating 34 | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| | City | Commission Approval Date | License Expiration Date | Org# | License # |
| ALL STAR CASINO | SILVERDALE | Jan 14, 1999 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-18357 | 67-00058 |
| BLACK PEARL RESTAURANT & CARD ROOM | SPOKANE VALLEY | Jan 10, 2013 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-22440 | 67-00321 |
| BUZZ INN STEAKHOUSE/EAST WENATCHEE | EAST WENATCHEE | Oct 10, 2002 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-11170 | 67-00183 |
| CARIBBEAN CARDROOM | KIRKLAND | Nov 14, 2019 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24515 | 67-00343 |
| CASINO CARIBBEAN | KIRKLAND | Nov 14, 2019 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24512 | 67-00341 |
| CASINO CARIBBEAN | YAKIMA | Nov 14, 2019 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24513 | 67-00342 |
| CHIPS CASINO/LAKEWOOD | LAKEWOOD | Apr 8, 1999 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-17414 | 67-00020 |
| CLEARWATER SALOON & CASINO | EAST WENATCHEE | Feb 14, 2019 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24296 | 67-00339 |
| COYOTE BOB'S CASINO | KENNEWICK | Jul 10, 2009 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-21848 | 67-00282 |
| CRAZY MOOSE CASINO II | MOUNTLAKE TERRACE | Jul 10, 2009 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-21849 | 67-00283 |
| CRAZY MOOSE CASINO/PASCO | PASCO | Jul 10, 2009 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-21847 | 67-00281 |
| FORTUNE CASINO - LACEY | LACEY | Jul 14, 2022 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24868 | 67-00347 |
| FORTUNE CASINO - RENTON | RENTON | Jan 8, 2015 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-23339 | 67-00327 |
| FORTUNE CASINO - TUKWILA | TUKWILA | Oct 8, 2015 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-23465 | 67-00329 |
| FORTUNE CASINO LA CENTER | LA CENTER | Apr 9, 1998 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-16903 | 67-00010 |
| GOLDIES SHORELINE CASINO | SHORELINE | May 13, 1999 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-17610 | 67-00016 |
| GRAND CASINO | SHORELINE | Nov 14, 2024 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-25290 | 67-00350 |
| GREAT AMERICAN CASINO/EVERETT | EVERETT | Nov 12, 1998 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-19513 | 67-00194 |
| GREAT AMERICAN CASINO/TUKWILA | TUKWILA | Jan 15, 1998 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-12554 | 67-00012 |
| IMPERIAL PALACE CASINO | AUBURN | Jan 9, 2003 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-19477 | 67-00192 |
| IMPERIAL PALACE CASINO | TUKWILA | May 9, 2024 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24893 | 67-00348 |
| JOKER'S CASINO AND SPORTS BAR | RICHLAND | Nov 12, 1998 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-15224 | 67-00006 |

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| Licensed and Operating | | | 34 | | |
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| | City | Commission Approval Date | License Expiration Date | Org# | License # |
| LANCER LANES AND CASINO | CLARKSTON | Nov 13, 2008 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-21681 | 67-00276 |
| LILAC LANES & CASINO | SPOKANE | Jul 12, 2007 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-21305 | 67-00267 |
| MACAU CASINO | LAKEWOOD | Nov 14, 2019 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24516 | 67-00345 |
| NEW PHOENIX | LA CENTER | Oct 6, 2022 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24981 | 67-00349 |
| NOB HILL CASINO | YAKIMA | Sep 12, 2001 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-13069 | 67-00173 |
| PAPAS CASINO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE | MOSES LAKE | Aug 13, 1998 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-02788 | 67-00004 |
| RIVERSIDE CASINO | TUKWILA | Aug 14, 2003 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-19369 | 67-00187 |
| ROXBURY LANES AND CASINO | SEATTLE | Nov 18, 2004 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-20113 | 67-00231 |
| SILVER DOLLAR CASINO/MILL CREEK | MILL CREEK | Sep 9, 2010 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-22131 | 67-00302 |
| SILVER DOLLAR CASINO/SEATAC | SEATAC | Sep 9, 2010 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-22128 | 67-00299 |
| SLO PITCH PUB & EATERY | BELLINGHAM | Nov 14, 2024 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-16759 | 67-00038 |
| WILD GOOSE CASINO | ELLENSBURG | Apr 8, 2004 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-20009 | 67-00212 |

| Licensed but Not Currently Operating | | | 4 | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| | City | Commission Approval Date | License Expiration Date | Org# | License # |
| ACE'S POKER TUKWILA | TUKWILA | Nov 14, 2019 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-24514 | 67-00344 |
| EMERALD DOWNS | AUBURN | May 11, 2017 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-23814 | 67-00335 |
| MAVERICK CASINO | LAKEWOOD | Dec 26, 2023 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-16542 | 67-00028 |
| ROMAN CASINO | SEATTLE | Feb 10, 2000 | Jun 30, 2026 | 00-17613 | 67-00057 |

| Applications Pending | 1 | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| | City | Commission Approval Date | License Expiration Date | Org# | License # |
| FORTUNE CASINO KIRKLAND | KIRKLAND | | | 00-25776 | 67-00352 |



Washington State Gambling Commission

Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest

The following is the schedule of regular meetings for the Washington State Gambling Commission for 2026:

| Date | Time | Location |
|-------------------|------------|----------------------|
| January 8-9th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| February 12-13th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| March 12-13th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| April 9-10th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| May 14-15th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| June | No Meeting | Liquor Control Board |
| July 9-10th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| August 13-14th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| September 10-11th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| October 15-16th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| November 12-13th | 9:30AM | Liquor Control Board |
| December | No Meeting | Liquor Control Board |

If you need further information, contact Shannon Moore, 4565 7th Ave SE Lacey WA 98503, 360-991-3427, shannon.moore@gmb.wa.gov, askus@wsgc.wa.gov

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Washington State Gambling Commission

Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest.

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Senator Steve Conway

Representative Shelley Kloba

Representative Kevin Waters

Senator Jeff Holy

October 16, 2025

TO: **COMMISSIONERS**

Alicia Levy, Chair

Sarah Lawson, Vice Chair

Michael Charles Anders Ibsen

VACANT

FROM: Tina Griffin, Executive Director

SUBJECT: October 2025 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Disordered Gambling Advisory Workgroup Quarterly Meeting

The following are highlights from the September 2025 Disorder Gambling Advisory Workgroup meeting:

- Approximately 5 new clinician contracts are in the works as well as new contracts for prevention services
- Problem gambling questions are being added to the state's Health Youth Survey 2025, Young Adult Health Survey 2025, and the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System 2026. This will provide more information to determine the risk areas for prevention and treatment.
- The Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling will begin leading a workgroup to explore online gambling, gaming, and internet use disorders. This is in response to one of the recommendations in the Problem Gambling Task Force Report in Chapter 3, "Recognize impacts of internet use and gaming disorders on youth and adults."

Cease and Desist Notice Issued to Boyada.lv

We issued a second cease and desist notice to Bovada.lv, and unlicensed and therefore, illegal sportsbook operating in Washington. See the attached press release dated September 19, 2025.

Preview Polaris

On October 30, 2025, we are previewing our new Polaris IT system for our external users so they become familiar with the new features and functionality of the software they will be using to conduct business with us.

Attachment – "WSGC Issues Second Cease and Desist Notice to Bovada.lv", September 19, 2025.

4565 7th Avenue SE Lacey, WA 98503 wsgc.wa.gov

P.O. Box 42400 Olympia, WA 98504 360-486-3440

901 N. Monroe St., Suite 240 Spokane, WA 99201 509-325-7900

WSGC Issues Second Cease and Desist Notice to Bovada.lv

September 19, 2025 - 12:00pm

The Washington State Gambling Commission issued a second cease and desist notice to Bovada.lv, an unlicensed and therefore illegal sportsbook operating in Washington. Bovada, an offshore enterprise with a registered address in Curaçao, has failed to comply with demands that it immediately cease operating its online casinos.

The Washington State Gambling Commission is the state law enforcement agency responsible for enforcing Washington State's gambling laws. Our investigation determined that Bovada allows Washington residents the opportunity to stake something of value on future contingent events for the opportunity to receive something of value, which meets the definition of gambling per RCW 9.46.0237. By conducting such an unauthorized gambling activity and accepting wagers and fees from Washington residents, Bovada has collected an unlawful debt in violation of RCW 9A.82.045. By transmitting gambling information over the internet, Bovada, and participants (who may not even know they are wagering illegally) are in violation of RCW 9.46.240, which is a class C felony.

If an individual wagers with unlicensed sportsbooks, their sensitive financial and personal information may not be protected and could even be shared with criminal enterprises. The bettor's money could be withheld or disappear without a way to recover it. Washington

consumers interested in gambling on sports are able to do so legally at Tribal casinos authorized to conduct sports wagering pursuant to tribal-state gaming compacts. For more information on authorized sportsbooks in Washington, click here.

Share on social media











Fiscal Year 25 wrap-up

October 16, 2025

Presented by:

Kriscinda Hansen, CFO

Fiscal Year 25 revenue summary July 2024-June 2025 final

| Total Revenue | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Activity Licenses - Commercial | 8,036,902 |
| Activity Licenses - Non-Profit | 1,575,375 |
| Individual Licenses | 2,864,264 |
| Vendor Licenses and fees | 1,256,715 |
| Sports Wagering (Vendors and Reps) | 1,001,101 |
| Expected revenues subtotal | 14,734,358 |
| Tribal Reimbursement | 3,632,184 |
| Other Sources (unexpected) | 893,163 |
| Total FY25 revenue | 19,259,705 |



Fiscal Year 25 expenditure summary July 2024-June 2025 final

| Expenditure | Allotted | Actual | Variance |
|------------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------|
| Personnel | 13,436,692 | 12,376,002 | 1,060,690 |
| Contracts | 63,070 | 232,817 | (169,747) |
| Goods and Services | 4,330,630 | 3,547,967 | 782,663 |
| Travel | 460,450 | 239,673 | 220,777 |
| Equipment | 265,619 | 368 , 152 | (102,533) |
| Taxable Employee Recognition | 17,390 | 2,025 | 15,365 |
| Total | 18,573,851 | 16,766,636 | 1,807,215 |

Personnel variance largely due to implementing a hiring freeze in December 2024 due to statewide budget uncertainty.

IT modernization expenditures are not included in the numbers above.



Questions

Kriscinda Hansen, Chief Financial Officer



Tab 3 FY 26 Budget Update

Kriscinda Hansen, Chief Financial Officer

Materials to be shared after the meeting on our website



Staff Proposed Rule Making New, Amended, and Repealed Rules

WAC 230-17 Hearing Rules

October 2025 – Final Action August 2025 – Discussion and possible filing July 2025 – Discussion only July 2023 – Initiate Rule Making

Tab 4: October 2025 Commission Meeting Agenda.

Statutory Authority 9.46.070

Who Proposed the Rule Change?

Washington State Gambling Commission Staff

Background

BOLD = Changes made since August 2025 Commission Meeting

In recent Commission enforcement actions, motions, responses, and other legal documents have been filed for review associated with a particular petition for review or reconsideration days prior to the upcoming meeting. Some filings have been received less than 24 hours before the next Commission meeting, forcing a continuance.

The current rule framework does not directly address motions, responses, and similar pleadings with regard to timeliness. A rule change is necessary to implement a framework to address timeliness for filings before the Commission and reduce confusion and unnecessary continuances. Other parts of the rule chapter on Hearing Rules may also be amended to add clarity or ensure consistency.

At the July 2023 Commission meeting, Commissioners agreed to initiate rule making. The proposed changes to hearing rules (WAC 230-17) include:

- Procedures for the electronic submission of documents and notice for commission materials.
 The amendments update the rules to align with other similar state agencies and adopt the standards for electronic submission and notice as outlined in RCW.
- Limit the scope of interrogatories and requests for production from an unlimited number to 30, including all parts and subparts. This change will prevent abuse of the discovery process and limit the scope of proceedings to the issues at hand.
- Amending the submission process to clarify deadlines for documents to be considered before a commission meeting.

At the July commission meeting, Commissioners had an opportunity to discuss the proposed rule changes and allowed time for public comments. No comments were offered.

On July 23, 2025, staff held meetings with Tribal Partners and the public to hear general feedback regarding this rule change. No comments were offered at either meeting.

Commissioners discussed the proposed rules at the August Commission meeting and elected to file the rules for further discussion. Staff then filed the CR-102 and rule language with the Office of the Code Reviser. Staff has not received public comment on these rules.

Attachments:

• New and revised WAC 230-17 sections

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission take final action on the attached rules after holding a public hearing with an effective date of 31 days after filing with the Office of the Code Reviser

WAC 230-17-002 Administrative Rules In addition to these rules, for full adjudicative proceedings the commission adopts the model rules of procedure as set forth in WAC 10-08-035 through 10-08-230, as amended. If there is a conflict between the model rules and this chapter, the rules in this chapter shall govern.

- WAC 230-17-010 Requesting and scheduling a hearing. (1) Applicants, licensees, or permittees may request a hearing using the form we provide.
- (2) We must receive the request from the applicant, licensee, or permittee at our administrative office within twenty-three days after service of the notice.
- (a) Twenty-three days after we mail service by regular mail the notice of administrative charges; or
- (b) Twenty days after they receiveservice by certified mail the notice of administrative charges; or
- (c) Twenty days after we personally serve the notice of administrative charges; or.service

- (3) If applicants, licensees, or permittees do not file requests in the time required, then they waive their right to a hearing. They are in default, as defined in RCW 34.05.440, and the commissioners may take action against them up to the maximum penalty stated in the notice of administrative charges.
- (4) The director, director's designee, or the presiding officer of the hearing must issue a notice of hearing which meets the requirements of RCW 34.05.434(2).

 [Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 08-23-077 (Order 636), § 230-17-010, filed 11/18/08, effective 1/1/09; WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-010, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]

WAC 230-17-030 Methods of service in adjudicative

proceedings. Parties must serve all orders, notices, pleadings,
and other documents by:

- (1) Personal service; or
- (2) First class, registered, or certified mail; or
- (3) Telefacsimile (fax) to the commission's legal division, and same-day mailing of a copy of the faxed document; or
 - (34) Commercial parcel delivery service; or

(4) Electronic transmission by email as authorized by RCW 34.05.010(19). Parties are required to provide a valid email address in any request for hearing.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-030, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]

WAC 230-17-035 When service of notices, orders, and documents is complete. Service of notices and other documents is complete when served by:

- (1) Personal service which means actual, physical
 delivery to:
 - (a) The person; or
 - (b) The designated agent of the person; or
- (c) Anyone over the age of eighteen residing at the
 residence of:
 - (i) The person; or
 - (ii) A corporate officer; or
 - (d) If represented, the attorney representing the person.
- (2) **Mail -** which means deposit in the United States mail with proper postage and properly addressed; service is complete

on the third day after mailing, excluding the date of mailing; or

- (3) Telefacsimile (fax) which means faxing to the commission's legal division, with confirmation of the transmission, and the same day deposit of a copy of the faxed document in the United States mail, with proper postage and properly addressed; service is complete on the third day after mailing, excluding the date of mailing; or
- (34) Commercial parcel delivery service which means delivery to the parcel delivery service, when properly addressed and all charges are paid.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-035, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]

Parties may take testimony by deposition on oral examination (deposition) or written questions (interrogatories) for use as evidence in the administrative hearing. A party may serve no more than thirty (30) interrogatories, including all discrete subparts, and no more than thirty (30) requests for production, including all discrete subparts, except where permitted by the presiding officer on notice and motion for good cause.

WAC 230-17-065 Depositions and interrogatories. (1)

- (2) In addition to limitations on discovery set forth in any other applicable law, regulation, or rule, discovery does not include:
- (a) Information or documents from the personnel file of any commission employee;
- (b) Information or documents relating to any investigation conducted by the commission against unrelated parties;
- (c) Information or documents relating to any action brought by the commission against unrelated parties;
- (d) Information or documents relating to any examination conducted by the commission of unrelated parties;

- (e) Information or documents relating to any license applications or determinations made by the commission of unrelated parties; or
- (f) Depositions of the agency director or assistant directors.
- (32) Parties must depose persons in the same manner, and before the same officers, authorized by the Washington civil rules for superior court, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties.
- $(\underline{43})$ Witnesses may be subpoenaed to attend a deposition or produce documents.
- (54) Parties may only depose a commissioner, the director, deputy director, or an assistant director if they apply to the presiding officer and show good cause that circumstances prevent the statements or depositions of other staff members from revealing the information, evidence, or details needed.
- $(\underline{65})$ Unless otherwise ordered, the person being deposed may be examined about any matter to the same extent that the Washington civil rules for superior court allow.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-065, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]

WAC 230-17-090 Petitions for review and cross appeals of initial orders. (1) RCW 34.05.464 governs the review of initial orders.

- (2) Any party to an adjudicative proceeding may file a petition for review of an initial order. Parties must file the petition for review with us within twenty days of the date of service of the initial order unless otherwise stated. Parties must serve copies of the petition to all other parties or their representatives at the time the petition for review is filed.
- (3) Petitions must specify the portions of the initial order the parties disagree with and refer to the evidence in the record on which they rely to support their petition.
- (4) Any party to an adjudicative proceeding may file a reply to a petition for review of an initial order. Parties must file the reply with us within thirty days of the date of service of the petition and must serve copies of the reply to all other parties or their representatives at the time the reply is filed.

The Commission will only consider a Petition and a reply to a petition; any other replies or responses will not be considered unless granted for good cause. If the reply falls within fifteen (15) days of the next regularly scheduled commission meeting, then the matter will be heard at the following regularly scheduled commission meeting unless otherwise scheduled.

- (5) Any party may file a cross appeal. Parties must file cross appeals with us within ten days of the date the petition for review was filed with us.
- (6) Copies of the petition or the cross appeal must be served on all other parties or their representatives at the time the petition or appeal is filed.
- (7) After we receive the petition or appeal, the commissioners review it at a regularly scheduled commission meeting within one hundred twenty days and make a final order.
- (8) The Commission or the Commission's designee shall have the authority, subject to the other provisions of these rules, to rule on all procedural matters.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-090, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]

WAC 230-17-145 Stays of final orders. (1) Any party may petition the commission for a stay of a final order in accordance with RCW 34.05.467.

(2) For purposes of this rule, the commission hereby delegates to the director the authority to deny a stay or issue a temporary stay until the reviewing court can rule on a permanent stay. The decision of the director denying a stay is not subject to judicial review.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-145, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]

WAC 230-17-150 Brief adjudicative proceedings. The commission adopts the procedure for brief adjudicative proceedings provided in RCW 34.05.482 through 34.05.494. The commission finds brief adjudicative proceedings will be conducted where the matter involves one of the following:

- (1) Stays of summary suspension; and
- (2) Denying or revoking extended operating hours for:
- (a) Card games; and

- (b) Bingo; and
- (3) Charitable or nonprofit licensee appealing a denial of a request for waiver of significant progress requirements; and
- (4) Failure to pay required gambling taxes, where that is the only alleged violation in the administrative charges; and
- (5) Failure to pay a quarterly license fee or submit a quarterly license report or failure to pay a late fee assessed as a result of failure to pay a quarterly license fee or submit a quarterly license report or associated late fees; and
- (6) When the penalty we are requesting is a suspension of seven days or less; and
- (7) When the parties stipulate to using a brief adjudicative proceeding.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 18-05-029, § 230-17-150, filed 2/9/18, effective 7/1/18; WSR 07-21-156 (Order 615), § 230-17-150, filed 10/24/07, effective 1/1/08.]



Staff Proposed Rule Making New, Amended, and Repealed Rules

WAC 230-03-018, 230-05-126, and 230-05-132 New Rule WAC 230-03-028

October 2025 – Final Action August 2025 – Discussion and possible filing July 2025 – Discussion only May 2024 – Initiate Rule Making

Tab 5: October 2025 Commission Meeting Agenda.

Statutory Authority 9.46.070

Who Proposed the Rule Change?

Washington State Gambling Commission Staff

Background

BOLD = Changes made since August 2025 Commission Meeting

The Washington State Gambling Commission has been working to replace the current legacy IT systems since March 2023 in an effort to modernize technology. As we approach implementation of the new IT systems, commission staff has identified several chapters of WAC Title 230 that will need to be updated. These rule changes will correspond to the new capabilities of the new IT system and allow for more efficient processes for staff, licensees, and applicants. For example, the new IT systems will allow for electronic submission of documents, electronic notification, and electronic service of documents.

These rule changes will likely affect several different WAC chapters, including but not limited to permitting and licensing rules (230-03), fees (230-05), rules for all licensees (230-06), fund-raising event rules (230-09), bingo rules (230-10), and hearing rules (230-17).

At the May 2024 Commission meeting, Commissioners approved initial rulemaking to address necessary changes associated with IT modernization. Since the May 2024 Commission meeting, staff have worked with contractors to develop new IT systems. As we near implementation of the new systems, staff have identified the following rules to be created or amended:

- WAC 230-03-018 One annual change of bingo premises allowed. This proposed rule change simplifies the application.
- WAC 230-03-028 (NEW RULE) Online application requirements. The goal is to have all applicants, licensees and permit holders to apply online. However, in the case of individuals who are unable to do so, this allows for a waiver for good cause. Good cause for preventing submissions online would apply to those who don't have access to the internet or another circumstance which would prevent an individual from submitting online.
- WAC 230-05-126 Online filing and payments required with waivers available upon request for good cause. Polaris will create a more efficient and streamlined process for filing reports and paying fees online for licensees. This rule changes clarifies who must file reports and pay fees online. This will allow for waivers if an individual is unable to do so online. Waivers will be granted for good cause such as if an individual does not have internet access.
- WAC 230-05-132 Late filing of quarterly license reports or late payments of quarterly license fees –
 Penalties. The proposed changes:
 - Clarify the due date of the quarterly license fee to be due at the end of the month following instead of 30 days.
 - Allow us to extend filing requirements for quarterly reports.
 - Allow licensees additional time or the ability to have fees waived for good cause.

- WAC 230-06-048 (NEW RULE) Gambling equipment inquiries. Inquiries for us to determine if equipment meets the definition of gambling equipment require an application and a deposit before we conduct the review. Inquiry submissions will be accepted online with a flat fee:
 - The proposed changes would require amendments to WAC 230-05-160 and WAC 230-05-170 as well to establish the associated fee.

At the July commission meeting, Commissioners had an opportunity to discuss the proposed rule changes and allowed time for public comments. No comments were offered.

On July 23, 2025, staff held meetings with Tribal Partners and the public to hear general feedback regarding this rule change. Commenters asked brief clarifying questions regarding the process and draft language but generally expressed support for the proposed changes.

After considering this feedback and upon further internal discussion, staff decided not to proceed with the new gambling equipment inquiry rule. Therefore, staff removed the proposed new rule, WAC 230-06-048, and the amendments to WAC 230-05-160 and WAC 230-05-170 from this rule package.

Commissioners discussed the proposed rules at the August Commission meeting and elected to file the rules for further discussion. Staff then filed the CR-102 and rule language with the Office of the Code Reviser.

Attachments:

- New and revised WAC 230-03 and WAC 230-05.

Feedback

Staff has not received any further comments on these rules since the August Commission meeting.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission take final action on the attached rules after holding a public hearing with an effective date of 31 days after filing with the Office of the Code Reviser

WAC 230-03-018 One annual change of bingo premises

- allowed. (1) Once each license year, a bingo licensee may apply to play bingo at a different location (special property bingo).
 - (2) The bingo activity is limited to:
 - (a) Three consecutive days; and
 - (b) Sixteen consecutive hours each day.
- (3) The application must be submitted include the following information and fee, at least fifteen days before the event.
- (a) Name and address of the proposed location and dates of activity; and
- (b) Names and addresses of all persons who have an interest of any kind in those premises; and
- (c) Amount of rent, if any, that would be paid for the use of the premises; and
 - (d) Rent calculation.
- (4) The special property bingo permit must be posted on the premises during the event.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 08-03-062 (Order 623), § 230-03-018, filed 1/14/08, effective 2/14/08.]

WAC 230-03-028 Online filing required. (1) All applicants, licensees, and permit holders must submit the following, if available, online:

- (a) All new, renewal, and change applications, and
- (b) Gambling equipment submissions and inquiries.
- (2) If you are unable to submit online, you must request a waiver in writing. Waivers will be granted if an individual or organization can show good cause. The reasons for good cause include:
- (a) You do not have access to the internet using your own computer or similar equipment; or
- (b) Some other circumstance or condition exists that, in our judgment, prevents you from submitting online.

WAC 230-05-126 Online Quarterly License Report filing and payments required with waivers available upon request for good cause. (1) All-licensees must submit Quarterly Licensing

Reports the following online, where applicable:

- (a) Renewal application and base license fees; and
- (b) Quarterly license fees; and
- (c) Quarterly license reports.
- (2) We may waive these this requirements if a licensed organization can show good cause. The reasons for good cause include:
- (a) You do not have access to the internet using your own computer or similar equipment; or
 - (b) You do not have a bank account; or
- (c) Your bank is unable to send electronic fund transactions; or
- $(\frac{db}{d})$ Some other circumstance or condition exists that, in our judgment, prevents you from submitting online.

- (3) We may waive these requirements if a licensed individual can show good cause. The reasons for good cause include:
- (a) You do not have access to the internet using your own computer or similar equipment; or
 - (b) You do not have a bank account or credit card; or
- (c) Your bank is unable to send electronic fund transactions; or
- (d) Some other circumstance or condition exists that, in our judgment, prevents you from submitting online.
- (4) You must request a waiver when applying for a new license or permit.
- (53) A waiver will cover all fees and reports required under subsection (1) of this section.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070, 9.46.075, 9.46.140, 9.46.153, 9.46.210. WSR 21-16-072, § 230-05-126, filed 7/30/21, effective 8/30/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 18-05-026, § 230-05-126, filed 2/9/18, effective 5/1/18.]

WAC 230-05-132 Late filing of quarterly license reports or late payment of quarterly license fees—Penalties. (1) Licensees who do not file their quarterly license reports and/or pay quarterly license fees by the end of the month following within thirty days from the end of each quarter are in violation of this chapter.

- extend the time for making and filing any return, and may grant such reasonable additional time within which to make and file returns as it may deem proper.
- (3) Licensees will be afforded one thirty-day late filing and payment period after their quarterly license reports and quarterly license fees are due. However, a twenty-five dollar fee will be charged for each day a licensee fails to file a quarterly license report or pay quarterly license fees during the thirty-day late filing and payment period.
- (3) A licensee's failure to file quarterly license reports or pay quarterly license fees during the thirty-day late filing and payment period could result in administrative action against your their licenses.

- (4) The commission may, for good cause shown in writing, reduce or waive late filing fees as it may deem proper.
- (4)—(5) Licensees will be responsible for paying any outstanding license fees including, but not limited to, late fees and any additional costs associated with the collection of these fees before a license suspension is lifted or a new licensing application is approved.

 [Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 18-05-026, § 230-05-132,

filed 2/9/18, effective 5/1/18.]



Staff Proposed Rule Making Rule Petition to Amend

WAC 230-06-068 - Problem Gambling Signage and Posting Requirements

October 2025 - Initiate Expedited Rule Making/Commission Review

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Statutory Authority 9.46.070

Who Proposed the Rule Change?

Staff

Background

On September 27, the Gambling Commission received notice that the National Problem Gambling Helpline would no longer be utilized after September 29, 2025.

This impacts responsible gambling messaging, which is required by Washington Administrative Code.

Therefore, WAC 230-06-068 requires amending as the problem gambling helpline number can no longer be utilized. Staff recommends replacing "1-800-GAMBLER" with 1-800-547-6133, which is a 24-hour helpline operated by Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling (see attached).

This rule change will allow individuals in Washington the opportunity to seek help with problem gambling issues in a manner consistent with the intent of the rule.

Stakeholder Feedback

Since this is expedited rulemaking which fixes technical issues, no stakeholder feedback is necessary.

Staff Recommendation

Because this phone number is no longer available for national use, staff recommends filing expedited rulemaking to update the phone number listed in WAC 230-06-068, which will direct the caller to the State Problem Gambling Program.

wac 230-06-068 Problem gambling signage and posting requirements. (1) The commission will provide licensees with problem gambling, gambling disorder, and responsible gambling informational signs, which include a responsible gambling message and a toll-free helpline number for problem gambling and gambling disorders. The signs must be conspicuously posted: At all public entrances and exits to the gambling area of the business; in or near the gambling area(s); and in any areas where cash or electronic transfers of funds are available to patrons within the designated gambling area.

- (2) All advertising materials must contain a responsible gambling message.
- (a) Advertising is any notice or communication to the public of any information concerning the gambling-related business of the licensee through broadcasting, publication, or any other means of dissemination.
- (b) For bingo licensees conducting bingo on more than three occasions per week, advertisements must follow RCW 9.46.072.
- (c) The responsible gambling message must include, at a minimum, the statement "play responsibly" or similar language

and the toll-free telephone helpline number for problem gambling and gambling disorders. Provided, an alternative to the responsible gambling message would be to contain the words "If you or someone you know has been harmed by gambling and wants help, call 1-800-GAMBLER." 1-800-547-6133

- (3) All direct advertising, marketing, or promotional materials must include a clear and conspicuous method allowing patrons to unsubscribe from future advertising, marketing, or promotional communications.
- (4) This rule does not apply to major, mid-level, or ancillary sports wagering vendors.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 24-11-087, § 230-06-068, filed 5/16/24, effective 6/16/24.]