

WAC 230-18-010 Promotional contests of chance similar to bingo.

A business may offer a promotional contest of chance (PCOC) that is similar to bingo, commonly referred to as "no fee bingo."

(1) A business must not:

(a) Charge participants a direct or indirect fee to participate in the PCOC. Indirect fees include, but are not limited to, cover charges; and

(b) Operate the PCOC for no more than a total of three hours per day, twice per week. Participants must receive a bingo card immediately before the start of each game.

(2) A business must:

(a) Award only merchandise items, such as food, nonalcoholic beverages, hats, shirts, or other promotional items valued at less than twenty-five dollars each. The business must:

(i) Not substitute cash prizes for merchandise prizes; and

(ii) Not award prizes worth more than one hundred dollars per week or five thousand dollars per year; and

(iii) Record the names of winners and prize(s) won for each game; and

(b) Use recreational bingo cards that are not used in authorized bingo games.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 9.46.070. WSR 06-22-052 (Order 603), § 230-18-010, filed 10/27/06, effective 1/1/08.]