

## **APPLICATION PROCESS FOR HOSTING RAFFLES IN THE TOWN OF BARNSTABLE**

Completed application must be submitted in person or by mail to the Town Clerk's Department no **later then 10 days prior to the event.**

Please contact 508-862-4044 if you have any questions regarding the application process.

The organization seeking the raffle application must be non-profit for at least 2 years

The application includes:

- 1) **RAFFLE APPLICATION IN TRIPLICATE**
- 2) **NOTARIZED STATEMENT OF NON-PROFIT (MUST BE SIGNED BY THREE AUTHORIZED ORGANIZATION MEMBERS)**
- 3) **BEANO FORM (NEED DATE ORGANIZED)**
- 4) **ANNUAL REPORT IN DUPLICATE (IF YOU PREVIOUSLY HAD A RAFFLE PERMIT)**
- 5) **BOARD MEMBER LIST**
- 6) **\$10.00 FILING FEE**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FEE \$ 10.00

BARNSTABLE  
(city or town)

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Officers or members of organization responsible for operation of raffle or bazaar:

Name

Residence Address

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Uses to which net proceeds will be applied: \_\_\_\_\_

Application certified to be in  
conformity with C. 810, Acts  
of 1969:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of authorized officer or member of organization)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town Clerk

PERMIT (ISSUED) (DENIED)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town Clerk

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# TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

## RAFFLES & BAZAARS PERMIT (C. 810 - Acts of 1969)

NAME OF NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION

ADDRESS OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above-named organization has been organized and actively functioning as a non-profit organization in the Commonwealth for a period of not less than two years before applying for a permit.

Authorized signature	Address	Phone Number
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Barnstable, ss: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS 20\_\_

Then personally appeared the above-named \_\_\_\_\_  
And acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his/her free act and deed, before me.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTIFICATION OF ISSUANCE OF:  
RAFFLE AND/OR BAZAAR LICENSE**

CITY OR TOWN. ....

FOR MASSACHUSETTS STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION USE ONLY											
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER								DATE RECEIVED			

Name of Authorized Organization	
Address (Street)	
City/Town	ZIP CODE
CHARITABLE GAMING DEPARTMENT Massachusetts State Lottery PO Box 859012 Braintree MA 02185-9012	

FOR CITY / TOWN USE ONLY	
Date of Issue: _____	
City/Town Official _____	
Title _____	
OFFICIAL SEAL:	

RBL 1/78 PRINT IN INK OR TYPEWRITE  
804-476-142523

Date Organized	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Unincorporated Association
<input type="checkbox"/> Religious Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Organization (non-profit)	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Organization
<input type="checkbox"/> Charitable Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Fire Company	<input type="checkbox"/> Civic Organization
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fraternal Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

FOR M.S.L.C. USE ONLY	
<input type="checkbox"/> TAX FORM SENT	
BY: _____	
DATE: _____	
INV. ASSIGNED: _____	
Assigned By _____	Date _____

AUTHORIZED OFFICER OF ORGANIZATION SIGN BELOW	
Signature of Officer _____	Date _____
Title _____	
TELEPHONE NUMBERS	AREA HOME PHONE
DATE OF OCCASION _____	
	AREA BUSINESS TEL. NO.
NUMBER OF OCCASIONS NEXT TWELVE (12) MONTHS _____	

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

Annual Report – Raffles & Bazaars  
(C. 810, Acts of 1969)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nonprofit Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date of Permit: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Raffles and Bazaars Held: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Money Received: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Expenses Connected with Raffles Conducted: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Net Proceeds: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For what purposes were the proceeds used? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Names & addresses of winners of \$250.00 or more: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Attach additional pages as necessary)

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this report is true and complete.

1: \_\_\_\_\_

2: \_\_\_\_\_

Accountant/Treasurer of Organization

3: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Officers or Members of Organization

Report Certified to be in Conformity with C. 810, Acts of 1969.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk

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(Revised January 1974)



Chapter 810, Acts of 1969

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS TO CONDUCT RAFFLES AND BAZAARS

Whereas, The deferred operation of this would lend to defeat its purpose, which is, in part, to authorize forthwith that certain organizations may conduct raffles and bazaars and provide a further source of tax revenue to the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and the authority of the same as follows:

Chapter 271 of the General Laws is amended by inserting after section 7 the following section.

Section 7A. In this section the following words shall have the following meanings:

"Raffle", an arrangement for raising money by the sale of tickets, certain among which, as determined by chance after the sale, entitle the holders to prizes.

"Bazaar", a place maintained by the sponsoring organization for disposal by means of chance of one or both of the following types of prizes: (1) merchandise, of any value, (2) cash awards, not to exceed twenty-five dollars each.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, raffles and bazaars may be promoted, operated and conducted under permits issued in accordance with the provisions of this section.

No organization, society, church or club which conducts a raffle or bazaar under the provisions of this section shall be deemed to have set up and promoted a lottery and nothing in this chapter shall authorize the prosecution, arrest or conviction of any person connected with the operation of any such raffle or bazaar; provided, however, that nothing contained in this section shall be construed as permitting the game commonly known as "beano" or any similar game regardless of name.

No raffle or bazaar shall be promoted, operated or conducted by any person or organization, unless the same is sponsored and conducted exclusively by (a) a veterans' organization chartered by the Congress of the United States or included in clause (12) of section five of chapter forty of the General Laws; (b) a church or religious organization; (c) a fraternal or fraternal benefit society; (d) an educational or charitable organization; (e) a civic or service club or organization; and (f) clubs or organizations organized and operated exclusively for pleasure, recreation and other nonprofit purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any member or shareholder. Such organization shall have been organized and actively functioning as a nonprofit organization in the commonwealth for a period of not less than two years before it may apply for a permit. The promotion and operation of the raffle or bazaar shall be confined solely to the qualified members of the sponsoring organization and no such member shall receive remuneration in any form for time or effort devoted to the promotion or operation of such raffle or bazaar. All funds derived from any raffle or bazaar shall be used exclusively for the purposes stated in the application of the sponsoring organization which purposes shall be limited to educational, charitable, religious, fraternal or civic purposes or for veterans' benefits. An organization which meets the qualifications required by this section and which desires to conduct or operate a raffle or bazaar within the commonwealth shall apply for a permit to conduct raffles and bazaars from the clerk of the city or town in which the raffle will be drawn or the bazaar held. The application form shall be approved by the commissioner of public safety and shall include the name and address of the applicant, the evidence on which the applicant relies in order to qualify under this section, the names of three officers or members of the organization who shall be responsible for the operation of the raffle or bazaar, and the uses to which the net proceeds will be applied. Unless otherwise established in a town by town meeting action and in a city by city council action, and in a town with no town meeting by town council action, by adoption of appropriate by-laws and ordinances to set such fees, a fee of ten dollars shall accompany each such application and shall be retained by the city or town, but in no event shall any such fee be greater than fifty dollars. Upon receipt of such application, the clerk shall determine whether it is in conformity with this section. If the clerk so determines, he shall forward the application to the chief of police of the city or town, who shall determine whether the applicant is qualified to operate raffles and bazaars under this section. If the chief of police so determines, he shall endorse the application and return it to the clerk, who shall forthwith issue a permit, which shall be valid for one year from the date of its issuance. The clerk shall retain a copy of the application and shall send a copy to the commissioner of public safety. If there is any change in the facts set forth in the application for a permit subsequent to the making of such application, the applicant shall forthwith notify the authority granting such permit of such change, and such authority shall issue such permit if the applicant is qualified, or, if a permit has already been issued and the change in the facts set forth in the application disqualify the applicant revoke such permit.

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