

GAMBLING ACT 2005

LAWFUL LOTTERIES

1. **SMALL SOCIETIES' LOTTERIES** (The Society **must** be registered with Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council to sell tickets or chances to the public)
SEE EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF LOCAL SOCIETIES ISSUED BY THE LICENSING SECTION, PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION.
(A Society includes any club, institution, organisation or association of persons by whatever name called and any separate branch or section of such a club, institution, organisation or association of persons by whatever name called.)

2. **INCIDENTAL NON-COMMERCIAL LOTTERIES** – incidental to a non-commercial event, for example a raffle held at a school fete or social event such as a dinner dance. The event is non-commercial if all the money raised, including entry fees, goes entirely to purposes that are not for private gain. The tickets must be sold, and the result declared, during the event. Registration is not required.

See Schedule 11, Part 7 of the Gambling Act 2005 for full details.

3. **PRIVATE LOTTERIES** – 3 types of Private Lottery , registration is not required

- (a) Private Society Lottery – promoted by one of its members and tickets can only be sold to other society members. The lottery may only be promoted for a purpose for which the society is conducted, and the society can be any group or organisation provided it is not established and conducted for purposes connected to gambling.
- (b) Work lottery – the promoter must work on the premises and tickets may only be sold to other people who work on the same premises. The lottery must not be run for profit and all proceeds must be used for prizes or reasonable expenses.
- (c) Resident's lottery – must not be run for profit and all proceeds must be used for prizes or reasonable expenses. The promoter must reside on the premises and tickets can only be sold to other residents of the same premises.

No advertising of these lotteries is permitted except at the relevant work place or place of residence.

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