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Gaming machine permits

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Premises which are licensed to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises (such as public houses) are entitled to have gaming machines at their premises.

There is an automatic entitlement to 2 category C or D machines, although you must notify the council of your intention to make such machines available for use.

We can also issue gaming machine permits which allow more than 2 category C or D gaming machines to be provided.

We aim to process your application within 5 working days of receipt.

Notification of no more than 2 machines

The notification must be applied for by the holder of the premises licence issued under the Licensing Act 2003.

Download and complete the [application form \[PDF 113KB\]](#) and submit with the fee of £50.

The fee is a one off so no annual fee is payable. If the holder of the premises (alcohol) licence changes, a new notification must be applied for.

Apply for a permit for more than 2 machines

The permit must be applied for by the holder of the premises licence issued under the Licensing Act 2003.

Download and complete the [application form \[PDF 113KB\]](#) and submit with the fee (£150 for a new application). An annual fee of £50 is payable, the first payment being due within 30 days of the grant of the permit.

Each year thereafter you will be sent a reminder when your annual fee is due.

If the holder of the premises (alcohol) licence changes, the permit can be transferred for a fee of £25.

A permit can also be varied to change the number or type of permitted machines. The variation fee is £100.

Contact

Licensing service

Municipal buildings, Corporation Street, Blackpool, FY1 1NF

Telephone 01253 478572

Email licensing.la2003@blackpool.gov.uk

The licensing service is available to contact by telephone between 10.00am and 2.00pm Monday to Friday or visit in person by appointment only at the licensing desk at Blackpool Council's Customer First Centre on Corporation Street .

Additional information

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