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New gambling premises licence

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Premises such as:

- Casinos
- Bingo halls
- Betting shops
- Amusement arcades (known as family entertainment centres and adult gaming centres)

require a premises licence under the Gambling Act 2005 issued by Blackpool Council.

There are 3 licensing objectives under the gambling act which should be adhered to by licence holders:

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

Apply for a new premises licence

- Please read the [guidance notes](#) [PDF 67KB] before applying – this gives information about the application procedure including requirements for submitting plans, notifying each of the responsible authorities of your application and the fees
- You will also need to advertise the application in the local paper and by displaying a [notice](#) [PDF 17KB] on the premises
- Download and complete the [application form](#) [PDF 109KB] and submit with a plan of the premises and the correct fee

The application will be granted after 28 days if no representations are received and we then aim to issue it within 10 working days.

If representations are received a committee hearing can be held to determine the application, assuming outstanding issues can not be resolved.

An applicant for a premises licence must hold, or be in the process of applying for, an appropriate operating licence from the [Gambling Commission](#), and must have a right to occupy the premises.

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 or to visit in person to the licensing desk at Blackpool Council's Customer First Centre on Corporation Street between 10.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

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