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As part of the Ontario government's efforts to support community initiatives, two new gaming opportunities are being introduced:

- A new Social Gaming Licence issued exclusively by the AGCO (Licence application available December 2, 2021).
- A Progressive Jackpot Raffle opportunity under the Blanket Raffle Licence issued by municipalities and First Nations with an Order in Council (OIC).

Details about these new initiatives are outlined in the following December 2, 2021 AGCO Information Bulletins and attached Question and Answer resource document

- [Information Bulletin: Government of Ontario Announces Progressive Jackpot Raffle Opportunity for Legions and other Service Clubs](#)
- [Information Bulletin: Government of Ontario Announces a New Social Gaming Licence for Casual Game Play](#)

Please consider sending the bulletins above to your colleagues and/or the service clubs you licence.

While there are some similarities, there are several important distinctions between these two initiatives. **Most importantly, the progressive jackpot raffle is a charitable fundraising opportunity, whereas the social gaming licence primary purpose is social gaming.** Please see the chart below for a summary of the differences.

Topic	Progressive Jackpot Raffle	Social Gaming Licence

What is it?	A new kind of progressive raffle (sometimes called “loonie-toonie”)	A new licence for a wide variety of social, small stakes, commonly played games (e.g. cribbage, bridge, bingo)
Licensing Authority	Issued by municipalities and First Nations with an OIC	Issued exclusively by the AGCO
Availability	Applicants may start to contact their municipal licensing office or First Nations with an OIC for information about application requirements and the process for approvals.	Available in iAGCO as of December 2, 2021
Application	Uses existing Blanket Raffle Licence application or amendments to existing Blanket Raffle Licences	Uses a new online application process in iAGCO.
Eligibility	Available to eligible service clubs only (as defined by the LLPM section 2.7.4(f)(i) and determined by the licensing authority)	Available to service clubs, individuals, charities or other organizations seeking to host casual social gaming events. * This licence is not intended for private homes or liquor licensed establishments except Legions and service clubs
Fees	Up to 3% licensing fee as per the Blanket Raffle Licence	No fee applies. This licence is free.
Charitable Purpose	Fundraising opportunity (50% of proceeds up to a maximum of \$50K prize board per licence)	NOT a fundraising opportunity for applicants
Expenses	Allowable expenses as established in LLPM	Up to \$50 per day can be allocated for event costs only
Prizes	Progressive raffle (must-go at \$2500)	Single day gaming limit is \$500
Ticket Limits	Per ticket price limit is \$1 for daily or \$2 for weekly draw	Bet limit is \$2 per person
Compliance Documents	Existing Terms & Conditions and Lottery Report Form for blanket raffle licence apply with some modifications	New Terms and Conditions published

Please note that these activities are subject to provincial public health restrictions under

the Reopening Ontario Act, including gathering limits, as well as any additional local public restrictions implemented by municipalities and/or Medical Officers of Health.

For more information:

- See the Attached [Progressive Jackpot Raffle Q&A](#) Document
- See the Attached [Social Gaming Licence Q&A](#) Document
- See [Social Gaming Licence Terms and Conditions](#)
- See the December 2, 2021 Ontario Government [News Release](#) on these announcements
- Submit your questions online at www.agco.ca/iAGCO. You do not need an iAGCO account to do so.
- Email AGCO at municipal@agco.ca
- Call AGCO Customer Service at 416-326-8700 or toll-free in Ontario at 1-800-522-2876 Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET



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