

Raffles:

Lotteries that are conducted for charitable/philanthropic purposes will be exempt from the requirement to obtain a permit/licence, provided that

- the total value of the prizes is €1,000 or less,
- the price of each ticket is €5 or less,
- the maximum number of tickets sold is 1,500, and
- the promoter does not receive a personal profit and has not conducted such a charitable lottery during the previous 3 months.

FAQ's

Can I raffle my house/car for the Irish Cancer Society?

No, the Irish Cancer Society does not participate in or promote private property raffles or lotteries

Do I need a permit for a draw or raffle at a fundraising event?

You do not need a Licence (or Permit) for a draw/raffle held for charitable or philanthropic purposes only.

The following conditions would apply:

- the total prize amount is no more than €1,000; Applying for a Lottery Licence 9
- the maximum ticket price is €5;
- no more than 1,500 tickets are sold;
- the promotor of the lottery has not conducted a similar "no Permit" lottery within the previous three months.

I want to run a lottery to help promote my product, do I need to apply for a Lottery Licence?

The 2019 Gaming and Lotteries (Amendment) Act inserts a new section 27A into the original 1956 Act to provide that a lottery that does not require a Licence or the purposes of marketing or selling a particular product.

The following conditions would apply:

- the total value of the prizes is not more than €2,500;

there is no charge for taking part in the lottery, other than the cost of purchasing the product if such is required, and: no additional charge is required for the redemption of a prize, e.g. a communications charge greater than a standard call.

More detailed information for lotteries & raffles can be found at :

https://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Lottery_Licence_Information_Note.pdf/Files/Lottery_Licence_Information_Note.pdf