

The Longmont Moose Lodge 1548 respectfully requests a change to the current Colorado Raffle Rules and Regulations. Currently there are no rules or regulations allowing a progressive raffle, we would like to have the rules changed or amended to allow such a raffle.

The name of the Raffle is "Queen of Hearts" and is played by having 52 playing cards dealt face down and placed on a board. The board is secured to the wall and a piece of Plexiglas covers the cards and is locked. Tickets are sold at \$1.00 each or six (6) tickets for \$5.00, tickets are sold during the week and once a week a ticket is drawn, the player must be present to win. At the (posted) specified time and date a raffle ticket is drawn from a hopper and the holder of that raffle ticket will win a percentage of the total of all money collected that week and allowed to turn over one card on the board. If that card is the Queen of Hearts the winner will receive a percentage of all money collected for that game. The money collected each week will be divided in the following manner: Lodge 40%, Jackpot 40%, and weekly winner 20%.

Example:

**Week One:** Total money collected from raffle tickets sold that week \$200.00. A name is drawn from the hopper and that winner receives \$40.00 and is allowed to turn over a card. \$80.00 goes to the Lodge and \$80.00 goes to the jackpot. If the queen of Hearts is not turned over the case is closed and locked and all remaining tickets are disposed.

**Week Two:** Total money collected from raffle tickets sold that week \$251.00. A name is drawn from the hopper and the winner receives \$51.00 and is allowed to turn over one card. \$100.00 goes to the Lodge; \$100.00 goes to the Jackpot. The queen of Hearts is not turned over the case is closed and locked and all remaining tickets are disposed.

**Week Three:** Total money collected from raffle tickets sold that week \$277.00. A name is drawn from the hopper and that winner receives \$56.00 and is allowed to turn over a card. \$110.50 goes to the Lodge and \$110.50 goes to the Jackpot. At this time the Lodge has received \$290.50 and the Jackpot has grown to \$290.50.

**Week Ten:** Total money collected from raffle tickets sold that week \$295.00. A name is drawn from the hopper and the winner receives \$59.00 and is allowed to turn over one card. \$118.00 goes to the Lodge; \$118.00 goes to the Jackpot.

By this time the Jackpot has grown to \$1,376.00, and there has been a total of \$612.00 paid out in weekly prizes, if the Queen of Hearts is turned over the total amount of prize money \$1,988.00 (\$612.00 weekly winners plus \$1,376.00) will have been paid out during this game.

As you can see this violates the current Rules and Regulations. 1. A raffle cannot exceed \$1,000.00 without: (a) having raffle tickets approved by the State prior to the sale of raffle tickets; (b) the prizes must be in the possession of raffle owner prior to raffle tickets being sold. Since the total of prizes to be given out has not been collected or determined it is impossible to own the prize(s) prior to the start of the Raffle.

We are asking that the Colorado Secretary of State change or amend the current Rules and Regulations governing Raffles and allow a Progressive Raffle that would more closely follow the Rules and Regulations for Progressive Bingo. 1. The total dollar limit of prizes could exceed the current \$1,000.00 limit without prior approval of the State; 2. Eliminate having pre-printed tickets approved by the Colorado Secretary of State's office prior to the sale of raffle tickets. And 3. Since there will be a weekly winner and all players purchasing tickets that week would have an equal chance of winning; we also request that raffle tickets sold that week be disposed of after a weekly winner has been selected and a card turned over.

If you have any questions or comments please contact me at email:  
[REDACTED] or call me at [REDACTED] (cell phone).

Sincerely,

Rick Johnson