



RAFFLES (INSTANT LOTTERY) REGULATIONS 1998

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RAFFLESACT

[3rd August 1998]

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred on him by Section 7 of the Raffles Act (Cap. 169), the Minister of Police makes the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Raffles (Instant Lottery) Regulations 1998.
2. In these Regulations —

“Instant Lottery” means a game available for entry by the public through the purchase of tickets whereby prizes and prize winners are determined by scratching or otherwise revealing details on the tickets.
3. Before a licence to conduct any instant lottery shall be granted, the applicant shall furnish to the Minister of Police the following information:
 - (a) a description of the instant lottery;
 - (b) the term during which the instant lottery is proposed (including whether there are to be any options for renewal);
 - (c) the matters described in section 3 of the Raffles Act.

4. Tickets shall not be sold at a price other than the price declared in the application.
5. The method and place whereby prize winners may collect prizes shall be made public through at least one local newspaper prior to the commencement of the lottery.
6. In case of any dispute or protest relating to any prize, the decision of the licence holder shall be final.
7. The Minister of Police shall issue a licence to conduct an instant lottery setting out any conditions that Cabinet may deem fit to impose.

Made at Nuku'alofa this 28th day of July, 1998.

Minister of Police

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(These notes do not form part of the Regulations but is intended only to explain its general purpose.)

1. These regulations are to regulate the operation of scratch lotto in the Kingdom.
2. Clause 2 defines “instant lottery”.
3. Clause 3 sets out the requirements that must be met before a licence to conduct an instant lottery is granted.
4. Clause 4 ensures that the tickets are sold only for the price declared in the application of a licence.
5. Clause 5 stipulates notice must be given regarding the places prizes may be collected.
6. Clause 6 ensures the decision of the licence holder in the event of a dispute over prizes is final.
7. Clause 7 sets out that a licence to conduct an instant lottery will be issued by the Minister of Police which will have conditions that Cabinet may impose.

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