

CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION
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INTERIM APPROVAL OF CARD-MINDING DEVICES
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TITLE 4. BUSINESS REGULATIONS.
DIVISION 18. CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION.

CHAPTER 8. BINGO.

ARTICLE 2. BINGO EQUIPMENT, DEVICES AND SUPPLIES.

Section 12486. Approval of Card-Minding Devices.

(a) Beginning January 1, 2009, any card-minding device that is used in the play of any bingo game, as described in subdivision (p) of section 326.5 of the Penal Code, shall be approved by the Commission in advance as meeting the requirements of section 326.5. An interim approval process is established to further the legislative intent of avoiding disruption of fundraising efforts by nonprofit organizations as expressed in Business and Professions Code section 19850.6. Until such time as the Commission establishes in regulation specific additional criteria for the approval of card-minding devices, interim approval may be obtained from the Commission pursuant to this section, subject to the following conditions:

(1) An interim approval shall be valid for one year from the date it is granted by the Commission or until regulations specifying additional criteria for card-minding devices become effective, whichever is later.

(2) An interim approval does not obligate the Commission to grant a regular approval and does not create a vested right in the holder to either an extension of the interim approval or to the granting of a subsequent regular approval.

(3) An interim approval does not in any way change the legal requirement that the applicant bears the burden of establishing that a specific device is manufactured to be used in compliance with all of the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (p) of section 326.5 of the Penal Code.

(4) Issuance of an interim approval concerning a specific card-minding device has no bearing on the question of whether the manufacturer of the device, or any affiliated person, will qualify for issuance of any Commission permit, registration, or license. Any interim approval will be cancelled in the event that the manufacturer of the device is subsequently determined to be ineligible for licensure.

(5) If, during the term of an interim approval, it is determined that any particular card-minding device is not qualified for approval, the Executive Director shall prepare an order to show cause why that device's interim approval should not be cancelled. The manufacturer of the device shall be given at least 30 days, but not more than 90 days, to respond in writing. After receipt of the manufacturer's response, or if the manufacturer fails to respond within the specified time, the matter shall be set for consideration at a noticed Commission meeting. The manufacturer may address the Commission by way of an oral statement at the Commission meeting and, either in writing not less than ten days prior to the meeting or at the meeting itself, may request an evidentiary hearing. Any evidentiary hearing shall be conducted in accordance with applicable provisions of subsection (b) of Section 12050 of this division.

(b) A specific model of card-minding device and its designated software version shall be deemed approved on an interim basis by the Commission if the following requirements are satisfied:

(1) The chief executive officer or other authorized representative of the business entity that manufactures the card-minding device certifies under penalty of perjury using the form "Application for Interim Approval of Bingo Card-Minding Device," CGCC-615 (~~New 11/08~~[Rev. 05/09](#)), which is attached in Appendix A to this chapter, that the specific model and its designated software version satisfies all the requirements set out in Penal Code section 326.5(p)(1)(A-D) and (2)(A-D). An application fee of \$50 for each specified model and its designated software version for which approval is being requested shall accompany the application.

(2) The Commission has issued an interim approval for the specified model and its designated software version, having found that the certification has satisfied the requirements of this section.

(c) Any material change in the software used in a previously approved card-minding device shall require application for approval of the subject model and its revised software version, as provided in subsection (b)(1), and approval by a designated member of the Commission staff.

(d) When using any card-minding device, players shall manually input or daub each individual number or symbol announced by a live caller into the individual player-operated units or components of the device; automatic daubing shall not be permitted. Any card-

minding device possessing automatic daubing capabilities shall have that capability disabled as a condition of approval.

(e) Each application for interim approval shall be reviewed and, if found to be complete and correct, shall be set for consideration at a noticed Commission meeting. If the application does not satisfy the requirements of this section, the manufacturer shall be provided a written list of deficiencies.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 19850.5 and 19850.6, Business and Professions Code; Sections 326.3 and 326.5, Penal Code. Reference: Sections 19850.5 and, 19850.6, Business and Professions Code; Sections 326.3 and 326.5, Penal Code.

APPENDIX A

**APPLICATION FOR INTERIM APPROVAL
OF BINGO CARD-MINDING DEVICE**

CGCC-615 (New 11/08)



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APPLICATION FOR INTERIM APPROVAL OF BINGO CARD-MINDING DEVICE
 CGCC-615 (Rev. 05/09)

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12482 and California Penal Code (PC) section 326.5(p)(3), the California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) shall approve in advance any card-minding device to be used in the play of any bingo game. Card-minding devices must be both portable and hand-held, must meet all requirements indicated in PC section 326.5(p)(1)(A-D), and must not perform any of the functions indicated in PC section 326.5(p)(2)(A-D). Stationary devices are prohibited pursuant to PC section 326.5.

Send the completed *Application for Interim Approval of Bingo Card-minding Device* form with a **\$ 50.00** application fee for each card-minding device model and its designated software version to: California Gambling Control Commission, 2399 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 220, Sacramento, CA 95833-4231. Please make all checks payable to the California Gambling Control Commission.

APPROVAL TYPE		
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial Approval	<input type="checkbox"/> Modification of Commission-Approved Device	
SECTION 1a – MANUFACTURER BUSINESS INFORMATION		
Name of Business		
Principal Place of Business Address		
Mailing Address (If different than business address)		
Telephone Number ()	Fax Number ()	Website Address (If any)
Name of Contact Person		Title
Telephone Number ()	Fax Number ()	E-mail Address (If any)
SECTION 1b – MANUFACTURER LICENSE INFORMATION		
If additional space is needed, please attach a listing of the requested information on a separate sheet of paper.		
Has the business been licensed with any gaming agency including any other State, City, County, Federal, Country, or Tribal agency? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If yes, please list the gaming agency and the license, certificate, registration, etc. information below.		
Gaming Agency Name	License Number	Expiration Date

SECTION 2 – CARD-MINDING DEVICE INFORMATION

Complete the information below for each card-minding device model and its designated software version you are certifying as meeting the requirements indicated in PC 326.5(p)(1) and (2). Any material change in the software used in a previously approved card-minding device requires a modification approval. If you are requesting interim approval of more than four devices, please make an additional copy of this page and attach to the application.

Model Name	Model Number	
Software (Firmware) Version	Software (Firmware) Build Date	
Answer the following questions regarding the card-minding device model and its designated software version listed above.		
1. Is the <u>this device</u> model a both hand-held, <u>and</u> portable device ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Has this <u>device</u> model and software version been previously tested and certified by an independent laboratory? If yes, attach copies of certification documents.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Is this device model and its designated software version capable of automatic daubing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Complete only if you answered "Yes" to question 3.</i>		
4. Can the automatic daubing function be disabled?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Model Name	Model Number	
Software (Firmware) Version	Software (Firmware) Build Date	
Answer the following questions regarding the card-minding device model and its designated software version listed above.		
1. Is the <u>this device</u> model a both hand-held, <u>and</u> portable device ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Has this <u>device</u> model and software version been previously tested and certified by an independent laboratory? If yes, attach copies of certification documents.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Is this device model and its designated software version capable of automatic daubing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Complete only if you answered "Yes" to question 3.</i>		
4. Can the automatic daubing function be disabled?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Model Name	Model Number	
Software (Firmware) Version	Software (Firmware) Build Date	
Answer the following questions regarding the card-minding device model and its designated software version listed above.		
1. Is the <u>this device</u> model a both hand-held, <u>and</u> portable device ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Has this <u>device</u> model and software version been previously tested and certified by an independent laboratory? If yes, attach copies of certification documents.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Is this device model and its designated software version capable of automatic daubing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Complete only if you answered "Yes" to question 3.</i>		
4. Can the automatic daubing function be disabled?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Model Name	Model Number	
Software (Firmware) Version	Software (Firmware) Build Date	
Answer the following questions regarding the card-minding device model and its designated software version listed above.		
1. Is the <u>this device</u> model a both hand-held, <u>and</u> portable device ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Has this <u>device</u> model and software version been previously tested and certified by an independent laboratory? If yes, attach copies of certification documents.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Is this device model and its designated software version capable of automatic daubing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Complete only if you answered "Yes" to question 3.</i>		
4. Can the automatic daubing function be disabled?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

SECTION 3 – CERTIFICATION / SIGNATURE

An authorized representative of the manufacturer must sign on behalf of the business.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that I have personally completed this form and know that the contents thereof, the information contained herein and in any attachments, is true, accurate, and complete. I also certify that any card-minding device and its designated software version indicated on this form meets the requirements of PC 326.5(p) and understand that the interim approval is subject to the following conditions:

- (1) An interim approval shall be valid for one year from the date it is granted by the Commission or until regulations specifying additional criteria for card-minding devices become effective, whichever is later.*
- (2) An interim approval does not obligate the Commission to grant a regular approval and does not create a vested right in the holder to either an extension of the interim approval or to the granting of a subsequent regular approval.*
- (3) An interim approval does not in any way change the legal requirement that the applicant bears the burden of establishing that a specific device complies with all of the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (p) of section 326.5 of the Penal Code.*
- (4) Issuance of an interim approval concerning a specific card-minding device has no bearing on the question of whether the manufacturer of the device, or any affiliated person, will qualify for issuance of any Commission permit, registration, or license. Any interim approval will be cancelled in the event that the manufacturer of the device is subsequently determined to be ineligible for licensure.*
- (5) If, during the term of an interim approval, it is determined that any particular card-minding device is not qualified for approval, the Executive Director shall prepare an order to show cause why that device's interim approval should not be cancelled. The manufacturer of the device shall be given at least 30 days to respond in writing. After receipt of the manufacturer's response, the matter shall be set for consideration at a noticed Commission meeting. The manufacturer may address the Commission by way of an oral statement at the Commission meeting and, either in writing not less than ten days prior to the meeting or at the meeting itself, may request an evidentiary hearing.*
- (6) Any card-minding device and its designated software version that possess an automatic daubing capability shall have that capability disabled.*

Name of Individual Completing this Application (<i>typed or printed</i>)	Title
Signature	Date