

**CHAPTER 1108a. GAMING SERVICE PROVIDERS**

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**Authority**

The provisions of this Chapter 1108a added under 4 Pa.C.S. §§ 3301(a) and (b)(30) and 3302, unless otherwise noted.

**Source**

The provisions of this Chapter 1108a added August 20, 2021, effective August 21, 2021, 51 Pa.B. 5207, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 1108a.1. Gaming service providers.**

(a) A gaming service provider providing goods or services to a terminal operator licensee that directly relates to the operation and security of a video gaming terminal or redemption terminal shall apply to the Board to be registered as a gaming service provider.

(b) A gaming service provider seeking registration shall complete a Gaming Service Provider Registration Form. The original copy and the fee toward the cost of the investigation of the applicant posted on the Board's web site shall be submitted to the Bureau of Licensing by the terminal operator applicant or licensee for whom the gaming service provider will provide goods or services unless otherwise directed by the Bureau of Licensing.

(c) In addition to the materials required under subsection (b), an applicant for a gaming service provider registration shall do all of the following:

(1) Submit the nonrefundable application fee posted on the Board's web site.

(2) Submit fingerprints of the following individuals in a manner prescribed by the Bureau:

(i) Each officer and director of the registered gaming service provider applicant. For purposes of this paragraph, "officer" means a president, a chief executive officer, a chief financial officer and a chief operating officer, and any person routinely performing corresponding functions with respect to an organization whether incorporated or unincorporated.

(ii) Each individual who has a direct or indirect ownership or beneficial interest of 10% or more in the registered gaming service provider applicant.

(iii) Each salesperson of a registered gaming service provider applicant who solicits business from, or has regular contact with, any representatives of a terminal operator applicant or licensee.

(d) A person who holds any direct or indirect ownership or beneficial interest in a registered gaming service provider or applicant for gaming service provider

registration, or has the right to any profits or distributions directly or indirectly, from the registered gaming service provider or applicant for gaming service provider registration may be required to submit fingerprints if the Bureau determines that the submission of fingerprints of the person is necessary to protect the public interest or to enhance the integrity of gaming in this Commonwealth.

(e) Each of the individuals required to submit fingerprints under subsection (b)(2) must be found qualified by the Board.

(f) A gaming service provider registration will not be issued until all fees and costs have been paid.

#### Cross References

This section cited in 58 Pa. Code § 1108a.2 (relating to interim authorization).

### § 1108a.2. Interim authorization.

(a) Notwithstanding § 1108a.1 (relating to gaming service providers), the Bureau of Licensing may authorize an applicant for a gaming service provider registration to conduct business with a terminal operator applicant or licensee prior to the registration of the gaming service provider applicant if all of the following criteria are met:

(1) A completed Gaming Service Provider Registration application has been filed by the gaming service provider.

(2) The terminal operator applicant or licensee contracting or doing business with the gaming service provider certifies that it has performed due diligence on the gaming service provider and believes that the applicant meets the qualification to be a gaming service provider under 4 Pa.C.S. Part III (relating to video gaming) and § 1108a.1.

(3) The applicant for gaming service provider registration agrees, in writing, that the grant of interim authorization to conduct business prior to Board approval of registration does not create a right to continue to conduct business if the Board determines that the applicant is not suitable or continued authorization is not in the public interest.

(b) If the Office of Enforcement Counsel issues a Notice of Recommendation for Denial to an applicant for registration, the Bureau of Licensing may rescind the permission granted to the applicant to conduct business with a terminal operator applicant or licensee under subsection (a). If the permission is rescinded, the applicant for registration shall cease conducting business with the terminal operator applicant or licensee by the date specified in the notice of the rescission by the Bureau of Licensing under subsection (c).

(c) The Bureau of Licensing will notify the applicant and the terminal operator applicant or licensee by registered and electronic mail that permission to conduct business with the terminal operator applicant or licensee under subsection (a) has been rescinded and that the terminal operator applicant or licensee shall cease conducting business with the applicant by the date specified in the notice.

**§ 1108a.3. Emergency gaming service provider.**

(a) A terminal operator licensee may utilize a gaming service provider that is not registered when a threat to public health, welfare or safety exists, or circumstances outside the control of the terminal operator licensee require immediate action to mitigate damage or loss to the licensee's video gaming terminals.

(b) When using a gaming service provider that is not registered to conduct business to respond to an emergency, the terminal operator licensee shall do all of the following:

(1) Immediately notify the Board's Bureau of Casino Compliance and Bureau of Licensing of the emergency and the gaming service provider that was selected to provide emergency services.

(2) File a Gaming Service Provider Emergency Notification Form with the Bureau of Licensing within 72 hours after commencement of the gaming service provider's services and a written explanation of the basis for the procurement of the emergency gaming service provider.

(c) If the terminal operator licensee continues to utilize the gaming service provider after the emergency circumstances have passed or if the Bureau of Licensing determines that the circumstances did not necessitate the use of an emergency gaming service provider, the gaming service provider shall comply with the requirements in this chapter.

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