Class B Social Occasion Casino Gaming Licence Application Guide

This guide will provide you with step-by-step instructions on how to complete an application for a Class B gaming event licence using the Gaming Online Service (GOS). Some common errors will be pointed out; however, you are responsible for reading and understanding the Licensed Charitable Gaming Rules for your event before applying.

Applying for a licence and reading through this document should take 15-30 minutes.

Throughout the application process, you'll see clickable 'Help' or 'Question Mark' icons: . Clicking these symbols will open another window with more information.

The 'Help' icons located at the top right-hand corner of each screen will show you general government help information. The 'Help' icons located within the Online Service pages will give you additional information and/or tips related to the subject matter at hand.

The Licensed Charitable Gaming Rules can be found on the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch website at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/gambling-fundraising/gambling-licence-fundraising/documents-forms.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact the Licensing Division at gaming.licensing@gov.bc.ca or 250.387.5311 ext. 1.

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1. Before you start your online application

Before starting a licence application, familiarize yourself with important, related information, including: organization eligibility; prize restrictions; eligible uses of net gaming proceeds; application processing times and more.

The above information is available on the Gambling Event Fundraising page on the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch (GPEB) website (https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/gambling-fundraising/gambling-licence-fundraising).

Additional notes about completing your online application:

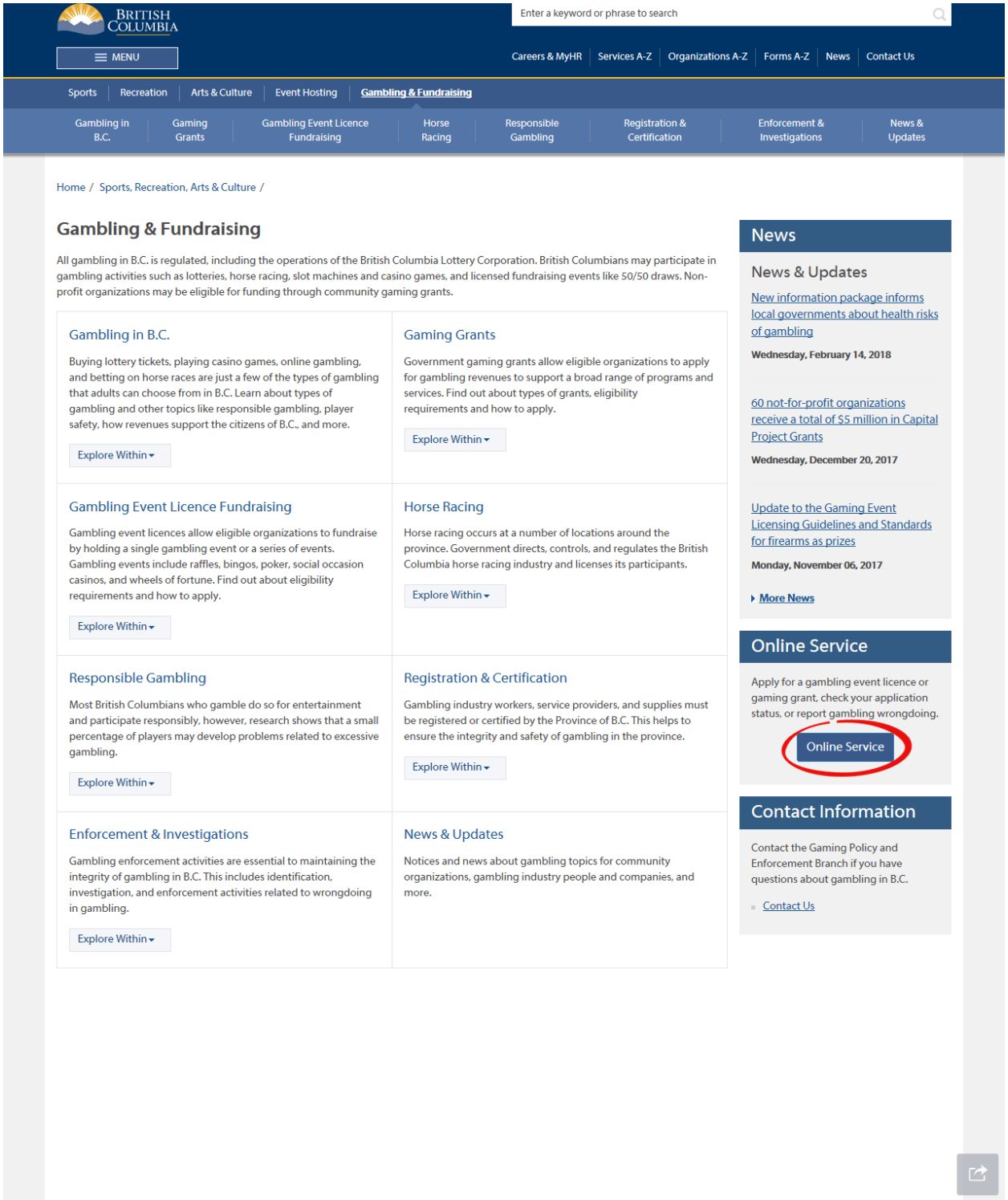
- You must complete your application in one session; you cannot save your application and return to it later.
- Most applicants will be able to complete their application in under 30 minutes if they have prepared ahead of time.
- Please be aware that you may run into issues if you take longer than 30 minutes to complete your application.
- We recommend applicants use a Windows-based computer with the Google Chrome web browser. Applicants may experience submission problems when using other web browsers such as Internet Explorer or Firefox
- Do not click your web browser back button or refresh button while completing your application.
- Do not copy and paste from other documents into the application fields.
- Application fields that allow for multiple lines of text have limits of 4,000 characters including spaces and punctuation.

Uploading Documents:

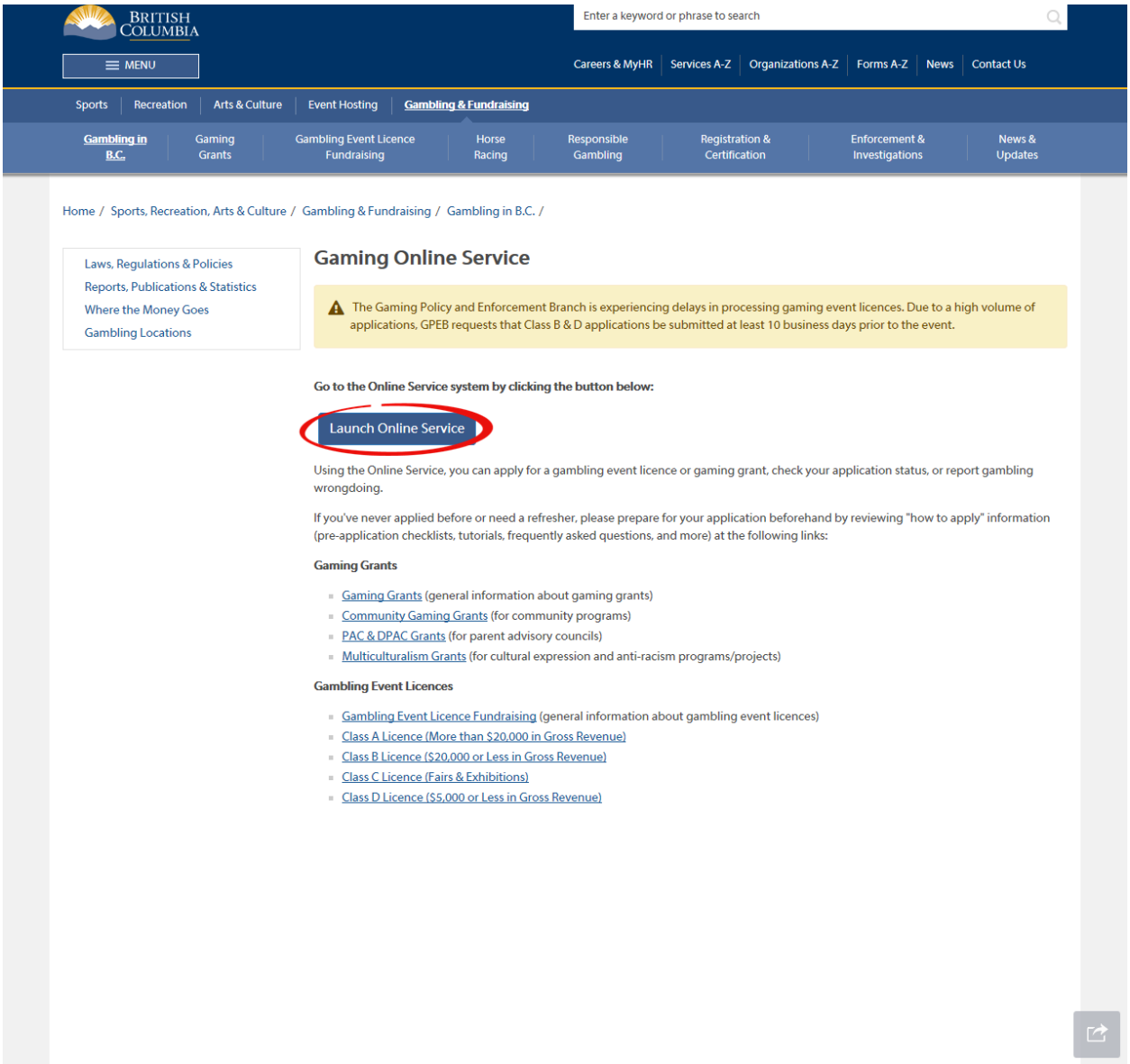
- Make sure that any supporting documents you attach are in one of the following formats:
  - DOC, DOCX, XLS, XLSX, PDF, JPG
  - Each attachment should have a file extension matching one of the above; attachments with other formats are not accepted and may cause errors.
- Electronic copies of physical documents can be made by any of the following methods:
  - Scanning the document using a scanner.
  - Taking a digital photo of the document and saving it as a JPG file.
  - Using a PDF scanner app available on most smart phones.

2. Visit the GPEB website and click on the "Online Service" link

You can start a licence application by visiting the GPEB website at www.gov.bc.ca/gambling. Look for and click the "Online Service" link as shown below.



3. Click "Launch Online Service" on the Gaming Online Service web page



4. Click "Gaming Licences" on the Online Service web page

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Gaming Online Service (GOS)

Online Service

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Welcome!

Use the left hand navigation bar to start an online application or to select another service option. An overview of the options is provided below. If you have a Business BCeID that has been registered for use with the Gaming Online Service, scroll to the bottom of this page to Additional Services for Organizations with a BCeID.

Apply Online

Select one of the links under **Apply Online** on the left to submit community gaming grant and gaming event licence applications, or to request special approvals (out-of-province travel, capital project, and fair/exhibition). Some types of applications may take a while to complete. Please prepare for your grant or licence application by reviewing the Pre-Application Information for Gaming Grants or the Pre-Application Information for Gambling Event Licences before you start your online application.

View Application Status Reports

After you submit an application, you can track where it is in the approval process - select View Application Status Reports.

View Registry Reports

When you select View Registry Reports, a window will open for you to select one of three current gaming registry reports:

1. Personnel Registry - lists registered gaming workers in B.C.
2. Equipment Registry - lists certified gaming equipment and lottery schemes.
3. Corporate Registry - lists registered companies and senior officials in B.C.

File a Complaint

Select File a Criminal or Regulatory Complaint to submit a complaint or allegation of criminal or regulatory wrong-doing in gaming or horse racing in B.C. If you do not wish to file an official complaint under the Gaming Control Act but wish to submit feedback or have a question of a general nature, you can submit the question by sending an e-mail, see Contact Us.

Additional Services for Organizations with a BCeID

PLEASE NOTE:

The Gaming Online Service no longer supports the use of Business BCeID. Grants and Licensing applicants should not use their BCeID in their online application. You can submit your application without a BCeID here. For reporting questions related to your Gaming Account please contact either Community Gaming Grants or Gaming Policy and Enforcement Licensing.

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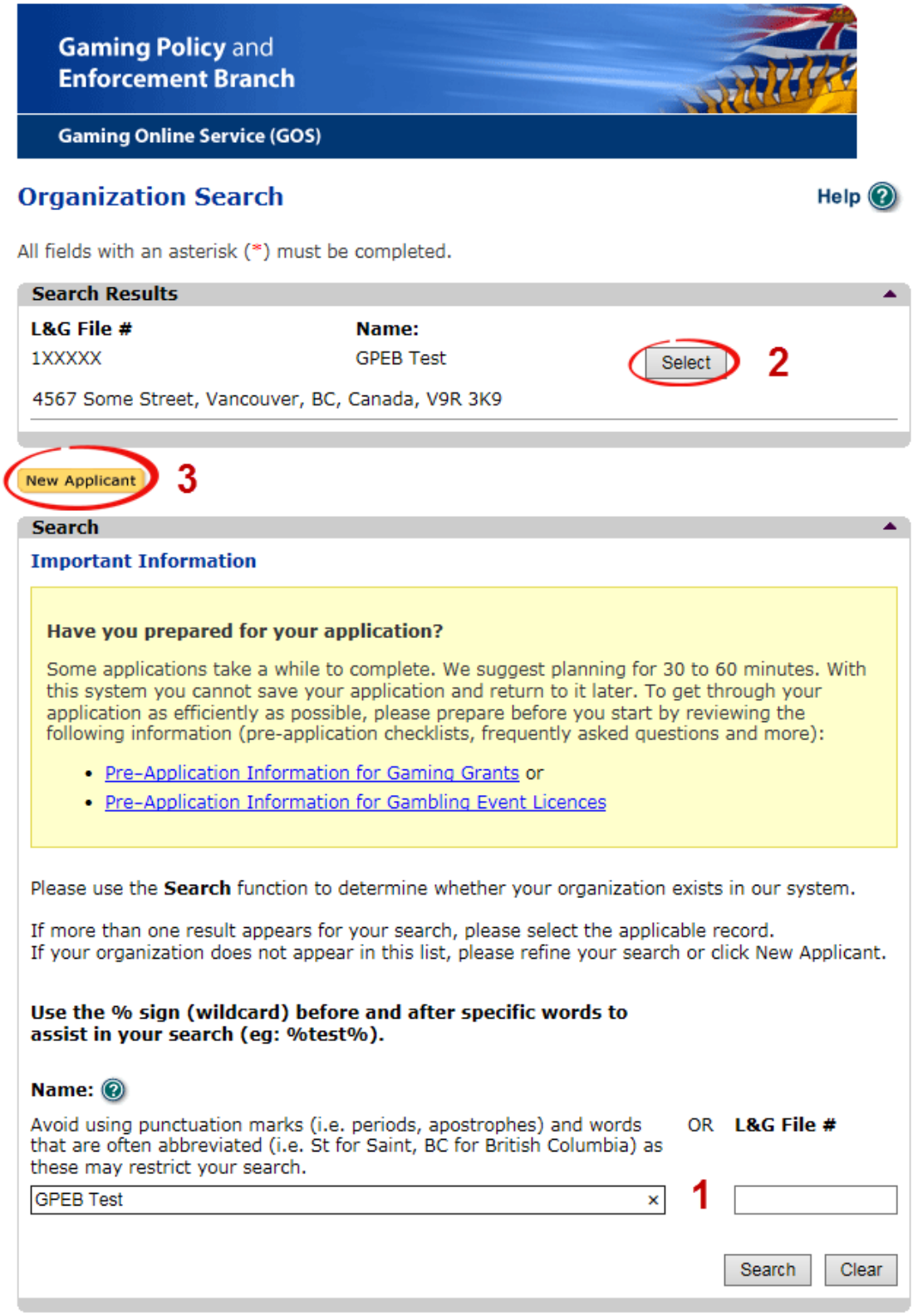
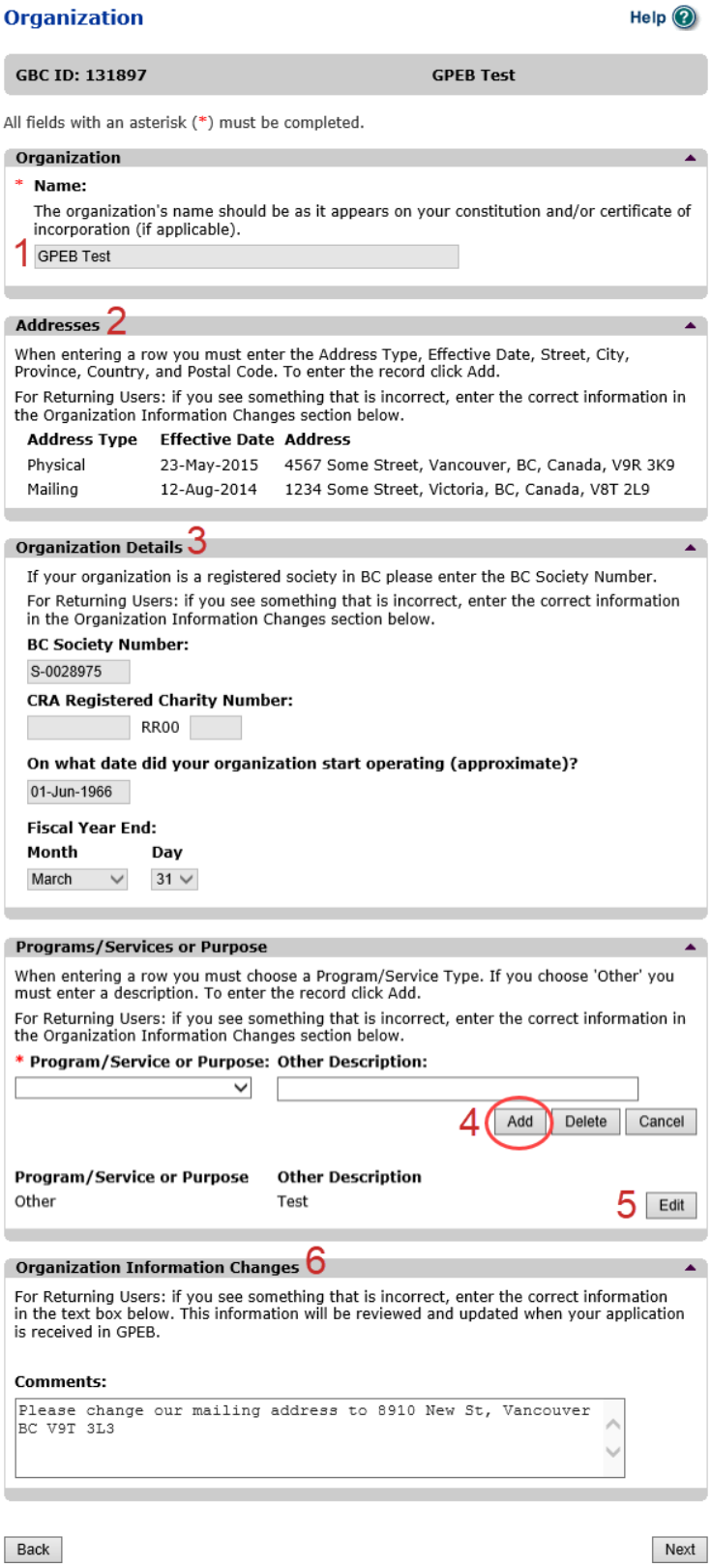
5. Search for the organization's profile or create a new one



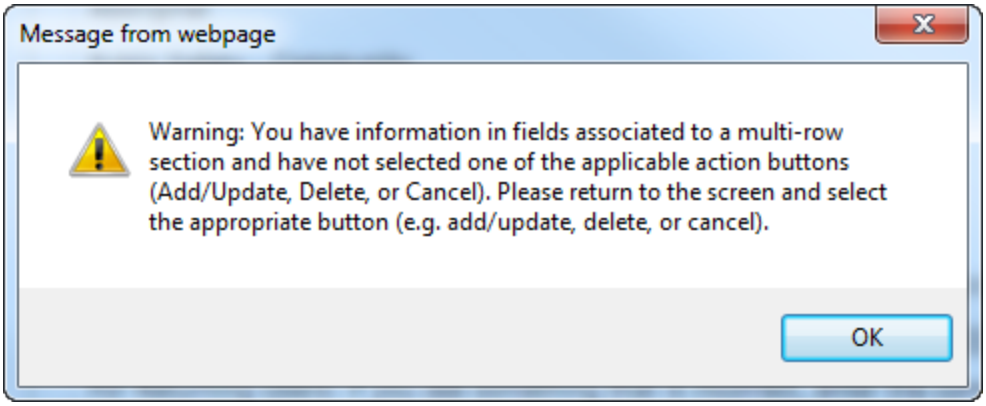
1	Organization Search	If the organization has applied before, enter the organization's name in the "Name" search bar or the organization's L&G number in the "L&G File #" bar if one has been issued and click on the "Search" box. **Not all organizations need or will be issued an L&G number.** If the organization is applying for the first time, enter the name you would like to use in the "Name" bar and click on the "Search" box.
2	Select Profile	If the organization's profile appears, click on the "Select" box. If you are returning and it doesn't appear, try searching for keywords surrounded by the percent character (%). E.g. %Rotary Club%
3	New Applicant	If it is the organization's first time applying and nothing appears, click on the yellow "New Applicant" button. If a profile appears, the name is in use. You will need to use a name unique to the organization.

6. Enter the organization's details

If you are returning, ensure that the information is correct and click "Next".



1	Organization Name	Enter the name of the organization. The name used must be the organization's legal name as it appears on the organization's Constitution or be unique to the organization if not incorporated.
2	Organization Address	Select "Physical" or "Mailing" from the address type menu and enter the organization's address information. You must add at least one address. Manually enter the date the organization started using this address or click the calendar icon to select a date. Click "Add" to upload the information. You will not be able to proceed unless you have clicked "Add".
3	Organization Details	Within this section you can enter the following: • B.C. Society Number • CRA Registered Charity Number • The date when your organization began operations; AND • The organization's fiscal year end month and date If you do not have the above information, you can leave the field blank.
4	Programs and Services	Select a program or service that best describes the organization from the drop down menu. If there isn't one, select "Other" and include a description in "Other Description". Click "Add" to upload the information. You will not be able to proceed unless you have clicked "Add".
5	Editing an Entry	Any entry with an "Add", "Delete", or "Cancel" option may be edited after clicking "Add". Click "Edit" and enter the new information. Click "Update" to load the changes. You will not be able to proceed unless you have clicked "Update".
6	Organization Information Changes	This box only appears for returning applicants. If you notice any errors with the organization information, or if the information has changed, you can request changes here.



Error Window	If this box ever appears during your application it means there is information in one of the areas with the “Add”, “Cancel”, or “Delete” options that has not been uploaded. All text boxes of these sections must be blank to leave the page. Clicking “Add” clears these boxes and uploads the information as an entry. “Delete” or “Cancel” clears the boxes.

7. Select Licence

Application Selection

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All fields with an asterisk (*) must be completed.

Application Type

*** Please select an Application Type**

○ Grant	Government gaming grants are available through the Community Gaming Grant Program which includes the Community Gaming Grant, Capital Project Grant, PAC and DPAC. Other, non-gaming grants may also be available.
◉ Licence	Gaming Event Licences to manage and conduct Ticket Raffles, Independent Bingos, Social Occasion Casinos, Wheels of Fortune, No Limit Texas Hold'em Poker, Limited Casinos, and Special Approvals (Fairs and Exhibitions, request to use gaming revenue for out-of-province travel and major capital projects).

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8. Select Class B Licence

Licence Type Selection

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Licence Types

Application processing times differ for each licence type. Estimated application processing times are available in the Guidelines for each licence type.

*** Please Select a Licence Type**

○ Class A	A Class A licence may be issued to an eligible organization for a gaming event or series of gaming events that will generate more than $20,000 in total projected sales. Each application for a Class A licence must be accompanied by a non-refundable $50 processing fee.
◉ Class B	A Class B licence may be issued to an eligible organization for a gaming event or series of gaming events that will generate $20,000 or less in total projected sales. Each application for a Class B licence must be accompanied by a $25 non-refundable processing fee.
○ Class C	A Class C licence may be issued to an eligible agricultural fair or exhibition, which must be conducted in conjunction with an approved fair or exhibition. Each application for a Class C licence must be accompanied by a non-refundable processing fee based on the following fee structure: - For a ticket raffle: $150 - For an independent bingo: $150 - For wheels of fortune and limited casino: $25 for each operator supplying equipment or gaming tables, plus $150 for the first wheel or table and $50 each additional wheel or table
○ Class D	A Class D licence may be issued for a gaming event or series of gaming events that will generate $5,000 or less in total projected sales. Each application for a Class D licence must be accompanied by a $10 non-refundable processing fee. Note: payment can only be made using a credit card, and must be paid during the process of submitting this application.
○ Special Approvals	Approval request forms (includes Fairs and Exhibitions, request to use gaming revenue for out-of-province travel and major capital projects).

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9. Select Social Occasion Casino

Event Selection

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Event Types

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*** Please select an Event Type**

○ Ticket Raffle	Tickets are sold on a chance to win a prize, usually through a draw.
○ Independent Bingo	Held in a community facility rather than a commercial bingo hall.
◉ Social Occasion Casino	Held in conjunction with a social event. For example, a dinner or dance sponsored by a community organization and the event is not open to the general public
○ Wheel of Fortune	Held in conjunction with a community event, such as a rodeo, community fair or sports event.
○ Poker Event	No Limit Texas Hold'em Poker.

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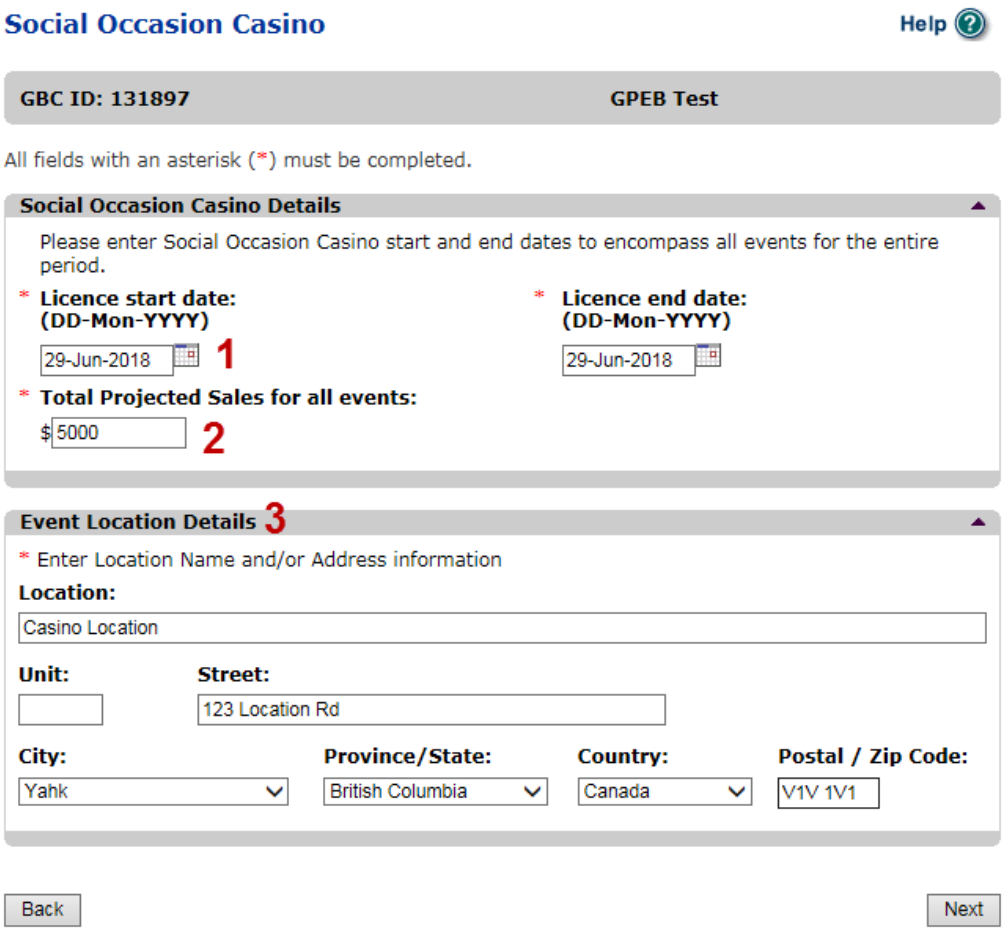
10. Enter the details of the event



1	Licence Period	The licence period is the first and last date a Social Occasion Casino may be held. Licences may be issued for up to 12 months, however all events must be entered on the following page at the time of application. Select the first and last date of an event manually or by clicking the calendar icon to select a date.
2	Total Projected Sales	The total projected sales are the maximum gross sales. You may sell less than this amount but you may not sell more.
3	Event Location	Enter the location name, address, city and postal code of the Social Occasion Casino event. Only one location may be used per licence.

Social Occasion Casino Events

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Social Occasion Casino Events

When entering a row you must enter the Event Type, Event Name, Start Date, Start Time, End Date, End Time, and one value must be entered for one of the game types. To enter the record click Add.

* **Event Type (e.g. A Social Occasion event would be dinner or dance etc., or a Wheel of Fortune could be a rodeo, community fair, sports event, etc.)**

Dinner and Dance

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* **Event Name:**

Vegas Night

* **Start date: (DD-Mon-YYYY)**

29-Jun-2018

* **Start time: (HH:MM)**

05 : 00 PM

2

* **End date: (DD-Mon-YYYY)**

29-Jun-2018

* **End time: (HH:MM)**

11 : 00 PM

* **Game Type:** **Number of Games: (Numeric Only)**

Game Type	Number of Games
Black Jack	3
Red Dog	
Wheel of Fortune	2

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Add Delete Cancel

Event Name: **Start date:** **End date:**

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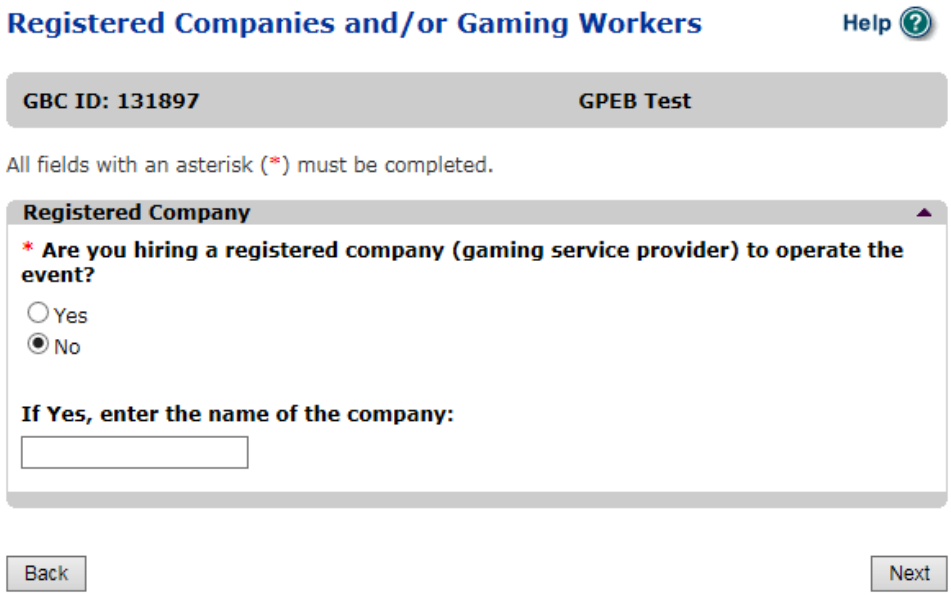
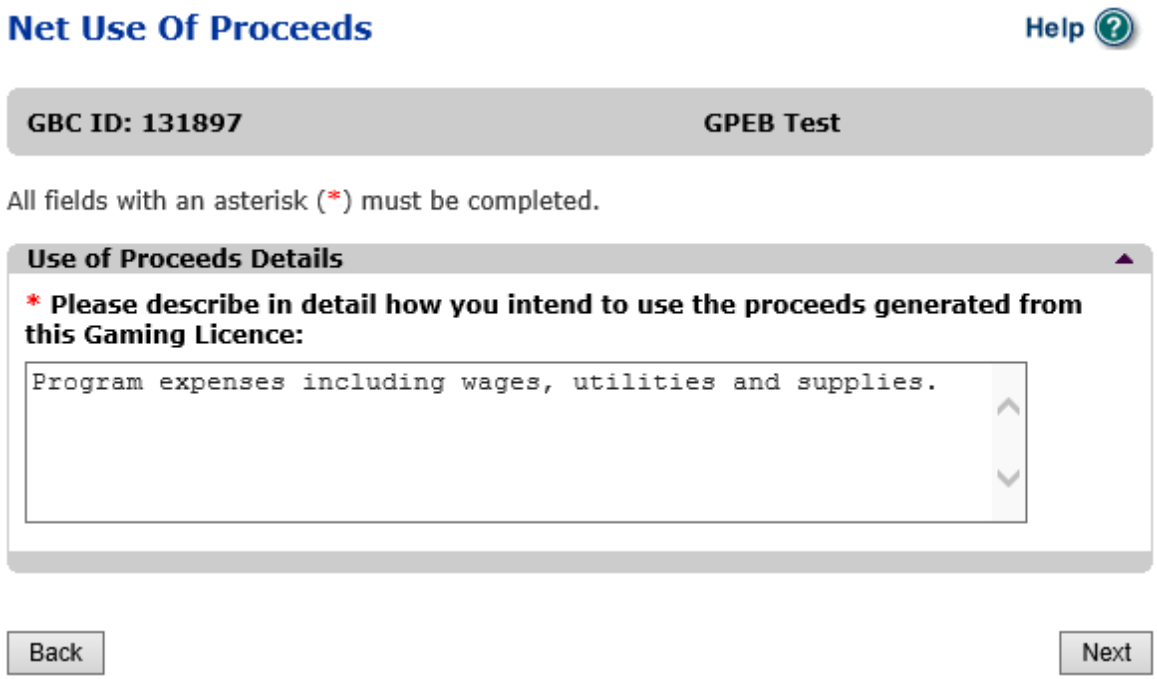
1	Event Type and Name	Social Occasion Casino licences may only be issued in conjunction with a social event such as a dance or benefit. Include the type of event, as well as the name of the particular event.
2	Event Start and End Time	Manually enter the date of the Social Occasion Casino or click the calendar icon to select a date. Include the hour and minutes.
3	Event Games	Enter the number of tables available for each type of game. Note: Only Black Jack, Red Dog, and Wheel of Fortune may be offered on a Social Occasion Casino licence. Poker requires a Class B Poker Event Licence. Other casino games, such as roulette, may not be licensed. Click “Add” to upload the information. You will not be able to proceed unless you have clicked “Add”. “Add” has not been clicked in this example for illustrative purposes. You would not be able to leave this screen with information in the text boxes as shown.



Indicate if a company is being hired to operate the event. Any person or business providing services to conduct a gaming event must be registered with the Gaming Policy and

Enforcement Branch as a Gaming Service Provider. Companies that are not registered are only permitted to rent equipment for a flat fee.

11. Describe the Use of Net Proceeds



12. Submit information of individuals responsible for the event

All fields with an asterisk (*) must be completed.

Officers Responsible

Each application requires a Contact Person, a Submitter and 2 or 3 Officers Responsible (e.g. 2 for A, B & C Licences and 3 for D Licences). Individuals can have multiple roles; simply select the checkboxes that apply when you are completing their information. If your projected sales exceed $250,000 your Officers Responsible must be registered.

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*Type

- ☐ **Officer Responsible** (board member of the organization who is responsible to ensure the organization complies with all conditions, guidelines, rules and policies of the Gaming Policy Enforcement Branch)
- ☐ **Submitter** (member of the organization authorized to complete and submit this application)
- ☐ **Contact Person** (member of the organization that the Branch can contact regarding this application)

*Position | *First Name | *Last Name

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Address

Unit | *Street | *Province (British Columbia) | *City | *Postal Code

*Business Phone | Ext | *Home Phone | Cell Phone

e-mail (e.g. John.Doe@home.com)

Add | Delete | Cancel

Position	Name	Officer Resp.	Submitter	Contact	
Chair	Applicant One	☑	☑	☑	Edit
President	Applicant One	☑	☐	☐	Edit

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Delivery Method

Your application results will be delivered via email. Please enter two email addresses below for notification.

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*Primary Contact email (one address only, e.g. john.doe@example.com)

*Alternate Contact email (one address only, e.g. john.doe@example.com)

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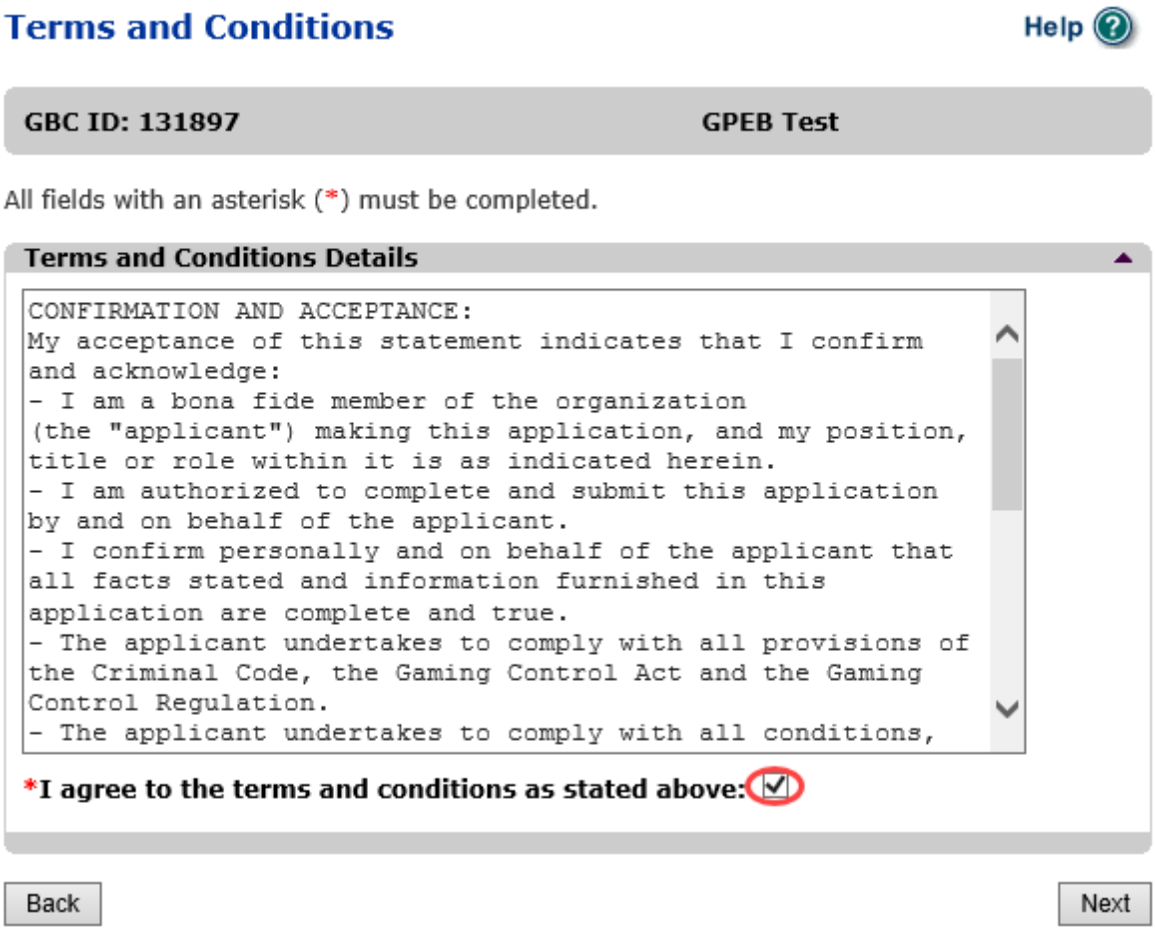
1	Roles	Click the box next to Officer Responsible, Submitter or Contact Person for each role that person will serve. Include their contact information and click “Add” to upload their information. The next individual’s information can then be entered. You will not be able to proceed unless you have clicked “Add”. Poker Applications: An additional Tournament Director role is required for Poker Event applications. The Tournament Director may be a volunteer from your organization or hired. If hired, they must be registered with the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch as a Gaming Service Provider.
2	Contact Information	Contact information for each individual must include: a position, first and last name, address, city, postal code and at least one business or home phone number.
3	Number of Members	The Officer Resp., Submitter and Contact columns must each have one box checked. Individuals can have one or multiple roles. Poker Applications: Tournament Dir. must have 1 box checked. If more or less than the required number of boxes have been checked you will not be able to proceed. Click on “Edit” to reopen a submission and add or remove a role from an individual.
4	Delivery Method	Enter the email address the licence and any correspondence will be delivered to. Up to two email addresses may be entered.

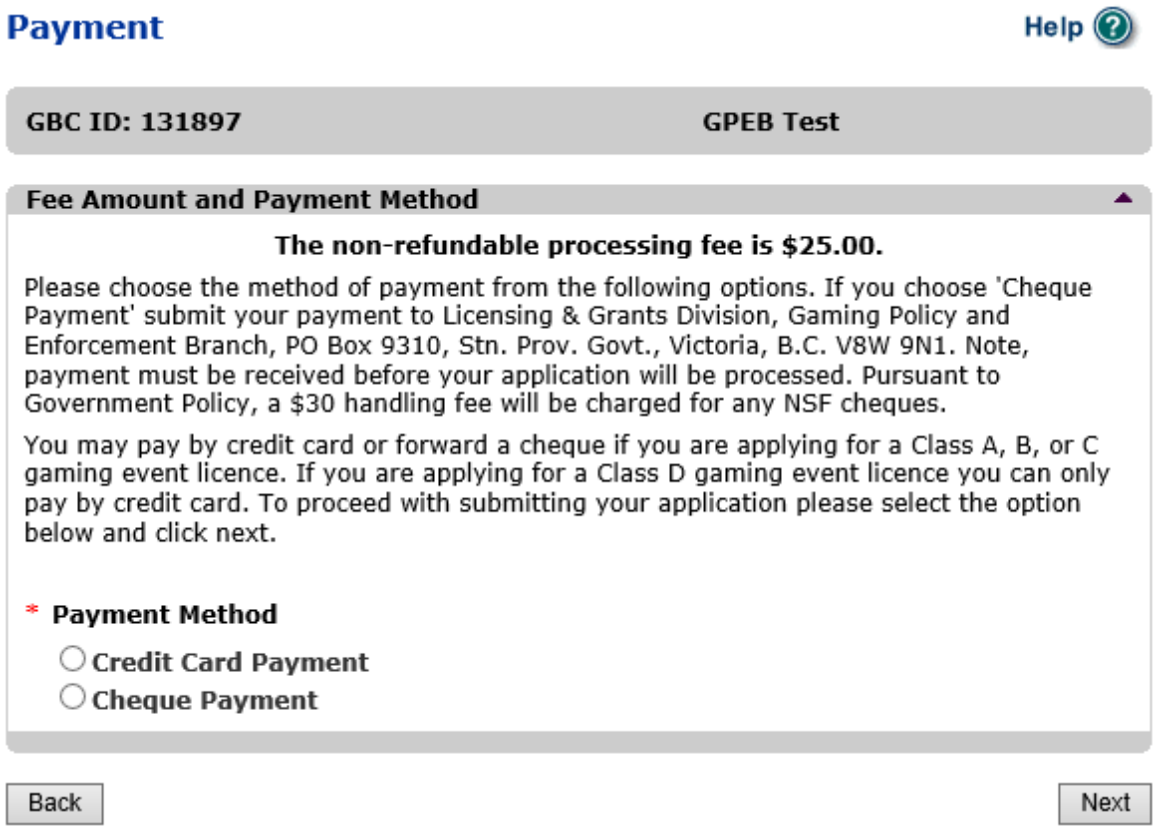
13. Read and agree to the Terms and Conditions

Click the check box to confirm you have read, and agree to, the Terms and Conditions.



14. Select how you will pay the processing fee

Class B applications require a $25 processing fee, payable by cheque or credit card.



1	Credit Card Payment	Credit card payments must be made at the time of application and cannot be paid later or over the phone.
2	Cheque Payment	Cheques must be made payable to “Minister of Finance” and mailed to the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch. Include the application number issued at the end of the application on the memo line. Processing an application will not begin until payment has been received.