Sports Pool House Rules Sample – Weekly

An event pool is where each ticket includes a pre-selected result of an upcoming event, or in the case of sports pools, a series of sporting events. The winner is determined by having the ticket with the selection closest to the actual event results.

Before a licence will be issued for this type of raffle, your organization must submit the house rules for the event. House Rules must include at a minimum:

- Specify the period or series of sport events covered by the pool. Sports pools cannot be based on the outcome of a single sporting event;
- The ticket sales period and deadline entries cut-off date must be clearly stated and received prior to the start of the event pool;
- The source of information or judge of the official result;
- How winners will be determined and the prizes that will be awarded. For sports pools, this would include how points accumulate;
- The process to be used to deal with ties (i.e., no ticket matching the winning result or other disputed results). Tie breakers must be based on the entry and not a random event; and
- A sample entry form demonstrating the predicted result is clearly stated.

Sample:

A series of 17 separate weekly Sports Pool raffles based on National Football League (NFL) Regular Games. Maximum of (number of tickets) entries available each week. Each weekly sports pool is held separately, with prizes awarded each week based on that week’s results.

Pick sheets are due one hour before the weekly Sports Pool period starts.

Each participant is given a sheet with a schedule of the current week’s scheduled games. The participant indicates the team they think will win each game and writes down the total number of points scored in the Monday Night Football game(s). The Monday Night Football game score will be used in the event of a tie.

Correctly selecting the winning team for each scheduled game: 5 points. The outcome of the games will be verified on NFL.com.

Total value of all prizes is 80% of gross ticket sales.

Weekly Prizes:

- First Place - 50%;
- Second Place - 20%; and
- Third Place - 10%.

In the event of a tie, the Monday Night Football game score will be used. The participant with the closest guess of the Monday Night Football score to actual result without going over wins the prize.