



Tribunals Service

Gambling

Fees Guidance Notes

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The fees for making an appeal to the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling) are contained in this booklet.

How can I pay the fee?

If you need to pay a fee, please include the full fee payment with your appeal to the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling). The Tribunal accepts payment by:

- Sterling Cheque drawn in a UK bank made payable to **The Tribunals Service**
- Credit card (Visa or MasterCard) Please contact the Tribunal if you wish to pay by this method.
- Debit Card (Switch, Delta, Maestro, Solo) Please contact the Tribunal if you wish to pay by this method.

You should fill in any details of your payment on section 10 of the notice of appeal form and enclose evidence where necessary.

I don't think I have to pay a fee to the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling)?

You will not be required to pay a fee to the Tribunal if at the time of your application, any of these apply:

- You or your partner receives income support;
- You or your partner receives income related Employment Support Allowance ESA (IR)

Partner means someone to whom you are married or in a civil partnership with; or someone who you live with as if you were married or in a civil partnership.

- Your gross annual income is £15,460 or less and you receive working tax credit and child tax credit;
- Your gross annual income is £15,460 or less and you receive working tax credit with a 'disability element' or 'severe disability element';
- You or your partner between you receive working tax credit and child tax credit

Your gross income is your income before income tax and other money is taken away.

- You receive income based Job Seekers Allowance;
- You or your partner receives a Pension Credit guarantee credit.

If you believe you qualify to pay no fee to the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling), contact the Tribunal for the necessary form or visit our website, <http://www.gamblingappealtribunals.gov.uk/>. The form can be included with your appeal application.

Am I eligible for a reduced fee for my appeal to the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling)?

The First-tier Tribunal (Gambling), may decide that you do not have to pay an appeal fee, or that you may pay a smaller fee, because if you paid the whole fee you would suffer financial hardship. This is called remission.

So, if you decide that you are not exempt from paying a fee but you think you would suffer financial hardship if you did pay it, you may decide to apply for remissions of the appeal fee. Applications can be considered from individuals and small groups and businesses.

If you would like to apply for a smaller fee for appealing to the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling), contact the Tribunal for the necessary form or visit our website, <http://www.gamblingappealtribunals.gov.uk/>. The form can be included with your appeal application.

Should I enclose a fee with my notice of appeal?

Yes. You must include a payment for the **full appeal fee** (as set out on page 4 of this booklet) if you do not include the fee with your notice of appeal your appeal will be returned to you.

If you are applying for a reduced or no fee:

- If you qualify for no fee, your payment, and you have decided to pay by debit or credit card, no payment will be taken until the application is decided and you will be informed of the decision when your appeal is accepted.
- If you qualify for a reduced fee, only the agreed reduced fee will be payable and taken from your debit or credit card. You will be notified of the outcome of your application when your appeal is registered.

If you have indicated that you wish to pay by cheque the Tribunal will write to you with the outcome of your application for a reduced or no fee and tell you how much, if anything, you will be required to pay. Please note that any delay in the Tribunal receiving your payment will mean that no action is taken on your appeal.

If I decide to withdraw my appeal or it does not continue can I apply for a refund of my fee?

If you decide to withdraw your appeal or it is decided by the Tribunal that it will not continue you will not be able to apply for a refund of your fees. In some circumstances you may be able to make an application for costs but if you would like to know more about this please contact the Tribunal for more information.

Do fees ever change?

Yes. You should note that all the fees, income thresholds and qualifying entitlements are subject to change. You must therefore ensure that you obtain an up to date version of this leaflet. You can get a copy from the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling), or on the website.

<http://www.gamblingappealtribunals.gov.uk/>

How can I contact the First-tier Tribunal (Gambling)?

Telephone: 0845 355 5155

Write to: First-tier Tribunal (Gambling), Tribunals Operational Support Centre, PO Box 9300, Leicester LE1 6ZX

First-tier Tribunal (Gambling), Fees

| Operating Licences Appeal Fees for Appeal Rights 1 – 9* | Fees (£) |
|---|-----------------|
| Casino Operating Licence | 14,000 |
| Bingo Operating Licence | 3,100 |
| General betting Operating Licence | 10,000 |
| Pool Betting Operating Licence | 10,000 |
| Betting Intermediary Operating Licence | 10,000 |
| Gaming Machine General Operating Licence: Adult Gaming Centres | 1,600 |
| Gaming Machine general operating Licence: Family Entertainment Centres | 1,600 |
| Gaming Machine Technical Operating Licence | 1,600 |
| Gambling Software Operating Licence | 1,600 |
| Lottery Operating Licence | 9,400 |
| Personal Licences Appeal Fees for Appeal Rights 1, 2, 4, 5 – 9^* | Fees (£) |
| Personal : Management Office Licence | 1,600 |
| Personal: Operational Function Licence | 800 |
| Voided Bet Appeals Fees for Appeal Right 10* | Fees (£) |
| Appeal by a party to the bet or to any contract or other arrangement in relation to the bet | 9,400 |

| Appeal Rights *^ Rights 1 – 10 | |
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| 1 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision not to issue or renew an operating or personal licence |
| 2 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision to attach a condition to a personal or operating licence, other than following a section 116 review. |
| 3^ | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision that an operating licence shall not continue to have effect when there is a new company controller. |
| 4 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision to refuse to vary an operating or personal licence following an application to vary under section 104 of the Gambling Act 2005, |
| 5 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's notification to lapse an operating or personal licence due to mental or physical incapacity |
| 6 | An appeal following a review under Section 116 of the Gambling Act 2005, against the Gambling Commission's exercise of a Section 117 regulatory power to a)attach a warning b)attach an additional condition to a licence c)remove or amend a condition attached to a licence d)make, amend or remove an exclusion (for remote licences only) e) suspend a licence f) revoke a licence g) impose a financial penalty |
| 7 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision to suspend a licence, other than following a Section 116 review |
| 8 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision to revoke a licence, other than following a Section 116 review |
| 9 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision to impose a financial penalty under Section 121 of the Gambling Act 2005. |
| 10 | An appeal against the Gambling Commission's decision order to void a bet |

^ Please note that there is no right of appeal under Right 3 for any personal licence holders.