

1 DIVISION 8-IV-1 GENERALLY

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3 **Sec 8-90 Definitions**

4 The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings
5 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different
6 meaning:

7 *Amusement device* means any machine, table or device operated either mechanically or
8 electrically, by insertion of a coin or token or by any other payment of consideration or
9 credit, and which consists of a single game or several games of skill or chance, including
10 but not limited to billiard, bagatelle, pool, pigeonhole, bowling, pinball, electric darts, prize
11 crane, or other like machines, tables or devices in which the prize does not include cash or
12 a voucher for money or other financial consideration and specifically excluding video
13 gaming terminals. Amusement devices shall be in the following categories:

- 14 (a) Entertainment devices, which includes all amusement devices other than pool
15 tables;
16 (b) Pool tables, including billiard, bumper pool and similar pool games of all
17 dimensions.

18 *Arcade* means any establishment having eight (8) or more amusement devices, and up to
19 the maximum number of video gaming terminals permitted by the Illinois Gaming Board
20 from time to time.

21 *Distributor* means a person who sells, leases out, establishes, supplies or otherwise
22 distributes amusement devices and/or video terminals requiring valid licensing under this
23 article.

24 *Poolroom* means any premises having five (5) or more pool tables, or any other premises
25 which present to the public its principal purpose as a poolroom or pool hall or place to play
26 pool by including pool tables therein, regardless of any other amusement devices or video
27 gaming terminals therein.

28 *Video Gaming Terminal or Gambling Device* means: (1) any clock, tape machine, slot
29 machine, or other machines or device for the reception of money ~~or other thing of value~~
30 on chance or skill or upon the action of which money or ~~other thing of value~~ a voucher for
31 money or other financial consideration is staked, hazarded, bet, won, or lost; or (2) any
32 mechanism, furniture, fixture, equipment, or other device designed primarily for use in a
33 gambling place; or (3) any vending or other electronic machine or device, including,
34 without limitation, a machine or device that awards credits and contains a circuit, meter,
35 or switch capable of removing and recording the removal of credits that offers a person
36 entry into any contest, competition, sweepstakes, scheme, plan, or other selection
37 process that involves or is dependent upon an element of chance for which the person
38 may receive a gift, award, or other item or service of value if that offer is incidental to or
39 results from: (A) the purchase of an item or service of value; or (B) the purchase or
40 gratuitous receipt of a coupon, voucher, certificate, or other similar credit that can be

1 redeemed for or applied towards an item or service of value from such machine or device
2 or elsewhere.

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4 **Sec 8-91 Certain Hours Of Operation**

5 Arcades and poolrooms licensed under this article, with the exception of those places
6 holding liquor licenses or distributing amusement devices, shall be closed each night from
7 12:00 midnight until 8:00 a.m. the following morning.

8 **Sec 8-92 Amusement Device Licensing Required**

9 Except as otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful for any person to have, keep for use, or
10 permit to be used, any amusement device without first becoming licensed therefor under
11 this division. Any device in violation hereof shall be sealed against use and operation
12 thereof. Each such device licensed under this article must also bear a current state
13 amusement device license. The total of individual devices licensed under this article shall
14 be cumulatively listed by category on the one (1) location license posted at each premises,
15 being either an arcade or poolroom, as applicable hereunder.

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17 **Sec 8-93 Certain Limited Use**

18 Nothing herein contained shall be construed as requiring a license from a person keeping
19 or having amusement devices without charge for the use thereof, for personal residential
20 use.

21 **Sec 8-94 Application And Issuance Of Amusement Licenses**

22 (a) On the appropriate location license applications under this article, any person
23 desiring to have, keep for use or permit to be used amusement devices in the city
24 shall also make an initial application for the individual devices to be located therein
25 to the city treasurer on forms provided by the city.

26 (b) For each individual amusement device, if the premises complies with all ordinances
27 and the applicant is eligible under this article to be issued the license, the city
28 treasurer shall issue the required license, as applicable. A total cumulative listing of
29 individual devices by category shall be included on the license for each location.

30 **Sec 8-95 Fees**

31 The fees for the licenses and stickers required by this article shall be as established by
32 resolution as specified in section 8-1. Such fees shall be paid at the time of the issuance of
33 the license or renewal thereof.

34 **Sec 8-96 Termination**

35 Each license issued under this article shall terminate on the September 30 next following
36 its issuance. However, fees and requirements added under this article shall take effect
37 January 1, 1997; prior thereto, current licensing approvals shall apply.

38 **Sec 8-97 Transfer**

1 No license issued to any person under this article shall be transferable to any other person.

2 **Sec 8-98 Display**

3 It shall be the duty of any licensee under this article to keep all required licenses posted in
4 a prominent place on the premises upon which the amusement device is located or on the
5 premises used for distribution. Each casino entertainment device shall clearly bear a sign
6 labelled "for amusement purposes only."

7 **Sec 8-99 Video Gaming Terminal or Gambling Devices Prohibited**

8 Video Gaming Terminals or Gambling Devices, as defined herein, shall not be licensed
9 pursuant to this section.

10 **Sec 8-100 Seizure of ~~Machines~~Gaming Terminals used for Gambling**

11 If the license administrator shall have reason to believe any automatic amusement
12 machine is used as a gambling device, such machine may be seized by the police and
13 impounded under Sec. 29-79 of this Code.

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15 **Sec 8-101 Violations Declared Nuisance**

16 The operation or maintenance of any automatic amusement machine in violation of this
17 article is declared a public nuisance as that term is defined in Sec. 29-126. The license
18 administrator may, in addition to other remedies provided for in Chapter 29, Article VII,
19 recommend that the Corporation Counsel seek injunctive relief.

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