

**HOPATCONG BOROUGH  
ORDINANCE 20-2011**

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE CHAPTER 129  
OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG  
REGARDING GAMES OF CHANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hopatcong in, Sussex County, New Jersey as follows:

**Section 1.**

Chapter 129 of the Code of the Borough of Hopatcong is here by replaced as follows:

Chapter 129: GAMES OF CHANCE

§ 129-1. Purpose.

This chapter is for the purpose of regulating all games of chance held, operated or conducted within the Borough, pursuant to the Acts of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, known as the "Bingo Licensing Law," N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq., and the "Raffles Licensing Law," N.J.S.A. 5:8-50 et seq., and in accordance with the rules and regulations issued or to be promulgated by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission in the Department of State of the State of New Jersey. All applications, licenses and proceedings in connection therewith shall be subject to the provisions of the Acts and the rules and regulations and any laws, rules and regulations hereafter enacted and shall be further subject to the provisions of this chapter.

§ 129-2. Eligibility; Conduct on Sunday.

- A. Organizations eligible for license. A license to conduct a game of chance as authorized by law shall not be issued to any organization unless it is established in good faith within the State of New Jersey and actively engaged in serving one or more of the authorized purposes as defined by the rules and regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission. The Municipal Clerk shall process all applications and issue the licenses.
- B. Conduct of games on Sunday. It is lawful for the holder of a license for the operation of or conduct of games of chance issued by the Borough under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq., known as the "Bingo Licensing Law" and N.J.S.A. 5:8-50 et seq., known as the "Raffles Licensing Law" to operate or conduct such games of chance as are permitted under the aforesaid statutes on Sunday.

§ 129-3. Fees

There shall be no fee charged by the Borough of Hopatcong to any qualifying organization hereunder. This waiver of fees is made pursuant to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 13:47-4.10(c). This waiver does not exempt any such qualifying organization from the payment of any valid fee imposed by the State of New Jersey.

**Section 2 Partial invalidity.**

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**Section 3 Effective date.**

This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication in accordance with Law.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the attached Ordinance 20-2011 was introduced at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hopatcong, Sussex County, New Jersey, held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011, and passed on first reading, and that such Ordinance was further considered for final passage and adopted at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2011, at Borough Hall, 111 River Styx Road, in the Borough of Hopatcong, at 7:30 p.m., and that at such time and place all persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance.

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Catherine Gleason, Borough Clerk

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Sylvia Petillo, Mayor

Date Introduced: July 6, 2011

Date Adopted: August 3, 2011