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Arizona Department of Gaming to Accept New Limited Event Wagering License Applications

Phoenix (July 14, 2026) - The Arizona Department of Gaming (Department) announced today that beginning on August 13, 2026 it will begin accepting new applications for limited event wagering licenses – a license type that allows an event wagering operator to partner with a racetrack or additional wagering facility (commonly known as off-track betting) that holds a permit issued by the Division of Racing. The Department may issue up to ten limited event wagering at ten specific locations, as described in A.R.S. § 5-1307.

“Applicants for limited event wagering operator licenses will undergo a thorough licensing evaluation process structured to ensure consumer protection,” said Cliff Holden, Assistant Director of Certification and Licensing for the Department. “We look forward to receiving new applications for limited event wagering within the state of Arizona.”

The application window for limited event wagering licenses will open on August 13, 2026, and will close on August 27, 2026 at 5 p.m. Arizona Time. Applicants must submit their completed applications within this timeframe to be considered for a license. Since the launch of legal event wagering and sports betting in Arizona in 2021, people have wagered \$34.6 billion, generating approximately \$185.8 million in event wagering privilege fees for the state.

With limited event wagering operations, Arizonans will be able to participate in retail-style sports betting while visiting the racetrack, and 8 percent of the adjusted retail event wagering revenue will be subject to event wagering privilege fees – generating monthly revenue for the state.

The Department will evaluate all applications received in accordance with the established criteria set forth in applicable rules and statutes. For more information, visit the [Forms, Licensing, and Fees](#) web page. Additionally, the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) page is available to help answer common questions.

About the Arizona Department of Gaming

Established by the Arizona State Legislature in 1995, the Arizona Department of Gaming (ADG) is the state regulatory agency for [tribal gaming](#), [event wagering & fantasy sports contests](#), [racing and pari-mutuel/simulcast wagering](#), and [unarmed combat sports](#). ADG also provides and supports education, prevention, and treatment programs for people and families affected by problem gambling through its [Division of Problem Gambling](#) and 24-hour confidential helpline, 1-800-NEXT STEP.

NOTE TO MEDIA: The Department and its Division of Problem Gambling encourage media partners to include supportive resources when reporting on gambling, event wagering, fantasy sports, or other wagering-related activities:

Problem Gambling Awareness

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, you can get help now by calling the confidential helpline at 1-800-NEXT-STEP (1-800-639-8783), texting NEXTSTEP to 53342, or using the chat feature at problemgambling.az.gov. The helpline connects callers with statewide providers specializing in low and no-cost treatment for problem gambling and financial counseling. Help is available 24/7 for individuals, family members, friends, and co-workers.

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