

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
CATALOG – SPORTS WAGERING

SUMMARY

The Board has prepared this document for informational purposes only to answer frequently asked questions about how new events and bets are reviewed as well as to provide a list of currently approved leagues, events, categories and types of sports wagers. The Chairman of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board will update this document as necessary. Such updates may include newly approved leagues, events, categories and types of sports wagers, as well as rejected or unapproved leagues, events, categories and types of sports wagers.

Each Licensee/Operator must submit to the Gaming Control board, for approval, their house rules on how they intend to conduct sports wagering. This includes, but not limited to, accepted bets for approved sporting events or special events for retail and mobile wagering.

PROCEDURE FOR APPROVAL OF NEW LEAGUES AND EVENTS/ CATEGORIES AND TYPES OF SPORTS WAGERS

LAC 42:VI.523. Sports Wagers

- A. An operator shall not accept any sports wager on a sports event unless it has received approval from the board to conduct that type or category of sports wager. A type of sports wager refers to the method of determining the outcome of the sports wager. The category refers to the kind of event being wagered on. For all particular categories or sports wager types approved by the Act or these regulations or later approved by the board for its first use may be used on multiple events by all operators without further approval.
1. If an operator would like to offer a new category of sports event, it must submit the request to the board on the approved form at least seven days in advance of the proposed date of accepting sports wagers on such a category. The request shall include: a full description of the sports event and the manner which sports wagers would be placed and winning wagers would be determined; a full description of any technology which would be utilized to offer the sports event; information or documentation that demonstrates that the sports event meets the requirements of subsection 523(B) of this Chapter and any other information requested by the board or division.
 2. If an operator accepts a sports wager on an unapproved sports event, the operator shall void and refund all sports wagers associated with that sports event. If any sports wagers for unapproved sports events cannot be refunded in full, the operator shall immediately provide the board with a report detailing such sports wagers and the reasons therefore.
 3. The board and division maintain the right to disapprove of the source of data for any reason including, but not limited to, the type of sports wager and method of data collection.

The Board reserves the right to prohibit the acceptance of wagers and may order the cancellation of wagers and require refunds on any event for which wagering would be contrary to the public policies of the State. To give the Board sufficient time to review a submission, sports pool operators shall complete the Sports Wagering Request for Approval Form at least seven (7) days before the start date of the event. The Sports Wagering Request for Approval Form can be found on the Louisiana Gaming Control Board website. Once completed, the form and any exhibits shall be emailed to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at LGCB@la.gov.

TYPES OF WAGERS PERMITTED

Unless otherwise restricted, for all approved leagues, operators may request to offer any wager or proposition bet, not prohibited by statutes or rule or order of the Board, where the results are determined on the field of play and can be proven by a box score or statistical analysis. Additionally, the Board has pre-approved seasonal awards for all approved leagues where such awards are based on statistics, or votes, provided that votes are collected in a manner that maintains the confidentiality of the outcome until the award is announced. Wagering on awards must cease at the time votes are due. Wagering on awards must cease at the time votes are due. Any other type of wager must be sent to the Board for approval the first time it is offered and may not be made available for wagering until approved by the Board.

The following are approved leagues and events.

A. Football

1. National Football League (NFL)
2. NCAA College Football (NCAAF)
3. Canadian Football League (CFL)
4. Arena Football League (AFL)
5. Alliance of American Football (AAF)
6. XFL
7. United States Football League (USFL) - Approved 3/21/22
8. Indoor Football League (IFL) – Approved 6/5/23
9. United Football League (UFL) – Approved 2/27/2024

B. Athletics

1. International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF)

C. Australian Rules Football

1. Australian Football League

D. Badminton

1. Badminton World Federation Grade 1 events (international) and Grade 2 events (World Tour)

E. Baseball/Softball

1. Major League Baseball (MLB)
 - a. MLB All Star Game
 - b. MLB Home Run Derby
2. NCAA Baseball
3. NCAA Softball
4. World Baseball Classic (WBC)
5. Minor League Baseball (MiLB):
 - a. Triple A, Somerset Patriots, Lakewood Blue Claws
 - b. Nippon Professional Baseball (Japan)
 - c. Chinese Professional Baseball League
 - d. Korean KBO
 - e. Athletes Unlimited Softball
6. Australian Baseball League (ABL) – Approved 1/23/23

F. Basketball

1. National Basketball League (NBA)
 - a. NBA All Star Game
 - b. NBA Skills Contest
 - c. NBA Three Point Contest

- d. NBA Rising Stars Challenge
2. Women's National Basketball League (WNBA)
 - a. WNBA All Star Game
 - b. WNBA Three Point Contest
 - c. WNBA Skills Contest
3. NCAA College Basketball (NCAAB)
4. Euro League/Euro Cup
5. World Championships
6. FIBA regulated Country v. Country qualifiers/games/tournaments
7. First Tier Leagues (Men/Women) in:
 - a. AustraliaArgentina
 - b. Barbados
 - c. **Belarus – SUSPENDED 3/10/22**
 - d. Brazil
 - e. China
 - f. Chinese Taipei
 - g. Croatia
 - h. Finland
 - i. France
 - j. Germany
 - k. Great Britain
 - l. Iceland
 - m. Israel
 - n. Italy
 - o. Japan
 - p. Lithuania
 - q. Mexico
 - r. Netherlands
 - s. New Zealand
 - t. Poland
 - u. Portugal
 - v. Serbia
 - w. Spain
 - x. South Korea
 - y. Sweden
 - aa. Switzerland
 - bb. The Basketball Tournament (TBT) cc. Turkey
 - dd. **Russia – SUSPENDED 3/10/22**
8. FIBA Champions League
9. Big Three
10. Canadian Elite Basketball League
11. Greece Basket League – Approved 6/5/23
12. NBA G-League – Approved 6/5/23
- G. Billiards
 1. Mosconi Cup
 2. World Pool Billiard Association Championship and World Cups
- H. Boxing

1. World Boxing Association (WBA)
2. World Boxing Council (WBC)
3. World Boxing Organization (WBO)
4. International Boxing Federation (IBF)
5. Professional matches approved and regulated by US state athletic commissions
6. Professional matches approved and regulated by the British Board of Boxing Control
7. Professional fights sanctioned by domestic members of the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports

I. Bowling

1. Pro Bowling Tour
2. Professional Bowlers Associations

J. Rodeo

1. Professional Bull Riding, Inc.
2. Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA)

K. Cricket

1. World Cup
2. International Cricket Council (ICC) regulated Country v. Country qualifiers/games/tournaments
3. Indian Premier League
4. Big Bash League
5. T20 Blast
6. The Hundred
7. Caribbean Premier League
8. Major League Cricket – Approved 7/26/23

L. Cycling

1. Grand Tour
2. World Tour
3. Tour de France

M. Darts

1. PDC Championship
2. British Darts Organization
3. Championship Darts Corporation
4. Remote Dart League

N. Entertainment/Competitive Eating

1. Academy Awards (Oscars) Each year
2. Emmys Awards Each year
3. Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest
4. Golden Globes – Approved 11/14/23

O. Golf

1. PGA
2. Korn Ferry Tour
3. Majors
4. European Tour
5. Champions Tour
6. LPGA
7. World Golf Championships (WGC)

8. International Events (i.e. Ryder Cup, Solheim Cup, Presidents Cup)
 9. Cactus League
 10. Gateway PGA
 11. Taylor Made Driving Relief
 12. Korean Ladies Professional Golf Association (KLPGA)
 13. The Match VI – Approved 5/10/22
 14. The Match Series – Approved 11/4/22
 15. NCAA Division 1 Men’s Golf – Approved 5/15/23
 16. TGL Golf – Approved 3/19/24
- P. Handball
1. First Tier:
 - a. Belarus – SUSPENDED 3/10/22
 - b. Sweden
 - c. Turkey
 - d. Ukraine
 - e. Germany
 - f. France
 - g. Spain
 - h. Denmark
 - i. Poland
 - j. Hungary
 - k. European Championship League
 2. Handball World Championships
 3. EHF European Handball League – Approved 3/11/24
 4. IHF International Handball Federation – Approved 5/17/24
- Q. Hockey
1. National Hockey League
 - a. NHL All Star Game
 2. NCAA
 3. International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) Tournaments
 4. American Hockey League (AHL)
 5. World Championships
 6. Kontinental Hockey League (KHL)
 7. Swedish Hockey League
 8. National League (Switzerland)
 9. SM-liiga (Finland)
 10. Belarusian Extraleague – SUSPENDED 3/10/22
 11. Ukrainian Hockey League
 12. Czech Extraliga – Approved 9/28/22
 13. German Ice Hockey League – Approved 9/28/22
- R. Lacrosse
1. NCAA
 2. Premier Lacrosse League
 3. Major League Lacrosse
- S. Lawn Bowling
1. Bowls Grand Prix
- T. Mixed Martial Arts
1. Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC)

2. Bellator
3. Cage Warriors
4. Bare Knuckle Fighting Championship (BKFC) – Approved 3/3/22
5. Road to UFC – Approved 6/23/22
6. One Championship – Approved 9/28/22
7. SlapFIGHT Championship – Approved 12/6/22
8. Power Slap League – Approved 5/1/23
9. Dana White Contender Series – Approved 9/27/23

U. Olympics

1. Summer Olympics – See rules below:

- Any event governed by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) is approved for the **Olympics only. Trials are not approved.**
- If you would like to submit a request for a particular event, one can be submitted. As to the total medals, if an event is prohibited, there can be no wagering on that event;
- No Bolivian Teams/Athletes can be offered, even if they are competing as neutral athletes;
- No Russian or Belarusian Teams/ Athletes can be offered, even if they are competing as neutral athletes;
- The majority of participants in any team event offered must be over 18,
- Proposition bets on those athletes under 18 are not permitted; and
- Wagers on individual events that have athletes under 18 are not permitted.

2. Winter Olympics

V. Racing

1. NASCAR:
 - a. Monster Energy Series
 - b. Xfinity Series
 - c. Truck Series
 - d. NASCAR Cup Series
2. Indy Racing League (Indy Car)
3. Formula One
4. MotoAmerica SuperBikes Championship SuperBikes Series
5. Drone Racing League (DRL)
6. MOTO GP
7. SCCA (Sports Car Club of America)
8. National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) – Approved 9/9/2022
9. Nitro Rally Cross – Approved 10/27/22
10. Supercars Championship – Approved 10/27/22
11. Formula Drift – Approved 5/11/23
12. United States Auto Club – Approved 7/25/24
 - a. all wagers on anyone under the age of eighteen (18) and any match between two people under the age of twenty-one (21) are prohibited.

W. Rowing

1. University Boat Race

X. Rugby League/Union

1. Six Nations
2. World Cup
3. International Country v. Country qualifiers/games/tournaments
 - a. Includes World Rugby sanctioned Rugby Sevens
4. Four Nations
5. National Rugby League (Australia/New Zealand)
6. Super League (UK/France)
7. PRO14
8. English Premiership Rugby
9. Top14 (France)
10. Super Rugby
11. European Champions Cup
12. European Challenge Cup
13. Premier Rugby Sevens – Approved 12/6/2022
14. Major League Rugby – Approved 5/11/2023
15. State of Origin (Men & Women) – Approved 6/11/2024

Y. Sailing

1. Americas Cup
2. Sail GP Competition – Approved 3/11/24

Z. Snooker

1. World Snooker AA.

AA. Soccer

1. North America:
 - a. Major League Soccer (MLS)
 - b. USL Championship (USLC)
 - c. USL League 1
 - d. North American Soccer League (NASL)
 - e. United States Open Cup
 - f. National Women's Soccer League (NWSL)
 - g. Liga MX (Mexico)
 - h. Copa MX (Mexico)
 - i. CONCACAF Champions League
 - j. CONCACAF Central American Cup – Approved 11/17/2023
 - k. USL One Cup – Approved 5/17/24
2. Europe: The Board has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups, for UEFA member countries
 - a. England: League 1
 - b. England: League 2
 - c. Champions League
 - d. Europa League
 - e. Super Cup
 - f. Europa Conference League

3. South America: The Board has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups for:
 - a. Argentinian Soccer
 - b. Brazilian Soccer
4. Asia: The Board has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups for:
 - a. Chinese Soccer
 - b. Japanese Soccer
 - c. South Korean soccer
5. Oceania: The Division has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups for:
 - a. Australian soccer
6. FIFA regulated Country v. Country international qualifiers/games/tournaments, including those run by member federations of FIFA (i.e. UEFA Euro Championships, AFC Asian Cup)
7. International Champions Cup
8. FIFA Club WorldCup
9. United Soccer League Two – Approved 9/28/22
10. NCAA – Men and Women – Approved 2/2/23
11. The Soccer Tournament – Approved 6/5/23
12. NWSL x Liga MXF Summer Cup –Approved 7/29/2024

BB. Table Tennis

1. International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) events
2. European Table Tennis Union (ETTU) events
3. TT Star- SUSPENDED 3/10/22
4. Dusseldorf Master Series
5. Russian Liga - SUSPENDED 3/10/22
6. Challenger Sao Paolo – Approved 4/13/22

CC. Tennis

1. Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP): World Tour, Challenger Series
2. Women’s Tennis Association (WTA)
3. Grand Slam Events
4. International Tennis Federation (ITF)
5. Tennis Point Series
6. International Tennis Series
7. UTR Pro Match Series
8. US Pro Tennis Series
9. EXO Tennis
10. Grand Slam Tennis Tour Matchplay 120
11. Austrian Generali Pro Series Tennis
12. Eastern European Championship Tennis
13. LiveScore Cup
14. World Team Tennis
15. German National Series
16. Adria Tour Tennis
17. Ultimate Tennis Showdown
18. Tipsport Elite Cup
19. Umbrian Open
20. Battle of the Brits

21. British Tour
 22. Ladies Berlin Open
 23. Thiems 7
 24. The Progress Tour
 25. FPT Portugal Series
 26. Credit One Bank Invitational
 27. Macha Lake Open
 28. All American Tennis Cup
 29. German Premier League
 30. German Masters Series
 31. European Pro Series Tennis
 32. Champions Series Tennis
 33. Davis Cup
 34. Billie Jean King Cup
 35. NCAA Tennis –Approved 5/11/23
- DD. Volleyball
1. **First Tier (Men/Women): Belarus, Turkey, Russia – SUSPENDED 3/10/22**
 2. AVP Pro Beach Volleyball
 3. FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour
 4. Federation Internationale de Volleyball – Approved 9/9/22
 5. Korean Volleyball Federation (KOVO) – Approved 10/27/22
 6. Pro Volleyball Federation – Approved 3/19/24
- EE. eSports:
1. eSports will have to be on a case-by-case approval. The event will have to be one that meets the requirements set forth by eSports Integrity Commission (ESIC)
- FF. Cornhole
1. American Cornhole League (ACL) – Approved 3/9/22
- GG. Street League Skateboard – Approved 6/5/23
- HH. NCAA Water Polo – Approved 5/21/24
1. NCAA Men’s Water Polo (Regular Season Only)
 2. NCAA Women’s Water Polo (Regular Season Only)
- II. Field Hockey
1. NCAA Women’s Field Hockey – Approved 7/1/24
- JJ. All Ireland Senior Championship Event – Gaelic Football & Hurling – Approved 7/24/24

SPECIAL EVENTS

A. NFL Draft

The 2022 NFL Draft begins on Thursday, April 28, 2022. Licensees are permitted to offer Wagers on the NFL draft as follows:

- **Pre-Draft Wagers** - Pre-draft Wagers are permitted. All pre-draft Wagers must be made and accepted prior to the first selection of the Draft.

- **In-Draft Wagers** (i.e., wagers placed after a round has started regarding specific in-round selections)

1. In-draft Wagers are only permitted in Rounds 1 through 3.
2. In-draft Wagers must be placed and accepted at least 2 selections prior to the actual selection event as these selection events occur on the NFL Network broadcast. For example, a wager on “pick #18 will be a WR” would need to take place prior to selection #16.

- **Round specific Wagers** - Wagers related to each round must be offered and accepted prior to the start of that specific round, including any trades that occur for that round. For example, a Wager such as, “Will Player X be drafted in Round 2?” or “X number of defensive backs drafted in Round 2.” These wagers must be placed prior to the start of Round 2.

Licensees taking Wagers on the NFL Draft shall have clear and concise rules. Please review and amend your rules as necessary to cover the unique guidelines stated above.

- B. NBA National Draft Lottery – Approved 5/17/22
- C. National Basketball Association (NBA) Draft – Approved 6/15/22
- D. National Hockey League (NHL) Draft – Approved 6/15/22
- E. Major League Baseball (MLB) Draft – Approved 6/15/22

Wagers may be accepted on an approved player draft subject to all of the following conditions:

- **Pre-Draft Wagers** - Pre-draft Wagers are permitted. All pre-draft Wagers must be made and accepted prior to the first selection of the Draft.

- **Round Specific Wagers** - Wagers related to each round must be offered and accepted prior to the start of that specific round, including any trades that occur for that round. For example, a Wager such as, “Will Player X be drafted in Round 2?” or “X number of defensive backs drafted in Round 2.” These wagers must be placed prior to the start of Round 2.

- **Pick-Specific or Selection-Specific Wagers** - Wagers must be made and accepted prior to the announcement of the pick/selection that is two picks/selections before the relevant pick/selection. For example, a wager on whether pick/selection #18 of the draft will be position X or player Y must be made prior to the announcement of pick/selection #16.

SPORTS BETTING POOLS

- A. **Sports Betting Pools were approved on September 9, 2022. You can find the Sports Betting Pool guidelines at [Sports Betting Pools \(louisiana.gov\)](https://www.louisiana.gov).** These guidelines apply only to paid pools. Free pools are allowed and not subject to these guidelines. Free pools must take place in accordance with all applicable Federal and state laws and rules.
- B. Operators must amend their Internal Controls and House Rules to include sports wagering pools prior to offering such. These amendments must receive approval prior to offering wagering pools in Louisiana.
- C. Sports wagering pools are only allowed on events/leagues currently approved in the Louisiana Gaming Control Board's Wagering Catalog.

PROHIBITED EVENTS

La. R.S 27:608.C: No sports wagers may be accepted or paid by any operator on any of the following:

- 1) On any sport or athletic event not authorized by law or the board.
- 2) On any sport or athletic event which the operator knows or reasonably should know are being placed by or on behalf of an athlete, coach, referee or other official, or staff of a participant or team that is participating in that event.
- 3) On the occurrence of injuries or penalties, or the outcome of an athlete's disciplinary rulings, or replay reviews.
- 4) On other types, forms, or categories of wagering prohibited by the board by rule.

REJECTED AND UNAPPROVED LEAGUES, EVENTS, CATEGORIES, AND TYPES

"Sports event" shall not include high school sports, youth events, any international sports events where the majority of the participants are under the age of eighteen years, fantasy sports contests as provided in Chapter 6 of this Title, and any event prohibited by law.

Russian and Belarussian governing bodies, leagues, teams, players, and events have been suspended from the Official Sports Betting Catalog of Events and Wagers until further notice. 3/10/22

Professional Fighters League (PFL) – REMOVED 4/6/22

Bolivian governing bodies, leagues, teams, players, and events have been suspended from the Official Sports Betting Catalog of Events and Wagers until further notice. 9/12/23

Professional Pickleball Association (PPA) — REMOVED 3/12/24

Effective at 8:00 a.m., August 1, 2024 any wager based on the following is NOT approved and is NOT permitted:

Any proposition or "prop" bet on an individual athlete's performance or statistics participating in a college sporting event. Only proposition bets based on full team statistical results are permitted.