

No. 418.

THE LOTTERIES LAW, 1956.

LAW 14 OF 1956.

REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 5.

In exercise of the powers vested in him by section 5 of the Lotteries Law, 1956, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following regulations :—

- Short title. 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Government Lotteries Regulations, 1956.
- Government Lottery Committee. 2. The Governor may appoint a committee, to be called the Government Lottery Committee, consisting of a chairman and not fewer than six other members, who shall advise and assist the Director of Lotteries in the promotion and conduct of lotteries and exercise and perform the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon them by these Regulations.
- Ordinary lotteries. 3.—(1) Subject to the provisions of regulation 4 of these Regulations, one lottery shall be held in every month, commencing on a date to be fixed by the Director of Lotteries and such lotteries (hereinafter in these Regulations called “ordinary lotteries”) shall be drawn on the first Saturday of the month :
 Provided that—
 (a) if the Director of Lotteries deems it expedient that an ordinary lottery should be drawn on a day other than the first Saturday of the month, he may direct that it shall be drawn on such other day of the same month as he shall specify ;
 (b) if it appears to the Director of Lotteries that an ordinary lottery in respect of which he shall not have issued any tickets cannot conveniently be held in the month in which under this regulation it is due to be held he may, by notice in the *Gazette*, direct that such lottery shall not be held.
 (2) The price of a ticket issued for sale in respect of an ordinary lottery shall be such sum, not exceeding £1, as the Director of Lotteries may direct.
- Special lotteries. 4.—(1) In addition to ordinary lotteries, or in substitution for any such lottery, there may, if the Director of Lotteries thinks fit, be held other lotteries (hereinafter in these Regulations called “special lotteries”) not exceeding four in any one year, and every such lottery shall be drawn on such day as the Director of Lotteries may direct.
 (2) The price of a ticket issued for sale in respect of a special lottery shall be such sum, not exceeding £5, as the Director of Lotteries may direct.
- Notice of draw. 5. Before any lottery is drawn the Director of Lotteries shall cause to be published in the *Gazette* and also, if he thinks fit, in any other convenient manner—
 (a) the date and time when and the place where the draw will take place ;
 (b) the number of tickets issued by him for sale in respect of the lottery, their price and any other particulars concerning them which he may deem it desirable to publish ;
 (c) the number and value of the prizes apportioned to the lottery and the place where and the hours during which payment of prizes may be claimed.
- Particulars to be stated in tickets. 6. The following particulars shall be set forth on every ticket—
 (a) the date and number or other description of the draw of the lottery for which the ticket is issued ;
 (b) the number and price of the ticket ;

- (c) the number and value of the prizes apportioned to the lottery for which the ticket is issued ;
- (d) the total number of tickets issued in respect of that lottery, and such other particulars, if any, as the Director of Lotteries may direct.

7.—(1) Whenever any lottery is drawn there shall be present at the draw at least three members of the Government Lottery Committee, and if, at the time appointed for the draw, there shall not be that number of members present, the draw shall be postponed until such time, whether on the same or on another day, as the Director of Lotteries or any person then present who has been authorized for that purpose by the Director of Lotteries, may direct. Procedure at draw.

(2) The members of the Government Lottery Committee present at a draw shall, before the commencement of the draw, appoint one of their number to preside at the draw, and the member so appointed shall—

- (a) put, or cause to be put, in motion the machine or other contrivance approved by the Director of Lotteries for drawing the number of the winning tickets ;
- (b) declare the numbers of the winning tickets so drawn, and in the event of the same number being drawn more than once at a draw declare the second or subsequent number null and void ;
- (c) in the event of any breakdown or other difficulty occurring in the operation of the machine or contrivance aforesaid, direct that the drawing of the numbers of such winning tickets as then remain to be drawn shall be postponed until such time as he is satisfied that the draw can be resumed without difficulty.

(3) If, at the time when a draw is postponed under the provisions of subparagraph (c) of paragraph (2) of this regulation, one or more, but not all, of the digits necessary to determine the number of a winning ticket shall have been drawn, the number of that ticket shall, when the draw is resumed, be drawn afresh as to all its digits, and the digit or digits drawn before the postponement of the draw shall be disregarded.

(4) The public shall be admitted to the premises upon which the draw of a lottery is conducted so far as may reasonably be practicable having regard to the accommodation available for such purpose.

(5) Any person who obstructs or impedes the drawing of a lottery, or creates any disturbance on or near the premises on which a lottery is being or is about to be drawn, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

8. The Director of Lotteries shall cause the numbers of the winning tickets drawn in every lottery to be published in the *Gazette* as soon as he can conveniently do so after the lottery has been drawn. Result of draw to be published.

9. Prizes shall be paid by the Director of Lotteries in respect of winning tickets in a lottery in accordance with the following provisions— Payment of prizes.

- (a) payment shall be claimed by presenting and delivering up the ticket in respect of which the claim is made at the place and during the hours appointed for the purpose in the notice published in pursuance of Regulation 5 of these Regulations ;
- (b) payment shall be claimed within six months after the day of the draw at which the ticket in respect of which the claim is made was declared a winning ticket ;
- (c) no payment shall be made before the day next following that of the draw at which the ticket was declared a winning ticket or, if that day is a Sunday or public holiday, before the next following day not being a Sunday or public holiday ;

- (d) payment shall be made to the person who presents the ticket for payment of the prize won by that ticket and such payment shall absolutely discharge the Director of Lotteries, the Government, its servants and agents in respect of the payment of that prize.

Forfeiture
of unclaimed
prize.

10. If payment of a prize is not claimed in the manner and within the period prescribed by Regulation 9 of these Regulations, and if the number of the ticket in respect of which the prize was payable shall have been duly published as provided in Regulation 8 of these Regulations, the proceeds of that prize shall upon the expiry of the period aforesaid be forfeited to Her Majesty and paid into the Development Funds of the Colony.

Defaced, etc.,
tickets.

11. If, when any ticket is presented for payment of a prize any number, mark, figure or word which is material for identifying the ticket is, in the opinion of the Director of Lotteries, illegible or not clearly legible or incomplete or has been obliterated, defaced or removed, he shall not make any payment unless the person claiming payment produces evidence, to the satisfaction of the Director of Lotteries, identifying the ticket as the ticket in respect of which the prize claimed is payable.

Agent for
sale of
tickets.

12.—(1) The Director of Lotteries may appoint one or more agents for the sale of tickets to the public and may fix their remuneration. Every such appointment shall be for a period of three months from the date on which the appointment takes effect, but may be renewed for a further period, or further successive periods, not exceeding three months if the Director of Lotteries shall think fit.

(2) The agent shall, upon his appointment as an agent, give and execute a bond, in the form set out in the Schedule to these Regulations, with two sureties to be approved by the Director of Lotteries, in a sum equal to twice the face value of the tickets allotted to him.

(3) The agent may appoint sub-agents for the sale of tickets allotted to the agent, but every such appointment shall forthwith be notified to the Director of Lotteries.

Street
vendors.

13.—(1) The Director of Lotteries may on payment of an annual fee of fifty mils, grant licences, revocable at any time without cause shown, to such persons and on such terms and conditions as he thinks fit, permitting the licensees to act as vendors.

(2) In this regulation the term " vendor " means any person who hawks, peddles, sells or offers for sale Government lottery tickets in any public place in Cyprus.

Offences.

14.—(1) Any person who—

(a) buys or sells any Government lottery ticket or share thereof at a price exceeding the price authorised by the Director of Lotteries ;
or

(b) sells or offers for sale in any public place any such ticket or share without the permission of the Director of Lotteries,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds and, if the person convicted is an agent appointed under Regulation 12 of these Regulations or the sub-agent of such agent, the Director of Lotteries may forthwith revoke the appointment of the agent.

(2) If any person, being an agent appointed under Regulation 12 of these Regulations or the sub-agent of such agent, or the servant of either, buys, receives, takes or accepts from any person any such ticket as aforesaid such ticket, being a ticket which has been declared to be a winning ticket under these Regulations, otherwise than in consideration of a cash payment equal to the full amount of the prize payable by the Director of Lotteries in respect of such ticket, as the case may be, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds, and the Director of Lotteries may forthwith revoke the appointment of the agent.

SCHEDULE.

FORM OF BOND TO BE GIVEN BY AGENT.

Know all men by these presents that we.....
 of..... and.....
 of..... and.....
 of..... are held and firmly bound unto Her Majesty
 Queen Elizabeth the Second in the sum of..... pounds
 of good and lawful money of Cyprus to be paid to Her Majesty, Her heirs
 or successors for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves
 and each and every one of us jointly and severally for and in the whole our
 heirs, executors and administrators firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our respective seals.

Dated this..... day of.....,
 one thousand nine hundred and.....

Whereas the above bounden..... has been
 appointed by the Director of Lotteries of the Government of Cyprus an
 agent for the sale of Government lottery tickets ;

Now the condition of the above written obligation is such that if the
 said..... shall duly
 and punctually pay to the Director of Lotteries all such sums as he is required
 by the conditions of his appointment as prescribed by the Government
 Lotteries Regulations, 1956, or any regulations amending or replacing the
 same, to pay in respect of all Government lottery tickets issued or allotted
 to him then this obligation to be void or otherwise to remain in full force and
 effect.

Signed, sealed, etc.

Made at Nicosia, this 22nd day of May, 1956.

By Command of His Excellency the Governor,

J. W. SYKES,
Administrative Secretary.

No. 419.

THE EMERGENCY POWERS (PUBLIC SAFETY AND ORDER)
 REGULATIONS, 1955 TO (No. 7) 1956.

NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 66 (4).

It is hereby notified that, in exercise of the powers conferred by
 paragraph (4) of Regulation 66 of the Emergency Powers (Public Safety
 and Order) Regulations, 1955 to (No. 7) 1956, His Excellency the Governor
 has been pleased to fix the 24th day of May, 1956, as the date on which
 the said Regulation 66 shall come into operation.

Dated this 19th day of May, 1956.

By Command of His Excellency the Governor,

J. W. SYKES,
Administrative Secretary.