

Department of Law and Public Safety
Division of Gaming Enforcement
Approved Leagues/Events for Sports Wagering

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Summary

Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 13:69N-1.11*, the Division 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 and events.

Procedure for Approval of New Events/Wagers

N.J.A.C. 13:69N-1.11: A sports pool operator shall not accept any wager on a sports event unless it has provided written notification to the Division of Gaming Enforcement of the first time that wagering on a category of wagering event (for example, wagering on a particular type of professional sport) or type of wager (for example, an in-play wager or exchange wager) is offered to the public. . . . The Division 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 Division sufficient time to review a submission, sports pool operators should email SBEEventNotification@njdge.org at least 72 hours prior to offering the new event or wager to the public. Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 13:69N-1.11(a)*, this notice must include (1) the name of the sport's governing body in charge of administering the event or wager and (2) a description of the policies and procedures regarding the event or wager's integrity. Additionally, operators should submit updated house rules, as necessary, for each new event, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 13:69N-1.7*.

Operators must receive Division approval prior to offering the new event or wager type. Approvals are granted at the discretion of the Division. This procedure applies to both new events not previously approved in New Jersey and those events on this list which the operator has not yet requested to offer, even though the event is already approved.

Types of Wagers Permitted

Unless otherwise restricted, for all approved leagues, operators may request to offer any wager or proposition bet where the results are determined on the field of play and can be proven by a box score or statistical analysis. Additionally, the Division has pre-approved seasonal awards for all approved leagues where such awards are voted on by individuals covered under the league's integrity policy. Wagering on awards must cease at the time votes are due.

Any other type of wager must be sent to the Division for approval the first time it is offered and may not be made available for wagering until approved by the Division.

Prohibited Events

N.J.S.A. 5:12A-10: "Prohibited sports event" means any collegiate sport or athletic event that takes place in New Jersey or a sport or athletic event in which any New Jersey college team participates

regardless of where the event takes place. A “prohibited sports event” does not include the other games of a collegiate sport or athletic tournament in which a New Jersey college team participates, nor does it include any games of a collegiate tournament that occurs outside New Jersey even though some of the individual games or events are held in New Jersey. A “prohibited sports event” includes all high school sports events. A “prohibited sports event” includes electronic sports and competitive video games that are sponsored by or affiliated with a high school or electronic sports and competitive video games and tournaments in which a majority of the competitors are under 18 years of age. A “prohibited sports event” does not include sports, electronic sports, or competitive video game events in which persons under age 18 make up a minority of the participants.

For reference, a list of New Jersey Colleges can be found at:

https://www.nj.gov/highereducation/colleges/schools_alfa.shtml

Current Approved Leagues/Events

The following are approved leagues/events. To the extent that other leagues/events were previously approved while the Division’s emergency regulation were in effect, those are no longer approved at this time and must be resubmitted for further review. This list is regularly updated.

Football

- National Football League (NFL)
- NCAA College Football (NCAAF)
- Canadian Football League (CFL)
- Arena Football League (AFL)
- Alliance of American Football (AAF)
- Fan Controlled Football
- United States Football League (USFL)
- XFL

Athletics

- International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF)
- World Athletics
- Commonwealth Games
- World Marathon Majors (*pre-race wages on professional runners*)

Australian Rules Football

- Australian Football League

Badminton

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

Bandy

- World Championships

Baseball/Softball

- Major League Baseball (MLB)

- NCAA Baseball
- NCAA Softball
- World Baseball Classic (WBC)
- Minor League Baseball (MiLB): Triple A, Somerset Patriots, Lakewood Blue Claws
- Nippon Professional Baseball (Japan)
- Chinese Professional Baseball League
- Korean KBO
- Athletes Unlimited Softball, including Championship Season Softball
- Australian BL

Basketball

- National Basketball League (NBA)
- Women's National Basketball League (WNBA)
- NCAA College Basketball (NCAAB)
- Euro League/EuroCup
- World Championships
- FIBA regulated Country v. Country qualifiers/games/tournaments
- First Tier Leagues (Men/Women) in: Australia, Argentina, Barbados, Belarus, BNXT League, Brazil, China, Chinese Taipei, Croatia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Spain, South Korea, Sweden, Switzerland, The Basketball Tournament (TBT), Turkey, Russia
- FIBA Champions League
- Big Three
- Athletes Unlimited
- Korean Basketball Association

Billiards

- Mosconi Cup
- World Pool Billiard Association Championship and World Cups

Boxing

- World Boxing Association (WBA)
- World Boxing Council (WBC)
- World Boxing Organization (WBO)
- International Boxing Federation (IBF)
- Professional matches approved and regulated by domestic state athletic boards in a substantially similar manner as the New Jersey State Athletic Control Board
- Professional matches approved and regulated by the British Board of Boxing Control
- Mike Tyson v. Roy Jones Jr.
- Professional fights sanctioned by domestic members of the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports

Bowling

- Pro Bowling Tour

Bull Riding

- Professional Bull Riding, Inc.

Cricket

- World Cup
- International Cricket Council (ICC) regulated Country v. Country qualifiers/games/tournaments
- Indian Premier League
- Big Bash League
- T20 Blast
- The Hundred
- Caribbean Premier League
- The Sixty
- BCCI Women's Premier League (India)

Curling

- World Curling Championships

Cycling

- Grand Tour
- World Tour

Darts

- Professional Darts Organization
- British Darts Organization
- Championship Darts Corporation
- Remote Dart League
- World Darts Federation events: World Masters, World Cup, Americas Cup, Asia-Pacific Cup, Europe Cup, World Championships

Entertainment

- Emmy Awards¹
- Academy Awards (Oscars)²

eSports

- 2019 League of Legends World Championship Finals
- eNASCAR iRacing Pro Invitational Series
- Vie.GG Legend Series (CS:GO)
- League of Legends (LoL)
 - World Championships (and associated qualifiers)
 - Tournaments directly run/organized by Riot Games
- Counterstrike Global Offensive (CS:GO):
 - Blast Premier League
 - ESL-Pro League
 - IEM ESL Events

¹ Bet limit of \$1,000 or win limit of \$1,000, whichever is greater.

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- Defense of the Ancients 2 (DOTA2)
 - ESL Events
- Valorant
 - Tournaments directly run/organized by Riot Games
- Call of Duty League
- Overwatch League
- Sports Information Services (“SIS”) events offered through an integration with SIS

Golf

- PGA
- Korn Ferry Tour
- Majors
- European Tour
- Challenge Tour
- Champions Tour
- LPGA
- World Golf Championships (WGC)
- Tiger v. Phil (“The Match”), The Match 2
- International Events (i.e. Ryder Cup, Solheim Cup, Presidents Cup)
- Cactus League, Gateway PGA, Taylor Made Driving Relief, Korean Ladies Professional Golf Association (KLPGA),

Handball

- First Tier: Belarus, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, Germany, France, Spain, Denmark, Poland, Hungary, European Championship League
- Handball World Championships

Hockey

- National Hockey League
- NCAA
- International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) Tournaments
- World Championships
- Kontinental Hockey League (KHL)
- Swedish Hockey League
- National League (Switzerland)
- SM-liiga (Finland)
- Belarusian Extraleague
- Ukrainian Hockey League

Jai Alai

- Magic City

Lacrosse

- NCAA
- Premier Lacrosse League
- Athletes Unlimited

- National Lacrosse League (NLL)
- World Lacrosse Championship

Lawn Bowling

- Bowls Grand Prix

Mixed Martial Arts

- Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC)
- Bellator
- Professional Fighters League (PFL)
- Cage Warriors
- Professional fights sanctioned by domestic members of the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports

Olympics³

- Summer Olympics
- Winter Olympics

Other

- American Cornhole League: Professional matches where scoring is kept by an independent judge and aired live
- Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest

Racing

- NASCAR: Monster Energy Series, Xfinity Series Truck Series, NASCAR Cup Series
- Indy Racing League (Indy Car)
- Formula One
- Horses: Fixed-odds horse racing is governed by the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 5:5-190 et seq.*
- MotoAmerica SuperBikes Championship SuperBikes Series
- Drone Racing League (DRL)⁴
- Nitro Rallycross
- Superstar Racing Experience (SRX)
- Le Mans
- NHRA Camping World Drag Racing Series
- Formula E

Rowing

- University Boat Race

Rugby League/Union

- Six Nations
- World Cup
- International Country v. Country qualifiers/games/tournaments

³ Subject to previously issued guidance regarding under 18 amateur athletes.

⁴ Live races considered athletic events. Virtual races considered eSports.

- Includes World Rugby sanctioned Rugby Sevens
- Four Nations
- National Rugby League (Australia/New Zealand)
- Super League (UK/France)
- PRO14
- English Premiership Rugby
- Top14 (France)
- Super Rugby
- European Champions Cup
- European Challenge Cup
- Major League Rugby
- Premier Rugby 7s
- Japan Rugby League One

Sailing

- Americas Cup
- Prada Cup Challenger Series

Snooker

- World Snooker

Soccer

- North America:
 - Major League Soccer (MLS)
 - MLS Next Pro
 - USL Championship (USLC)
 - USL League 1
 - North American Soccer League (NASL)
 - United States Open Cup
 - National Women's Soccer League (NWSL)
 - Liga MX (Mexico)
 - Copa MX (Mexico)
 - CONCACAF Champions League
- Europe: The Division has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups, for UEFA member countries
 - England: League 1
 - England: League 2
 - Champions League
 - Europa League
 - Super Cup
- South America: The Division has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups for:
 - Argentinian Soccer
 - Brazilian Soccer
- Asia: The Division has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups for:
 - Chinese Soccer
 - Japanese Soccer

- South Korean soccer
- Oceania: The Division has approved wagering on the top two tiers, as well as domestic cups for:
 - Australian soccer
- 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)
- International Champions Cup
- FIFA Club World Cup
- First Tier and Domestic Cups: Algeria, Bolivia, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, Chinese Taipei, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Fiji, Ghana, Hong Kong, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Singapore, South Africa, Turkmenistan, Uruguay

Table Tennis

- International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) events
- European Table Tennis Union (ETTU) events
- TT Star, Russian Liga, Dusseldorf Masters Series

Tennis

- Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP): World Tour, Challenger Series
- Women's Tennis Association (WTA)
- Grand Slam Events
- International Tennis Federation (ITF)
- Tennis Point Series, International Tennis Series, UTR Pro Match Series, US Pro Tennis Series, EXO Tennis, Grand Slam Tennis Tour Matchplay 120, Austrian Generali Pro Series Tennis, Eastern European Championship Tennis, LiveScore Cup, World Team Tennis, German National Series, Adria Tour Tennis, Ultimate Tennis Showdown, Tipsport Elite Cup, Umbrian Open, Battle of the Brits, British Tour, Ladies Berlin Open, Thiems 7, The Progress Tour, FPT Portugal Series, Credit One Bank Invitational, Macha Lake Open, All American Tennis Cup, German Premier League, German Masters Series, European Pro Series Tennis, Champions Series Tennis

Volleyball

- First Tier (Men/Women): Belarus, Turkey, Russia
- AVP Pro Beach Volleyball
- FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour
- Athletes Unlimited
- Challenger Cup
- FIVB Nations League
- European Volleyball League (Gold and Silver)