

GAMING BOARD OF TANZANIA

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION OF COMMERCIAL GAMING LICENCE.

1.1. Licensing Conditions

1.1.1. Regulation 3 of the Gaming Regulations, 2003 prescribes general conditions for issuance of gaming licence. These conditions apply to every applicant of gaming licence save where it has been stated otherwise. These conditions require that an applicant of a gaming licence:

1. Has never been denied a gaming licence by the Board or any other jurisdiction;
2. Has never had a gaming licence suspended or revoked in Tanzania or other jurisdiction;
3. Has never withdrawn an application for any gaming licence anywhere for whatever reasons;
4. Possesses a gaming premises that are deemed suitable by the Board;
5. Complies with all the provisions of the Act and the Gaming Regulations, 2003 as amended from time to time;
6. Has not been convicted of any criminal offence involving fraud or dishonesty; and
7. Has proof of adequate financing available to pay all obligations and to provide for adequate working capital to finance the gaming operations.

1.1.2. In addition to the above statutory outlined conditions, other applicable conditions are that, the applicant has;

- i. Clean taxation history,
- ii. Technical ability,
- iii. Credit worthiness,
- iv. Clean compliance status,
- v. Good business reputation,
- vi. State of the art technology, and
- vii. Requisite capital investment.

1.1.3. Alongside the above listed conditions and depending on nature of the gaming activities, there are specific licensing conditions which apply to each particular gaming licence. Specific conditions are reflected under each category of

licence. The Board is under the obligation to ensure that all the above specified conditions have been addressed before of the issuance of gaming licence.

1.2. Documentary Requirements

1.2.1. There basic documents/information which have to be submitted to the Board by the applicant of gaming licence. The documents/information varies depending on type of the licence. Alongside the basic documents/information, there is specific documents/information which applies only to particular licence.

1.2.2. The applicant of gaming licence to conduct commercial gaming undertaking is required to provide basic information/documents to enable the Board processing the application. The general information/documents required includes;

1. Duly completed application forms: applicant has to complete application forms and adhere to all instructions related to the application.
2. Business Plan/Feasibility Study containing the following;
 - i. Clear statement of project objectives;
 - ii. Applicant's operational profile,
 - iii. A copy of the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, in case no company has been formed, submit a copy of proposed Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association.
 - iv. Certified copy of the Certificate of Company incorporation,
 - v. Corporate structure; detailing all the company's present shareholders and founding shareholders, directors and key employees,
 - vi. Details of investment costs, financing arrangement, amount and sources of funding, commitment of funding e.g. contacts; terms and conditions of loans if applicable;
 - vii. Descriptions of technology/equipment and its source,
 - viii. Projected financial and economic analysis; the financial analysis including projected Annual Balance Sheets and Income Statements for the first three years;

- ix. The findings of the market study;
 - x. The expected social economic benefits such as employments, knowledge transfer, and Corporate Social Responsibility,
 - xi. Proposed timelines for implementation of the project, and
 - xii. Any other information that may be useful for determination of the application.
3. Evidence of sufficient finance capital available for the implementation of the project,
 4. Proof of citizenship of every shareholder, director and key employee. This includes detailed Curricula Vitae for each shareholder, director and key employee, copy of passport page containing particulars of the holder, passport size photograph and police clearance report of country of origin.
 5. Personal declaration form;
 6. Where the applicant is a juristic person, has to submit the most recent applicant's audited financial statement,
 7. Tax Clearance Certificate from the revenue authority of a country of origin of the applicant, and for every shareholder, director and key employee, where applicable;
 8. Statement from two persons (not relatives) vouching for the good moral character and financial responsibility of the shareholder and the proposed directors and senior officers at the time of application;
 9. Commitment to invest in the country: Applicant's Board of Directors' resolution to invest in Tanzania,
 10. Anti-bribe pledge form;
 11. Details of premises for operations conducted in physical premises (brick and mortar) e.g. land based casino, route of operations, sports betting shops etc.;
 12. Responsible gaming guidelines;
 13. Technology Certification documents e.g letter of certification and report;
 14. Details of Service provider licensed to Tanzania

1.3. Minimum Investment Capital Requirement

1.3.1. The minimum investment capital for a local Company is **USD 300,000.00** or equivalent to Tanzanian Shillings whereas; for a foreign company, the requirement is **USD 500,000.00** or equivalent to Tanzanian Shillings. In event there is equal stakes in the company between local and foreigner, the minimum capital shall be **USD 400,000.00** or equivalent to Tanzania Shillings.

1.3.2. The minimum capital requirement shall constitute the following:

1. Costs related to facilitation of application such as application fee, investigation fee, licence fee etc.
2. Acquisition of assets,
3. Pre-operating cost (renting costs, employee salary, work permit for foreigners e.t.c), and
4. Describe initial working capital.

1.3.3. The applicant shall be required to provide evidence to show that has satisfied the requirement of capital threshold during the evaluation process. Verification of capital shall be carried during the background investigation.

1.3.4. The applicant/licensee shall be required to operate a bank account with a local bank. The applicant/licensee shall notify the Board of such account by providing name of the bank and details of the account. The licensee shall notify the Board within 7 days after opening the account.

1.4. Testing and Certification of Technology

Applicants shall be required to test and obtain certification for their devices, management systems and game software that will deploy in their gaming activities. These devices, systems and games should be tested against applicable standards. GBT will be approving and publish a list of laboratories certified to test gaming technology.

NB: APPLICATION IS MADE ONLINE via ACCESS LINK: <https://glica.gamingboard.go.tz> TO REGISTER OR CONTACT GBT FOR MORE INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE.

The procedures above are to be read together with the Gaming Act CAP 41 R.E. 2019 and its Regulations 2003, Sport Betting Rules 2016 (for those making application in respect of Sports Betting operations).