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GBI FORM B07



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GBI BINGO TIMELINE IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

*January 1st - Post current bingo license and this timeline together. GBI Rule 92-2-.04 (4) and GBI Rule 92-2-.28 (c)

- January 5th Compile previous year's bingo information for Annual Report and turn into CPA for preparation and authentication. Annual Reports must be filed with the Director by April 15th. There is no provision in Georgia State Law or GBI Rules for extensions!
- March 15th Inquire with CPA to ensure timely completion of Annual Report. Remind CPA that there are no extensions!
- *April 15th Bingo Annual Reports must be postmarked by this date to prevent license suspension. There are no extensions! Failure to file the Annual Report by April 15th will result in license suspension for the remainder of the current year. GBI Rule 92-2-.10
- October 1st Begin preparing new license applications which are due by October 31st . Remember there is a \$100.00 application fee.
- *October 31st License Renewal applications must be postmarked by Oct. 31st or you will not receive your new license until sometime after the new year. GBI Rule 92-2-.05
- *December 31st All bingo licenses for the current year expire at midnight. <u>If</u> you do not have a current license, and continue to hold bingo games, you are in violation of O.C.G.A. 16-12-22 and are guilty of commercial gambling which is a felony punishable by 1-5 years imprisonment and/or a \$20,000 fine.

Also remember that you must submit the Compliance Form <u>within 15 days</u> of election of new officers and you must have GBI approval on all new workers. Failure to do so will result in license suspension for up to 6 months. GBI Rule 92-2-.07

* These dates are set forth by the GBI Bingo Rules Book and Georgia Law. All other dates are suggestions which may help your organization submit the necessary paperwork in a timely manner.