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750.01 PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES.

It is the purpose of this chapter and the policy of the City to establish standards for licensing, regulation and control of computerized sweepstakes devices and sweepstakes terminal cafés and premises upon which they are located and operated for purpose of entertainment of the public. The objectives of this chapter are to prevent safety and fire hazards, disturbances, disruption of pedestrian traffic, disorderly assemblies, theft of personal property, gambling and truancy within the City.

(Ord. 38-10. Passed 10-26-10.)

750.02 CONSTRUCTION, SEPARABILITY AND APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER.

(a) Construction. This chapter shall be liberally construed and applied to promote its purpose and objectives.

(b) Separability. If any provision of this chapter, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and neither the remainder of this chapter nor the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall be affected thereby.

(Ord. 38-10. Passed 10-26-10.)

750.03 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter:

(a) "Computerized sweepstakes device" means any computer, machine, game or apparatus which, upon the insertion of a coin, token or similar object, or upon payment of anything of value, wherein a product or service is provided, and may be operated by the public generally for use as a contest of skill, entertainment or amusement, whether or not public generally for use as a contest of skill, entertainment of amusement, whether or not registering a score, and which does not in any way, manner or form encourage gambling.

(b) "Service Director" means the Director of Public Service for the City of Sheffield Lake.

(c) "Board" means the Sheffield Lake Zoning Board of Appeals.

(d) "Operator" means the person or persons having authority to control the premises of a Sweepstakes Terminal Café.

(e) "Licensee" means the person or persons who sign an application for a license hereunder and to whom such license is issued.

(f) "Owner" means any person who possesses any interest, either directly or indirectly, in a Sweepstakes Terminal Café.

(g) "Person" means any natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or any other form of business organization.

(h) "Premises" means the building or any portion thereof used for conducting the operation of a Sweepstakes Terminal Café.

(i) "Sweepstakes Terminal Café" means any premises upon which any computerized sweepstakes device is located for the use or entertainment of the public, whether or not such premises has any other business purpose.

(j) "City" means the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio.

(Ord. 38-10. Passed 10-26-10.)

750.04 COMPUTERIZED SWEEPSTAKES DEVICE LICENSE REQUIRED.

No person shall display for purposes of use any computerized sweepstakes device in the City without first having obtained a computerized sweepstakes license as provided in this chapter. A separate license is required for each computerized sweepstakes device.

(Ord. 38-10. Passed 10-26-10.)

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