APPLICATION FOR THE CONVERSION OR NEW GRANT OR CHANGE OF NAME

 UNLICENSED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE GAMING MACHINE PERMIT

(FOR USE BY OCCUPIERS / PROPOSED OCCUPIERS OF PREMISES INTENDED TO BE USED BY THE APPLICANT AS UNLICENSED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRES)

*Please refer to guidance notes at the back of this form before completing*



To:

**BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

**LICENSING & REGISTRATION**

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**SECTION A – What do you want to do?**

1. Please indicate what you would like to do:

a) Apply **to convert** an existing Section 34 permit issued under the Gaming Act 1968, into an unlicensed family entertainment centre gaming machine permit

(*if you choose this option then please complete sections B, D and F*)

b) Apply for a **new** unlicensed family entertainment centre gaming machine permit

(*if you choose this option then please complete sections B, D, E and F*)

c) Request that the licensing authority **changes the name** on the permit due to the existing permit holder’s change of name or wish to be known by another name

(*if you choose this option then please complete sections C, D and F*)

Yes / No

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Yes / No

**SECTION B – Application for grant (includes both new and conversion applications)**

2. Do you have an existing Section 34 permit issued under the Gaming Act 1968?

If ‘yes’ the permit should be enclosed.**\*** Please tick if existing Section 34 permit enclosed

3. Are you aware of any premises licence, issued under the Gambling Act 2005, which exists in relation to the premises to which this application relates? If ‘yes’ please provide details (e.g. premises licence reference number)

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**Section C – Change of name applications ONLY**

4. What is the name of the permit holder on the existing permit?

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5. What is the reference (e.g. number) of the existing permit?

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6. What name change is requested by the permit holder?

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7. Why is this change of name being requested? *(see guidance note 8)*

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**\* Please keep a copy of your existing permit on the premises to which it relates.**

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**Section D – General Information – Conversion/New applications ONLY**

8. Name of premises……………………………………………………………………………………………………………...

9. Address of premises…………………………………………………………………………………………………………...

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10. Telephone number of premises…………………………………………………………………………………................

11. Name of applicant …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..................

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13. Telephone number (daytime) of applicant …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..................

14. E-mail address of applicant …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..................

15. Name, address, telephone and e-mail of agent (e.g. solicitor) if submitted on behalf of the applicant

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**Section E – New applicants ONLY**

1. Details of any relevant convictions (as set out in Schedule 7 of the Gambling Act 2005) **\*** if none please state (NONE) …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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2. Are you a member of a trade organisation e.g. BACTA or similar? YES/NO ……………………………………….

3. Please provide details of any training courses attended in relation to gamine machine operational stakes and prizes.\* …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

4. How many staff will normally be employed at the premises? ……………………………………………………………

5. Do you have a staff training manual available relating to the use of gaming machines? YES/NO If YES, please attach a copy of the application.

6. Do you have a published Child Protection Policy for the premises? YES/NO If YES, please attach a copy to the application.

7. Please provide a plan at a suitable scale showing the layout of the premises.

**\*Additional Information - Please use additional sheets if necessary**

**Section F – Fee and Signature(s***)* **– All applicants MUST complete Please tick box**

*I enclose a sum of £………………..* □

*(cheques should be made payable to* ***Bridgend County Borough Council****.)*

I confirm that I occupy / propose to occupy the premises to which this application relates. □

I confirm that I am 18 years of age or older. □

I confirm the existing Section 34 permit enclosed □

Please note: It is an offence under section 342 of the Gambling Act 2005 if a person, without reasonable excuse, gives to a licensing authority for a purpose connected with that Act information which is false or misleading.

Dated ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

**Signed (by or on behalf of applicant / permit holder)….…………………………………………………………………**

**Print Name………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………...**

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**Guidance notes:**

1. This form is to be used for an application for a grant (or to request a change of name) of a unlicensed family entertainment centre gaming machine permit under the Gambling Act 2005 Section 247 and Schedule 10. **This form can be used for both new applications and for applications to convert an existing Section 34 permit** under the Gaming Act 1968 in accordance with the Gambling Act 2005 Statutory Instrument 2006 / 3272.
2. An unlicensed family entertainment centre is entitled to provide an unlimited number of category D gaming machines available for use on the premises. Category D gaming machines are defined in the Gambling Act 2005 Statutory Instrument ……. as ………. Category C (adult) gaming machines CANNOT be made available for use and thus there will be no ‘designated adult areas’ required at the premises.
3. The permit’s duration is 10 years. A renewal application must be made 2-6 months before the expiry date of the permit (Schedule 10 paragraph 18 Gambling Act 2005).
4. The **fee** for a **new** application for grant is **£300**. The **fee** for the **conversion** of an existing Section 34 Gaming Act 1968 permit is **£100.** The **fee** for a **change of name** is **£25**.
5. Applicants should be aware that this Licensing Authority has published a ‘Statement of Principles’ under Schedule 10 paragraph of the Gambling Act 2005. The Statement of Principles is available via this authority’s website, www.bridgend.gov.uk, or via a request made to The Licensing Section, Bridgend County Borough Council, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB. This licensing authority must notify the applicant of its grant / refusal of the application for a permit as soon as is reasonably practicable after that decision to grant / refuse has been made.
6. If an application has been made to convert an existing Section 34 Gaming Act 1968 permit before 31st July 2007, then the applicant can assume that, even where a decision has not been formally made by this licensing authority, his/her application is to be treated as granted from September 2007. Following this, a permit must be provided by this authority as soon as reasonably practicable.
7. These permits cannot be transferred. Change of name is only permitted where the permit holder changes his / her name or wishes to be known by another name (Schedule 10 paragraph 11(2)).

**Official Use Only**

**Fee Paid: …………………………… Receipt No: ………………………………………**

**Date of receipt of fee: ……………………….. Received by: …………………………..**

**Application accepted / returned (please delete as appropriate)**