



Oregon State Police Briefs

Gaming Enforcement Division

The purpose of the Gaming Enforcement Division is to assure the Fairness, Integrity, Honesty and Security (FISH) of the Oregon State Lottery, Tribal Gaming Casinos, and all ring sports in Oregon. All of these functions are mandated either through authority of state statute or Tribal/State Gaming Compact agreements.

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Lottery Security Section

The mission of the Lottery Security Section is to ensure all Oregon Lottery gaming activities are conducted in a fair, honest, and secure manner with the highest level of integrity.

The Lottery Security Section provides proactive enforcement measures to prevent, detect, and take action on crimes or rule violations associated with gambling and the Oregon Lottery. This role requires extensive knowledge and expertise in law enforcement and regulatory techniques. The section conducts all lottery employee applicant, retailer, vendor, and contractor regulatory investigations and performs regular updates of such investigations to assure compliance with security requirements. The section conducts criminal investigations involving lottery games and lottery employees, and then works towards prosecution. The section also manages the on-site security and surveillance of lottery premises utilizing non-sworn lottery employees.

Tribal Gaming Section

The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) provides that Class III gaming activities are lawful on tribal lands only if such activities are (1) located in a state that permits such gaming for any purpose by any person, organization, or entity, (2) authorized by tribal ordinance, and (3) conducted in accordance with a Tribal/State Compact. The oversight by the Tribal Gaming Section is independent of the tribes to satisfy provision #3 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). Under the obligations found in the current

Tribal/State Compact agreements, the Department of Oregon State Police is required to provide specialized gambling oversight services in the form of background investigations on those who wish to do business with the tribes such as vendors, contractors and prospective tribal gaming licensees. Additionally, the State Police is required to conduct formal monitoring and oversight of the tribal gaming centers to assure the integrity, security and full compliance with the established controls and compact agreements.

Currently, all nine of the ten federally recognized Native American Tribes in Oregon have gaming compacts with the State. Each of the nine tribes currently has gaming centers that are in operation.

Oregon Athletic Commission

In 2007, the Boxing and Wrestling Commission became the Oregon Athletic Commission (OAC). Commission members and the Executive Director are appointed by the Superintendent of the Oregon State Police. The Commission regulates ring sports to protect the interests of participants and the public by establishing and enforcing medical standards, qualifying officials, preventing financial exploitation of participants, investigating alleged violations of rules, preventing crime, and other general assistance.



Vendor Investigative Section

This section serves to protect the gaming industry in Oregon through investigations of vendors who conduct business with the Oregon Lottery and Native American Tribes in Oregon. These investigations cross all business and corporate structures to assure the FISH.