



CALCUTTA POOL APPLICATION

An organization seeking authorization from the Department of Justice to conduct a Calcutta Pool must supply the following information in accordance with 23-5-115, Montana Code Annotated. This form must be completed in its entirety. Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary. Applications may be submitted via fax, email, mail or online through [Taxpayer Access Point](#).

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Approved
<input type="checkbox"/>	Denied
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25.00 Fee

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Organization Name _____ FEIN _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Mailing Address _____
Street, Suite No *City* *State* *Zip*

EVENT INFORMATION

Calcutta Date _____ Calcutta Time _____

Auction Location _____
Street, Suite No *City* *State* *Zip*

CALCUTTA AUCTION

Event Name _____ Date _____ Time _____

Event Location _____
Street, Suite No *City* *State* *Zip*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Expected Number of Competitors _____

Prizes to be paid _____

(Provide % of total wagers in this field; the percentage breakdown for each place should be included in your attached rules.)

Charitable Contribution Amount _____

(Prizes paid plus Charitable Contribution must equal 100%)

Projected Administrative Costs _____

(Ex. Advertising, fees, auctioneer, etc.)

Name of Charity, Nonprofit Corporation, Association, or Cause _____

CERTIFICATION

I certify that this information is true and correct.

Authorized Signature

Print Name of Person Signing

Date

ATTACH \$25 FEE AND A COPY OF RULES THAT WILL BE USED TO CONDUCT THE CALCUTTA.

RULES ARE REQUIRED TO BE PUBLICLY POSTED.

IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME APPLYING FOR A CALCUTTA, ATTACH FEIN VERIFICATION.

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SELECTED MONTANA CODE ANNOTATED AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE EXCERPTS

(To obtain a complete copy of the rules and statutes, visit our website at www.dojmt.gov/gaming)

23-5-221, MCA: Definition. As used in this part, "Calcutta pool" means a form of auction pool conducted by an organization authorized by the department. The Calcutta pool must be an auction pool in which:

- (1) a person's wager is equal to the person's bid;
- (2) the proceeds from the pool, minus administrative costs and prizes paid, are contributed to a charitable or nonprofit corporation, association, or cause;
- (3) the rules of the pool are publicly posted;
- (4) no more than one wager for each competitor is allowed;
- (5) at least 50% of the total pool is paid out in prizes;
- (6) persons may not bid or wager money on any elementary school or high school sports event; and
- (7) the underlying event has more than two entrants.

23-5-222, MCA: Calcutta pools authorized. It is lawful to conduct or participate in a Calcutta pool as defined in 23-5-221. An organization shall apply to the department on a form prescribed and furnished by the department for a Calcutta permit. The application must be accompanied by a fee of \$25, which the department shall retain for administrative purposes.

23.16.2801, ARM: Definitions

(1) "Calcutta pool" means a form of auction pool wherein participants in the pool bid on the competitors in an underlying event with each successful bidder wagering the amount he has bid on the competitor he has "purchased;" at the conclusion of the underlying event the pool of wagers placed on all competitors is divided amongst the pool participants who have "purchased" the winners of the underlying event according to the rules of the particular Calcutta pool.

(2) "Competitor" means an entrant in the underlying event upon which a Calcutta pool is based and who is "purchased" or wagered upon by a participant in the Calcutta pool.

(3) "Participant" means a person who bids/wagers in a Calcutta pool, who "purchases" a competitor in the event underlying the pool, and who stands to win according to the rules of the pool.

(4) "Prize" means anything of value awarded a winner of a Calcutta pool or anything of value awarded a winner of an underlying event from the Calcutta pool based on that event.

(5) "Proceeds" means the amount left in a Calcutta pool after administrative costs and prizes have been paid.

(6) "Purchase" means to earn the right to wager in a Calcutta pool by submitting the highest bid on a particular competitor in the underlying event.

(7) "Underlying event" means an actual game, tournament, or contest with more than two entrants which is wagered upon by the participants in a Calcutta pool. Fictitious or contrived events shall not be considered underlying events for purposes of Calcutta pool wagering.

23.16.2803, ARM: Application for authorization to conduct a Calcutta pool

(1) Any organization seeking authorization from the department to conduct a Calcutta pool must supply the department the following information:

- (a) the event underlying the Calcutta pool;
- (b) the number of competitors in the underlying event (actual number or best estimate);
- (c) the value of prizes to be awarded (a prize may be a percentage of the total wagers);
- (d) any projected costs of administering the pool;
- (e) the intended use of the proceeds of the pool;
- (f) a copy of the rules of the Calcutta pool which will be publicly posted.

(2) All applications for authorization to conduct Calcutta pools should be received by the department at least ten working days before the start of the auction. The department may process an application received by FAX. An application may not receive approval if received by the department with less than ten working days before the start of the tournament.