

Venue operator's licence – approval as an associated individual

This package contains the application and information material for approval as an associated individual of a venue operator's licence.

How to apply

This is an interactive PDF form which allows you to:

- complete the form using a computer or tablet
- save your progress and continue at a later time
- print the completed form to sign and return.

You are still able to print the form and complete it by hand if you prefer.

This form has been designed to be completed using the free Adobe Acrobat Reader software. To download this free software, [please visit the following link](#) or search for the free “Adobe Acrobat Reader” on your devices app store.

This form may not function as intended if you use any other software.

Send application to:

Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission
GPO Box 1988
Melbourne Vic 3001

or lodge in person at:

Level 4, 12 Shelley Street
Richmond Vic 3121

or via email to:

contact@vgccc.vic.gov.au

Need help?

For more information on how to apply for a gambling licence or permit:

- visit the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission (VGCCC) website at vgccc.vic.gov.au
- telephone the VGCCC on 1300 599 759
- email the VGCCC at contact@vgccc.vic.gov.au

Important information

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This application is an important part of the approval process for a new Venue Operator's Licence, which cannot be granted by the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission (the VGCCC) until all associates of the applicant have been identified and approved. Current licensees must ensure that this form is submitted for approval of all new associates.

A new Venue Operator's Licence application will not be accepted by the VGCCC if an incomplete associate form is submitted. In such circumstances, the full application will be returned to the applicant with instructions that the relevant associate form is incomplete and must be completed before the application will be accepted. Accordingly, it is crucial that you review this associate form and Lodgement Guide (see page 3) to ensure it is fully completed and that **all** required attachments are provided. This simple check could save unnecessary delays in registration and processing time of any new Venue Operator's Licence application connected to this application. **Note:** The application form will be returned if a response to every applicable question is not provided or if all required attachments are not enclosed.

False or Misleading Information

It is an offence under the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003* (referred to in this form as the Act) to give information that is false or misleading. If you give false or misleading information, your application may be refused and/or you may be prosecuted and fined up to 60 penalty units (go to Gambling Fees and Fines at vgccc.vic.gov.au to confirm the current value of a penalty unit).

Are you required to notify changes while your application is in progress?

Between lodging this form and its determination by the VGCCC, you must notify the VGCCC in writing about any changes to the information you have provided (including any documents lodged with the application). Failure to do so may result in you being prosecuted and fined up to 60 penalty units.

Are you required to notify changes following determination of your application?

If approval is granted, you will also be given a set of Directions which give you an ongoing responsibility to notify the VGCCC of specified changes in your situation. Whenever a specified change takes place, you must give written notice to the VGCCC within 14 days of the change taking place. If you do **not** notify the Director VGCCC of a specified change, disciplinary action may be taken against you and/or you may be prosecuted and fined up to 60 penalty units.

Lodgement of Associate Forms

Associate documentation forms part of an application for a new Venue Operator's Licence or to renew a Venue Operator's Licence under the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003* (referred to in this form as the Act) and must be forwarded to the VGCCC as part of that licensing application.

The VGCCC is aware of the confidentiality of personal information provided in Associate forms. Accordingly, Associate forms may be lodged with an application for a Venue Operator's Licence in a sealed envelope with instruction that it may only be opened after it has been lodged with the VGCCC.

Where an Associate has failed to provide necessary information, the associate form will be returned in a sealed envelope (marked 'strictly confidential' and 'to be opened by addressee only') to the applicant for a Venue Operator's Licence or the authorised officer on behalf of the applicant to arrange completion by the Associate and the form's re-lodgement with the VGCCC.

Privacy Policy

The Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission is committed to responsible and fair handling of personal information consistent with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 and its obligations under the Gambling Regulation Act 2003.

Confidentiality Provisions

Information provided in your application must not be disclosed by the VGCCC or its staff to someone else, except for the purposes stated in Division 6 of Chapter 10 of the Act (to access these provisions go to vgccc.vic.gov.au).

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Directions for Completion

Answer every question and use BLOCK letters-

- If a question does not apply, or if there are no details to disclose in response to a particular question, print N/A (not applicable) in response.
- If the space available is insufficient, please supply the required information on an attachment page/s. If you do so, begin each answer with the title and reference of the question you are responding to.

Prior to lodging this application, please ensure that you have attached all required items.

The application form will be returned to you if you do not provide a response to all applicable questions or if all required attachments are not enclosed.

Note: There is currently no fee payable for this application.

STEP 1:

Apply for the appropriate National Police Certificate and/or an equivalent report from the relevant Police Agency – *Refer to Attachment 2*

Apply for your Credit Report and/or an equivalent report from the relevant overseas agency – *Refer to Attachment 3*

Apply for your Historical Personal Name Extract and/or an equivalent report from an overseas agency – *Refer to Attachment 1*

STEP 2:

When you have received your National Police Certificate, Historical Personal Name Extract and Credit Report you may:

Complete the application form and sign the form where required (Note: Answer all questions and ensure that all names included in the application form match those in your NPC and Credit Report)

Attach your National Police Certificate, Historical Personal Name Extract, Credit Report (Note: Ensure that all pages of your Credit Report are submitted) and any other required documents

STEP 3:

Lodge form with VGCCC

Strictly Confidential

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OFFICE USE ONLY

Allocation date: / /

Associated entity No: _____

Assigned to: _____

1. This request for approval as an associate relates to either an application (tick applicable box and provide details below):

- (a) for a new club Venue Operator's Licence; or
- (b) for a new hotel Venue Operator's Licence; or
- (c) for the renewal of a club Venue Operator's Licence; or
- (d) for the renewal of a hotel Venue Operator's Licence; or
- (e) as an associate of the holder of a current club Venue Operator's Licence; or
- (f) as an associate of the holder of a current hotel Venue Operator's Licence

Venue Operator's name:

Venue Operator's Licence number (if applicable):

2. Reason for classification as an associate (tick appropriate box/es):

- (a) Company director/secretary of the applicant or licence holder
- (b) Committee member of the applicant or licence holder
- (c) Company director/secretary of an associated entity of the applicant or licence holder:

Associated Entity's Name:

(If you are a company director/secretary of **more than one** associated entity, please provide the name of **each** entity on an attachment page)

- (d) Committee member of an associated entity of the applicant or licence holder:

Associated Entity's Name:

(If you are a committee member of **more than one** associated entity, provide the name of each entity on an attachment page)

- (e) Shareholder of the applicant or licence holder
- (f) Shareholder of an associated entity of the applicant or licence holder:

Associated Entity's Name:

(If you are a shareholder of more than one associated entity, please provide the name of each entity on an attachment page)

- (g) Authorised officer for the applicant or licence holder

(h) Appointor or unit holder of a trust linked to the applicant/licensee/ associated entity who, by virtue of the Trust Deed, is empowered individually or as a group to remove/change the Trustee or to influence the Trustee's decisions.

(i) Other - Explain reason for classification as an associate below:

3. Have you ticked either Q2 (b) or (d)?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q4.

If **YES**, you must provide a copy of the minute or resolution showing both your appointment to the committee of management and all current committee members of the applicant, licence holder or associated entity (whichever are applicable).

Have you attached a copy of the minute or resolution?

YES

Personal Particulars

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You **must** ensure that **all** names noted in Q4(a), (b) & (c) are provided to the providers of your National Police Certificate and Credit Report.

4. (a) Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms Male Female

Surname:

First name:

Middle name(s):

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Place of birth:

Country

State or region

Arrival date in Australia (if applicable, dd/mm/yyyy):

(b) Are you currently known or have you previously been known by another name(s), including any alias(es), Anglicised name(s), maiden name, married name(s) and name(s) changed via deed poll?

YES NO

If **YES**, provide additional details below:

Name changed from:

Name changed to:

Date of change (dd/mm/yyyy):

Name changed from:

Name changed to:

Date of change (dd/mm/yyyy):

(c) Have you had any legal name changes?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q5.

If **YES**, provide additional details below:

Name changed from:

Name changed to:

Date of change (dd/mm/yyyy):

Name changed from:

Name changed to:

Date of change (dd/mm/yyyy):

Name prior to change:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

5. Current residential address:

6. Your postal address (if the same as your residential address, write 'as Q5'):

7. Contact Details:

Daytime telephone number: Mobile telephone number:

Email address:

Business Interests

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Historical Personal Name Extract from the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) and/or Equivalent Report from Other Jurisdictions

Regardless of your place of residence, you are required to provide an Historical Personal Name Extract from ASIC (a copy will not be accepted). If you are not recorded on ASIC's database you will be provided with a letter to that effect. In addition, if you have ever been a director or company secretary of a company registered in a jurisdiction outside Australia, you are requested to submit an equivalent report to the ASIC Historical Personal Name Extract from the regulatory authority in each of those jurisdictions with this form. Refer to Attachment 1 for further instructions for obtaining an extract from ASIC and for the type of information an equivalent report is expected to reveal.

8.(a) Is your Historical Personal Name Extract from ASIC enclosed?

YES

(b) Have you ever been a director or company secretary of a company registered in a jurisdiction outside Australia?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q9.

If **YES**, is an equivalent report from the regulatory authority in each of those jurisdictions attached?

YES NO

If **NO**, provide reasons why an equivalent report from the regulatory authority in any of those jurisdictions has not been enclosed on an attachment page.

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Q9 relates to any business interests, directorships or partnerships (either within or outside Australia), **not** disclosed in your ASIC Extract or any equivalent report. When completing Q9 you must disclose details of:

- **All** directorships (either within or outside Australia), including positions of director, secretary etc, you hold or have resigned from (whether or not the company is trading) during the last 3 years; and
- **All** business interests or partnerships you have been involved in (either within or outside Australia), including provision of finance of A\$50,000 or more in relation to any business dealing during the last 3 years.

9. List below any business interests, directorships or partnerships (either within or outside Australia), not disclosed in your Extract from ASIC or any equivalent report:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

Racing and Gambling History

10. Other than in Victoria, have you ever applied for any racing or gambling industry licence, approval, authorisation or registration?

YES NO

If **NO** proceed to Q11.

If **YES**, in respect of each application complete the details below and proceed to Q11.

If the application was granted/approved or is still pending, provide details below:

Type of licence, approval etc:

Licence No. (if known):

Name of Gaming Regulator (if known):

Name shown on licence, approval etc

Licence/Approval Association dates:

to

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

11. Have you personally, or any entity that you have been an officer of, ever been the subject of disciplinary action, or had an application for any licence or permit refused?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q12.

If **YES**, provide details below:

Type of licence, approval etc

Licence No. (if known):

Name of Gaming Regulator (if known):

Date action taken (mm/yyyy):

Type of action taken and reason:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

12. Have you personally ever been disqualified from involvement in the management of an entity?

YES NO

If **NO** proceed to Q13.

If **YES**, provide details below:

Type of licence, approval etc

Name of Entity:

Licence No. (if known):

Name of Gaming Regulator (if known):

Date action taken (mm/yyyy):

Type of action taken and reason:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

13. Have you ever been disqualified from acting as a director or company secretary of a company or are any like proceedings pending?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q14.

If **YES**, complete the following:

Date of disqualification (dd/mm/yyyy):

Jurisdiction*:

Reason for disqualification/proceedings:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

* "Jurisdiction" means the State or Territory and, if outside Australia, the country and locality

14. Have you been a member of or been employed by the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission in the last two years?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q15.

If **YES**, provide details below:

Position Held:

Date finished (mm/yyyy):

Other Regulatory History

15. Have you personally, or any entity that you have been an officer of, ever been the defendant/respondent to any legal action in the past 10 years (including in progress)?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q16.

If **YES**, provide details below:

Type of licence, approval etc

Licence No. (if known):

Name of Regulator (if known):

Date action taken (mm/yyyy):

Type of action taken and reason:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

16. Have you ever been excluded from a casino or racecourse?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q17.

If **YES**, provide details on an attachment page:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

Legal Action

17. Have you personally, or any entity that you have been an officer of, ever been the defendant/respondent to any legal action in the past 10 years (including in progress)?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q18 (**Note:** Failure to disclose relevant legal action will delay determination of any new venue operator's licence connected to this application).

If **YES**, provide the following details for each action:

Nature of legal action:

Plaintiff:

Jurisdiction*:

Result/Settlement (indicate here if not finalised):

Court or tribunal where matter was or is being heard (if applicable):

Case no. issued by court/tribunal (if known):

Date of delivery of judgement (if known) (dd/mm/yyyy):

If a matter has been finalised you **must** provide a **copy** of independent documentation confirming the court outcome or, if settled out of court, a **copy** of the settlement agreement, regardless of whether any terms of the agreement are confidential.

Is a copy of the court outcome or settlement agreement attached?

YES

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

Charges, Findings of Guilt and Convictions

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you currently live in Australia or if you have lived in Australia for at least 12 months during the last 10 years this form **must** be accompanied by your **original** National Police Certificate (NPC) from the Victoria Police (refer to instructions at Attachment 2). The NPC you provide **cannot** be a copy and **must** be obtained not more than 3 months before this form is lodged.

You **must** advise details at Q19 of any offence **not** included in your NPC, including participation in a Diversion Program, spent convictions, findings of guilt, suspended sentences, matters where a good behaviour bond is given and/or matters where no conviction is recorded, other court orders and provide details of all outstanding charges. Failure to disclose such matters may affect your application. However, Children's Court matters more than 10 years old and non-custodial traffic matters, which are those for which a penalty other than a jail sentence or community based order was given, are **not** matters which you are required to disclose at Q19.

You **must** ensure that **all** names noted in Q4(a), (b) & (c) are advised to the Victoria Police when applying for your NPC. If all such names are not shown in your NPC, your application will **not** be accepted.

In addition, if you currently live outside Australia or you have lived outside Australia for more than 12 months during the last 10 years you are requested to seek an equivalent report from the relevant Police Agency in that jurisdiction*. An equivalent report, which must be an original document or a certified copy of the original document, would be expected to reveal details in relation to any convictions, findings of guilt (either with or without conviction) and any matters still outstanding against you.

18.(a) Do you currently live in Australia or have you have lived in Australia for at least 12 months during the last 10 years?

YES NO

If **YES** to Q18(a), an NPC must be provided.

(b) Do you currently live outside Australia or have you lived outside Australia for more than 12 months during the last 10 years?

YES NO

If **YES** to Q18(b), you are requested to seek an equivalent report from the relevant Police Agency which is an original document or a certified copy of the original document. If an equivalent report is not enclosed, provide an explanation on an attachment page.

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

19.(a) Have you ever been charged with, or found guilty of, a criminal offence, or been investigated by a law enforcement agency for an alleged offence against you, that is not recorded on your attached Police documentation?

YES NO

(b) Have you ever participated in a Diversion Program?

YES NO

If **NO** to Q19(a) and (b), proceed to Q20.

If **YES** to Q19(a) or (b), provide details below in relation to each matter.

Nature of Offence/Charge:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Jurisdiction*:

Result:

Result of Hearing or other Disposition (if known)

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

* "Jurisdiction" means the State or Territory and, if outside Australia, the country and locality

Financial Particulars

20. Have you ever been an officer of an entity that has been wound up, placed into liquidation, had a receiver, controller, administrator or agent for a mortgage appointed, entered into a scheme of arrangement, or involved in other similar proceedings?

YES NO

If **NO** to Q20, proceed to Q21.

If **YES** to Q20, complete the following for each matter.

Company/Incorporated Association name:

Commencement date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Type of proceedings:

Circumstances leading to proceedings:

Details of administrator, liquidator, receiver, controller, regulatory body or law enforcement agency:

Name:

Telephone number:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You **must** obtain an **original** Credit Report if you:

- currently live in Australia; or
- do not currently live in Australia but have lived in Australia at any time during the last 10 years; or
- are or have been during the last ten years a director of officeholder of an Australian company.

If your circumstances do not meet the criteria noted above, a Credit Report is **not** required. **Note:** If you live or have lived outside Australia for at least 12 months during the last 10 years you are requested to submit an equivalent report from the relevant agency in that jurisdiction*. You **must** ensure that **all** names noted in Q4(a)-(c) are advised when applying for your Credit Report. If any such names are not shown in your Credit Report, your application will not be accepted. Instructions on obtaining your Credit Report are provided at Attachment 3.

21. Have you enclosed your Credit Report and/or an equivalent report from a relevant overseas jurisdiction*?

YES NO

If **YES**, proceed to Q22.

If **NO**, provide reasons why a Credit Report and/or an equivalent report from a relevant overseas jurisdiction has not been enclosed on an attachment page.

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

22. Are you the personal guarantee for someone else's debt or loan?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q23.

If **YES**, is any person, including any corporation in respect of whom you have given a guarantee for in default of any agreements with respect to payment of a debt or loan?

YES NO

If **YES**, provide details on an attachment page.

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

* "Jurisdiction" means the State or Territory and, if outside Australia, the country and locality

23. Other than disclosed on your Credit Report, are you in default of any debt repayment or loan (including less than \$5,000)? (**Note:** Do not include details unless a payment is overdue or in arrears)

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q24.

If **YES**, complete the following:

Financial Institution or creditor:

Total amount owing (\$):

Total amount in default (\$):

Number of days payment is overdue:

Financial Institution or creditor:

Total amount owing (\$):

Total amount in default (\$):

Number of days payment is overdue:

Financial Institution or creditor:

Total amount owing (\$):

Total amount in default (\$):

Number of days payment is overdue:

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

24.(a) Other than disclosed on your Credit Report, have you personally ever been subject to bankruptcy or any insolvency arrangements?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Q24(b).

If **YES**, complete the following and provide details of circumstances leading to bankruptcy/arrangement proceedings on an attachment page.

Date of Bankruptcy/Arrangement (dd/mm/yyyy):

Date of Discharge/Completion (proposed date) (dd/mm/yyyy):

Note: If you are a discharged bankrupt, a copy of your Certificate of Discharge From Bankruptcy must accompany this application (Do not send the original certificate). Is a copy enclosed?

YES NO

Name of Trustee:

Address:

Telephone number:

(b) Are bankruptcy or any like proceedings pending?

YES NO

If **NO**, proceed to Declaration.

If **YES**, provide details of circumstances leading to these proceedings on an attachment page.

Have further details been provided on an attachment page?

YES NO

Declaration

I hereby:

- (i) acknowledge that I have read and understood the questions in this application form and the directions for answering them;
- (ii) confirm that I have answered the questions truthfully and completely to the best of my knowledge; and
- (iii) consent to all information relating to me, in or pursuant to this application form, whether provided verbally or in writing, being made available to the applicant for a venue operator's licence in the event that the information and material provided by me may raise matters which the VGCCC considers should be provided or discussed with the applicant.

Signature of applicant:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Signature of witness*:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Print name of witness*:

* Any adult can be a witness.

Authorisation by Applicant Under Section 10.1.32(1)(a)

Gambling Regulation Act 2003

Who must complete this form?

This form must be completed for **all** persons requesting approval as an associate of an applicant for a new venue operator's licence. Accordingly, if you ticked (a), (b), (c) or (d) in response to Q1, you must read the following important information and complete the form below. If you ticked (e) or (f) in response to Q1, indicating that you are seeking approval as a new associate of the holder of a venue operator's licence, you are **not** required to complete this form.

Important Information

This form will indicate your decision to authorise or not authorise the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission (the VGCCC), and its staff to disclose the information outlined below. The VGCCC and its staff are bound by Division 6 of Part 1 of Chapter 10 of the Act, which contains strict confidentiality provisions. Any protected information that is recorded in this document is subject to Division 6 of Part 1 of Chapter 10 of the Act and cannot be disseminated except in accordance with those provisions.

If you choose 'AUTHORISES' below, you are authorising VGCCC staff, under section 10.1.32(1)(a) of the Act, to advise the applicant for a venue operator's licence or licensee (to which this request for approval relates) that information obtained by the VGCCC in relation to your associate form requires further assessment or investigation. The final determination of a new venue operator's licence application may be delayed pending outcome of the assessment/investigation of your associate form.

Your endorsement of the following form **does not mean** you allow the release of any information or details contained in your associate form, or the release of any information obtained by the VGCCC in the course of its investigations. The **only** information provided to the applicant for a venue operator's licence or licensee will be the fact that the application for such a licence will be delayed pending the outcome of the assessment/investigation of your associate form.

You do not have to authorise the VGCCC to release this information. However, if you do not it may significantly delay any application this associate form relates to.

Indicate your decision to authorise or not to authorise the release of this information by choosing the appropriate choice in the below form. If you have any questions regarding this matter contact the VGCCC on telephone 1300 599 759 or email your enquiry at contact@vgccc.vic.gov.au.

AUTHORISATION BY ASSOCIATE

In accordance with section 10.1.32(1)(a) of the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003*,

Associate's details:

Name: _____ of _____
(Full name of associate)

Address: _____ ('associate')
(Full address of associate)

AUTHORISATION

The associate hereby

AUTHORISES

DOES NOT AUTHORISE

the VGCCC and its staff to inform the applicant for a venue operator's licence or licensee to which this associate form relates that determination of any new venue operator's licence application may be delayed due to assessment of my associate form requiring further or additional investigation.

Signature of associate:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Venue operator's licence – approval as an associated individual Financial Information Release Form

Gambling Regulation Act 2003

In the matter of this application for approval as an associate of a venue operator and for the purposes of ongoing monitoring by:

Name:

(Full name of applicant)

Address:

(Full address of applicant)

The applicant hereby authorises all **persons** who receive a photocopy of this **financial information release form** from the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission (the VGCCC) and its staff to undertake the **authorised actions** for the **authorised purposes** as set out below:

AUTHORISED ACTIONS

1. To allow the VGCCC to inspect and obtain a copy of any document, record or correspondence in the possession or under the control of the person, which contains information pertaining to the applicant (or to the applicant and another person and to any subsidiary, related body corporate, trust or partnership to which the associate was a party), including but not limited to:
 - any loan information;
 - any information relating to an account held with a financial institution (passbook, statement or other), including information relating to withdrawals, deposits, transfers and balances;
 - any information (including trust account information) of any solicitor, accountant, real estate agent or other person who has the management or care of business or financial matters on behalf of the associate;
2. To answer written or verbal queries of and to provide information (by any means) to the VGCCC and its staff or any other person appointed in writing by the VGCCC to undertake the authorised actions, about the financial resources of the associate.

RELEASE

In consideration of a bank, other financial institution, solicitor, accountant, financial adviser or any other person or organisation who has lent money to or borrowed from the applicant providing any of those particulars recorded against the applicant as detailed above under the heading "Authorised actions", **I hereby release** the VGCCC to the full extent of the law and against any claim or demands of any kind and any actions, suits, proceedings, claims, demands, costs and expenses whatsoever which may be taken or made in respect of the use or misuse of the information obtained out of this authorisation

AUTHORISED PURPOSES

To enable the VGCCC to make an assessment of the applicant's financial stability and that, in conducting on-going monitoring, an Applicant's continuing financial stability. This consent commences on the date below and continues until the later of:-

- the VGCCC considers that I am no longer an associate of a venue operator; or
- the expiry of any venue operator's licence (if granted).

Signature of applicant:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Signature of witness*:

Printed name of witness* (*any adult can be a witness):

NOTES

1. A photocopy of this form will be considered as effective and as valid as the original.
2. A reference in this **financial information release form** to the VGCCC includes is a reference to a member of its staff and any other person appointed in writing by the VGCCC.

Consent For Release Of Information by Law Enforcement Agencies

Gambling Regulation Act 2003

In the matter of this application for approval as an associate of a venue operator and for the purposes of ongoing monitoring by:

Name: _____ of _____
(Full name of applicant)

Address: _____ ('applicant')
(Full address of applicant)

CONSENT

The applicant hereby consents to all probity investigations carried out by the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission (the VGCCC) and its staff, including but not limited to:-

(a) Inspection of criminal, intelligence or other records kept or maintained by:

- the Victoria Police;
- any State, Territory, federal or overseas police force;
- any crime investigation agency;
- any corporate regulatory agency;
- any gambling regulatory body;
- any casino regulatory body;
- any Court;
- any government agency.

(collectively referred to as 'law enforcement agencies')

(b) Release of particulars of any convictions, findings of guilt or other information recorded against me by the law enforcement agencies including, without limitation:-

- details of all prosecutions, including acquittals and matters withdrawn or dismissed and all findings of guilt, whether or not a conviction was recorded;
- matters or charges still outstanding;
- law enforcement agencies intelligence howsoever obtained;
- any other matters recorded as arising either in Victoria or elsewhere by any law enforcement agency and considered relevant by the VGCCC to the investigation or assessment of my application for approval as an associate of a venue operator's licence under the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003*.

RELEASE

Upon signing this consent, the applicant hereby releases the VGCCC, each law enforcement agency and their servants, agents or contractors to the full extent of the law and against any claim or demands of any kind and any actions, suits, proceedings, claims, demands, costs and expenses whatsoever which may be taken or made in respect of the use or misuse of the information obtained out of this consent, including particulars of any conviction, findings of guilt or other adverse material purporting to relate to the applicant.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I acknowledge having read and understood the terms of the consent and the release and have noted that independent legal advice may be sought before signing this consent. This authorisation commences on the date below and continues until the later of:-

- the VGCCC considers that I am no longer an associate of the holder of a venue operator's licence; or
- the expiry of any venue operator's licence (if granted).

EXECUTION AS A DEED

Signature of applicant:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Signature of witness*:

Printed name of witness*:

(*any adult can be a witness)

Attachment Page

NOTE:

This attachment page is provided for additional information that requires more space than that provided in the original question. Precede your entry with the question number and title to which the additional information relates.

Please copy if additional attachment pages are required.

Have you used an additional attachment page to provide any further information?

YES

NO

General Information

What is an Associate?

For the purposes of the Act an “associate” of a gambling industry participant is—

- (a) a person who holds or will hold any relevant financial interest, or is or will be entitled to exercise any relevant power (whether in right of the person or on behalf of any other person) in the gambling business of the gambling industry participant, and by virtue of that interest or power, is able or will be able to exercise a significant influence over or with respect to the management or operation of that business; or
- (b) a person who is or will be an executive officer, whether in right of the person or on behalf of any other person, of the gambling business of the gambling industry participant; or
- (c) if the gambling industry participant is a natural person—a person who is a relative of the gambling industry participant.

The Act also provides the following definitions:

- **executive officer**, in relation to a body (whether incorporated or not), means—
 - (a) a director, secretary or member of the committee of management of the body (by whatever name called); or
 - (b) any other person who is concerned with, or takes part in, the management of the body, whether or not the person’s position is given the name of executive officer;
- **relative**, in relation to a person, means—
 - (a) the spouse or domestic partner of the person;
 - (b) a parent, son, daughter, brother or sister of the person; or
 - (c) a parent, son, daughter, brother or sister of the spouse or domestic partner of the person;
- **relevant financial interest**, in relation to a gambling business, means—
 - (a) any share in the capital of the business; or
 - (b) any entitlement to receive any income derived from the business; or
 - (c) any entitlement to receive any payment as a result of money advanced;
- **relevant power** means any power, whether exercisable by voting or otherwise and whether exercisable alone or in association with others—
 - (a) to participate in any directorial, managerial, or executive decision; or
 - (b) to elect or appoint any person as an executive officer.

Examples of Associates

This form must be completed by all natural persons who qualify as an ‘associate’ in accordance with the above definition. Examples of persons captured as associates include, but are not limited to, the following:

- each director, public officer, chief executive, chief financial officer, committee member or board member of the applicant/licensee;
- shareholders who own 10% or more of shares of the applicant/licensee with either voting rights and/or income entitlements;
- all committee members (or members of the board of management of the club);
- partners with a partnership interest of 10% or greater in income or for voting entitlements of the applicant/ licensee;
- where the applicant/licensee is a trust, the trustee of the trust. In the case of a corporate trustee, all directors of that trustee company;
- trust unit holders or beneficiaries who, by virtue of the Trust Deed, have voting rights enabling them to remove or change the trustee, or to influence the decisions of the trustee; and
- any associate who could exercise a significant influence over or with respect to the management or operation of the gaming machine business.

Subsequent investigations may reveal additional associates of an applicant/licensee. These persons (or entities) will be required to complete and lodge an appropriate associate form.

How long does an approval last?

The approval of an associate lasts for the life of the current Venue Operator’s Licence (approval may be affected if disciplinary action is required). An approved associate may, within the life of the current Venue Operator’s Licence, be associated with respect to more than one approved venue operator.

Attachment 1 – Historical Personal Name Extract

An Historical Personal Name Extract is a print-out provided by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) which contains the following information:

- person's name and birth details
- companies against which the person's name is recorded, number and current status
- role(s)* held and residential address
- date appointed and date ceased, where applicable.

* The roles identified in a personal name search include:

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| • Administrator | • Local Agents | • Receiver |
| • Appointed Auditor | • Member of a Futures Exchange | • Representative |
| • Appointed Liquidator | • Official Manager | • Representative Futures |
| • Deputy Official Manager | • Petitioner Court Action | • Scheme Manager |
| • Director | • Provisional Liquidator | • Secretary |

When making your search application to ASIC, ensure that you specify that you require an Historical Personal Name Extract and **not** a Current Personal Name Extract. An Historical Personal Name Extract identifies **both current and historical** roles held by you in organisations registered with ASIC, while the Current Extract identifies only current roles. If your associate form is lodged with an extract other than an Historical Personal Name Extract it will be considered incomplete and will be returned to you to be re-lodged when you have obtained the correct extract. **Note:** If you are not recorded on ASIC's database you will be provided with a letter to that effect.

If the Historical Personal Name Extract you provide fails to meet any of the following requirements your associate form will be considered incomplete and will be returned to you –

- an Historical Personal Name Extract rather than a Current Personal Name Extract must be lodged; and
- it **must not** be dated more than three (3) months from the date your application is lodged.

All matters detailed on your Historical Personal Name Extract may be taken into consideration by the VGCCC. Should you wish to dispute any of the information disclosed in your Historical Personal Name Extract you should do so with ASIC prior to lodging your associate form.

Fees

Fees are payable for searching ASIC databases. ASIC fees for on-line/telephone searches through brokers may differ from the fees charged at an ASIC Business Centre. Information brokers, however, may charge a service delivery fee in addition to the ASIC fee. The delivery fee may vary between brokers. ASIC does not regulate the amount of the broker delivery fees. ASIC can advise you of the cost of obtaining the Extract.

How to apply for your Historical Personal Name Extract

An Historical Personal Name Extract can be obtained from ASIC. You may also contact ASIC's Infoline or refer to the ASIC website to obtain details of regional ASIC Business Centres and ASIC Representatives or Information Brokers.

Contact Details

Website: www.asic.gov.au

Email: info.enquiries@asic.gov.au

ASIC's Infoline: 1300 300 630

Attachment 2 – National Police Certificate

If you live in Australia or have lived in Australia for at least 12 months during the last 10 years, an **original** National Police Certificate (NPC) **must** be provided when you lodge your VGCCC application form. Your NPC is obtained by submitting a 'Consent to Check and Release National Police Record' form (Consent form) to the Victoria Police. You may download the Consent form, which includes instructions for completion, at vgccc.vic.gov.au. If you have any difficulties in accessing the Consent form contact the VGCCC at contact@vgccc.vic.gov.au or on 1300 599 759.

NPC Application Fee

You must choose the "National Name Check" NPC option. You can confirm the fee for this type of NPC at police.vic.gov.au.

NPC Application Process

Should you have any other questions in relation to your police record check you may contact the Public Enquiry Service of Victoria Police on 1300 881 596 between 8am and 5pm. Please inform the customer service officer that you are a VGCCC applicant.

Please note that:

- a 100 point identity check is incorporated into the Consent form; and
- the completed Consent form, together with the certified documents and fee (cheque or money order only, payable to Victoria Police) must then be posted to Public Enquiry Service of Victoria Police for processing.

In addition, when completing the Consent form you **must** ensure that:

- you cross the box 'Casino or gaming licence' in 'Section E: Purpose of check', Option 1;
- choose the "National Name Check" option in Section A;
- provide your first name, middle name/s, surname [as stated in the Personal Particulars section of your VGCCC application form];
- provide any preferred given name to appear on your licence [as stated in the Personal Particulars section of your VGCCC application form]; and
- provide any alias(es), previous names, maiden name, name changes (legal or otherwise) as well as names you have used or by which you have been known [as stated in the Personal Particulars section of your VGCCC application form].

Note: If any such names are not shown in your NPC, your VGCCC application form will **not** be accepted and you will need to apply for a new NPC. Also, the NPC **must** be current at the time of lodgement of your VGCCC application form and not exceed three (3) months from the date of issue by the Victoria Police. If you do not provide your NPC, or enclose either a photocopied NPC or an NPC more than 3 months from the date of issue, your VGCCC application form will be considered incomplete and will be returned to you. A minimum of ten working days should be allowed from the date applications are received at the Public Enquiry Service for applications to be processed.

All matters detailed on your NPC are taken into consideration by the VGCCC and are essential to allow assessment of your character, honesty and integrity. Should you wish to dispute any of the information disclosed in your NPC you should do so **prior** to lodging your VGCCC application form, by writing to The Manager, Public Enquiry Service, Records Services Division, Victoria Police, PO Box 919, Melbourne Victoria 3001.

Attachment 2 – Proof of Identity

Proof of Identity Documentation

When applying for a National Police Certificate, applicants must supply a minimum of two types of identification from the list below with a minimum total of 100 points. Identification must include at least one type of photo ID (Category A) plus identification that contains the applicant's current residential address, signature and date of birth.

Category A (at least one Category A document must be provided)

	Points
Current Passport	70
Driver licence/Learner's permit/boat licence	40
Firearms/Private security licence	40
Current tertiary student ID card (with photo)	40
WWC Check card/Keypass/Proof of age card	40
Certified current passport size photo (if the applicant does not possess any other Category A ID)	40

Category B

Australian citizenship certificate	70
Birth certificate (not extract)	70
Birth card	70
Australian travel documents or current Australian Visa	70
Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) card	40
Centrelink card (with reference number)	40
Government employee ID	40

Category C

Medicare card	25
Credit card or account card	25
Marriage certificate (registry issue only)	25
Change of name certificate (registry issue only)	25
Bank statement (with residential address)	25
Motor vehicle registration or insurance papers	25
Property rates notice/utilities notice	25
Property lease agreement	25
Home insurance papers	25
Taxation assessment notice	25
Records of primary, secondary or tertiary education	25
Records from a current or previous employer	25
Records of a professional or trade association	25

Attachment 3 – Credit Report

You **must** obtain an **original** Credit Report if you currently live in Australia, or if you have lived in Australia for at least 12 months during the last 10 years or if you are or have been a director or company secretary of an Australian company during the last 10 years. (**Note:** If your circumstances do not meet these criteria, a Credit Report is **not** required).

You may obtain a copy of your Credit Report from either illion or Equifax. These companies offer a number of services to monitor and manage your credit profile and adhere to the Privacy Act, Credit Reporting Code of Conduct and the National Privacy Principles by providing you with the right to obtain a copy of your Credit Report.

HOW TO OBTAIN YOUR CREDIT REPORT

illion

To obtain your Credit Report from illion please visit express.illion.com.au or alternatively, you may contact illion on 13 23 33 to arrange for its provision. Additional information may also be found at illion.com.au.

Equifax

To obtain your Credit Report from Equifax, please visit mycreditfile.com.au or alternatively, you may contact Equifax on 13 83 32 to arrange for its provision. Additional information may also be found at mycreditfile.com.au.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR CREDIT REPORT

When requesting a copy of your Credit Report, you are required to provide the following details:

- Family Name, First Name, Middle Name, Salutation [as stated in the Personal Particulars section of your VGCCC application form];
- any **preferred** given name [as stated in the Personal Particulars section of your VGCCC application form];
- Any other name(s) you have used - List any other name(s) by which you are currently known or were known previously, such as alias(es), anglicised name(s), maiden name, married name(s) and name(s) changed via deed poll [as stated in the Personal Particulars section of your VGCCC application form]; and
- Current and Previous Residential Address Date of Birth and Driver Licence Number (if available).

Your Credit Report and any other letter from the Credit Report provider advising of the result of the search conducted must accompany your VGCCC application form. **If you fail to meet any of the requirements noted below, your VGCCC application form will be considered incomplete and returned to you.** Your Credit Report must:

- be original and not a photocopy;
- be submitted to the VGCCC within three months from its date of issue;
- include your current name and any other name(s) that you are currently or were previously known by, such as any **preferred** given name, alias(es), anglicised name, maiden name, name(s) changed via deed poll;
- correctly disclose your date of birth, address and driver licence number (if available); and
- include **all** pages of the report as provided to you by the Credit Report provider.

If you find any issues with your Credit Report, e.g. it is incomplete or you wish to dispute any of the information disclosed therein, you should contact the Credit Report provider (see contact details above) and resolve the issue/s **prior** to lodging your VGCCC application form.