

## Find out about the Voluntary Exclusion Program.

It's another tool to help problem gamblers.

Do you have a gambling problem? Do you wish there was a way to ban yourself from Ohio casinos?

By signing up for the Voluntary Exclusion Program offered by the Ohio Casino Control Commission you can ban yourself from Ohio casinos for a specified amount of time.

To learn more or to download the Voluntary Exclusion Form visit

[www.casinocontrol.ohio.gov](http://www.casinocontrol.ohio.gov)



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**Do you have a  
gambling  
problem?**

**We can help.**

## Do you have a gambling problem?

- You find yourself reliving past gambling experiences, planning the next venture, or thinking of ways to get money to gamble.
- You need to gamble with increasing amounts of money in order to feel “a rush”.
- You become restless or irritable when attempting to cut down or stop gambling.
- You gamble as a way of escaping from problems or relieving guilt, anxiety or depression.
- You often return another day in order to get even or chase your losses after gambling.
- You lie to family members, friends, therapist or others to conceal the extent of involvement with gambling.
- You participate in illegal activities in order to finance your gambling.
- You jeopardize or lose a significant relationship, job or educational or career opportunity because of gambling.
- You rely on others to provide money to relieve a desperate financial situation caused by gambling.
- You try to control, cut back or stop gambling but are unable to do so.

If you answered yes to one or more of the above statements you may be a compulsive gambler.

## What is the Voluntary Exclusion Program?

This program offers individuals the ability to ban themselves from a casino facility for one year, five years or their lifetime.

If you want to enroll, you will be asked to complete the Request for Voluntary Exclusion form in the presence of a trained staff member of the Ohio Casino Control Commission.

Once the request is validated, you are not permitted access to any Ohio casino facility during the length of the self-imposed ban.

The Voluntary Exclusion Program demands the following:

- A participant agrees to refrain from entering a casino facility.
- The participant’s name shall be included on a list of persons excluded from all casino facilities.
- The participants and their personal information is confidential
- The casino operator is required to make all reasonable attempts to stop all direct marketing efforts to participants.
- A casino operator will not cash a check or extend credit to a program participant.

There are consequences if you enroll and do enter a casino. You can be charged with trespassing and you will be forced to forfeit any winnings.

## Need Help?

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