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FAQ – What are the rules for thrift clubs?

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If a thrift club is offering gambling services to people who are not members, even if it's just a football card or some raffle tickets, they will have to register with the commission. Some thrift clubs are turning over very large amounts of money and with so much at stake, the commission needs to ensure that everything is being run fairly.

What if the club only offers services to members?

On the basis that the gambling services will only be offered to members, and that only members will benefit from them, they would not need to register. You must still keep very clear records so that if there is a complaint or an investigation, you can make it clear that you have kept within the rules.

Why do you have these rules?

Some thrift clubs turn over thousands of pounds – that's a lot of money and we want to make sure that it's looked after properly, and that the members' interests are being properly looked after.