

## Advantages to using the Drawings Manager System:

1. **Ensures payment for all drawing signups** Members provide their membership card to signup for drawings; their card is scanned, they select the drawings they want to sign up for, then they are registered for the drawing and a receipt is printed. The receipt is not provided to the member until payment is made; if payment isn't made then the receipt is used to void the entire transaction(s). This ensures that every member signed up for a drawing has paid.
2. **Reduces theft and cheating.** With an electronic system every transaction is logged and can be audited. Z-reports and signup/drawing receipts provide a documented way to track money for drawings. The system also eliminates the need for tumblers to select winners so physical manipulation of the tags/ping-pong balls used in drawing is eliminated.

More than one lodge has purchased this system in part due to theft by employees. In one case tags/ping-pong balls in the tumblers were manipulated to select a specific name. Another case involved employee(s) stealing money from drawings and reporting different sales/roll-over amounts. Both of these scenarios can be reduced or eliminated with the Drawings Manager system; auditing and safeguards that are in place help detect and prevent theft. Logs used to audit transactions are stored in the application database and in files that are difficult to access.

3. **Removes human error** The system automatically determines the number of signups for each drawing, pot sizes, payouts, and rollover amounts. This eliminates the effort and mistakes that can happen when counting signups, determining available funds and payouts to winners.
4. **Eliminates maintaining tumblers and tags** A list of member id's is used to select winners for drawings; this list is loaded by a lodge administrator and stored in a database.. This replaces the need for numbered tags/chips/ping-pong balls and tumblers to select winners. It also eliminates the need to assign members a unique number that matches tags in a tumbler, which can be a significant effort to audit and maintain. Using this system ensures all members will be included in a drawing if they are eligible.
5. **Enforces drawing rules** The system enforces rules like drawing times, signup deadlines, eligibility and lodge specific policies. This minimizes member disputes and ensures fairness in how drawings are operated.
6. **Reduces legal risks and disputes** Lodges have faced lawsuits from members being excluded from drawings due to illegible or misspelled handwritten names. By using membership cards to signup for a drawing, the system ensures eligible members are included in drawings and avoids disputes and possible legal action brought by members against lodges.
7. **Reduces time, cost and effort for Administrators** Less time counting since its automated; no more printing sign-up sheets; no need to maintain a board with drawing results (if using the included "Winners Display"); no more maintaining tumblers and tags/chips; no need to manage unique drawing numbers assigned to members that match tags/chips in the tumbler; receipts for drawings and Z-reports can be used to audit drawing finances

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