

## Arcade permit

To operate an amusement arcade, a special permit is required in addition to the business registration.

### Competent Department

- [5.02 Gewerbeangelegenheiten - Die Senatorin für Wirtschaft, Häfen und Transformation](#)

### Basic information

A permit pursuant to Section 2 of the Bremen Gaming Hall Act entitles the holder to operate a gaming hall. It includes a permit in accordance with the State Treaty on Gambling. The permit is issued for a period of up to 5 years.

### Requirements

A gambling hall permit in accordance with the Bremen Gaming Hall Act (Bremisches Spielhallengesetz) requires the operator to be reliable under trade law. In addition, the arcade must be located in Bremen.

### What documents do I need?

- Completed application form (printout under Forms)
- Identity card or passport with a current registration certificate

in the case of representation with written power of attorney: identity card or passport of the authorised representative, as well as a copy of the identity card of the principal

- Certificate in tax matters of the tax office

(to be applied for at the tax office of the place of residence)

- Information from the insolvency court as to whether proceedings have been opened

(to be applied for at the district court of the place of residence)

- Certificate of good conduct in document type OG (for submission to an authority)

(to be applied for at the local registration office responsible for your residence)

- Information from the central trade register in document type 9

This can be applied for via the trade registration office. The Senator for Economics, Ports and Transformation -Commercial Affairs-, Katharinenklosterhof 3, 28195 Bremen should be specified as the recipient when applying.

If a legal entity is planned as the operator, information for this legal entity and the entire management is required.

- Commercial register excerpt

## Procedure

Prior to commencing operation of the gaming arcade, an application for a permit must be submitted to the Senator for Economics, Labor and Europe, Department of Commercial Affairs. The application can only be processed once it has been submitted in full to the authorities. In the process, all information on the arcade is checked to ensure that it is correct and that it qualifies for a permit under the law. In addition, the applicant's reliability under commercial law is checked. This check can take up to 12 weeks.

All applicants are advised to contact the responsible office in advance. It is also possible to arrange an appointment outside regular opening hours.

## Legal bases

- [Bremisches Spielhallengesetz \(BremSpielhG\)](#)
- [Kostenverordnung der Wirtschaftsverwaltung \(WKostV\)](#)

## More information

The following list shows the providers that offer staff training and expert examinations in accordance with Section 3 of the Ordinance on the Implementation of the Bremen Gaming Halls Act.

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Staff training in accordance with Section 4 (1) sentence 2 number 2 BremSpielhG:

- Merlato GmbH

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### **What deadlines must be paid attention to?**

An arcade permit must be available when the arcade is opened.

The permit expires if the permit holder does not operate an amusement arcade for one year.

### **How long does it take to process**

12 weeks must be scheduled for the processing of the application.

### **What are the costs?**

The permit fee is set between 477.00 and 8,866.00 euros, depending on the period of validity, the arcade area and the number of playground equipment.