

Returns

When a lottery has been held, the promoter must send a return to the local authority, not later than the end of the third month after the date of the lottery. Forms of return are available on request from the offices of the local authority and must comply with the terms of Paragraph 39 of schedule 11 of the Act. The return must be certified by two members of the society (other than the promoter) being persons of full age appointed in **writing** by the governing body of the society. Failure to send a return in accordance with the statutory provisions constitutes an offence, and any person who knowingly gives or certifies any false information in such a return also renders himself liable to prosecution.

The local authority may require that a society allows them to inspect and take copies of any documents or of any information kept otherwise than in documentary form (e.g. on a computer), relating to any lottery promoted on behalf of the society. The authority may also require the society to give them such assistance as they may require to enable them to inspect and check the operation of any computer and any associated apparatus or material that is or has been used in connection with the keeping of information.