Skills-Based Amusement Device FAQs

What is a skills-based amusement device? A machine or device that can be made to operate after money or tokens are inserted. It awards non-cash prizes worth \$30 or less, or tickets/tokens that can be redeemed for prizes. Examples include merchandisers (e.g., claw/crane machines), redemption devices (e.g., Skee-Ball), or other types of skills-based machines.

Who needs to register? For the legal operation of skills-based amusement devices that award non-cash prizes, owners must register annually with Maryland Lottery and Gaming.

Why do I need to register? Authorization by regulation 36.08 requires the annual registration of skills-based amusement devices. Failure to register skills-based amusement devices may deem your machines illegal gaming devices.

How do I register? A brief application (SBAD 1800) will need to be completed.