Pawnbroker Lookup and Electronic License Instructions

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The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) is implementing a new electronic license process and will no longer issue paper renewal notices and licenses. In the near future, there will be a process for accessing your license electronically and printing it on your own. If your Practice Act requires that you display your license in your place of business or requires you to carry a pocket license, the Department will not hold you to those requirements until such time as the Department notifies you that the new electronic license system is operational.

Follow the steps below to verify a license and provide proof of licensure:

- 1. Go to <u>http://www.obrelookupclear.state.il.us/default.asp?Division=21&status=3</u>
- 2. Make sure the 'Division' dropdown has 'Pawnbrokers' selected.
- 3 Select either 'Pawnbroker Manager (PBM)' or 'Pawnbroker (PWN)' on the 'Profession/Institution' dropdown.

License Search		
Division	Pawnbrokers 🗸	
Profession/Institution	- SELECT ONE -	
License Status	Pawnbroker Manager (PBM) Pawnbroker (PWN)	
License Number		

4. Select the desired options from the 'License Status' dropdown.

License Search	
Division	Pawnbrokers 🗸
Profession/Institution	- DISPLAY ALL -
License Status	- DISPLAY ALL -
	Application in Process Application Inactive ACTIVE ACTIVE IN RENEWAL INACTIVE Active - Print License

Tip: If you can't find your license under 'Active' try 'Active in Renewal' for those renewals that are still processing. For any licenses that have just been renewed and processed, go to 'Active-Print License' on the 'License Status' dropdown.

5. You can then do an additional filter by entering in text in the fields below and click 'Search' to display the results.

Business Name/DBA	
-or- Name (Last, First)	,
City, State Zip	- DISPLAY ALL -
County	- DISPLAY ALL - 🔽
	Search Reset

6. You can click on the hyperlink in the 'Name' field to expand the licensee information.

1 records were found matching your selection criteria.				
Name	City County Status		Phone Number	
Pawnbroker Inc.	Chicago	Cook	ACTIVE	312-555-5555

7. The top of the page will display the public address and mailing address.

Name and Address		
Name	Pawnbroker Inc.	
Public Address	Pawnbroker Inc. 123 Main Street Chicago, IL 60601	
Mail Address	Pawnbroker Inc. 123 Main Street Chicago, IL 60601	

The bottom of the page will display the information fields below.

License and Registration Information		
License Number	Business Type	
PWN.1234567	CORPORATION - GENERAL BUSINESS	

First Issuance Date	License Effective Date	Expiration Date	Status
01/31/2012	07/01/2015	06/30/2017	ACTIVE

County Sheriff's Phone #	County	Website	Managing Broker / Managed Pawn Shop
(312) 603-6444	Cook	N/A	PBN.0000123 Jane Doe

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