

# Gambling Act 2005

## **2005 CHAPTER 19**

### PART 8

#### PREMISES LICENCES

#### Specific cases

## 172 Gaming machines

- (1) An adult gaming centre premises licence shall, by virtue of this section, authorise the holder—
  - (a) to make up to four Category B gaming machines available for use on the premises,
  - (b) to make any number of Category C gaming machines available for use on the premises, and
  - (c) to make any number of Category D gaming machines available for use on the premises.
- (2) A family entertainment centre premises licence shall, by virtue of this section, authorise the holder—
  - (a) to make any number of Category C gaming machines available for use on the premises, and
  - (b) to make any number of Category D gaming machines available for use on the premises.
- (3) A casino premises licence for a regional casino using at least 40 gaming tables shall by virtue of this section authorise the holder to make gaming machines available for use on the premises provided that—
  - (a) each gaming machine is of Category A, B, C or D, and
  - (b) the number of gaming machines—
    - (i) is not more than 25 times the number of gaming tables used in the casino, and
    - (ii) is not more than 1250.

- (4) A casino premises licence for a large casino using at least one gaming table, or for a regional casino using fewer than 40 gaming tables, shall by virtue of this section authorise the holder to make gaming machines available for use on the premises provided that—
  - (a) each gaming machine is of Category B, C or D, and
  - (b) the number of gaming machines—
    - (i) is not more than 5 times the number of gaming tables used in the casino, and
    - (ii) is not more than 150.
- (5) A casino premises licence for a small casino using at least one gaming table shall by virtue of this section authorise the holder to make gaming machines available for use on the premises provided that—
  - (a) each gaming machine is of Category B, C or D, and
  - (b) the number of gaming machines—
    - (i) is not more than twice the number of gaming tables used in the casino, and
    - (ii) is not more than 80.
- (6) The Secretary of State may by regulations—
  - (a) define "gaming table" for the purposes of subsections (3) to (5);
  - (b) provide that a gaming table is to be treated as being used in a casino for the purposes of those subsections only if used—
    - (i) for a specified purpose,
    - (ii) in specified circumstances, and
    - (iii) to a specified extent;
  - (c) provide for a number of tables are to be treated as if they were a single gaming table in specified circumstances.
- (7) A bingo premises licence shall, by virtue of this section, authorise the holder—
  - (a) to make up to four Category B gaming machines available for use on the premises,
  - (b) to make any number of Category C gaming machines available for use on the premises, and
  - (c) to make any number of Category D gaming machines available for use on the premises.
- (8) A betting premises licence shall, by virtue of this section, authorise the holder to make up to four gaming machines, each of which must be of Category B, C or D, available for use.
- (9) But subsection (8) applies to a betting premises licence in respect of a track only if the holder also holds a pool betting operating licence.
- (10) A premises licence may not (whether by way of condition or otherwise)-
  - (a) make provision about the number or categories of gaming machine that may be made available for use that contradicts a provision of this section,
  - (b) make provision that contradicts a provision of regulations under section 236, 240 or 241, or
  - (c) make provision of a kind prohibited by regulations under any of those sections.

- (11) The Secretary of State may by order amend a provision of this section so as to vary-
  - (a) the number of machines authorised by a specified kind of premises licence;
  - (b) the category of machines authorised by a specified kind of premises licence.