



2022 CHAPTER 14

Betting

Opening of licensed offices on Sunday and Good Friday

2. In Article 31(1) of the 1985 Order (days when licensed office not to open) for “Sunday, Christmas Day or Good Friday” substitute “Christmas Day”.

Commencement Information

II S. 2 in operation at 27.4.2022, see [s. 17\(2\)](#)

Sunday working in licensed office

3.—(1) Schedule 8A to the 1985 Order (rights of betting workers as regards Sunday working) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 1 for sub-paragraph (2) substitute—

“(2) In this Schedule “betting work” means—

- (a) work at a track for a bookmaker on a day on which the bookmaker acts as such at the track, being work which consists of or includes dealing with betting transactions, and
- (b) work in a licensed office on a day on which the office is open for use for the effecting of betting transactions.”.

(3) In paragraph 1 in sub-paragraph (4) for the definition of “commencement date” substitute—

““commencement date” means—

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- (a) in relation to a person who is a betting worker by virtue of subparagraph (2)(a), the day on which Schedule 1 to the Betting and Gaming (Northern Ireland) Order 2004 comes into operation;
- (b) in relation to a person who is a betting worker by virtue of subparagraph (2)(b), the day on which section 3 of the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 comes into operation.”

(4) In paragraph 8(4), in the prescribed form, after the words “at the track” insert “or in a licensed office on a Sunday on which it is open for business”.

(5) In Article 53B of the 1985 Order (Sunday observance) at the end insert “or having effected a betting transaction on a non-sporting event at a licensed office which is open on a Sunday.”.

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Commencement Information

I2 S. 3 in operation at 27.4.2022, see [s. 17\(2\)](#)

Pool betting

4. In Article 44 of the 1985 Order (restriction of pool betting), in paragraph (2) for “paragraph (3)” substitute “paragraphs (3) and (3A)” and after paragraph (3) insert—

“(3A) If the conditions mentioned in paragraph (3B) are satisfied, paragraph (2) does not apply to a licensed bookmaker who, on licensed premises, carries on a pool betting business which is linked to such a business carried on by means of a totalisator at a licensed track.

(3B) The conditions are that—

- (a) a person placing a bet at the licensed premises by way of the pool betting business does so on the same terms and conditions as if the bet were placed by means of the totalisator at the licensed track concerned, and
- (b) before receiving a bet by way of the pool betting system, the licensed bookmaker displays at the licensed premises a notice—
 - (i) indicating the name of the licensed track concerned; and
 - (ii) containing information corresponding to that which the operator of that track is required to post at the track in accordance with paragraph 3 of Schedule 8.”.

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Commencement Information

I3 S. 4 in operation at 27.4.2022, see [s. 17\(2\)](#)

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