



Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976

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PART III

COMPETITIONS AND AMUSEMENTS

Newspaper and other competitions

14 Prize competitions

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) below, it shall be unlawful to conduct in or through any newspaper, or in connection with any trade or business or the sale of any article to the public;—
 - (a) any competition in which prizes are offered for forecasts of the result either—
 - (i) of a future event; or
 - (ii) of a past event the result of which is not yet ascertained, or not yet generally known;
 - (b) any other competition in which success does not depend to a substantial degree on the exercise of skill.
- (2) Nothing in subsection (1) above with respect to the conducting of competitions in connection with a trade or business shall apply in relation to sponsored pool betting or in relation to pool betting operations carried on by a person whose only trade or business is that of a bookmaker.
- (3) Any person who contravenes this section shall, without prejudice to any liability to be proceeded against under section 2 above, be guilty of an offence.
- (4) In this section "bookmaker", "pool betting" and "sponsored pool betting" have the meanings assigned to them by section 55 of the Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963.