



Gambling Act 2005

2005 CHAPTER 19

PART 3

GENERAL OFFENCES

Miscellaneous offences

42 Cheating

- (1) A person commits an offence if he—
 - (a) cheats at gambling, or
 - (b) does anything for the purpose of enabling or assisting another person to cheat at gambling.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1) it is immaterial whether a person who cheats—
 - (a) improves his chances of winning anything, or
 - (b) wins anything.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) cheating at gambling may, in particular, consist of actual or attempted deception or interference in connection with—
 - (a) the process by which gambling is conducted, or
 - (b) a real or virtual game, race or other event or process to which gambling relates.
- (4) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable—
 - (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, to a fine or to both, or
 - (b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 51 weeks, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or to both.
- (5) In the application of subsection (4) to Scotland the reference to 51 weeks shall have effect as a reference to six months.

Status: Point in time view as at 01/09/2007. This version of this provision has been superseded.

*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects
for the Gambling Act 2005, Section 42. (See end of Document for details)*

(6) Section 17 of the Gaming Act 1845 (c. 109) (winning by cheating) shall cease to have effect.

Commencement Information

- II** S. 42 in force at 1.9.2007 by S.I. 2006/3272, art. 2(4)(5), Sch. 3B (with arts. 7-11, 7-12, Sch. 4) (as inserted by S.I. 2007/2169, arts. 3, 6, Sch.)

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