EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend regulation 5 of the National Lottery Regulations 1994 ("the 1994 Regulations"), which prohibits sales of or invitations to purchase National Lottery tickets on certain premises. The amendments are consequential on the new regulatory framework in the Gambling Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act"), which replaces the current regulatory regime in England, Wales and Scotland. The amendments replace references to premises which provide gambling, or in respect of which a gambling authorisation under the Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963 or the Gaming Act 1968 has effect, with the equivalent descriptions and authorisations provided for by the 2005 Act. This includes making provision for premises in respect of which an authorisation under the 1963 or 1968 Act continues to have effect under transitional provisions made under the 2005 Act.

Regulation 5 of the 1994 Regulations also extends the prohibition of sales of or invitations to purchase National Lottery tickets on certain premises to Northern Ireland. Although regulation 5 has been substituted in its entirety, the provisions relating to Northern Ireland remain unchanged.