## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Gaming Machine (Circumstances of Use) Regulations 2007

## **Payment limits**

- 7.—(1) Subject to regulation 9, where a gaming machine is made available for use, a person must not be able, by means of a single action, to make a payment in respect of the use of the machine which exceeds, in any case to which paragraphs (2) to (7) apply, the amount specified in the relevant paragraph.
  - (2) In relation to—
    - (a) a Category A machine where the payment is of money or money's worth, and
- (b) a Category B or C machine, where the payment is of money, the amount is £20.
  - (3) In relation to a Category B or C machine where—
    - (a) the payment is of money's worth, and
    - (b) either—
      - (i) the machine is manufactured on or after 1st September 2007, or
      - (ii) it is a non-compliant machine,

the amount is £20.

- (4) In relation to a Category B1, B2 or B3 machine where—
  - (a) the payment is of money's worth,
  - (b) the payment satisfies—
    - (i) the supervision condition in paragraph (8),
    - (ii) the collection condition in paragraph (9), or
    - (iii) partly satisfies the supervision condition, with the payment of the remaining amount satisfying the collection condition,
  - (c) the machine is manufactured before 1st September 2007, and
  - (d) immediately before that date the machine is designed or adapted for payments of money's worth to be made in relation to its use,

the amount is £100.

- (5) In relation to a Category B1, B2 or B3 machine which meets the conditions in sub-paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) of paragraph (4), but in respect of which the condition in sub-paragraph (b) is not met, the amount is £20.
  - (6) In relation to a Category B3A, B4 or C machine where—
    - (a) the payment is of money's worth, and
- (b) the machine is manufactured before 1st September 2007, the amount is £20.

- (7) In relation to a Category D machine, where the payment is of money or money's worth, the amount is £2.
- (8) The supervision condition is that a payment of money's worth in respect of the use of a Category B1, B2 or B3 gaming machine must—
  - (a) be made by means of a document or object which is purchased or obtained from a person acting in the course of a business carried on by an authorised person; or
  - (b) be processed by a person acting in the course of such a business.
- (9) The collection condition is that a payment of money's worth in respect of the use of a Category B1, B2 or B3 gaming machine must be made by means of—
  - (a) a document or object collected as a prize from use of a gaming machine, or
  - (b) a document or object delivered by a gaming machine as a means of returning an amount held to the credit of the person using the machine.
  - (10) In this regulation—

"authorised person" means a person who holds an operating licence which authorises making gaming machines available for use;

"non-compliant machine" means a Category B gaming machine manufactured before 1st September 2007 which does not comply with the condition in paragraph (4)(d); and

"payment of money's worth" includes circumstances where—

- (a) a person pays money in relation to use of a gaming machine, and
- (b) that payment is made otherwise than by inserting money into the machine.
- (11) Where a person makes a payment in respect of a gaming machine, only those amounts of the payment which are—
  - (a) used to pay a charge for use, or
- (b) held to the credit of a person using the machine, are to be counted for the purposes of paragraphs (1) to (7).
- (12) Nothing in this regulation shall prevent a person, by means of a series of actions, from making one or more payments which exceed the limits specified in paragraphs (2) to (7) provided that in each case the amount paid by means of a single action complies with the relevant limit.