EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Gambling Act 2005 (Operating Licence Conditions) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/2257).

The 2007 Regulations specify conditions which are to be attached to operating licences issued under Part 5 of the Gambling Act 2005 (c. 19) in respect of facilities for prize gaming made available in bingo halls (that is, premises in respect of which a bingo premises licence has effect).

The effect of the amendments is to modify those conditions to increase the maximum participation fee and money prize levels.

The maximum participation fee for any one chance to win a prize in a particular game is increased from 50 pence to £1.

In addition, where a prize for which a game is played is money, the maximum amount of the prize is increased from £50 to £100 in cases where no persons under 18 years of age are permitted on the premises at any time when the game is being played; and from £35 to £70 in all other cases.

An Impact Assessment has been prepared in respect of these Regulations.