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# The Gambling (Lottery Machine Interval) Order 2007

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## Message

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Мääräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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## 1. Structured Information Line

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## 2. Member State

UK

## 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

#### 3. Originating Department

Department for Culture, Media and Sport

#### 4. Notification Number

2007/0298/UK - H10

## 5. Title

The Gambling (Lottery Machine Interval) Order 2007

#### 6. Products Concerned

Machines that dispense lottery tickets

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The Gambling Act 2005 (the Act) will regulate gaming machines in Great Britain from 1st September 2007. A 'gaming machine' is defined in section 235 of the Act, and there are a number of exceptions to that definition. One of the exceptions, set out in section 235(2)(d) of the Act, is for equipment that dispenses a lottery ticket or otherwise allows a person to enter a lottery. Under section 235(2)(d) this type of equipment will not fall within the definition of a gaming machine provided that (i) it does not determine the result of the lottery, and (ii) it does not announce or communicate the result of the lottery without there being an interval, of specified duration, between each entry to the lottery and the announcement; this Order provides that the length of that interval must not be less than one hour.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This Order is needed to distinguish between equipment that is to be regulated as a gaming machine under the Act, and equipment that is a lottery machine. In contrast with gaming machines, lottery machines may be made available in premises that are not specifically licensed for gambling and where they will not be subject to the same controls that apply to gaming machines. The Order will ensure greater consumer protection for users of lottery vending machines: the imposition of an interval between entering the lottery and discovering the result is intended to minimise the potential for rapid, repetitive play on lottery machines, and means that there should be less opportunity for players to gamble frequently and to chase their losses. A lottery machine that leaves a shorter interval than the one prescribed in the Order, will pose a greater risk to players and will be subject to the controls that apply to gaming machines under the Act. Those controls will be notified separately to the EC.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- a) The published consultation document
- b) Gambling Act and explanatory note sent with: Gambling Act 2005 notification 2006/0565/UK
- 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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## 13. Confidentiality

No



14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment The impact assessment is attached.
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT Aspect No The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.
SPS Aspect No The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.
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