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# Amendments to Gambling Commission's Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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# 2. Member State

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# 3. Department Responsible

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### 3. Originating Department

The Gambling Commission

# 4. Notification Number

2008/401/UK - H10

#### 5. Title

Amendments to Gambling Commission's Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice

#### 6. Products Concerned

Goods and services related to the provision of gambling facilities

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The regulations notified here consist of amendments to the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice issued by the Gambling Commission in June 2007 under the Gambling Act 2005 ("the Act"). It is a condition of all gambling licences issued by the Gambling Commission that the licensee complies with the Gambling Commission Licence Conditions issued under section 75 of the Act, and its Social Responsibility Code issued under sections 24 and 82 of the Act. The Conditions and Code provisions vary depending on whether the licence is for remote (i.e. information society services defined in section 4 of the Act) or non-remote (i.e. on premises) gambling services. They also vary according to the type of licence under section 65 of the Act. Remote services are regulated by the Act if they are provided from Great Britain within the meaning of section 36. This notification concerns a condition and codes containing binding technical standards in the following areas:

- · Display of licensed status by remote licensees
- · Display of licensed status by gaming machine technical and gambling software licensees
- Age verification procedures for remote licensees
- · Identification of individual customers by remote licensees
- Incentive and reward schemes for all licensees except gaming machine technical and gambling software licensees

In addition there is an advisory, non-binding code for licence holders issued under section 24 of the Act. This contains guidance on:

• Identification of individual customers by remote licensees.

# 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Conditions and Codes are needed to ensure that gambling offered in Great Britain, within the jurisdiction of the Act, is provided in accordance with the Act's licensing objectives: to keep gambling crime-free, ensure gambling is fair and open and prevent harm from gambling. The Conditions notified here seek to ensure that the systems used to offer remote gambling and supply of gaming machines or gambling software provide sufficient information to enable customers to make reasoned consumer choices. The Codes notified here seek to ensure that customers are protected from the possible harmful effects of gambling. These are non-discriminatory measures which specify necessary requirements or recommendations for the safe provision of gambling services by operators needing a licence in Great Britain.

# 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

b) The Gambling Act 2005 was sent with notification 2006/0565/UK. The Licence Conditions and Codes of

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Practice issued by the Gambling Commission in June 2007, referred to in paragraph 8 above, were the subject of notification 2007/0300/UK. 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No 12. Grounds for the Emergency 13. Confidentiality No 14. Fiscal measures No 15. Impact assessment Impact assessment not available. 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. Catherine Day **General Secretary European Commission** Contact point Directive 98/34 Fax: (32-2) 296 76 60 email: dir83-189-central@ec.europa.eu sent to:

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