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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Regulations on recreational and gambling machines in the
Autonomous Community of the Murcia Region.

6. Products Concerned

Recreational and gambling machines and automatic
coin-operated machines which in exchange for payment offer
the player either solely entertainment/recreation or a prize.

Machines are classified in the following categories:

- Recreational or Type A : Those which provide the player
with a prize in the form of a time extension, based on
performance, and offering no financial reward.
- Recreational with prize or Type B : Those which offer the

player a time period for use in exchange for a game price
and providing a possible cash prize.

- Gambling or Type C : Those for exclusive use in gambling
casinos and based solely on chance, which, in exchange for
a game price, can be used for a specific period of time and
offer a possible cash prize.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The regulations for recreational and gambling machines are intended to regulate those machines and automatic coin-operated machines which, in exchange for payment, offer the player solely entertainment/recreation or a prize, as well as rules on the specific economic aspects related to the said machines, including, amongst others, manufacturing, marketing, installation, operation and public use.

To this end Title 2 regulates the classification of the machines into three types, laying down the characteristics, definitions and general requirements of each type. It provides for a register of models of machine and lays down the obligatory individual identification of each machine, in the form of factory markings and manufacturer's certificates, which will allow for an "operating authorisation".

Title 3 lays down the characteristics and requirements of the register of these companies and the handling, renewal and cancellation of inclusions in that register. It provides for a legal basis applicable to manufacture and marketing.

Title 4 regulates the installation and operation of the machines, the premises and establishments in which they may be located, the characteristics of those premises, the guarantee which interested parties will have to offer in order to obtain

an "operating authorisation" and the interested parties who will have to accredit the status of "operating companies" through prior inclusion on the register of companies on the general gambling register.

Title 5 lays down the rules regarding penalties in this area.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The granting of exclusive competence to this Autonomous Community in the field of casinos, gambling and betting, by means of Article 13.1.B) of the Statute for Autonomy in the Murcia Region, approved by Organic Law 4/1982 of 9 June, amended by Organic Law 4/1994 of 24 March, led to the need for this regional administration to have a set of standards in this area. This was achieved through the approval of Law 2/1995 of 15 March, regulating gambling and betting in the Murcia Region and granting the necessary regulatory jurisdiction by means of the regulations referred to in this decree in the area of recreational and gambling machines.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Law 2/1995, of 15 March, regulating gambling and betting in the Murcia Region.

- Decree Nr 27/1996, of 29 May, regulating the composition,



organisation and functioning of the commission for gambling and betting in the Murcia Region.

- Decree Nr 28/1996, of 29 May, approving the register of gambling and betting in the Murcia Region, amended by Decree Nr 63/1997, of 31 July on regulations on the playing of bingo in the Murcia Region.
- Order of 18 December 1997 of the Directorate for Economic Affairs and Public Finance which authorises certain methods of registration in the general gambling register of the Murcia Region.
- Decree Nr 26/1996, of 29 May, approving the regulation of gambling casinos in the Autonomous Community of the Murcia

Region.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

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