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## **Draft Decree approving the Betting Regulation**

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## Message

Message 002

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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

E

## 3. Department Responsible

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#### 4. Notification Number

2013/0535/F - H10

#### 5. Title

Draft Decree approving the Betting Regulation

DIRECCIÓN CORREO ELECTRÓNICO:

#### 6. Products Concerned

Organisation and marketing of betting on sporting events, competitions and other events of a previously established nature.

Placing of bets using interactive media or systems or using distance communication.

### 7. Notification Under Another Act

## 8. Main Content

Betting on sporting events, competitions and other events of a previously established nature are being regulated for the first time.

Establishing a system for organising and marketing betting (registration of betting undertakings, guarantees, official approval of betting materials, and the technical components required).

Placing bets (the act of betting and grounds for doing so, betting-slip requirements, placing bets using interactive media or systems or using distance communication, quantitative betting limit, advertising of betting, distribution of prizes, payment for bets placed, and expiry of the right to recover prizes).

The system for gaming establishments where bets are placed (installation of betting machines).

Users, and final inspection of bets under the penalty provisions.

Bets on the results of horse races taking place at racecourses in Catalonia, which are regulated by specific standards, are exempt from this standard.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

- The need to regulate a gaming activity called 'betting, which has not yet been regulated despite being included in the Gambling and Betting Catalogue contained in Decree 240/2004 of 30 March 2004 approving the Gambling and Betting Catalogue authorised for Catalonia and the criteria applicable to its planning.

- To guarantee legal safety with regard both to the economic and business aspects of the gambling sector and to users, and to enable inspections to be carried out by the Administration.
- To facilitate the pursuit of activities relating to the marketing and organisation of betting for all undertakings that have an interest in doing so within a period of time that ensures legal safety and transparency in their operation.
- To create the possibility of economic development in this sector in the context of the current crisis, with the incorporation of new types of gambling.
- To guarantee the rights of people who participate in betting.
- Suitability of incorporating dedicated technological channels into gambling activities.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References to the basic texts: - Act 15/1984 of 20 March 1984 on gambling.

- Decree 240/2004 of 30 March 2004 approving the catalogue of gambling and betting authorised for Catalonia.

## 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

## 12. Grounds for the Emergency

## 13. Confidentiality

No

## 14. Fiscal measures

No

#### 15. Impact assessment

Yes

## 16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS aspect

No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure.

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