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Gaming Machine Technical Standards

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No abre el plazo - Nezahtuje 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 késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika 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: Office of Science and Innovation

3. Originating Department

Gambling Commission

4. Notification Number

2007/0285/UK – H10

5. Title



Gaming Machine Technical Standards

6. Products Concerned

Gaming machines

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The Gambling Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act") will regulate the use of gaming machines in Great Britain from 1st September 2007. The 2005 Act gives the Gambling Commission ("the Commission"), the responsibility to license operators that manufacture, supply, install, adapt, maintain or repair gaming machines in Great Britain. It will be a condition of such gaming machine technical licences that the operator complies with the Commission's Gaming Machine Technical Standards, from 1st September 2007. The Standards set out in detail the technical requirements relating to gaming machines and cover:

- Hardware requirements (including security and identification of the machine);
- Software requirements and Critical memory requirements;
- Machine credit and payment requirements;
- Game requirements (including the means of determining the outcome of a game, game cycle speed and game features);
- Metering, error and alert requirements; and
- Display requirements.

The Standards vary according to the category of gaming machine (as defined in The Categories of Gaming Machine Regulations - see notification 2006/0565/UK), and the manner in which the machine operates and makes allowances for machines currently in the market.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Standards are needed to ensure that the manner in which gaming machines operate meets the 2005 Act licensing objectives i.e. to keep gambling crime-free, ensure gambling is fair and open and prevent harm from gambling. The Standards ensure that machine outcomes are determined fairly, that the customer is given sufficient information to make choices and that information can be retrieved from the machine to check compliance or handle customer complaints and disputes. The Standards also ensure that game cycle speeds are limited and that the customer has the ability to control their own spend. The Standards draw upon existing international regulatory and industry best practice. The Standards permit equivalence between different types of technology and do not specify proprietary products or technologies. Testing regimes for these standards will permit equivalent international standards (ISO). These Standards complement the UK's Gaming Machine (Circumstances of Use) Regulations submitted under notification 2007/0236/UK.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) The following documents are attached:

- The draft standards as follows:

1. Structured Information Line

Technical Standards for Category A and B1 machines

2. Member State



Technical Standards for Category B2 machines

3. Department Responsible

Technical Standards for Category B3 and B4 machines

4. Notification Number

Technical Standards for Category C and D machines

5. Title

Technical Standards for non-complex Category D machines

6. Products Concerned

Technical Standards for legacy machines (i.e. machines already in the market)

7. Notification Under Another Act

Technical Standards for cashless gaming machine systems

8. Main Content

Technical Standards for server-networked and downloadable gaming machine systems

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Technical Standards for wireless gaming machine systems

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Technical Standards for linked progressive gaming machines

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

Technical Standards – machine definitions

- The licence condition which makes compliance with the standards a legal obligation (N101)

b) The Gambling Act 2005 was sent with notification 2006/0565/UK, and the categories of machines were also contained in that notification

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



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.

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