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Draft Order laying down the technical requirements and specifications of gaming machines and their interconnection conditions

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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 - Não 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

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3. Department Responsible

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4. Notification Number

2016/0548/E - H10

5. Title

Draft Order laying down the technical requirements and specifications of gaming machines and their interconnection conditions

6. Products Concerned

- Gaming machines

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

This Order implements, firstly, the technical requirements and specifications applicable to the gaming and auxiliary machines governed by Decree 120/2016 of 27 July 2016 approving the General Regulation on Gaming in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country for approval and registration and for adapting the new subtypes and updating them to meet the new needs of the market, and, secondly, the technical conditions and requirements applicable to gaming machine interconnection systems so that the gaming is reliable, safe and transparent for users, requiring all integrated systems and machines to be monitored by the public administrations responsible for gaming.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The new Regulation on gaming machines and auxiliary machines (Decree 120/2016 of 27 July 2016 approving Section II, Chapter I of the General Regulation on Gaming in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country) classifies gaming machine types as 'AR', 'B' and 'C'. For type 'B' machines, it introduces new subtypes 'BH', 'BHZ', 'BH+', 'BS', 'BS+' and 'BG'. Furthermore, machine types 'B' and 'C' and their subtypes may offer different formats such as multi-station machines ('BM' or 'CM') or shared machines ('BC' or 'CC'), while the Regulation also includes the interconnection of gaming machines for awarding an additional prize, which may be in cash or in kind, for the accumulated sum of the jackpots from all interconnected machines.

This Order updates the technical requirements and specifications of gaming machines in line with the evolution of gaming in the European Union, technological advancements and the evolution of consumer tastes, allowing gaming companies to adapt their offer to market trends without any detriment to the guarantees of integrity and transparency in gaming and without promoting the addictive aspects of gaming.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference(s) to basic text(s): - Law 4/1991 of 8 November 1991 on gaming in the Autonomous Community of

the Basque Country

- Decree 277/1996 of 26 November 1996 approving the Gaming Catalogue of the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country
- Decree 120/2016 of 27 July 2016 approving the General Regulation on Gaming in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country

The basic texts were forwarded with an earlier notification: 2016/113/E

11.	Invocation	of the	Emergency	Procedure
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No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

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

SPS aspect

No - the draft is neither a sanitary nor phytosanitary measure.

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