

# Race and Sports Bookmaking (Rules for Sports Bookmaking) Determination 2012 (No 2)

Disallowable instrument DI2012—240

made under the

***Race and Sports Bookmaking Act 2001, s23(1) - Rules for sports bookmaking***

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

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The *Race and Sports Bookmaking Act 2001* (the Act) regulates the activities of sports bookmakers in the Australian Capital Territory.

Part 3 of the Act provides for the conduct and control of sports bookmaking. In particular, section 23 of the Act provides that the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission may determine rules for sports bookmaking. Pursuant to section 23(1)(b) of the Act, the Commission may determine rules for the methods of betting including the arrangements and use of telecommunications equipment.

This Disallowable Instrument revokes DI2008-250 dated 22 September 2008 and notified under the Legislation Register on 25 September 2008 and provides for the methods of betting and the use, approval and minimum specifications for telecommunications equipment operated by sports bookmakers when undertaking sports bookmaking operations.

This Instrument adds two new clauses to rules relating to arrangements and use of telecommunications equipment. New clause 5 requires that sports bookmaking licensees must provide the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission with “key hole” (i.e. on-line, secure, real time, read only) access to the licensee’s approved Internet sports bookmaking system and related matters. All existing licensees already comply with this requirement.

New clause 6 requires that sports bookmakers’ approved Internet sports bookmaking systems must be capable of accepting HTTP requests from the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission to access appropriate levels of the approved system and that system

generated electronic records must be compatible with software used by the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission.

New clauses 5 and 6 have been added to this Instrument as a consequence of changes made to an associated Instrument determining licensee record keeping and audit requirements made pursuant to section 23(2)(d) and (e).

This Instrument also corrects the minor drafting error identified in Scrutiny of Bills Report No 2 of 3 February 2009 by removing the semicolon and the word “and” at the end of subclause 2.3(1) and replaces them with a full stop.

In all other respects the Instrument has not been changed.