

# **Interactive Gambling Regulations** 1998 No 31

made under the

**Interactive Gambling Act 1998** 

# **Republication No 2**

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# About this republication

#### The republished law

This is a republication of the *Interactive Gambling Regulations 1998*, made under the *Interactive Gambling Act 1998* as in force on 13 June 2002. It includes any amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law to 12 September 2001 and any amendment made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 (Editorial changes).

The legislation history and amendment history of the republished law are set out in endnotes 3 and 4.

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This republication includes amendments made under part 11.3 (see endnote 1).

#### **Uncommenced provisions and amendments**

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#### **Modifications**

If a provision of the republished law is affected by a current modification, the symbol **M** appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the modifying provision appears in the endnotes. For the legal status of modifications, see *Legislation Act* 2001, section 95.

#### **Penalties**

The value of a penalty unit for an offence against this republished law at the republication date is—

- (a) if the person charged is an individual—\$100; or
- (b) if the person charged is a corporation—\$500.



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### 1 Name of regulations

These regulations are the *Interactive Gambling Regulations* 1998.

## 3 Definitions for regs

In these regulations:

Note A definition applies except so far as the contrary intention appears (see *Legislation Act 2001*, s 155).

accounting and auditing computer system means a computer system used by a licensed provider to record or check 1 or more of the following in an authorised game:

- (a) the wagers made by players;
- (b) other amounts received from players;
- (c) the amount paid to players;
- (d) the authentication of players;
- (e) game play information;
- (f) the prizes (monetary and non-monetary) to be won.

*certified copy*, in relation to a document, means a copy of the document certified by a lawyer, a justice of the peace or a notary public for the ACT or elsewhere, as a true copy.

end user device means computer software or hardware necessary to—

- (a) enable a player to make a wager in an authorised game; or
- (b) inform the player of the result of an authorised game.

gross profit, in relation to an authorised game, means the difference between the gambling turnover and the value of the total amount of prizes won in the game.

*interactive computer system* means a computer system used for the conduct of interactive games by a licensed provider.

*interactive network controller* means a device electronically linking an interactive computer system to an end user device.

#### non-participating jurisdiction means—

- (a) a State or another Territory that is not declared to be a participating jurisdiction; and
- (b) a country other than Australia.

# 4 Regulated interactive gambling equipment

For the Act, section 3, definition of *regulated interactive gambling equipment*, the following are declared to be regulated interactive gambling equipment:

- (a) an accounting and auditing computer system;
- (b) an end user device;
- (c) an interactive computer system;
- (d) an interactive network controller.

## 5 Evidence for registration

For the Act, section 16 (2), the following kinds of evidence are prescribed:

- (a) a document, or a certified copy of a document, of the following kind that shows the person's identity and age:
  - (i) a birth certificate;
  - (ii) a citizenship certificate;
  - (iii) a passport;
  - (iv) if evidence of a kind mentioned in subparagraphs (i) to (iii) is unavailable—a document issued to a person by a government department, authority or agency of a country of which the person is a national or resident;

- (b) a document, or a certified copy of a document, of the following kind that shows the person's residential address:
  - (i) a current Australian driver licence, or external driver licence, within the meaning of the *Road Transport* (*Driver Licensing*) Act 1999;
  - (ii) a document that acknowledges enrolment to vote in government elections;
  - (iii) a rates assessment notice or account, a telephone account or an electricity account, being a notice or account that is dated no earlier than 6 months before the date of the application for registration;
  - (iv) a current lease agreement that is dated no earlier than 12 months before the date of the application for registration;
  - (v) a current appliance rental agreement that is dated no earlier than 6 months before the date of the application for registration;
  - (vi) if evidence of a kind mentioned in subparagraphs (i) to (v) is unavailable—a document issued by a government department, authority or agency, a financial institution or credit card agency or a document relating to the supply of services by a public utility, being a document that is dated no earlier than 6 months before the date of the application for registration.

#### 6 Provision of funds to cover amount of wager

For the Act, section 18 (b), the following ways of providing funds are authorised:

- (a) a debit authorised by the player against an account established in his or her name at a financial institution, other than a player's account;
- (b) a debit against a debit card in the player's name.

## 7 Evidence of identity

For the Act, section 27 (4), a document, or a certified copy of a document, of the following kind is satisfactory evidence of an applicant's identity:

- (a) the applicant's birth certificate;
- (b) a citizenship certificate issued to the applicant;
- (c) a passport issued to the applicant;
- (d) if evidence of a kind mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) is unavailable—a document issued by a government department, authority or agency of a country of which the applicant is a national or resident, being a document that shows the applicant's name.

# 8 Gambling licences—prescribed particulars

For the Act, section 35 (2) (e), the licensed provider's trading name (if any) is prescribed.

# 9 Applications for key person licences—prescribed documents

For the Act, section 50 (2) (d), a document, or a certified copy of a document, of the following kind is prescribed:

- (a) the applicant's birth certificate;
- (b) a citizenship certificate issued to the applicant;
- (c) a passport issued to the applicant;
- (d) if evidence of a kind mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) is unavailable—a document issued by a government department, authority or agency of a country of which the applicant is a national or resident, being a document that shows the applicant's name.

## 10 Requirements relating to identity

For the Act, section 51 (4), provision of a document referred to in regulation 9 is satisfactory evidence of an applicant's identity.

## 11 Eligibility to be an agent—criteria

For the Act, section 70 (1) (a) (ii), the prescribed criterion is that the person is—

- (a) an agent under a corresponding law; or
- (b) eligible to be an agent under a corresponding law; or
- (c) a financial institution; or
- (d) appointed by a financial institution as its agent to provide financial services.

## 12 Interactive gambling tax

- (1) For the Act, section 83 (2), the interactive gambling tax payable by a licensed provider in respect of an authorised game conducted by the provider during a month is an amount equal to the percentage of the gross profit of the game for the month.
- (2) For subsection (1), the percentage of the gross profit of a game is—
  - (a) for each month from the beginning of a financial year until and including the month in that year when the total interactive gambling profit of the licensed provider for the year first exceeds \$10 million—20%; and
  - (b) for each subsequent month of the financial year until and including the month when the total interactive gambling profit of the licensed provider for the year first exceeds \$20 million—10%; and
  - (c) for every other month of the year—5%.

#### (3) In this section:

total interactive gambling profit, for a licensed provider, means the sum of the gross profits of all authorised games conducted by the provider.

## 12A Tax credit in relation to GST

- (1) This section applies if a licensed provider paid to the Commonwealth an amount in respect of the provider's liability for a global GST amount (the *GST paid*) during a month.
- (2) If the GST paid is less than the interactive gambling tax payable for the month, the amount of interactive gambling tax for which the licensed provider is liable is reduced by the GST paid.
- (3) If the GST paid is equal to or more than interactive gambling tax payable for the month, the licensed provider is not liable for interactive gambling tax for the month.
- (4) In this section:

**global GST amount**—see the GST provision.

**GST provision** means the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cwlth), section 126-10 (which deals with tax on gambling revenue).

GST tax period means a tax period referred to in the GST provision.

### 13 Payment of interactive gambling tax

For the Act, section 83 (2), interactive gambling tax payable by a licensed provider in relation to authorised games conducted by him or her during a month shall be paid by the provider within 7 days after the end of the month.

#### 14 Information for calculating interactive gambling tax

For the Act, section 84 (a), the following information is prescribed:

- (a) the gross profit of each game;
- (b) the gambling turnover of each game;
- (c) the gambling turnover of the game attributable to the total of the amounts wagered by ACT residents;
- (d) the gambling turnover of the game attributable to the total of the amounts wagered by residents of participating jurisdictions;
- (e) the gambling turnover of the game attributable to the total of the amounts wagered by residents of non-participating jurisdictions.

# 15 Calculation of interactive gambling tax—other information

- (1) For the Act, section 84 (b), the following information is prescribed:
  - (a) the number of players registered during the relevant month;
  - (b) the number of players deregistered during the relevant month;
  - (c) the number of players whom the licensed provider has banned from playing during the relevant month;
  - (d) the number of player bans the licensed provider has rescinded during the relevant month;
  - (e) the number of limits on the amount a player may wager set under the Act, section 101 (1), or changed under the Act, section 101 (4), during the relevant month;
  - (f) the amount of each limit set or changed during the relevant month:
  - (g) the number of limits on the amount a player may wager revoked during the relevant month;
  - (h) the amount of each limit revoked during the relevant month.

(2) The information prescribed under subregulation (1) shall be specified in respect of players resident in the ACT and in each participating and non-participating jurisdiction.

#### (3) In this regulation:

**relevant month** means the month in relation to which the return under the Act, section 84 is given to the commissioner.

# 16 Agent's operation—appropriate places

For the Act, section 91 (a), the premises where the agent trades are prescribed.

## 17 Prescribed period—s 100 (1)

For the Act, section 100 (1), the prescribed period of time is 1 year.

# 18 Unclaimed money

- (1) For the Act, section 100 (1), if a player cannot be found, a licensed provider shall remit the balance remaining in the player's account into a trust bank account.
- (2) For the Act, section 120 (2) (c) (iii), if there is no current player's account and the licensed provider is unaware of the whereabouts of a former player, the licensed provider shall pay the remainder of the proceeds into a trust bank account.
- (3) Any money paid into a trust bank account under subregulation (1) or (2) shall, at the end of 1 year after the day when the money was so paid, be dealt with by the provider as the commissioner, in writing, directs.

#### **Endnotes**

#### 1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

Uncommenced amending laws and expiries are listed in the legislation history and the amendment history. These details are underlined. Uncommenced provisions and amendments are not included in the republished law but are set out in the last endnote.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

If the republished law includes penalties, current information about penalty unit values appears on the republication inside front cover.

## 2 Abbreviation key

am = amended amdt = amendment ch = chapter cl = clause def = definition dict = dictionary disallowed = disallowed b

disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative Assembly

div = division

exp = expires/expired
Gaz = Gazette
hdg = heading

IA = Interpretation Act 1967 ins = inserted/added LA = Legislation Act 2001 LR = legislation register

LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996

mod = modified / modification

No = number num = numbered o = order

om = omitted/repealed

ord = ordinance
orig = original
p = page
par = paragraph
pres = present
prev = previous
(prev...) = previously
prov = provision
pt = part
r = rule/subrule

reg = regulation/subregulation renum = renumbered

reloc = relocated
R[X] = Republication No
s = section/subsection
sch = schedule
sdiv = subdivision
sub = substituted
SL = Subordinate Law

<u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced or to be expired

## 3 Legislation history

The *Interactive Gambling Regulations 1998* was originally the Interactive Gambling Regulations. They were renamed by the Interactive Gambling Regulations Amendment 2000 No 27 (see reg 3).

#### **Interactive Gambling Regulations 1998 No 31**

notified 30 September 1998 commenced 30 September 1998 (reg 2)

as amended by

#### Road Transport Legislation Amendment Act 1999 No 79 sch 4

notified 23 December 1999 (Gaz 1999 No S65) s 1, s 2 commenced 23 December 1999 (IA s 10B) sch 4 commenced 1 March 2000 (s 2 and see Gaz 2000 No S5)

#### Interactive Gambling Regulations Amendment SL 2000 No 27

notified 30 June 2000 (Gaz 2000 No S34) reg 1 commenced 30 June 2000 (IA s 10B) remainder commenced 1 July 2000 (reg 1)

#### Legislation (Consequential Amendments) Act 2001 No 44 pt 196

notified 26 July 2001 (Gaz 2001 No 30) s 1, s 2 commenced 26 July 2001 (IA s 10B) pt 196 commenced 12 September 2001 (s 2 and Gaz 2001 No S65)

#### 4 Amendment history

#### Name of regulations

reg 1 sub 2000 No 27 reg 3

#### Commencement

reg 2 om Act 2001 No 44 amdt 1.2258

## **Definitions for regs**

reg 3 am Act 2001 No 44 amdt 1.2259

def the Act om Act 2001 No 44 amdt 1.2260

#### **Evidence for registration**

reg 5 am Act 1999 No 79 sch 4

#### Interactive gambling tax

reg 12 sub 2000 No 27 reg 4

#### Tax credit in relation to GST

reg 12A ins 2000 No 27 reg 4

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# 5 Earlier republications

Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

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Republication No	Amendments to	Republication date
1	SL 2000 No 27	1 August 2000

