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BETTING, GAMING AND LOTTERIES

The Gambling Act 2005 (Gaming Machines in Bingo Premises) Order 2008

Made - - - - 2008

Coming into force in accordance with Article 1

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 172(11)(a) of the Gambling Act 2005(**a**).

In accordance with section 355(6) of that Act a draft of this instrument was laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Gambling Act 2005 (Gaming Machines in Bingo Premises) Order 2008 and comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

Amendment of section 172(7)(a) of the Gambling Act 2005

2. In section 172(7)(a) of the Gambling Act 2005 for "four" substitute "eight".

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Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Culture, Media and Sport

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(**a**) 2005 c. 19.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order increases from four to eight the maximum number of Category B gaming machines that may be made available for use on bingo premises by virtue of section 172(7)(a) of the Gambling Act 2005 (c. 19) ("the Act").

A bingo premises licence authorises premises to be used for the provision of facilities for the playing of bingo (see section 150(1)(b) of the Act). By virtue of section 172(7) of the Act such a licence authorises the holder to make gaming machines of specified categories available for use on the premises to which it relates, as specified in the section. (For categories of gaming machines see section 236 of the Act and the Regulations made under that section, currently S.I. 2007/2158). As originally enacted, section 172(7) authorised the holder to make up to four category B machines available for use on the premises, together with any number of machines in category C or D. This Order amends section 172(7)(a) so as to raise the maximum number of category B machines to eight. The position as regards category C and D machines is unchanged.

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