STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 736

BETTING, GAMING AND LOTTERIES, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Gambling Act 2005 (Premises Licences and Provisional Statements) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2025

Made - - - -	*25th June 2025*
Laid before Parliament	*1st July 2025*
Coming into force - -	*22nd July 2025*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 151(2), 159(6), (7) and (8)(a), 187(3) and (4) and 355(1) of the Gambling Act 2005(**a**).

Citation, commencement, extent, application and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Gambling Act 2005 (Premises Licences and Provisional Statements) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2025 and come into force on 22nd July 2025.

(2) These Regulations—

(a) extend to England and Wales and Scotland, and

(b) apply only to—

(i) applications under Part 8 of the Gambling Act 2005 made to licensing authorities in England and Wales, and

(ii) premises licences issued by licensing authorities in England and Wales.

(3) In these Regulations, "the 2007 Regulations" means the Gambling Act 2005 (Premises Licences and Provisional Statements) Regulations 2007(**b**).

Amendments to the Gambling Act 2005 (Premises Licences and Provisional Statements) Regulations 2007

2.—(1) Regulation 7 (form and content of applications to vary a premises licence) of the 2007 Regulations is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (2), for "accompanied by a scale plan which complies with paragraph (3)" substitute—

"accompanied—

(**a**) 2005 c. 19; section 355(1) was amended by section 52(5)(a) of the Scotland Act 2016 (c. 11) and by section 58(2)(a) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4).

(**b**) S.I. 2007/459, amended by S.I. 2007/1775.

(a) by a scale plan which complies with paragraph (3); or

(b) where the application relates to a converted casino premises licence and would (if granted) enable the holder of that licence to make gaming machines available for use on the premises in accordance with paragraph 65(6)(za) of Schedule 4 to the Commencement and Transitional Provisions Order(**a**), by a scale plan which complies with paragraph (4)".

(3) In paragraph (3), at the beginning insert "For applications to which paragraph (2)(a) applies,".

(4) After paragraph (3) insert—

"(4) For applications to which paragraph (2)(b) applies, the plan must show the matters which it would be required to show under regulation 4 if the application were for the issue of a converted casino premises licence which included the variations specified in the application, but—

(a) as if for sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (4A) of regulation 4 there were substituted—

"(ab) the location and extent of any part of the premises which will be a table gaming area; and

(b) the location and extent of any other part of the premises which will be used for providing facilities for gambling in reliance on the licence; and"; and

(b) as if paragraph (4B) were omitted.".

3.—(1) Regulation 21 (matters to be included in the plan accompanying a premises licence) of the 2007 Regulations is amended as follows.

(2) After paragraph (3) insert—

"(4) In this regulation, references to regulation 4 are to be construed (where relevant) as references to that provision as modified in accordance with paragraph (4) of regulation 7.".

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Department for Culture, Media and Sport

25th June 2025

(**a**) Paragraph 65(6)(za) of the Commencement and Transitional Provisions Order was inserted by article 2(2)(b) of S.I. 2025/734.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Gambling Act 2005 (Commencement No. 6 and Transitional Provisions) (Amendment) Order 2025 (S.I. 2025/734) ("the 2025 Order") amends the Gambling Act 2005 (Commencement No. 6 and Transitional Provisions) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/3272 (C. 119)) ("the 2006 Order") to make changes to the gambling entitlements authorised by a converted casino premises licence where the casino is situated in England and Wales.

To utilise these new entitlements, the holder of a converted casino premises licence must comply with a number of conditions set out in the 2006 Order (as amended by the 2025 Order) and also in the Gambling Act 2005 (Mandatory and Default Conditions) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1409) ("the 2007 Regulations") as amended by the Casinos (Gaming Machines and Mandatory Conditions) Regulations 2025 (S.I. 2025/735).

One of these conditions is that the casino must contain a table gaming area. The creation of a table gaming area will need to be reflected on an updated plan of the premises. "Table gaming" is defined in regulation 2 of the 2007 Regulations as "(a) casino games played on ordinary, or partially or wholly automated gaming tables, and (b) real games of equal chance, other than bingo, played on a table".

As the Gambling Act 2005 (Premises Licences and Provisional Statements) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/459, amended by S.I. 2007/1775) do not currently require the plan for a converted casino premises licence to include a table gaming area (defined in regulation 4(10)(e) of those Regulations), this instrument amends those Regulations to enable the holder of a converted casino premises licence who wants to utilise the new entitlements to apply to the relevant licensing authority to vary that licence so the casino plan can show the location and extent of any part of the premises which will be a table gaming area.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

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