STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1971 No. 1538

BETTING AND GAMING

The Gaming Clubs (Permitted Areas) Regulations 1971

Made - - -	*14th September* 1971
Laid before Parliament	*24th September* 1971
Coming into Operation	*1st January* 1972

In pursuance of sections 22(3) and 51 of the Gaming Act 1968(a), and after consultation with the Gaming Board for Great Britain, I hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Gaming Clubs (Permitted Areas) Regulations 1971 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1972.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) applies for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) In these Regulations, "the Act" means the Gaming Act 1968.

(4) These Regulations shall not extend to Scotland.

2. (1) This Regulation does not apply to licences to be granted or renewed subject to restrictions imposed under paragraph 25(1) of Schedule 2 to the Act limiting gaming (to which Part II of the Act applies) to bingo, bridge or whist or to both bridge and whist but, subject to that, it applies to all licences under the Act proposed to be granted or renewed.

(2) A licensing authority shall refuse to grant or renew a licence to which this Regulation applies where the licence is to be in respect of premises situated, wholly or in part, outside the areas specified in Regulation 3 of these Regulations.

3. The areas referred to in Regulation 2 of these Regulations are –

(*a*) every county borough (outside Greater London) which is shown as having an estimated population of 125,000 or more in any of the annual estimates made by the Registrar General for England and Wales and published not earlier than 1st January 1971 nor later than 1st October in the year immediately preceding the year in which the application for the grant or renewal of the licence is made; and

(*b*) every area specified in the Schedule to these Regulations (being the areas, not qualifying under paragraph (*a*) above, which qualified under provisions revoked by Regulation 4 of these Regulations).

4. Regulation 3 of and Schedule 1 to the Gaming Clubs (Licensing) Regu-

(a) 1968 c. 65. (b) 1889 c. 63.

lations 1969(a) and the whole of the Gaming Clubs (Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1970(b) are hereby revoked.

R. Maudling,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
14th September 1971.

Regulation 3

SCHEDULE

County boroughs

Great Yarmouth
Southport
Torbay

Non-county boroughs

Hove
Lytham St. Annes
Margate
Ramsgate
Ryde
Scarborough

Urban districts

Sandown Shanklin

London boroughs

Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea
City of Westminster
That part of the London borough of Camden which is within the area specified in the Licensing (Metropolitan Special Hours Area) Order 1961(c).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations make new provision in relation to the areas in England and Wales in which licences for general gaming may be granted. The Regulations permit licences to be granted and renewed in any county borough outside Greater London having an estimated population, at any time from 1971 onwards, of 125,000 or more. The Regulations also allow licences to be granted and renewed in the areas specified in the Schedule, being the areas which have qualified in the past but which do not qualify under this general formula.

(a) S.I. 1969/1110 (1969 II, p. 3251). (b) S.I. 1970/242 (1970 I, p. 976).
(c) S.I. 1961/1671.