STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2021 No. 232

BETTING, GAMING AND LOTTERIES

The Lotteries (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021

Made - - - -	*11th August 2021*
Coming into operation -	*7th September 2021*

The Department for Communities(**a**), makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 138(1) of the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985(**b**), and now vested in it(**c**).

In accordance with Article 138(2) of that Order, the Department has consulted with such associations of district councils as appear to the Department likely to be affected by these Regulations.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as The Lotteries (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021 and shall come into operation on 7th September 2021.

Amendment of the Lotteries Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994

2. The Lotteries Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994(**d**) shall be amended in accordance with regulation 3.

3. For regulation 5 (machines) substitute—

> "**5.** Except for the sale of tickets or chances in a lottery by means of the internet, no tickets or chances in a lottery shall be sold be means of a machine.".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Communities on 11th August 2021

(L.S.)

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(**a**) Formerly known as the Department for Social Development; *see* the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 c.5 (N.I.)
(**b**) S.I. 1985/1204 (N.I. 11)
(**c**) See S.R. 1999 No. 481, Article 8(b) of and Part 2 of Schedule 6 to the Departments (Transfer and Assignment of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999 transferred functions to the Department for Social Development which were previously exercisable by the Department of Health and Social Services; *see* the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 c.5 (N.I.), Under section 1 the Department for Social Development was renamed the Department for Communities
(**d**) S.R. 1994 No. 467

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Lotteries Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 to permit the sale of tickets or chances in societies' lotteries by means of the internet. Except for these purposes, the sale of tickets or chances in societies' lotteries by means of a machine remains prohibited.

An Equality Impact Assessment has been prepared and can be viewed at www.communities-ni.gov.uk.

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