

Mandatory and Default Conditions

Gambling Act 2005



Purpose

This guidance provides the mandatory conditions that are applied to Gambling Act 2005 Premises Licences and the default conditions which applicants can apply to be excluded.

Bingo Premises

Mandatory Conditions

1. A notice stating that no person under the age of 18 years is permitted to play bingo on the premises shall be displayed in a prominent place at every entrance to the premises.
2. No customer shall be able to enter the premises directly from any other premises in respect of which one of the following permissions has effect—
 - (a) a casino premises licence;
 - (b) an adult gaming centre premises licence;
 - (c) a betting premises licence other than a track premises licence; and
- 3.1 This paragraph shall apply where children or young persons or both are permitted by the licence holder to enter the premises, and Category B or C gaming machines are made available for use on the premises.
- 3.2 Any area of the premises to which category B and C gaming machines are located—
 - (a) shall be separated from the rest of the premises by a physical barrier which is effective to prevent access other than by an entrance designed for the purpose;
 - (b) shall be supervised at all times to ensure children or young persons or both do not enter the area; and
 - (c) shall be arranged in such a way that ensures all parts of the area can be observed by the persons mentioned in sub-paragraph (3.3).
- 3.3 The reference to supervision in this paragraph means supervision by—
 - (a) one or more persons whose responsibilities include ensuring children or young persons or both do not enter the area; or
 - (b) closed circuit television which is monitored by one or more persons whose responsibilities include ensuring that children or young persons or both do not enter the area.
- 3.4 A notice stating that no person under the age of 18 years is permitted to enter the area shall be displayed in a prominent place at the entrance to any area of the premises in which Category B or C gaming machines are made available for use.
- 4.1 In the case of a charge for admission to the premises, a notice of that charge shall be displayed in a prominent place at the principal entrance to the premises.
- 4.2 In the case of any other charges in respect of gaming, a notice setting out the information in sub-paragraph (4.3) shall be displayed at the main point where payment for the charge is to be made.

- 4.3 The notice in sub-paragraph (4.2) shall include the following information—
- (a) the cost (in money) of each game card (or set of game cards) payable by an individual in respect of a game of bingo;
 - (b) in respect of each game card (or set of game cards) referred to in paragraph (a) the amount that will be charged by way of a participation fee for entitlement to participate in that game; and
 - (c) a statement to the effect that all or part of the participation fee may be waived at the discretion of the person charging it.
- 4.4 The notice may be displayed in electronic form.
- 4.5 A reference in this paragraph to a charge in respect of gaming does not include an amount paid for an opportunity to win one or more prizes in gaming to which section 288 of the 2005 Act (meaning of "prize gaming") applies.
- 5.1 The rules of each type of game that is available to be played the premises other than games played on gaming machines shall be made available to customers within the premises.
- 5.2 The condition in sub-paragraph (5.1) may be satisfied by:
- (a) displaying a sign setting out the rules,
 - (b) making available leaflets or other written material containing the rules, or
 - (c) running an audio-visual guide to the rules prior to any bingo game being commenced.
6. Any ATM made available for use on the premises shall be located in a place that requires any customer who wishes to use it to cease gambling in order to do so.

Default Conditions

1. Subject to paragraph 2, no facilities for gambling shall be provided on the premises between the hours of midnight and 9am.
2. The condition in paragraph 1 shall not apply to making gaming machines available for use.