

Casino Control Amendment (Gambling-related Notices and Player Information) Regulation 2009

under the

Casino Control Act 1992

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Casino Control Act 1992*.

KEVIN GREENE, MP Minister for Gaming and Racing

Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to amend the Casino Control Regulation 2001 so as:

- (a) to require gambling contact cards (that contain information about problem gambling, help options and self-exclusion from the casino) be made available to patrons in clear containers attached to banks of gaming machines, and
- (b) to amend the wording of various gambling notices.

This Regulation is made under the *Casino Control Act 1992*, including section 170 (the general regulation-making power).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the Casino Control Amendment (Gambling-related Notices and Player Information) Regulation 2009.

Commencement

This Regulation commences on 1 June 2009 and is required to be published on the NSW legislation website.

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[1] Clause 24 Display of information concerning chances of winning prizes on gaming machines

Omit clause 24 (2). Insert instead:

- (2) The notices must contain the following:
 - (a) in respect of a notice displayed in accordance with subclause (3) (a):

Think! What are the odds of hitting the jackpot? Your chance of hitting the jackpot on a gaming machine is no better than a million to one.

(b) in respect of a notice displayed in accordance with subclause (3) (b):

What are the odds of hitting the jackpot? No better than a million to one.

[2] Clause 24 (4) and (5)

Omit clause 21 (4). Insert instead:

- (4) The notices must be in a form approved by the Authority and be obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.
- (5) Despite subclause (1), a notice that complied with this clause, as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, may continue to be used until the end of the period of 12 months from that date or until the date the notice is replaced, whichever happens first.

[3] Clause 25 Approval of English and other community language player information brochures

Omit paragraph (c) from the definition of *player information* in clause 25 (1). Insert instead:

(c) the Gambling Help line phone number operated under contractual arrangements made by the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.

[4] Clause 25 (2), (3), (5) and (6)

Omit "Minister" wherever occurring. Insert instead "Authority".

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[5] Clause 25 (3) and (5)

Omit "Arabic, Croatian, Chinese, Greek, Italian, Korean, Macedonian, Maltese, Serbian, Spanish, Turkish and Vietnamese" wherever occurring.

Insert instead "Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Turkish and Vietnamese".

[6] Clause 26 Provision of player information brochures

Omit "Minister" from clause 26 (1). Insert instead "Authority".

[7] Clause 26 (4) and (5)

Insert after clause 26 (3):

- (4) The brochures must be in a form approved by the Authority and be obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.
- (5) Despite subclause (1), a brochure that complied with clause 25, as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, may continue to be used until the end of the period of 12 months from that date or until the date the brochure is replaced, whichever happens first.

[8] Clause 27 Provision of player information brochures in community languages

Insert after clause 27 (2):

- (3) The brochures must be in a form approved by the Authority and be obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.
- (4) Despite subclause (2), a brochure that complied with clause 25, as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, may continue to be used until the end of the period of 12 months from that date or until the date the brochure is replaced, whichever happens first.

[9] Clause 28 Dangers of gambling—notice to be displayed on gaming machines

Omit the definition of *problem gambling notice* in clause 28 (1).

Insert instead:

problem gambling notice is a notice containing the matter required by subclause (6).

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[10] Clause 28 (5)

Omit the subclause 28 (5). Insert instead:

(5) The statements referred to in the definition of *gambling warning notice* in subclause (1) are as follows:

Think! About tomorrow

Think! About your choices

Think! About getting help

Think! About your family

Think! About your limits

[11] Clause 28 (6)

Omit the subclause. Insert instead:

(6) The notice referred to in the definition of *problem gambling notice* must contain the following:

Think! About your choices

Call Gambling Help

1800 858 858

www.gamblinghelp.nsw.gov.au

[12] Clause 28 (7) and (8)

Omit the subclauses.

[13] Clause 28 (10) and (11)

Omit clause 28 (10). Insert instead:

- (10) The notices must be in a form approved by the Authority and be obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.
- (11) Despite subclause (2), a gambling warning notice or problem gambling notice that complied with this clause, as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, may continue to be used until the end of the period of 12 months from that date or until the date the notice is replaced, whichever happens first.

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[14] Clause 29 Counselling signage—notice to be displayed

Omit clause 29 (1). Insert instead:

(1) A casino operator must display, in accordance with this clause, a notice containing the following information in the vicinity of any entrance to the casino made available to any patron:

Think! About your choices

Gambling More, enjoying it less?

For free and confidential information and advice about problem gambling, please contact Gambling Help

1800 858 858

www.gamblinghelp.nsw.gov.au

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.

[15] Clause 29 (2)

Omit the subclause. Insert instead:

(2) The notice must be in a form approved by the Authority and be obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.

[16] Clause 29 (4)

Insert after clause 29 (3):

(4) Despite subclause (1), a notice that complied with this clause, as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, may continue to be used until the end of the period of 12 months from that date or until the date the notice is replaced, whichever happens first.

[17] Clause 30 Signage to be displayed on ATMs and cash-back terminals

Omit clause 30 (1). Insert instead:

(1) A casino operator must display in accordance with this clause a notice in the following form on, or in the immediate vicinity of, each automatic teller machine (ATM) or cash-back terminal installed in the casino environs:

Think! About your choices

Call Gambling Help

1800 858 858

www.gamblinghelp.nsw.gov.au

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.

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[18] Clause 30 (3A)

Insert after clause 30 (3):

(3A) Despite subclause (1), a notice that complied with this clause, as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, may continue to be used until the end of the period of 12 months from that date or until the date the notice is replaced, whichever happens first.

[19] Clause 33 Prohibitions on gambling-related advertising

Omit clause 33 (2). Insert instead:

(2) A casino operator is not to publish, or cause to be published, any casino advertising in writing in a newspaper, magazine, poster or other printed form that does not contain the following statement:

Think! About your choices

Call Gambling Help

1800 858 858

www.gamblinghelp.nsw.gov.au

Maximum penalty: 100 penalty units.

[20] Clause 33 (6A)

Insert after clause 33 (6):

(6A) Despite subclauses (2) and (3), a casino operator or other person who, before 1 June 2010, publishes or causes to be published any casino advertising that contains the statement set out in subclause (2), as in force immediately before 1 June 2009, does not commit an offence under this clause in relation to a failure to contain such a statement.

[21] Clause 34AA

Insert after clause 34A:

34AA Provision of gambling contact cards

- (1) A casino operator must display gambling contact cards in a card holder that is securely attached to each bank of gaming machines and that is positioned so as to enable a person to clearly see the gambling contact cards:
 - (a) while playing a gaming machine that is part of the bank of gaming machines, or
 - (b) when approaching the bank of gaming machines.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.

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> (2) In this clause:

> > card holder means a clear, plastic, see-through container. gambling contact card means a card displaying information in relation to:

- (a) self-exclusion from the casino, and
- contact details for problem gambling help options, and that is in a form approved by the Authority and obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing.
- (3) This clause commences on 1 December 2009.

Schedule 8 Penalty notice offences [22]

Insert in appropriate order in Columns 1 and 2, respectively, in Part 2:

Clause 34AA (1)

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