



New South Wales

Registered Clubs Amendment (Gaming Machine Tickets) Regulation 1997

under the
Registered Clubs Act 1976

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Registered Clubs Act 1976*.

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Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to provide for the issue, by certain gaming machines in registered clubs, of tickets showing the unredeemed credits accumulated by players of the machines, and for the redemption of those tickets.

It does this by amending the *Registered Clubs Regulation 1996*. The amendments also provide for ancillary matters, such as the keeping of records in relation to the tickets.

A similar regulation amends the *Liquor Regulation 1996* to make similar provisions in respect of machines in hotels.

This Regulation is made under the *Registered Clubs Act 1976*, and, in particular, under sections 9A (6) and 73 (the general regulation-making power).

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Clause 1 Registered Clubs Amendment (Gaming Machine Tickets) Regulation 1997

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Registered Clubs Amendment (Gaming Machine Tickets) Regulation 1997*.

2 Amendment of Registered Clubs Regulation 1996

The *Registered Clubs Regularion 1996* is amended as set out in Schedule 1

3 Notes

The explanatory note does not form part of this Regulation.

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 2)

[1] Schedule 2 Conditions relating to approved gaming devices

Insert before clause 1:

1AA Definitions

(1) In this Schedule:

gaming machine ticket means a ticket that:

- (a) is issued from an approved gaming device (or equipment subsidiary to the gaming device that is installed for the purpose of issuing tickets) to a player of the gaming device, and
- (b) shows the value of the credits accumulated and not otherwise redeemed in the course of play on that gaming device.

unclaimed gaming machine ticket means a gaming machine ticket that has not been redeemed.

(2) For the purposes of this Schedule, a registered club *redeems* a gaming machine ticket if the club causes money to the total value of the accumulated credits represented by the ticket to be paid to a person claiming (whether by way of presentation of the ticket or otherwise) in respect of the ticket.

[2] Schedule 2, clause 2

Insert “or made by way of redemption of a gaming machine ticket” after “released directly by the device” in clause 2 (4).

[3] Schedule 2, clause 3

Omit clause 3 (1). Insert instead:

(1) Approved gaming devices kept by the registered club must be cleared of money by at least 2 of any of the following persons:

- (a) a person authorised under clause 20 to redeem gaming machine tickets,

- (b) the holder of a gaming-related licence who is exercising functions authorised by the licence,
- (c) a special inspector exercising the functions of a special inspector.

[4] Schedule 2, clause 3 (3)

Omit the subclause. Insert instead:

- (3) Approved gaming devices kept by the registered club must be refilled with money by at least 2 of any of the following persons:
 - (a) a person authorised under clause 20 to redeem gaming machine tickets,
 - (b) the holder of a gaming-related licence who is exercising functions authorised by the licence,
 - (c) a special inspector exercising the functions of a special inspector.

[5] Schedule 2, clause 3 (6)

Insert after clause 3 (5):

- (6) Clause 20 (5) applies to and in respect of a person referred to in subclause (1)(a) or (3)(a) in the same way as it applies to and in respect of a person authorised under clause 20.

[6] Schedule 2, clause 5

Omit “cancel credit” from clause 5 (1) (b) (iii) and (4) (b) wherever occurring.

Insert instead “cancelled credits”.

[7] Schedule 2, clause 5 (4) (c)

Insert after clause 5 (4) (b):

- (c) a comparison of the money out meter reading (in the case of an approved gaming device that issues gaming machine tickets by means of equipment subsidiary to the device), or the cancelled credits payments meter reading (in the case of an

approved gaming device that issues gaming machine tickets otherwise than by means of subsidiary equipment), with the total of

- (i) the value of the gaming machine tickets issued from the device, being gaming machine tickets that have been redeemed, and
- (ii) the value of the unclaimed gaming machine tickets issued from the device.

[8] Schedule 2, Part 3

Insert after clause 15 of Schedule 2:

Part 3 Additional conditions applicable to gaming machine tickets

16 Information on gaming machine tickets

The following must be clearly legible on a gaming machine ticket:

- (a) the value, in dollars and cents, of the accumulated credits represented by the gaming machine ticket,
- (b) the unique identification number of the gaming machine ticket,
- (c) words indicating that the ticket is issued in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Regulation and the *Liquor Regulation 1996*.

17 Issue of certain gaming machine tickets

- (1) An approved gaming device (or equipment subsidiary to the gaming device that is installed for the purpose of issuing gaming machine tickets) must be so designed and constructed as to require the release of a lock or other security mechanism on the device or equipment before the device or equipment can issue a gaming machine ticket representing accumulated credits to a monetary value of more than \$10,000.

(2) Only a person authorised under clause 20 to redeem gaming machine tickets may release such security mechanisms.

18 Records of gaming machine tickets issued

The approved gaming device (or subsidiary equipment) from which a gaming machine ticket is issued must keep a record of the following:

- (a) the Gaming Machine Identification number issued by the Board in respect of that gaming device,
- (b) the unique identification number of the gaming machine ticket,
- (c) the value, in dollars and cents, of the accumulated credits represented by the gaming machine ticket,
- (d) the date and time of issue of the gaming machine ticket.

19 Redemption of gaming machine tickets

- (1) A registered club must designate (whether by signs or otherwise) a place on its premises as a place at which gaming machine tickets may be redeemed.
- (2) A gaming machine ticket may be redeemed by payment in the form of cash or a cheque, or both cash and a cheque.
- (3) A registered club may refuse to redeem a gaming machine ticket if
 - (a) the club is not satisfied that the person claiming in respect of the ticket is entitled to the ticket, or
 - (b) that person does not provide the relevant information, documentary proof of identity and signature required for the records referred to in this Part.

20 Persons authorised to redeem gaming machine tickets

- (1) A registered club may authorise persons from any one or more of the following categories to redeem gaming machine tickets on its behalf:
 - (a) the secretary of the registered club,

- (b) a member of the governing body of the registered club,
- (c) an employee of the registered club,
- (d) a member of the registered club.

(2) The authorisation must be in writing.

(3) Only a person so authorised may redeem gaming machine tickets on behalf of the registered club.

(4) However, a person referred to in subclause (1) (d) who is authorised in accordance with this clause may not redeem gaming machine tickets on behalf of the registered club except at a time when no duly authorised person referred to in subclause (1) (a), (b) or (c) is available to do so.

(5) A registered club must keep a record (whether or not as part of another record) of the name, address and date of birth of each person (other than the secretary of the club) who is authorised by the club in accordance with this clause.

(6) A registered club must ensure that, at all times during which the club is trading in accordance with its certificate of registration, there is at least one person available on the premises of the club to redeem gaming machine tickets.

21 Records to be made on redemption

- (1) A registered club must cause a record to be made in accordance with this clause when a gaming machine ticket is redeemed.
- (2) The record:
 - (a) must contain the name, address and signature of the person claiming in respect of the ticket, and
 - (b) must specify the nature and identifying numbers or letters of the documentary proof of identity produced by that person, and
 - (c) must specify the time and date of the redemption, and
 - (d) must contain the name and signature of the person who redeems the ticket.

- (3) However, if a gaming machine ticket is redeemed on the day on which it was issued or on the next day:
 - (a) a record is not required to be made under this clause unless the total value of the accumulated credits represented by the ticket is \$500 or more, and
 - (b) documentary proof of the identity of the claimant is not required.

22 Separate records of certain gaming machine tickets

A registered club must keep or cause to be kept a separate monthly record of each of the following:

- (a) all gaming machine tickets redeemed on the day on which they were issued or on the next day,
- (b) all gaming machine tickets redeemed after that time,
- (c) all unclaimed gaming machine tickets.

23 Unclaimed gaming machine tickets

- (1) A registered club must post in a conspicuous place in the club a notice (in a form approved by the Board) listing all unclaimed gaming machine tickets that were issued more than 12 months previously.
- (2) The notice must be displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.
- (3) The notice must make it clear that a claim in respect of an unclaimed gaming machine ticket may be made against the club at any time.

24 Disposal of money payable in respect of unclaimed gaming machine tickets

- (1) A registered club must not dispose of money payable in respect of an unclaimed gaming machine ticket for any purpose unless:
 - (a) at least 12 months have elapsed since the ticket was issued, and

- (b) a notice concerning the ticket has been posted in the club in accordance with clause 23, and
- (c) the Board has approved in writing of the disposal of the money for that purpose.

(2) Disposal of money under this clause in respect of an unclaimed gaming machine ticket does not extinguish the right of any person to make a claim in respect of the ticket.

25 Records and other material

- (1) All records required by this Part must be in a form approved by the Board.
- (2) All records, and all gaming machine tickets that have been redeemed on presentation:
 - (a) must be retained for at least 3 years, and
 - (b) must be made available, at the request of an authorised person, for inspection by the person during that time.