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GENERAL NOTICE

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MPUMALANGA GAMBLING BOARD

MPUMALANGA GAMBLING ACT, 1995 (ACT NO. 5 OF 1995)

AMENDMENT OF MPUMALANGA GAMBLING RULES

In terms of section 84 of the Mpumalanga Gambling Act, Act 5 of 1995, as amended, the Mpumalanga Gambling Board hereby amends the following Rules:

General Explanatory Note:

[**BOLD**] words typed in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from the existing Rules.

_____ words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing Rules.

MPUMALANGA GAMING RULES AMENDMENT; 2007

To amend the Mpumalanga Gaming Rules so as to include an arrangement of the Rules; to substitute the word "gaming" with the word "gambling" wherever it may appear; to amend provisions relating to technical standards for gambling machines; to further regulate the distribution of gambling machines; to insert new provisions relating to the distribution of gambling or associated equipment, devices or games; to amend provisions relating to retention of unclaimed money; to further regulate gross revenue computation; to make provision for audio coverage in respect of roulette table games; to further regulate equipment malfunctions of surveillance systems; to further regulate the receipt, storage, inspection and removal from use relating to cards; to insert new provisions relating to maintenance of card shufflers; to further regulate EPROM control; to substitute the IT Department for the EDP Department; to omit provisions relating to designated times for clearance of gambling tables and machines; to further regulate count employees; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Board of the Mpumalanga Gambling Board, as follows:

General amendment

1. The Mpumalanga Gaming Rules (hereinafter referred to as the Rules) are hereby amended by the substitution for the word "**gaming**" with the word "gambling" wherever it may appear.

Amendment of Rule 4.030

2. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (a) of subrule (2) of Rule 4.030 of the Rules of the following subparagraph:

"(ii) the closing [**hard and**] soft meter of the [**gaming**] gambling machine; and"

Amendment of Rule 4.030

3. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of subrule (2) of Rule 4.030 of the Rules of the following subparagraph:

"(iii) details of the change, such as the EPROM identification [**and Kobetron numbers**] codes; and"

Amendment of Rule 4.080

4. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (a) of subrule (2) of Rule 4.080 of the Rules of the following paragraph:

"(a) in the case of [**gaming**] gambling machines being distributed out of or within the Province, the full name, province of residence, address, telephone number, identification number or passport number of both the purchaser and the person to whom the shipment is being made. If the purchaser or person to whom the shipment is being made does not have an identification number or passport number, the birth date of the purchaser or person to whom the shipment is being made may be substituted;"

Insertion of Rule 4.130

5. The following rule is hereby inserted in the Rules after Rule 4.120:

"Distribution of gambling or associated equipment, devices or games"

(1) No person shall distribute, within, into or out of the Province, any gambling or associated equipment, devices or games, which requires approval and registration for use in the Province in terms of section 210 of the Regulations, without the prior written approval of the Board. Provided that approval shall only be applied for in respect of gambling or associated equipment, devices or games, which require approval for use and registration in the Province in terms of the Act, Regulations or the SABS technical standards.

(2) The prior written approval shall be obtained in the manner and form, as determined by the Board."

Substitution of Rule 5.030

6. The following rule is hereby substituted for Rule 5.030 of the Rules:

"Retention of unclaimed money

"(1) Every licensee shall maintain a register of all unclaimed money, unclaimed credits and unclaimed jackpots, which have not been claimed after a period of 24 hours.

(2) Particulars of unclaimed money, unclaimed credits and unclaimed jackpots stored by serial number or other access method are to be secured on computer disk so that the particulars are restricted to authorised personnel only.

(3) Access to the particulars of all unclaimed money, unclaimed credits and unclaimed jackpots shall be provided to the Board.

(4) The procedures with regards to money, credits or jackpots won by a person who is less than eighteen years old or excluded persons shall be submitted to the Board for approval.

(5) After a period of 3 years all the unclaimed money, credits and jackpots must be written back to the income statement.

(6) On a weekly basis, a record of all unclaimed money, credits and jackpots must be entered in a register for inspection by the Board."

Amendment of Rule 5.040

7. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for subrule (4) of Rule 5.040 of the Rules:

"(4)(a) Levies shall be paid at the prescribed rate on all unclaimed money, unclaimed credits and unclaimed jackpots and the calculations of such shall be included with calculations of levies on a quarterly basis: Provided that the quarters are to coincide with the financial year of the Board, the first quarter ending on 30 June.

(b) All reconciliations on unclaimed credits and jackpots must be done between the central monitoring system and the accounting system to ensure that if any refunds occur, these be taken into account for the levy calculation."

Amendment of Rule 5.040

8. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for subrule (10) of Rule 5.040 of the Rules of the following subrule:

"(10) If no application is lodged with the Chief Executive Officer within the time period referred to in sub-rule ~~[(7)(b)] (8)(b)~~ the dispute shall be deemed to have been resolved in favour of the staff of the Board and any levy and penalty shall be payable as prescribed."

Amendment of Rule 6.060

9. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (b) of subrule (1) of Rule 6.060 of the Rules of the following paragraph:

"(b) every roulette table shall have audio coverage and be recorded by a dedicated static camera which permits views of at least the betting area of the table, half of the roulette wheel, the chip float and the hand movements of the dealer and the patrons over the table on one monitor screen."

Amendment of Rule 6.090

10. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for subrule (3) of Rule 6.090 of the Rules of the following subrule:

“(3) If the malfunction is not repaired within 24 hours, the licensee shall immediately submit a separate written report in the form of a letter to the Board that sets forth the reason for the delay in repair and retain the report for at least 5 years after submission to the Board.”

Amendment of Rule 8.180

11. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution for subrule (4) of Rule 8.180 of the Rules of the following subrule:

“(4) The secondary storage area shall be located in a secure area, the location and physical characteristics of which shall be subject to approval by the Board: Provided that the keys to the secondary storage area shall be maintained by the security department and signed out **[under dual control]** by a representative of the surveillance department and a senior representative of a department other than the table games department, whilst being monitored by the surveillance department.

Insertion of Rule 8.210

12. The following rule is hereby inserted in the Rules after Rule 8.200:

“Maintenance of card shufflers

(1) Regular maintenance shall be performed on card shufflers to ensure that they are maintained in a proper working condition.

(2) A maintenance register shall be kept in which the maintenance performed on card shufflers shall be recorded, and be available for inspection by the Board.

(3) Servicing of card shufflers must be carried out by properly trained personnel in accordance with the specifications of the manufacturer and if the manufacturer does not have specifications, card shufflers must be serviced on a monthly basis.”

Amendment of Rule 9.110

13. The following rule is hereby amended by the substitution of the words before paragraph (a) and the substitution for paragraph (g) of subrule (3) of Rule 9.110 of the Rules of the following:

“A register for all master EPROM's shall be kept and shall include at a minimum the following information –

(g) the **[Kobertron signature number]** EPROM identification codes.”

Substitution of Rule 10.040

14. The following rule is hereby substituted for Rule 10.040 of the Rules:

“Electronic data processing: [EDP Department] IT Department

(1) A separate **[electronic data processing (EDP) information technology (IT) department [is]** shall be maintained, and the following standards shall be applicable –

- (a) the [EDP] IT department shall be independent of all [gaming] gambling areas (i.e., cage, pit, count rooms, etc.);
 - (b) the [EDP] IT department personnel shall be precluded from unauthorised access to computers and terminals located in [gaming] gambling areas, source documents and live data files (not test data);
 - (c) computer security logs, if generated by the system, shall be reviewed by [EDP] IT supervisory personnel for evidence of –
 - (i) multiple attempts to log-on or, alternatively, the system shall deny user access after three attempts to log-on; and
 - (ii) any other unusual transactions.
- (2) If there are in-house developed systems, the following standards shall be applicable –
- (a) program changes for in-house developed systems shall be documented as follows –
 - (i) requests for new programs or program changes shall be reviewed by the [EDP supervisor] IT operator and approvals to begin work on the program shall be documented and retained;
 - (ii) a written plan of implementation for new and modified programs shall be maintained and shall include, at a minimum, the date the program is to be placed into service, the nature of the change (if applicable), a description of procedures required in order to bring the new or modified program into service (conversion or input of data, installation procedures, etc.), and an indication of who is to perform all such procedures;
 - (iii) testing of new and modified programs shall be performed and documented prior to implementation; and
 - (iv) a record of the final program or program changes, including evidence of user acceptance, date in service, programmer, and reason for changes, shall be documented and retained.”

Substitution of Rule 11.040

15. The following rule is hereby substituted for Rule 11.040 of the Rules:

“[Mandatory clearance report] List of count employees

[(1) Each licensee shall report annually to the Board, on or before 1st April, the time or times during each day when the clearance of gaming tables and gaming machines are to will take place.

(2) All drop boxes and other similar receptacles shall be removed and counted at the time or times previously designated to the Board and the licensee shall provide the Board with written advance notification of any changes to the designated times.

(3) Routine removal and counting of drop box contents at other than the designated times is prohibited unless the licensee provides advance written notice to the Board of a change in times or the Board requires a change of designated times.

(4)] Each licensee shall submit a list to the Board of employees authorised to participate in the hard count and soft count and those employees who are authorised to be in the count room during the count, which list shall also indicate the position held by each count employee and shall be updated every [~~three~~] 3 months.”

Commencement

16. These amendments to the Mpumalanga Gambling Rules shall come into operation 90 days after the date of publication in the *Provincial Gazette*.
