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IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 6 of the Gaming and Lotteries Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations -

- Citation. 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gaming Regulations 1994, and shall come into force on publication in the Gazette.
- Definitions. 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires -  
 “approved premises” means a premises declared by the Board to be an approved premises pursuant to regulation 4;  
 “chips” means any tokens used or capable of being used in the conduct of commercial gaming in place of money and approved for that purpose by the Board;  
 “game” means any game notified in the Gazette, together with an account of the rules for the playing thereof, by the Minister as a game that may be conducted or played pursuant to a commercial permit issued pursuant to section 6 of the Act;  
 “gaming equipment” means any electronic, electrical or mechanical contrivance or machine or any other physical item (excluding chips) used or for use in connection with commercial gaming;  
 “licence” means licence issued under regulation 4;  
 “net gaming drop” means the total of all sums, including cheques, received in any month from the conduct of commercial gaming, less the total of all sums paid out as winnings during that month in respect of commercial gaming. For the purpose of this definition any sum received and any sum paid out to redeem a chip is a sum paid out as winnings; and  
 “permit holder” means a person who holds a permit issued under section 6 of the Act.
- Commercial games. 3. (1) The Minister may, by notice published in the Gazette, nominate any game as a game that may be conducted or played in an approved premises pursuant to a commercial gaming permit.  
 (2) The notice shall include an account of the rules for the playing of the game.

(3) Rules for the playing of a game may be altered by subsequent notice.

(4) A permit holder shall ensure that each game is conducted according to the rules in force at that time.

4. (1) On receipt of an application under section 6 of the Act, the Board shall inspect the premises to ensure that such premises is suitable for the purposes for which it is to be used.

Declaration of approved premises and Establishment licence.

(2) Where the Board is satisfied that the premises referred to in paragraph (1) is suitable for commercial gaming, the Board shall advise the Minister, to declare such premises to be an approved premises.

(3) No person shall have in his possession any instrument designed or adapted for gaming without a valid Establishment licence which may be issued by the Board after payment of the prescribed fee.

5. (1) A person who -

Offences relating to inspectors.

- (a) assaults, obstructs, hinders, threatens, abuses, insults or intimidates an inspector or person acting in aid of an inspector who is exercising his powers or performing his functions or duties under the Act or attempting to do so;
- (b) when required under these Regulations, to produce for inspection any gaming equipment, chips or records referred to in these Regulations, fail without lawful excuse to produce such gaming equipment, chips or records in accordance with that requirement, or
- (b) refuses or fails to destroy any gaming equipment or chips considered by an inspector to be unsatisfactory for use when ordered to do so by the inspector,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment for a period not exceeding twelve months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

6. (1) The manager or other principal officer of a bank in which a permit holder keeps and maintains an account in relation to the operation of a commercial gaming permit shall, when required in writing by an inspector, furnish to such inspector a statement of account and any other particulars required by the inspector to be furnished, including copies of cheques or records relevant to the account.

Bank may be required to furnish particulars, etc.

(2) A bank or its officer shall not be liable for any breach of trust or otherwise by reason only of the furnishing of any statement or particulars or copies pursuant to this regulation.

(3) An inspector shall not make a requirement in writing under paragraph (1) unless he has the prior approval in writing of the Minister so to do.

Bribery of  
inspectors.

7. (1) Any inspector who corruptly asks for, receives, obtains or agrees to receive or obtain any money, property or benefit of any kind for himself or any other person shall be guilty of an offence.

(2) Any person who corruptly gives or agrees to give or offers to give any gift or other consideration to any inspector as an inducement or reward with a view to influencing such inspector to do or neglect the performance of any act in the course of his duty is guilty of an offence.

(3) Any person who is convicted under this regulation shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment for a period not exceeding twelve months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Inspectors  
not  
to gamble.

8. (1) An inspector -

(a) shall not gamble on premises approve for commercial gaming except where it may be necessary for him to do so in the course of his duties as an inspector;

(b) shall not knowingly have, directly or indirectly -  
(i) any business or financial association with; or  
(ii) any business or financial interest in any matter in conjunction with

a permit holder under the Act; and

(c) shall not be an employee in any capacity of a permit holder.

(2) A permit holder shall not employ in any capacity or have as an employee a person who is an inspector.

Protection  
of  
inspectors.

9. No inspector or member of the police force shall be liable for any liability which may be incurred whilst acting in the performance of his duties under the Act.

General  
Penalty.

10. (1) A person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provisions of the Act or Regulations is guilty of an offence and, except where a specific penalty is provided, is liable, in the case of a body corporate, to a penalty of one thousand dollars and, in the case of a natural person, to a penalty of \$500.00.

11. (1) Inspectors may at any time enter, and remain on approved premises for the purposes of -

Inspectors may remain on approved premises.

- (a) viewing the operations of commercial gaming;
- (b) observing other activities associated with the operation of commercial gaming;
- (c) ascertaining whether the operation of commercial gaming is being properly supervised and managed; or
- (d) in all other respects, exercising their powers and performing their duties under the Act.

12. (1) An inspector may require any person who has in his possession or under his control any gaming equipment, chips, any books, accounts, records, or documents (such books, accounts, records or documents are referred to as "records" in these Regulations) related to the operation of commercial gaming or otherwise relevant to the administration of the Act to -

Powers of inspectors in relation to records.

- (a) produce for inspection with respect to any gaming equipment, chips or any records or entries made therein; or
- (b) request a person who he thinks is competent to assist producing such records.

13. (1) A permit holder shall only operate on approved premises on days approved by the Minister.

Hours of operation.

(2) Commercial gaming shall not be permitted on Christmas Day or Good Friday between the hours 3 am and 12 midnight.

14. (1) A permit holder shall -

Approved premises.

- (a) ensure that there is visibility throughout any gaming area is clear and unobstructed; and
- (b) submit for the approval of the Board a floor plan of the approved premises indicating in detail the placement of gaming tables, count rooms, cages and all other associated facilities.

15. (1) A permit holder shall ensure that in any game in which playing cards are used, the cards so used are at all times dealt from an item of gaming equipment known as a "card shoe".

Obligation of permit holder in relation to the conduct of games.

(2) A permit holder shall not issue or cause, or suffer to be issued any chips for gaming unless the chips are paid for -

- (a) in cash to their value; or
- (b) by chip purchase vouchers issued on payment of the amount shown on the voucher.

(3) A permit holder shall ensure that all gaming wagers are placed by the use of chips unless the rules of a game specifically permit the use of cash.

(4) A permit holder shall ensure that all winning wagers are paid in full without any commission or levy other than commission or levy provided for in the rules of a game.

(5) A permit holder shall during the hours of operation, at the request of a player -

- (a) exchange chip purchase vouchers for chips of an equivalent total value; or
- (b) redeem chips or chip purchase vouchers for cash or an amount equivalent to the value of the chips or chip purchase vouchers,

provided, that the permit holder, if required by the player, may at his discretion issue, in lieu of cash, a cheque made payable to the player and drawn on a bank account approved by the Minister for that purpose.

(9) An employee of a permit holder shall not in the approved premises in which he is employed with which he is associated -

- (a) wager at any game; or
- (b) solicit or accept any trip, gratuity, consideration or other benefit from any player.

Gaming  
equipment  
and chips.

16. (1) A permit holder shall ensure that all gaming equipment is of a high standard of manufacture and is maintained in good order and condition.

(2) A person shall not possess, maintain or exhibit any gaming equipment or bring into or remove from an approved premises any gaming equipment unless such equipment -

- (a) has been approved by the Board;
- (b) is necessary for the conduct of gaming; and
- (c) is under the exclusive control of the permit holder or his agents or employees.

(3) All drop boxes and other receptacles for the depositing of moneys (being either notes or coins), tokens, vouchers, slips or other papers shall be equipped with two locks.

(4) A gaming table to which a drop box referred to in paragraph (3) is affixed or attached shall be equipped with a lock securing the drop box.

(5) All count rooms and storage areas where there are drop boxes and other receptacles referred to in paragraph (3) shall be equipped with two locks.

(6) The key or keys of one of the locks shall be under the exclusive control of the inspectors and the key or keys of the other lock shall be under the exclusive control of the permit holder.

(7) Each of the locks shall be such that it cannot be unlocked by the key or any key of the other lock.

(8) A drop box or other receptacle referred to in paragraph (3) shall not be -

- (a) brought into or removed from the area used for the conduct and playing of games; or
- (b) locked or unlocked,

except at such times and according to such procedures approved by the Board.

(9) Chips used or for use in commercial gaming shall have clearly and permanently impressed, engraved or imprinted thereon -

- (a) a name or symbol identifying the permit holder or approved premises;
- (b) denomination, to be known as "value chips", the specific value of the chips, with each denomination being a separate distinguishing colour; and
- (c) for chips not of a specified denomination, to be used for the sole purpose of gaming at roulette and to be known as "non-value chips", the word "roulette" impressed in the rim of the chips and a design, insert or symbol.

(11) A permit holder shall keep, and at all times accurately maintain, a written inventory of gaming equipment and chips used or for use in gaming.

(12) A permit holder shall not destroy any gaming equipment or chips except under the supervision of an inspector.

17. (1) A permit holder, his agent or employee shall not, in connection with any commercial gaming -

- (a) accept a credit wager from any person;
- (b) advance anything of value to any person; or
- (c) extend credit in any form to any person.

(2) Nothing contained in paragraph (1) limits the operation of the provisions of regulation 19.

18. (1) A permit holder may establish for a person a deposit advance account into which money may be desposited by that person in advance of any gaming by him.

Permit holder shall not accept credit wagers.

Deposit advance account



(2) A permit holder shall not accept for deposit to the account, a cheque, other than a traveller's cheque, unless it is -

- (a) drawn on a bank and payable on demand;
- (b) drawn for a specific amount;
- (c) made payable to the permit holder; and
- (d) dated but not post dated.

(3) A permit holder may issue to the person for whom the deposit advance account is established a chip purchase voucher or chip purchase vouchers of a value up to the amount standing to his credit in the account or may pay to him cash up to the amount standing to his credit.

Exchange of  
a chip  
purchaser  
voucher for  
a cheque.

19. (1) Subject to paragraph (2) a permit holder may issue to a person for the purpose of gaming by him, and in exchange for a cheque from him a chip purchaser voucher or chip purchase vouchers of a value equal to the amount of the cheque.

(2) A permit holder shall not accept for the purposes of paragraph (1) a cheque, other than a traveller's cheque, unless it satisfies the requirements of regulation 18(2).

Redemption  
of cheques.

20. (1) Subject to regulation 21, a person who has deposited or lodged with a permit holder under regulations 18 or 19, a cheque that complies with the requirements referred to in regulation 18(2) may, with the agreement of the permit holder, redeem the cheque by presenting in exchange -

- (a) cash;
- (b) a cheque or cheques complying with requirements of regulation 18(2);
- (c) a chip purchase voucher or chip purchase vouchers;
- (d) chips; or
- (e) any two or more of the foregoing in combination,

to an amount or a value equivalent to the amount of the cheque deposited or lodged.

Depositing  
of cheques.

21. All cheques received by a permit holder in respect of gaming that are not redeemed in accordance with regulation 20(3) shall be banked within 14 days.

No  
redemption.  
to delay  
payment.

22. Where a person has deposited or lodged a cheque with a permit holder under regulations 18 or 19 the permit holder shall not agree to the redemption by that person of the cheque pursuant to regulation 20 for the purpose of avoiding or

delaying beyond the 14 days referred to in regulation 19, the banking of the cheque to the appropriate account of the permit holder.

23. (1) Where permit holder or an employee or agent is presented with a claim for payment from a player on a gaming transaction, the permit holder shall immediately attempt to resolve the claim.

Claims.

(2) If the permit holder or an employee or agent cannot resolve the claim, he shall immediately advise an inspector on duty who shall investigate the claim, record all relevant information and report to the player and the permit holder the results of his investigations.

(3) If upon receipt of the report of the inspector, the permit holder cannot resolve the claim, the permit holder shall inform the player that the player may, within ten (10) days but not otherwise, request the Board to review the decision made by the permit holder in respect to the claim.

(4) The following provisions shall apply with respect to a review by the Board -

- (a) a request for review shall be made on Form One;
- (b) a request for review shall not be accepted by the Board unless it is received within the period of ten (10) days referred to in paragraph (3);
- (c) the Board may, in its discretion, refuse to undertake any review of the decision of the permit holder and in which case he shall advise the permit holder and the player accordingly;
- (d) the Board shall, where it is willing to review the decision of a permit holder -
  - (i) give to the permit holder a copy of Form One as completed by the player; and
  - (ii) notify the permit holder and the player that each of them may, within one month after the date of the notice, make a submission in writing to the Board with respect to the claim;
- (e) upon the expiration of the time limit for the receipt of submissions pursuant to paragraph (d), the Board may cause such investigation to be made in relation to the review as the Board thinks fit;
- (f) the Board shall, as soon as practicable, consider the written submissions and reports available to it, and notify the permit holder and the player in writing

of its decision, stating the reasons for its decision.

(5) Nothing in this regulation operates so as to prejudice or affect any other right or remedy of a permit holder or a player.

Maintenance  
of  
facilities,  
etc.

24. (1) A permit holder shall -
- (a) maintain all facilities and amenities of the approved premises in a condition that will ensure the maximum comfort for players;
  - (b) ensure that the operation of commercial gaming is conducted in a proper and competent manner; and
  - (c) ensure that all commercial gaming installations, equipment and procedures for security and safety are used, operated and applied at all relevant times.

System of  
controls and  
procedures.

25. (1) A permit holder shall submit to the Board for the approval of the Minister -
- (a) a description of the system of internal controls and administrative and accounting procedures proposed by him in connection with the operation of commercial gaming; and
  - (c) details of changes proposed to any such controls and procedures previously approved by the Minister.
- (2) The submission shall be made not later than 90 days prior to the date for the commencement of the operation of the approved premises or the implementation of the proposed changes.

Content of  
submission.

26. (1) A submission describing the system of internal controls and administrative and accounting procedures referred to in regulation 25(1)(a) shall contain both narrative and diagrammatic representation of the system to be utilised by the permit holder, including, but not limited to -
- (a) accounting procedures, including the standardisation of forms and definition of terms, not inconsistent with the Act, to be utilised in the gaming operations;
  - (b) procedures, forms and, where appropriate, formulae for or with respect to -
    - (i) hold percentages and calculations thereof;
    - (ii) revenue drop;
    - (iii) minimum and maximum bet limits for each game;
    - (iv) numbers of each type of game;
    - (v) expense and overhead schedules;

- (c) organisation structure and chain of command authority;
- (d) procedures for the conduct and playing of games;
- (e) procedures within a cashier's cage for the receipt, storage and disbursal of chips and cash, the cashing of cheques, the redemption of chips and the recording of all transactions pertaining to gaming operations;
- (f) procedures for the collection and security of money at the gaming tables and other places where games are conducted;
- (g) procedures and forms for the transfer to chips to and from the gaming tables and other places where games are conducted;
- (h) procedures for the transfer of money from the gaming tables and other places where games are conducted to other areas for counting;
- (i) procedures and forms for the transfer of money or chips from and to any gaming area;
- (j) procedures and security for the counting and recording of revenue;
- (k) procedures and security for the transfer of moneys to and from a bank;
- (l) procedures for the security, storage and recording of chips utilised in the gaming operations;
- (m) procedures and standards for the maintenance, security and storage of any gaming equipment;
- (n) procedures for the payment and recording of winnings associated with any games where such winnings are paid by cash or cheque;
- (o) procedures for the issue of chip purchase vouchers and the recording of those transactions;
- (p) procedures for the cashing and recording of cheque transactions;
- (q) procedures for the establishment and use of deposit advance accounts;
- (r) procedures governing the utilisation of security personnel; and
- (s) procedures for the control of keys used or for use in commercial gaming operations.

Minister's approval.

27. (1) The Board shall review each submission received by them pursuant to regulation 25.

(2) Where the Board advises the Minister that the submission is in conformity with the requirements of the Act and that the system of controls and procedures provides satisfactory and effective control over the operations of commercial gaming, either in the first instance or as changed in accordance with proposed alterations, the Minister shall approve the system or proposed changes.

Books and records to be kept on premises.

28. (1) All books, records and documents relating to the operations of commercial gaming shall be kept by the permit holder on the approved premises.

(2) The Board may -

- (a) exempt the permit holder from compliance with paragraph (1) either in respect of all books, records and documents or some of them as specified, for reasons considered to be sufficient; or
- (b) approve generally or in particular cases that books, records and documents otherwise kept on the premises may be removed temporarily to another place or other places.

(3) Subject to any other Act or law relating to the retention or destruction of books, records and documents, all books, records and documents as referred to in paragraph (1) shall be retained by the permit holder for a period of 7 years after the completion of the transactions to which they relate, provided that the Board may, on the application of the permit holder, approve -

- (a) the retention of books, records or documents in an alternative form or manner;
- (b) the destruction of any of the books, records or documents not considered to be essential at a time prior to the expiration of the period.

Keeping of bank accounts.

29. (1) A permit holder shall keep and maintain bank accounts, as approved by the Minister, in a bank operating in Solomon Islands, for all banking transactions relating to the operations of commercial gaming.

Accounts to be kept.

30. (1) A permit holder shall -

- (a) keep such accounting records to correctly record and explain the transactions and financial position of the operations of the approved premises;

- (b) keep his accounting records in such a manner as to -
  - (i) reflect a true and accurate account of his financial transactions for the year; and
  - (ii) enable his financial statements and accounts to be conveniently and properly audited.

31. (1) A permit holder shall prepare financial statements and accounts giving a true and accurate view of his financial operations in respect of the approved premises which shall include -

Financial statements and accounts.

- (a) trading accounts, where applicable, for the financial year;
- (b) profit and loss accounts for the financial year; and
- (c) balance sheet as at the end of the financial year.

32. (1) A permit holder shall at his own expense cause his books, accounts and financial statements relating to the operations of the approved premises to be audited by a person who -

Audit provisions.

- (a) is registered as a public accountant; and
- (b) is approved by the Minister.

(2) The auditor shall complete the audit within 4 months of the close of the financial year and immediately upon completion submit a report to the permit holder and the Board.

33. (1) Entry to approved premises shall be restricted to -

Entry to and exclusion of entry from approved premises.

- (a) players;
- (b) tourists and visitors producing a current passport;
- (c) registered guests of a resort at which the approved premises are located.

(2) Except where specifically provided for in these Regulations, no person has a right to enter or remain in an approved premises, except by the licence of the permit holder.

(3) A direction, either verbally or in writing, prohibiting a person from entering or remaining on an approved premises may be given to that person by the permit holder or the person who at the time is in charge of the approved premises.

(4) A person to whom a direction is given may request that it be given to him in writing.

34. (1) A person receiving a direction in writing pursuant to regulation 33, prohibiting him from entering or remaining on an approved premises, may appeal against the direction to the Minister.

Appeal to Minister.

(2) The appeal shall be made in writing and shall detail the grounds on which the appeal is made.

(3) The Minister may cause such inquiries to be made by the Board in relation to the direction as he thinks fit and the results of those inquiries are to be reported to the Minister.

(4) Upon consideration of the grounds of appeal detailed by appellant, and any matters reported to him by the Board in relation to the direction, the Minister may -

(a) reject the appeal; or

(b) allow the appeal.

(5) The decision of the Minister shall -

(a) be communicated in writing to the appellant and the permit holder; and

(b) be final and conclusive and shall not be appealed against, reviewed, quashed or in any way called in question in any court on any account whatsoever.

(6) An appeal against a direction does not prejudice the effectiveness of the direction of the Minister.

Commissioner of Police may exclude entry.

35. (1) The Commissioner of Police may, in writing, direct a permit holder to exclude a specified person from an approved premises and the permit holder shall comply.

(2) Where the Commissioner of Police gives a direction, he shall, where practicable -

(a) make available to the permit holder a photograph of the person to be excluded; and

(b) give notice of the direction to the person to be excluded.

Copy of direction to Board.

36. A copy of a direction in writing under regulation 33 or 35 shall be given to the Board by the permit holder or other person who has given the direction pursuant to regulation 33 or 35.

Duration of direction.

37. A direction given under regulation 33 or 35 shall, subject to regulation 34 remain in force until revoked by the permit holder or the Commissioner of Police.

List of names of excluded persons.

38. (1) A permit holder shall maintain a list of the names of persons who are prohibited from entering or remaining on an approved premises pursuant to a direction in writing referred to in regulation 33 or excluded in writing referred to in regulation 35.

(2) The permit holder shall make available to the Board or an inspector a current copy of the list of names referred to in paragraph (1).

39. (1) The following information and particulars in respect of excluded person shall be contained in the list of excluded persons to be maintained under regulation 38 -

List of names of excluded persons to be maintained.

- (a) full name and all aliases the person is believed to have used;
- (b) a description of the person's physical appearance, including height, weight, type of build, colour of hair and eyes, and any other physical characteristics which may assist in identifying the person;
- (c) date of birth or, if unknown, approximate age; and
- (d) a photograph, if obtainable, and the date taken.

40. It is lawful for a permit holder, an employee or agent of a permit holder employed in or acting in connection with the approved premises and any person acting by the authority of the permit holder, employee or agent to use such force as is reasonably necessary in order to prevent any person who is the subject of a direction under regulations 33 or 35 from entering on an approved premises or in order to remove any such person who remains on approved premises.

Permit holder may exclude or remove excluded person.

41. A person who is the subject of a direction in writing under regulations 33 or 35 shall not enter or remain on an approved premises to which the direction relates.

Excluded person not to enter or remain in approved premises.

42. (1) Persons under the age of 18 years shall not be permitted to be on an approved premises.

Provisions relating to minors in respect of approved premises.

(2) A person under the age of 18 years who is found on an approved premises during the hours of operation is guilty of an offence.

43. (1) Any person who whilst in an approved premises -

Cheating.

- (a) by any trick, device, sleight of hand or representation;
- (b) by any scheme or practice;
- (c) by the use of any machine, equipment or other things; or
- (d) by the use of any instrument or article of a type normally used in connection with gaming or appearing to be of a type normally used in connection with gaming,

obtains for himself or another person or induces any person to deliver, give or credit to him or another person any money, chips, benefit, advantage, valuable consideration or security,



is guilty of an offence and on conviction shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment for a period not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Unlawful use  
of certain  
equipment.

44. (1) Any person who whilst in approved premises uses or has in his possession -

- (a) any chips that he knows are bogus or counterfeit chips;
- (b) any cards, dice or coins that he knows have been marked, loaded or tampered with; or
- (c) for the purpose of cheating or stealing, any equipment, device or thing that permits or facilitates cheating or stealing,

is guilty of an offence and on conviction shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Detention of  
persons by  
permit  
holder.

45. Any -

- (a) permit holder;
- (b) employee or agent of a permit holder;
- or
- (c) inspector,

may, on an approved premises detain any person who is or whom he suspects on reasonable grounds to be contravening or attempting to contravene regulations 43 or 44, using such force as is reasonably necessary for that purpose, until the arrival of a member of the police force.

Detention,  
arrest of  
persons by  
member of  
the police  
force in  
relation to  
offences  
under  
regulations  
43 and 44.

46. (1) Any member of the police force may in an approved premises detain for a reasonable time any person who has or who is suspected on reasonable grounds to have contravened or attempted to contravene regulations 43 or 44.

(2) A member of the police force, in so detaining a person, may -

- (a) search that person and the possessions of that person;
- (b) seize anything found as a result of the search that may afford evidence of the commission of an offence; and
- (c) use such force as is reasonably necessary for the purpose of detention and search.

Offences  
relating to  
cheating by  
permit  
holder, etc.

47. (1) Any permit holder or employee or agent of a permit holder who in approved premises conducts any game in such a manner as to win or attempt to win from any person to himself or any other person any money, chips or other valuable thing by

any fraud, unlawful device or ill-practice, is guilty of an offence.

(2) Any permit holder or employee or agent of a permit holder who corruptly asks for, receives or obtains benefits of any kind for himself or any other person -

- (a) for the permit holder, his employee or agent to forego or neglect his duty or to influence him in the performance of his duty;
- (b) on account of anything already done or omitted to be done by the permit holder or his employee or agent in the discharge of his duty;
- (c) for the permit holder or his employee or agent to use or take advantage of his office improperly to gain a benefit or advantage for or facilitate the commission of an offence by any other person,

is guilty of an offence and on conviction shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment for a period not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

48. (1) A person who -

- (a) forges or counterfeits any chip purchase voucher;
- (b) knowingly utters any forged or counterfeited chip purchase voucher;
- (c) falsely represents himself to be an inspector;
- (d) attempts any such forging, counterfeiting, uttering, personating or representing,

is guilty of an offence and on conviction shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment for a period not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Forgery and like offences.

49. (1) The permit holder is liable for the payment of a commercial gaming tax which shall be five percent (5%) of the net gaming drop for each calendar month.

Commercial gaming tax.

(2) The tax shall be paid by the permit holder within 14 days after the expiration of each calendar month.

50. All commercial gaming transactions conducted by the permit holder on approved premises shall be exempt of all stamp duties which would ordinarily be payable on that transaction.

Exemption from stamp duty.

51. (1) A permit holder shall only employ staff qualified to conduct commercial gaming.

Employment of staff.

(2) The permit holder has the right to terminate the employment of any person, who in the opinion of the permit holder, does

not maintain the standard required for commercial gaming.

(3) The Board can direct the permit holder to terminate the employment of a person, who in the opinion of the Board, does not possess or maintain the standards required to conduct commercial gaming.

(4) The permit holder shall supply to the Board, at regular intervals, a list of all staff engaged in commercial gaming.

(5) The list shall be amended upon the commencement or termination of any employee engaged in commercial gaming.

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Request by Player for Review of Decision made by a Commercial Gaming Permit Holder with Respect to a Claim.

To: Gaming and Lotteries Board  
HONIARA  
Solomon Islands

I, .....  
(full name)

being a player who is aggrieved by the decision of the permit holder made with respect to my claim, hereby request you to review the said decision.

Particulars of the claim and the decision are as follows -

1. Name of premises:.....
2. Name of permit holder:.....
3. Date of gaming transaction:.....
4. Particulars of the gaming transaction and claim\*  
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5. Decision of permit holder:.....  
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6. Date and Time of decision of the permit holder:  
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7. Date and Time claim reported to Government Inspector on duty at the premises:.....  
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Address of player for correspondence:.....  
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Dated at.....this.....day of  
....., 19.....

.....  
(Signature)

**\*Note:** Particulars of the gaming transaction and claim may be given on a separate attached sheet if space insufficient. All attachments shall be dated and signed.

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FEES

Establishment Fee	\$10,000.00
Permit	\$1,000.00
Renewal of Permit per annum	\$1,000.00
Replacement of lost or damaged licence or permit	\$100.00

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PERMIT

The Gaming and Lotteries Board having considered your application for a permit to operate commercial gaming pursuant to section 6 of the Act and is satisfied that you have successfully complied with the requirements of the said Act hereby grants.....(name) of .....(address) this permit.

This permit shall be valid for a period of twelve (12) months.

Dated at Honiara this            day of            1994.

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Chairman of Board

Dated at Honiara this fifteenth day of August, 1994.

A. KIMATA  
Minister of Home Affairs