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Gaming Machine Act 1993

NOTICE OF MAKING OF BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the National Gaming Control Board has made the Gaming Machine Sites By-Law reproduced in the Schedule and which comes into force upon publication of this notice in the *National Gazette*.

SCHEDULE

INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

Gaming Machine Sites By-Law

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A By-Law made by the National Gaming Control Board pursuant to the powers vested in it by Section 93 of the *Gaming Machine Act*, and all other powers it enabling, to come into force upon notification in the *National Gazette*.

1. *Site Environment.*

Every site premises in respect of which a permit has been granted and on which a gaming machine is operated shall comply with the following requirements:—

- (a) the area of floor space in front of a gaming machine, unoccupied by anything other than a chair for the operator of the machine, shall be:—
 - i. where a gaming machine faces a wall or the back of another gaming machine, 2 metres;
 - ii. where a gaming machine faces another gaming machine, 2.2 metres.
- (b) the lighting provided in the area in which a gaming machine is installed shall not be less than 300 lumens at the level of the operating controls of the machine.
- (c) Ventilation shall be provided which circulates the air volume of the site in accordance with the Building Regulations 1994 and which expels smoke or other polluted air from the premises when required. The Certificate of the Chief Inspector that the site does not comply with this provision shall be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein unless the site owner produces the certificate of a registered architect or mechanical engineer that the site complies with the Building Regulations 1994.

Notice of Making of By-Law—continued**2. Services for Patrons.**

The following services shall be available to patrons of gaming machines:—

- (a) Hot and cold beverages shall be available to patrons from 11 o'clock in the morning until the premises closes for business.
- (b) Snacks or meals consisting of fresh and balanced portions of protein and carbohydrate shall be available to patrons between 12 noon and 2 o'clock in the afternoon and from 6 o'clock until one hour before the premises closes for business.
- (c) Music, television, performers, or some other form of entertainment shall be available to patrons of gaming machines, in an area of the premises in which gaming machines are not installed and which are provided with tables and chairs, from at least 8 o'clock in the evening until the premises close for business.
- (d) Adequate security, both static and personnel shall be provided to secure patrons of gaming machines.

3. Persons Prohibited.

The holder of a permit shall not allow the following persons to enter or remain in any area of a site in which gaming machines are installed:—

- (a) a person under the age of 18 years;
- (b) a person against whom any order has been made prohibiting that person from patronizing a gaming machine, if the site owner has been served with a copy of the order, or given notice of the order by the Board;
- (c) a person clearly intoxicated;
- (d) a person causing any disturbance to the patrons of gaming machines.

4. Hours of Operation.

A site owner shall not operate a gaming machine outside the hours of:—

- (a) the licensed hours of the liquor license for the site, if the site is licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages;
- (b) in any other case, 11 o'clock in the morning and midnight.

5. Non Operating Days.

A site owner shall not open for business that part of a site on which a gaming machine is installed, nor operate a gaming machine on the site, on any of the following days:—

- (a) Easter Good Friday;
- (b) The day gazetted for the remembrance of Independence Day;
- (c) Christmas Day.

Dated this 30th day of October, 2002.

A.A. DANIEL,
Chairman.