

BERMUDA CASINO GAMING COMMISSION

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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF GAMING EQUIPMENT

"Gaming equipment" is defined in the Casing Gaming Act 2014 ("the Act") as "...an electronic, electrical, or mechanical contrivance or machine or any device or thing (including chips) used, or capable of being used, for or in connection with gaming and betting and includes any of the following—

- (a) a gaming machine;
- (b) linked jackpot equipment or system;
- (c) cashless wagering system;
- (d) an electronic monitoring system; and
- (e) a part of, or a replacement part for, any such machine, equipment or system;
- (f) devices used in connection with the operation of table games, including but not limited to playing cards, chips and dice;
- (g) a computerised betting system;"

"Gaming machine" is defined as "...any device, whether wholly or partly mechanically or electronically operated, that is so designed that—

- (a) it may be used for the purpose of playing a game of chance or a game of mixed chance and skill; and
- (b) as a result of making a wager on the device, winnings may become payable;"

Gaming equipment may only be supplied from approved gaming vendors. Before introducing an approved game played on a table, the casino operator must also ensure that all equipment used for the table game is purchased from a gaming vendor approved by the Commission.

All gaming equipment for use in a casino must be approved by the Commission in accordance with section 93(1) of the Act. A <u>casino operator</u> may submit an application for approval of gaming equipment if the item satisfies a relevant equipment standards approved by the Commission (published on the Commission's website at <u>https://www.bdacasinogaming.com/general-information/</u>).

Regulation 16(3) provides that the application for the approval of gaming equipment shall include:

- (a) the identification documentation required by the equipment standard;
- (b) any other documentation required by the equipment standard;
- (c) a declaration by the applicant stating that, to the best of the applicant's knowledge, the item of gaming equipment statisfies the equipment standard, and any other requirements of the gaming law,; and
- (d) any other items or information that the Commission by written direction requires.

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The Commission must be immediately notified of any problem with the integrity or security of the gaming equipment. Monitoring and testing must also be performed by <u>the casino operator</u> throughout the life of the gaming machine and equipment to confirm that they are operating as approved.

For additional information, please refer to the Act, as well as the Regulations, particularly, but not limited to Chapter 3.

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