

Casino Control (Conduct of Gaming) Regulations 2009

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**CASINO CONTROL ACT
(CHAPTER 33A)**

CASINO CONTROL (CONDUCT OF GAMING) REGULATIONS 2009

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 200(2)(n) of the Casino Control Act, the Casino Regulatory Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Home Affairs, hereby makes the following Regulations:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Casino Control (Conduct of Gaming) Regulations 2009 and shall come into operation on 4th December 2009.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“approved game” means a game approved by the Authority for play in a casino under section 100(1) of the Act;

“approved game rules”, in relation to an approved game, means the rules which have been approved by the Authority under section 100(1) of the Act for the game;

“cage” means an area within any casino premises at which cash and chips are deposited, and financial transactions and the paperwork necessary to support the playing of games in the casino are carried out;

“cash” means currency notes and coins of Singapore which are legal tender in Singapore or foreign currency;

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“foreign currency” means currency notes and coins of a country or territory other than Singapore which are legal tender and circulate as money in the country of issue;

“state of intoxication” means a state wherein a person’s speech, balance, co-ordination or behaviour is noticeably affected and there are reasonable grounds for believing this state to be induced by alcohol, narcotics or any intoxicating substance.

PART II

ISSUANCE, REDEMPTION AND USE OF CHIPS AND CHIP PURCHASE VOUCHERS

When chips and chip purchase vouchers may be issued or redeemed

3. Chips and chip purchase vouchers may only be issued and redeemed during the hours of operation of a casino.

Payment for chips

4. A casino operator must not issue, or cause or permit to be issued, any chips for gaming (other than complimentary chips) to any patron unless the chips are paid for to the value of the chips by one or more of the following methods of payment:

- (a) in cash;
- (b) subject to regulation 6, in chips issued by another casino operator;
- (c) in exchange for chip purchase vouchers issued by the casino operator;
- (d) by charging to the patron's credit card, where a transaction involving a credit card is permitted under the Act or any regulations made thereunder;
- (e) by direct debit from the amount standing to the credit of the patron's deposit account or cheque cashing account with the casino operator;
- (f) by an amount debited against the patron's credit account with the casino operator, where the casino operator is permitted to issue chips on credit to the patron under the Act; or
- (g) by such other mode of payment as the Authority may approve.

Payment for chip purchase vouchers

5. A casino operator must not issue, or cause or permit to be issued, any chip purchase voucher to any patron unless the chip purchase voucher is paid for to the value of the chip purchase voucher by one or more of the following methods of payment:

- (a) by direct debit from the amount standing to the credit of the patron's deposit account or cheque cashing account with the casino operator;
- (b) by an exchange of chip purchase vouchers issued by the casino operator; or
- (c) by such other mode of payment as the Authority may approve.

Limit on chips issued in exchange for chips of another casino operator

6.—(1) A casino operator must not issue, or cause or permit to be issued to any patron, chips paid for in chips of another casino operator equal to or exceeding an aggregate value of \$10,000 in a single gaming day.

(2) In this regulation, “gaming day” has the same meaning as in the Casino Control (Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing) Regulations 2009 (G.N. No. S 507/2009).

Transaction at cage

7. A casino operator who issues chips paid for in chips of another casino operator

must do so only at a cage.

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Redemption of chips or chip purchase vouchers

8. A casino operator may redeem its chips or chip purchase vouchers from a patron, in exchange for the equivalent of any one of the following to the value of the chips or the amount shown on the chip purchase voucher, as the case may be:

- (a) cash;
- (b) a cheque issued by the casino operator payable to the patron or any other person named by the patron;
- (c) an amount transmitted by telegraphic or electronic funds transfer from the casino operator's account to an account of the patron's choice; or
- (d) an amount credited, in accordance with the patron's instructions, into the patron's or any other patron's deposit account, cheque cashing account or credit account, with the casino operator.

Chips to be used only for playing of games or tips in casino premises

9.—(1) Chips issued by a casino operator may be used by a patron only for —

- (a) the playing of games within the casino premises of the casino operator; or
- (b) the giving of tips or gratuities to any person employed within the casino premises for any service provided by such person in the ordinary course of his duties.

(2) Any person who uses chips for any purpose other than the purposes allowed under paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

PART III

CONDUCT OF TABLE GAMES

Dealing and shuffling of playing cards

10.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the playing cards used by a casino operator for the playing of games in its casino must —

- (a) prior to each use, have been shuffled using an electronic shuffler and not manually shuffled; and