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COMMON GAMING HOUSES ACT
(CHAPTER 49)

COMMON GAMING HOUSES
(EXEMPTION) (NO. 51)
NOTIFICATION 2016

ARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS

Paragraph

1. Citation
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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 24 of the Common Gaming Houses Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Notification:

Citation

1. This Notification is the Common Gaming Houses (Exemption) (No. 51) Notification 2016.

Exemption

2.—(1) The Minister exempts Geylang West Community Club Women’s Executive Committee (called in this Notification the organiser) from the provisions of the Act in respect of —

- (a) the “Active Agers’ Mind Game (Mahjong) 2016” promotion to be held from 12 October 2016 to 4 December 2016 (both dates inclusive); and
- (b) the mahjong games to be held at rooms #02-14, #02-15 and #02-16 of Geylang West Community Club (called in this Notification the event venue) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on 4 December 2016.

(2) The exemption is subject to compliance by the organiser with the conditions specified in the Schedule.

THE SCHEDULE

Paragraph 2

CONDITIONS

1. The only game played must be mahjong.
2. All players must be at least 40 years of age and residing within the Jalan Besar Group Representation Constituency or the Potong Pasir Single Member Constituency.
3. All spectators and staff must be at least 21 years of age.
4. Prize sponsors must not be involved in any business related to gambling.
5. Advertising for the mahjong competition must be confined to posters and banners displayed in such area within the Jalan Besar Group Representation Constituency as is designated by the organiser to be the Kolam Ayer district.
6. The organiser may charge an entrance fee of \$25 to cover the cost of hosting the mahjong competition, less the value of the prizes.
7. Token prizes can be allowed in recognition of the skills shown by the winners.
8. The organiser must ensure that the rules of the game are explained clearly to all players before the start of the event.
9. The organiser must deploy umpires on site to referee the event and resolve any disputes.
10. The mahjong activities must be held indoors at the event venue.
11. The organiser must ensure that all doors to the event venue are closed during the event so as to minimise noise from the event.
12. The organiser must open up the premises for spot-checks by the police during the event.
13. The organiser must take all reasonable steps to ensure that there are no private deals or side-betting throughout the event.

Made on 11 October 2016.

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