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

**CASINO CONTROL
(CASINO LAYOUT) REGULATIONS 2009**

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In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 99(a) and 200 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:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Casino Control (Casino Layout) Regulations 2009 and shall come into operation on 23rd September 2009.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —
- “ancillary area” means any of the following areas within the casino premises:

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- (a) major aisles, the maximum area of which shall not exceed such limit within any part of the casino premises as the Authority may, from time to time, specify;
 - (b) back-of-house facilities;
 - (c) any reception or information counter;
 - (d) any area designated for the serving or consumption of food and beverages;
 - (e) any retail outlet;
 - (f) any area designated for performances;
 - (g) any area designated for aesthetic or decorative displays;
 - (h) staircases, staircase landings, escalators, lifts and lift lobbies;
 - (i) toilets;
 - (j) such other area not intended to be used for the conduct or playing of games or as a gaming pit as the Authority, when defining the boundaries of the casino premises or on the application of the casino operator, may allow;

“back-of-house facility” includes a facility commonly known as a cage, a count room and such other facility ancillary to the conduct of games as the Authority may specify;

“casino premises” means the areas defined by a casino licence under section 51 of the Act for the conduct of casino operations, which shall be made up of gaming areas and ancillary areas;

“gaming area” means any area within the casino premises other than an ancillary area;

“gaming pit” means an area commonly known as a gaming pit or any similar area from which casino employees may administer and supervise the games;

“major aisle” means a main corridor, passage or other pedestrian thoroughfare within the casino premises;

“registered surveyor” means a person who is registered as a land surveyor under the Land Surveyors Act (Cap. 156) and has in force a practising certificate issued under that Act.

Maximum gaming area

3.—(1) All the gaming areas within any casino premises in aggregate shall not exceed 15,000 square metres of those premises.

(2) No games shall be conducted or played in any ancillary area.

Gaming area to be unobstructed

4. For every gaming area, there shall at all times be a clear and unobstructed line of sight of any part within the gaming area from —

- (a) a person standing in any other part of that gaming area; and
- (b) any electronic or other monitoring surveillance equipment, whether within or outside that gaming area.

Gaming area to be clearly demarcated

5. The gaming areas must be clearly demarcated from the ancillary areas within the casino premises.

Submission of casino layout plan

6.—(1) For the purpose of ascertaining whether the layout of any proposed casino premises complies with the requirements in these Regulations, the Authority may require any person who applies or intends to apply for a casino licence in respect of those premises to submit a casino layout plan comprising the following documents:

- (a) detailed floor plans of the proposed casino premises, indicating —
 - (i) the boundaries of the casino premises;
 - (ii) the gaming areas within the casino premises, the size of each such area and the placement of gaming tables and gaming machines therein;

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- (iii) the segment of casino patrons for whom each gaming area is designated;
 - (iv) each ancillary area within the casino premises and the size of each such area; and
 - (v) all entrances to and exits from the casino premises, and the types of access controls at each entrance and exit, where applicable;
- (b) a statement by a registered surveyor certifying —
- (i) the aggregate of all the gaming areas indicated in the floor plans;
 - (ii) the aggregate of all the ancillary areas (excluding the major aisles) indicated in the floor plans; and
 - (iii) the aggregate of all the major aisles indicated in the floor plans;
- (c) a description of how the gaming areas will be clearly demarcated from the ancillary areas within the casino premises; and
- (d) a statement by a person in charge of the casino operations that the layout of the casino premises complies with the requirements in these Regulations.

(2) If a casino operator or an applicant for a casino licence, in fitting-out the casino premises, intends to deviate from the casino layout plan submitted under paragraph (1), the casino operator or applicant shall first notify the Authority and submit a new casino layout plan (comprising the documents specified in paragraph (1)(a), (b), (c) and (d)) showing the proposed deviations.

(3) A new casino layout plan submitted under paragraph (2) for any casino premises will replace a casino layout plan earlier submitted for those premises.

- (4) A casino operator or an applicant for a casino licence shall —
- (a) ensure that the casino premises are fitted-out in accordance with the casino layout plan submitted under paragraph (1) or (2), as the case may be, in respect of those premises; and

- (b) not later than 14 days (or such longer period as the Authority may allow in a particular case) after the fitting-out of the casino premises is completed, obtain and submit to the Authority a statement by a registered surveyor certifying that the layout of the casino premises is in accordance with that casino layout plan.

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Change to casino layout

7.—(1) A casino operator shall not make any change to the layout of its casino premises after fitting-out is completed, including any change involving a change of use of an area, unless it has notified the Authority in writing in accordance with paragraph (2) at least 7 days before making the change or within such shorter period as the Authority may allow.

(2) Every notification under paragraph (1) of a proposed change to the layout of the casino premises shall contain —

- (a) details of the change, proposed date and time of the change, reasons for the change, location of the change and the period for which any part of the casino premises will be closed to make the change; and
- (b) a statement by a person in charge of the casino operations that the layout of the casino premises after the change complies with the requirements in these Regulations.

(3) The Authority may, in addition, require the casino operator to submit all or any of the following:

- (a) the revised floor plans of the casino premises showing the proposed change to the layout of the casino premises;
- (b) if there is to be a change to the size of any gaming area or ancillary area, a statement by a registered surveyor certifying —
- (i) the aggregate of all the gaming areas after the change indicated in the revised floor plans;

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- (ii) the aggregate of all the ancillary areas (excluding the major aisles) after the change indicated in the revised floor plans; and
 - (iii) the aggregate of all the major aisles after the change indicated in the revised floor plans;
- (c) details of any other adjustments that would have to be made to the surveillance system or other aspects of the casino operations as a result of the change;
 - (d) not later than 14 days (or such longer period as the Authority may allow in a particular case) after the change is completed, a statement by a registered surveyor certifying that the layout of the casino premises is in accordance with any revised floor plan referred to in sub-paragraph (a).

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(4) The casino layout plans submitted to the Authority in respect of the casino premises before the proposed change shall be superseded to the extent that any revised floor plan, statement by a registered surveyor or details of other changes to aspects of the casino operations are submitted under paragraph (3).

(5) A casino operator shall ensure that the proposed change to the layout of its casino premises is made in accordance with the notification submitted under paragraph (1) and any revised floor plan or other documents submitted under paragraph (3).

Power to give directions or take disciplinary action

8.—(1) If any casino operator —

- (a) operates on casino premises the layout of which —
 - (i) does not comply with the requirements in regulation 3, 4 or 5; or
 - (ii) is not in accordance with the casino layout plan or the notification submitted to the Authority under regulation 6 or 7, as the case may be; or
- (b) makes any change to the layout of its casino premises without first notifying the Authority,

the Authority may give the casino operator such written directions concerning the layout of its casino premises as it thinks fit, including any direction to reinstate the layout according to the casino layout plan or the revised floor plan submitted to the Authority under regulation 6 or 7, as the case may be, and the casino operator shall comply with such direction.

(2) Without prejudice to the right of the Authority to give directions under paragraph (1), any casino operator which —

- (a) fails to ensure that the layout of the casino premises complies with regulations 3, 4 and 5;
- (b) fails to comply with a requirement of the Authority under regulation 6(1) or 7(3);
- (c) contravenes regulation 6(2) or (4) or 7(1) or (5), or
- (d) contravenes paragraph (1) by failing to comply with a direction given by the Authority thereunder,

shall be liable to disciplinary action under section 54 of the Act.

Duties of licensed special employee in relation to casino layout

9.—(1) A licensed special employee shall not —

- (a) do anything to cause the layout of the casino premises to cease to satisfy the requirements in regulation 3, 4 or 5;
- (b) make any change to the layout of the casino premises, whether by change of use of an area or otherwise, without the authorisation of the casino operator; or
- (c) make, authorise or permit any change to the layout of the casino premises without first notifying the Authority in writing at least 7 days before the date of making the change.

(2) Any licensed special employee who contravenes paragraph (1)(a), (b) or (c) shall be liable to disciplinary action under section 93 of the Act.

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Singapore.

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