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Gambling Regulation Act 2003

DETERMINATION OF GAMING MACHINE ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION AND TRANSFER RULES

I, the Honourable Marlene Kairouz MP, Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation, acting under sections 3.4A.3 and 3.4A.5(9) of the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003** (the Act), determine as follows –

1. The following rules constitute gaming machine entitlement allocation and transfer rules.
2. For the purposes of sections 3.4A.3 and 3.4A.5 of the Act, these allocation and transfer rules specify rules relating to the transfer of gaming machine entitlements between venue operators.
3. These rules are in addition to the rules relating to the transfer of gaming machine entitlements between venue operators as set out the Gaming Machine Entitlement Allocation and Transfer Rules published in the Victoria Government Gazette (No. S205/15) on 22 July 2015 and those rules remain in effect.
4. **Definitions**
Words not otherwise defined in these rules have the same meaning as in the Act, except where a contrary intention appears.
5. **Restriction on transfer of gaming machine entitlements that take effect on or after 16 August 2022**
 - (a) A venue operator must not transfer a gaming machine entitlement that takes effect on or after 16 August 2022 before the day which is 6 months before the day on which the gaming machine entitlement takes effect.
 - (b) Notwithstanding rule 5(a), a venue operator may transfer a gaming machine entitlement that takes effect on or after 16 August 2022 before the day which is 6 months before the day on which the gaming machine entitlement takes effect, if:
 - (i) the venue operator who transfers the gaming machine entitlement has sold, or is to sell, an approved venue to the venue operator to whom the entitlement is transferred; and
 - (ii) the Commission is satisfied that the transfer is related to the sale of the approved venue.
 - (c) The maximum number of gaming machine entitlements that may be transferred under rule 5(b) in relation to the sale of a particular approved venue is the number of gaming machines specified in the transferor's venue operator's licence, under section 3.4.12(2)(b) of the Act, as the number of gaming machines permitted in the venue.

Dated 21 November 2017

THE HONOURABLE MARLENE KAIROUZ MP
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