

Pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 3.b of the Gambling Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, Nos 14/11 – official consolidated text, 108/12, 11/14 – corrected and 40/14 – ZIN-B), the Minister for Finance hereby issues the following

R U L E S

amending the Rules on the technical requirements for gaming devices to be used in gaming and on the conformity assessment procedure

1. Article

In the Rules on the technical requirements for gaming devices to be used in gaming and on the conformity assessment procedure (OG RS Nos. 59/08, 88/09, 37/11, 38/14, 32/15, 67/20 and 25/25) the second paragraph in Article 1 is hereby amended as follows:

‘(2) These Rules are issued subject to an information procedure in accordance with Directive (EU) 2015/1535 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical regulations and of rules on Information Society services (OJ L No 241 of 17. 9. 2015, p. 1).’

2. Article

In Article 20, the last sentence of the first paragraph shall be deleted.

The second paragraph shall be amended to read as follows:

‘(2) The server part of the SSI system must be located in a separate room at the concessionaire. Access to server hardware must be physically protected and disabled to unauthorised persons. The server room and SSI must be designed in such a way that all physical entries into the room and all logins into the SSI are traceably recorded. If one server is used for several locations, these locations must be securely connected via a closed tunnel that does not permit external communication.’

3. Article

In Article 44, paragraph 1 is amended to read as follows:

‘(1) Notwithstanding Article 40 of these Rules, the supervisory authority may exceptionally allow the concessionaire to temporarily use new gaming devices or gaming devices with new games for which a certificate of conformity with the technical requirements has already been requested, but only for a maximum period of six months, if the gaming devices or games meet the requirements for connection to the NIS and if the gaming devices have all electronic counters for correct billing.’

FINAL PROVISION

4. Article

These Rules shall enter into force on the first day following their publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia.

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Reasoning:

The Rules on the technical requirements for gaming devices to be used in gaming and on the conformity assessment procedure (OG RS Nos. 59/08, 88/09, 37/11, 38/14, 32/15, 67/20 and 25/25, hereinafter: 'RTRGD') define gaming server system (hereinafter: 'GSS') as a special design for gaming machines consisting of a server and gaming terminals that only together enable the performance of special games of chance.

Article 20 of the PTRGD provides that the SSI must be installed in a casino or gaming arcade and may not be linked between several casinos or gaming arcades. The GSS gaming terminals on which players play are installed in gaming premises of the casino or gaming arcade, while the server part of the SSI system or the SSI server is installed in a separate room of the casino or gaming arcade.

The proposed amendment to Article 20 allows for the use of a single shared server for multiple casinos or gaming arcades belonging to the same concessionaire, thereby enabling the server part of the SSI system to be located in a separate room at the concessionaire's premises. This eliminates administrative and technological constraints and enables more effective supervision of concessionaires' operations.

Article 44 of the PTRGD expressly stipulates only the issuance of permits for the temporary use of new gaming devices. The proposed amendment to the first paragraph of this Article, however, allows the concessionaire to exceptionally and temporarily also use existing devices with new games, but under the conditions set out in these rules and for a period that may not exceed six months. Such a solution can significantly shorten the time from the appearance of new games on the market to their inclusion in the concessionaire's offer, thereby increasing the competitiveness of Slovenian concessionaires for the organisation of special games of chance in comparison with foreign concessionaires.