

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 1204

**The Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and
Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985**

PART VI

MISCELLANEOUS

[^{F1}Cheating

- 169.**—(1) A person who—
- (a) cheats at gambling, or
 - (b) does anything for the purpose of enabling or assisting another person to cheat at gambling,
- is guilty of an offence.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) it is immaterial whether a person who cheats—
- (a) improves his chances of winning anything, or
 - (b) wins anything.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), cheating at gambling may, in particular, consist of actual or attempted deception or interference in connection with—
- (a) the process by which gambling is conducted, or
 - (b) a game, sport, pastime or other event or process to which gambling relates.
- (4) In this Article “gambling” means gaming, betting or participating in a lottery.]

F1 Art. 169 substituted (1.10.2023) by [Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2022 \(c. 14\), ss. 13, 17\(3\)](#); S.R. 2023/74, art. 2, Sch.

Gaming and wagering contracts void

^{F2}170.

F2 Art. 170 repealed (27.4.2022) by [Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2022 \(c. 14\), ss. 14\(1\)\(a\), 17\(2\)](#)

Securities in connection with gaming and wagering illegal

^{F3}171.

Changes to legislation: *The Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985,*

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F3 [Art. 171 repealed \(27.4.2022\) by Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2022 \(c. 14\), ss. 14\(1\)\(b\), 17\(2\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Instrument applied by [1997 c. 16 s.15\(3\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act applied by [1997 c. 16 s.15\(3\)](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 172A and cross-heading inserted by [2022 c. 14 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(1\)](#)
- art. 186(3A) inserted by [2022 c. 14 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(2\)\(a\)](#)