

BETTING AND GAMING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2004

S.I. 2004 No. 310 (N.I. 1)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS

Article 6: Conduct of licensed offices

This Article relaxes some of the existing restrictions on the operation of licensed bookmaking offices to:

- remove the statutory limit on the maximum width of television screens (*paragraph (a)*);
- remove the prohibition on a licensed bookmaker, his servant or agent encouraging people to bet while they are in his premises (*paragraph(a)*);
- allow the operation of gaming machines (together with amendments made by Article 8) (*paragraph (b)*);
- allow licensed bookmaking offices to be used for the paying out of football pools winnings (*paragraphs (b) and (c)*).
- allow the advertising of licensed bookmaking offices published in a material form eg in newspapers, journals, circulars, letters or posters printed on paper (*paragraphs (d) and (e)*).