

## 1987 No. 186

**BETTING, GAMING AND LOTTERIES****Betting and Gaming (Fees and Variation of Monetary Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987**

*Made* . . . . . 10th April 1987

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 1st June 1987

*To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 37(2) and (5), 76(5), 106(3), 108(16) and 128(3) of the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel as regards Article 2, hereby makes the following Order:

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Betting and Gaming (Fees and Variation of Monetary Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987 and shall come into operation on 1st June 1987.

(2) In this Order “the Order” means the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985.

*Track betting licence fees*

2.—(1) The fee to be attached to an application for the grant of a track betting licence under Article 37(2) of the Order shall be £35.

(2) The fee payable on the grant of a track betting licence and, during the currency of that licence, on the anniversary of that grant, under Article 37(5) of the Order shall be £350.

*Maximum amount by which weekly winnings in bingo clubs may exceed the stakes hazarded*

3. In Article 76(5) of the Order for “£1,000” there shall be substituted “£1,500”.

*Maximum charge for playing a game once by means of a gaming machine in a registered club*

4. In Article 106(3) of the Order for “£0·10” there shall be substituted “£0·20”.

*Maximum entitlement to prizes in gaming by means of gaming machines in certain premises*

5. In Article 108(7), (8) and (9) of the Order for “£1·50” and “£3” wherever they occur there shall be substituted respectively “£2” and “£4”.

*Maximum daily charge for play at certain clubs*

6.—(1) In Article 128(2) of the Order for “£0·15” there shall be substituted “£0·25”.

(2) For the purposes of Article 128(2) of the Order, in the case of gaming which consists exclusively of playing bridge or whist, or bridge and whist, and which takes place on a day on which the premises used therefor are not used for any other gaming, or for any other gaming except gaming by means of a gaming machine, the sum shall be £6.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 10th April 1987.

(L.S.)

*R. McMurray*

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby consents to Article 2.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 10th April 1987.

(L.S.)

*R. G. Smartt*

Assistant Secretary

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order—

- (a) specifies £35 as the fee payable under the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 on application for a track betting licence, and £350 as the fee payable on the grant of, and anniversary of the grant of, such a licence;
- (b) increases the maximum amount by which weekly winnings in a licensed bingo club may exceed the stakes hazarded from £1,000 to £1,500;
- (c) increases the maximum charge for playing a game once by means of a gaming machine in a registered club from £0·10 to £0·20;
- (d) increases the maximum entitlement to prizes in gaming by means of gaming machines:—
  - i. in certain premises, from £1·50 to £2·00 in the case of a cash prize and from £3 to £4 in the case of a non-monetary prize;
  - ii. in the event of licensed premises within the meaning of the Licensing Act (Northern Ireland) 1971 being prescribed as premises on which gaming machines may be used for gaming, from £3 to £4 in the case of a prize which must be in cash;
- (e) increases the maximum daily charge for gaming in certain clubs from £0·15 to £0·25 and permits a higher charge of £6 to be made in clubs when only bridge and/or whist are/is played.