



Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963

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PART I

BETTING

General restrictions on betting

3 Agent of bookmaker or Totalisator Board to be authorised and registered

- (1) No person shall by way of business receive or negotiate bets as servant or agent to another bookmaker or to the Totalisator Board unless—
- (a) he has attained the age of twenty-one years ; and
 - (b) he is authorised in that behalf in writing in the prescribed form by that other bookmaker or, as the case may be, by the said Board; and
 - (c) in the case of a person acting as servant or agent to another bookmaker, that other bookmaker is the holder of a bookmaker's permit or betting agency permit:

Provided that this subsection shall not apply to any person who is the holder of such a permit as aforesaid, or who receives or negotiates bets as aforesaid on premises occupied by the holder of such a permit or by the said Board.

- (2) If any bet is received or negotiated by any person as servant or agent to another bookmaker or to the said Board in contravention of the foregoing subsection, both that person and that other bookmaker or, as the case may be, the Board shall be guilty of an offence.
- (3) The said Board and every bookmaker who is the holder of a bookmaker's permit or betting agency permit shall keep a register in the prescribed form showing every person who is for the time being authorised for the purposes of subsection (1) of this section by that Board or, as the case may be, by that bookmaker, and shall not grant any such authorisation without making the appropriate entry in that register; and if any person contravenes any of the requirements of this subsection he shall, in respect of each contravention, be guilty of an offence.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) If any person who holds any authority in writing issued for the purposes of subsection (1) of this section or who is required by subsection (3) of this section to keep a register, on being required by a constable to produce that authority or, as the case may be, register for examination, refuses or without reasonable cause fails so to do, he shall be guilty of an offence.
- (5) Any person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds or, in the case of offences under subsection (2) or subsection (3) of 'this section, on a second or any subsequent conviction under the same subsection, to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.
- (6) Nothing in this section shall apply to the receiving or negotiating by any person as servant or agent to a registered pool promoter of bets made by way of pool betting.