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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 3205**

**CUSTOMS & EXCISE**

**The Betting and Gaming Duties Act  
1981 (Bingo Prize Limit) Order 1999**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>30th November 1999</i>
<i>Laid before the House of</i>		
<i>Commons</i>	- - - -	<i>1st December 1999</i>
		<i>22nd December</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1999</i>

The Commissioners of Customs and Excise, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 to the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981<sup>(1)</sup> and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981 (Bingo Prize Limit) Order 1999 and shall come into force on 22nd December 1999.

**Increase in Prize Limit**

**2.** Paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981 (exemption from bingo duty for certain small-scale, commercially-provided bingo games) shall have effect as if for the amount specified in sub-paragraph (2)(c) there were substituted “£15”<sup>(2)</sup>.

**Revocation**

**3.** Articles 1, 2 and 3 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981 (Bingo Prize Limit) Order 1997<sup>(3)</sup> are hereby revoked.

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(1) [1981 c. 63](#); section 33(1) defines “the Commissioners” as meaning the Commissioners of Customs and Excise.  
(2) The sum specified in sub-paragraph (2)(c) was last substituted by article 2 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981 (Bingo Prize Limit) Order 1997 (S.I. [1997/1714](#)).  
(3) S.I. [1997/1714](#).

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order, which comes into force on 22nd December 1999, increases the money prize limit for bingo played on a small scale by way of commercial amusement to qualify for exemption from bingo duty. It increases the maximum amount permitted to be distributed as a money prize from £5 to £15.