



National Lottery etc. Act 1993

1993 CHAPTER 39

PART I

AUTHORISATION AND REGULATION OF THE NATIONAL LOTTERY

Control by the Secretary of State

12 Regulations as to the promotion of lotteries.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make such provision in relation to the promotion of lotteries that form part of the National Lottery as he considers necessary or expedient.
- (2) Such regulations may in particular impose requirements or restrictions as to—
 - (a) the minimum age of persons to whom or by whom tickets or chances may be sold;
 - (b) the places, circumstances or manner in which tickets or chances may be sold or persons may be invited to buy them;
 - (c) the information that must appear in an advertisement for a lottery;
 - (d) the places, circumstances or manner in which signs relating to a lottery may be displayed.
- (3) In subsection (2) “tickets” includes any document providing evidence of a person’s claim to participate in the chances of a lottery.
- (4) Regulations under this section may make different provision for different areas.

Changes to legislation:

National Lottery etc. Act 1993, Section 12 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 01 July 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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

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

- s. 5-6A substituted for s. 5 6 by [2006 c. 23 Sch. 1 para. 4](#) (Section 6 provides for Schedule 1 to be commenced by an order under that section rather than under the normal commencement provision (section 22). In particular, it requires the order to be subject to negative resolution procedures. Schedule 1 is to be commenced in this different way to reflect the intention that the Secretary of State will not commence Schedule 1 immediately but only if she considers that the current licensing structure has failed in creating an effective competition for the licence under section 5 of the 1993 Act to run the National Lottery and so risks failing to maximise returns to good causes.)
- s. 7(3A) inserted by [2006 c. 23 Sch. 1 para. 5\(5\)](#) (Section 6 provides for Schedule 1 to be commenced by an order under that section rather than under the normal commencement provision (section 22). In particular, it requires the order to be subject to negative resolution procedures. Schedule 1 is to be commenced in this different way to reflect the intention that the Secretary of State will not commence Schedule 1 immediately but only if she considers that the current licensing structure has failed in creating an effective competition for the licence under section 5 of the 1993 Act to run the National Lottery and so risks failing to maximise returns to good causes.)