



Legal Division

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby provided that in accordance with G.L. c. 30A § 2, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) will convene a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments, ideas, and information relative to the proposed adoption of 205 CMR 235.00, 250.00 and 251.00. The proposal was developed pursuant to G.L. c. 23N § 4, as part of the Commission’s regulation promulgation process, and concerns the following regulations:

205 CMR 235: Sports Wagering Occupational Licenses. This regulation carries out the Commission’s mandate to issue occupational licenses under G.L. c. 23N, Section 8. It is modeled on, and largely tracks, 205 CMR 234, which the Commission recently promulgated to govern vendor licenses. Both 205 CMR 234 and 235 largely mirror 205 CMR 134, which governs vendor, occupational, and other licenses under G.L. c. 23K.

205 CMR 250: The Protection of Minors and Underage Youth from Sports Wagering. This regulation places obligations upon sports wagering operators to establish and implement policies, practices and procedures to prevent minor and underage youth from engaging in sports wagering. It largely tracks, and where appropriate incorporates by reference, 205 CMR 150 governing, *The Protection of Minors and Underage Youth from Gaming*.

205 CMR 251: Issuance and Posting of Operation Certificate. This regulation mirrors 205 CMR 151, requiring Sports Wagering Operators to obtain an operation certificate following issuance of their license, but prior to commencing operations. This provides the Commission and the Operator an opportunity to review and test operations before the “go live” of the operation.

Scheduled hearing date and time: Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 9:15 a.m.

Given the unprecedented circumstances, Governor Charles Baker issued an order to provide limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of the public and individuals interested in attending public meetings during the global Coronavirus pandemic. In keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission will conduct this hearing utilizing remote collaboration technology.

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A complete copy of the draft regulations referenced above may be downloaded by visiting www.massgaming.com, clicking on ‘Regulations and Compliance’ and selecting the ‘[Proposed Rulemaking](#)’ section. Anyone wishing to offer comments on this regulation can email judith.young@massgaming.gov and request the virtual hearing link to appear and speak. Alternatively, written comments may also be submitted to that same email address with ‘Regulation Comment’ in the subject line. Comments must be received by **9:15 a.m. on Tuesday, January 24, 2023.**



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