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Gambling Supervision Commission

Information Pack

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GAMBLING SUPERVISION COMMISSION

APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT

The Treasury is seeking applications for appointment to the Gambling Supervision Commission. The Commission is constituted under the Gambling Supervision Act 2010 and is established to:-

- Licence and supervise most forms of Gambling in the Isle of Man.
- Investigate the character and financial status of any person applying for or holding a gambling licence issued under its remit.
- Ensure that all fees, duty and other monies payable to the Treasury are duly accounted for.
- Ensure that gambling is conducted honestly and fairly, remains free from criminal influence and exploitation and does not cause harm to the public interest, individuals and families.
- Prevent the misuse of cannabiniol, cannabiniol derivatives, cannabis or cannabis resin.

The last point is a recent addition to the Commissions regulatory responsibilities. Whilst Treasury is looking to appoint an individual who can demonstrate experience and in depth knowledge across a wide range of areas, the focused area relates to the recent regulatory responsibility of the Commission, and experience and knowledge across the global cannabis industry would be desirable in assisting the Commission in the exercise of its statutory Functions.

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Further information can be obtained from the Chief Executive the Gambling Supervision Commission, Steve Brennan, on 694339 or e-mail: steve.brennan@gov.im.

Please send applications to:

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The closing date for receipt of applications is **11.59pm on Sunday 24th October 2021.**

Caldric Randall
Chief Financial Officer
The Treasury
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GAMBLING SUPERVISION COMMISSION

Role Profile

Statutory Functions

The Gambling Supervision Act 2010 sets out the constitution and statutory functions of the Gambling Supervision Commission. As a Statutory Board, it is statutorily charged to ensure that gambling is conducted honestly and fairly, remains free from criminal influence and exploitation and protects the young and vulnerable.

The Gambling Supervision Commission has responsibility for monitoring the provisions laid down by the following statutes and their associated regulations.

- Pool Betting Acts (as amended)
- Betting Act 1970 (as amended)
- Gaming (Amendment) Act 1984 (as amended)
- Casino Act 1986 (as amended)
- Gaming, Betting and Lotteries Act 1988 (as amended)
- Online Gambling Regulation Act 2001 (as amended)
- Gambling (Amendment) Act 2006
- Gambling Supervision Act 2010

Structure

The Gambling Supervision Commission consists of a chairman, deputy chairman and at least 3 other members. All members are appointed by the Treasury.

The legislation specifies that at least one member of the Gambling Supervision Commission is an advocate, barrister or solicitor of at least 5 years' standing, one member should have experience in the field of online business and one member has experience of gambling business.

Vacancies currently exist for three members of the Commission, who have, ideally, experience of online business and of gambling business.

Key Responsibilities

The regulatory objectives of the Commission are:

- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way;
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling;
- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, associated with crime and disorder, or used to support crime and disorder; and
- Preventing the misuse of cannabinol, cannabinol derivatives, cannabis or cannabis resin.

In discharging its functions the Commission must have regard to:

- The need for the regulation, supervision and control of gambling to be effective, responsive to commercial developments and proportionate to the benefits which are expected to result from the regulatory burden;
- The need to use its resources in the most efficient and economic way;
- The desirability of implementing and applying recognised international standards;
- The desirability of cooperating with Governments, Regulators and others outside the Island;
- The need to safeguard the reputation of the Island;

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- The responsibility of those who manage the affairs of persons permitted to carry on regulated activities;
 - The international character of gambling; and
 - The desirability of facilitating the development of the gambling industry in the Island, securing competition within that industry and ensuring that gambling products promoted by that industry can compete effectively throughout the world.

The Commission in exercising its functions relating to gambling has a duty to permit gambling in so far as they think it reasonably consistent with the pursuit of the aforementioned licensing objectives.

Role Requirement

- **Time Commitment.** There are twelve scheduled Commission meetings each year. Meetings are held monthly in the Boardroom of the Gambling Supervision Commission, Ground Floor, St Georges Court, Myrtle Street, Douglas. Each of these meetings commences at 9:30 and is likely to finish between 16:00 and 17:00 depending on the agenda. Lunch is provided. The amount of preparation time for each meeting is difficult to quantify; however, it is likely to be a number of hours of reading the papers for the meeting and carrying out background reading and research. In addition, ad hoc Commission meetings may be arranged as required. There are also other meetings and events, such as, site visits, presentations and press briefings, which are either conducted by or attended by Commission Members.
- **Skills and Experience.** The Commission as a whole needs to have a good blend of skills so as to be able to cover a wide of range of issues and to enable it to fulfil its statutory functions. To this end, there is a need for the Commission to have members who possess an understanding of the gambling business, both land-based and online, financial, commercial, HR and political issues. With the recent inclusion of preventing the misuse of cannabiniol, cannabiniol derivatives, cannabis or cannabis resin as one of the Commission's regulatory objectives, experience and knowledge of this area would be valuable in assisting the Commission with this element of its responsibilities.

To perform the advertised role, the Treasury will be looking for a member who has experience, or at least a sound understanding, of the global cannabis industry, including the status of public policy in respect of cannabis products; the effect that country-policies will have on local producers; an understanding of the regulation of cannabis; an understanding of the interaction between cannabis products and markets, along with the nature of emerging markets and trends in other jurisdictions: the commercial realities of operating in the regulated cannabis sector.

Key competencies and behaviour:

Commission members should:

- Make an effective impartial contribution to the work of the Isle of Man Gambling Supervision Commission and have the ability to demonstrate sound judgement. They should command trust and respect and be able to manage politically sensitive situations, acting with integrity.
- Demonstrate sound and clear leadership and provide motivation to the Commission.
- Challenge constructively and contribute positively to the development of strategy.

Remuneration payable to the Gambling Supervision Commission

The members of the Commission receive an annual honorarium of £12,000, paid in monthly instalments.

Please note: Although it is permissible to be a Member of more than one Statutory Board, legislation only permits payment to be received from one Statutory Board.

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Person Specification – Commission Member

ATTRIBUTES
Qualifications
A knowledge of gambling or associated on-line industries, is highly desirable.
Experience
Senior management experience, gained either in the private or public sector. Practical experience within the on-line, terrestrial gambling e-commerce or hi-tec business sector is highly desirable; and/or Practical experience and knowledge of the global cannabis industry.
Knowledge & Skills
Leadership and motivation skills. An understanding of strategic planning, resource and risk management. The ability to analyse and review complex issues, weigh-up conflicting opinions and identify appropriate actions. A good understanding of and respect for both Government and business and the factors that influence them. Some knowledge of software development would be desirable. Financial Probity.
Disposition
The ability to develop good working relationships at both Commission and Executive level together with the ability to maintain the respect of stakeholders and associates of the Commission. The highest standards of integrity and honesty in full compliance with the seven principles of public life.
Circumstances
The ability to commit to attend meetings in accordance with the requirements of the Commission and to allocate time as appropriate between meetings.
Interests
A desire to commitment to contribute to the Government’s core purpose “to protect and promote the well-being of the family and provide for the economic and social inclusion of all the Island’s community”

Relevant Legislation

Principal Acts

- [Gaming \(Amendment\) Act 1984](#)
- [Gaming, Betting and Lotteries Act 1988](#)
- [Online Gambling Regulation Act 2001](#)
- [Gambling Supervision Act 2010](#)
- [Casino Act 1986](#)
- [Gaming, Betting and Lotteries \(Amendment\) Act 2001](#)

Other Acts

- [Pool Betting \(Isle of Man\) Act 1961](#)
- [Pool Betting \(Isle of Man \) Act 1970](#)
- [Betting Act 1970](#)
- [National Lottery Act 1999](#)
- [Gambling \(Amendment\) Act 2006](#)

Codes

- [Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing \(Online Gambling\) Code 2013](#)
- [Anti-Money Laundering and Counter the Financing of Terrorism Code 2015](#)

Regulations

Regulations made under the Online Gambling Regulation Act 2001:-

- [Online Gambling Duty Regulations 2008](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Advertising\) Regulations 2007](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Prescribed Descriptions\) Regulations 2007](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Systems Verification\) \(No.2\) Regulations 2007](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Betting and Miscellaneous Provisions\) Regulations 2007](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Disaster Recovery\) \(No.2\) Regulations 2007](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Registration and Accounts\) Regulations 2008](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Registration and Accounts\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Licence Fees\) Regulations 2009](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Exclusions\) Regulations 2010](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Exclusions\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Participants' Money\) Regulations 2010](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Participants' Money\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014](#)
- [Online Gambling \(Network Services\) Regulations 2011](#)

Regulations made under the Gambling Supervision Act 2010:

- [Gambling Supervision \(Permitted Disclosures\) Order 2010](#)

Regulations made under the Gaming, Betting and Lotteries Act 1988;

- [Bingo Nights \(Prescribed Conditions\) Regulations 2010](#)
- [Racing Nights \(Prescribed Conditions\) Regulations 2010](#)
- [Society Lottery Advertisements Regulations 2011](#)

Regulations made under the Casino Act 1986:

- [Casino \(Licence Applications\) Regulations 1986](#)
- [Casino Regulations 2011](#)
- [Casino \(Temporary Premises\) Regulations 2013](#)

Regulations under the Gaming (Amendment) Act 1984:

- [The Controlled Machines Regulations 1985](#)
- [The Certification of Premises \(Application Fees\) Order 2003](#)
- [The Controlled Machines \(Prescribed Amounts and Percentages \) Regulations 2014](#)
- [The Controlled Machines \(Suppliers Licences\) \(Fees\) Order 2003](#)
- [The Controlled Machines \(Exemption\) Order 2016](#)

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<https://www.gov.im/about-the-government/statutory-boards/gambling-supervision-commission/legislation/>



