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# POLICE LICENCES ACT, 1949

## (ACT NO. XXXIV OF 1949)

**Code of Police Laws**
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## Use of Amusement Machines (Restriction) Regulations, 1988

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Police Licences Act, 1949, and section 195 of the Code of Police Laws, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Internal Affairs and Justice, with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, has made the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement.

**1.** (1) These regulations may be cited as the Use of Amusement Machines (Restriction) Regulations, 1988.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st June, 1988.

Interpretation.

**2.** In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

"amusement machine" means any type of amusement machine operated by the insertion into the machine of a coin or coins, or any token, and where in the operation thereof a successful player neither receives nor is offered any benefit other than the opportunity afforded by the automatic action of the machine to play the game again without the insertion of another coin or token, and, except for the purposes of regulation 4, shall include machines known as "Kiddie Ride Machines", Juke-boxes and public Table Soccer tables;

"premises" means any premises for the keeping of which a licence or permit is required from the Commissioner of Police under any Act, Ordinance, Regulation or other enactment, and any premises registered as a club;

"token" means a device like a coin bought for insertion in amusement machines instead of coins, for the operation of the same machines.

Prohibition to keep etc. amusement machines.

**3.** No person shall keep or operate, or suffer to be kept or operated any amusement machines on any premises without the authority in writing from the Commissioner of Police.

Commissioner of Police not to give authority for more than three machines.

**4.** The Commissioner of Police shall not authorise the keeping and operation of more than three amusement machines on any premises.

Maximum value of coin or token.

**5.** The maximum value of the coin or token that may be inserted in an amusement machine shall be of 10 cents, and the maximum price for the playing of any one game on an amusement machine shall be 10 cents.

Fees.

**6.** There shall be charged by the Commissioner of Police for the issue of the authority to keep an amusement machine on any premises the fee of:

(a) Lm20 per annum in respect of any one Kiddie Ride Machine, Juke-box or Table Soccer; and

(b) Lm100 per annum in respect of any other one amusement machine.

Offences and penalties.

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**7.** (1) Any person who contravenes the provisions of regulation 3 of these regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to the penalties established in the Criminal Code for contraventions either separately or cumulatively.

(2) In the case of a second or subsequent conviction for an offence against the provisions of these regulations the provisions of section 320 of the Code of Police Laws shall be applicable, and it shall be lawful for the Court to cancel or suspend, for any time at its discretion, the licence in relation to the premises where the offence was committed.

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