

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 2

REGISTERED POOL PROMOTERS

Conduct of registered pool promoter's business

- 13 Subject to paragraphs 14 to 19 of this Schedule, the pool betting business carried on by any registered pool promoter shall comply with the following requirements—
- (a) it shall take the form of the promotion of competitions for prizes for making forecasts as to sporting or other events, the bets being entries in the competitions and the winnings in respect of the bets being the prizes or shares in the prizes;
 - (b) each bet shall be an entry in a particular competition;
 - (c) the stakes and the winnings shall be wholly in money;
 - (d) in each competition, the prizes shall be equally available for all the bets, and accordingly the question which bets qualify for, or for shares in, the prize or prizes and, save so far as it depends on the amounts staked, the amounts of the respective shares in the prizes, shall be determined solely by the relative success of the forecasts embodied in the respective bets;
 - (e) the total amount payable by way of winnings shall, in the case of each competition, be the total amount of the stakes in respect of entries in that competition less such percentage of that total amount as may be determined by the promoter, being—
 - (i) the same percentage in respect of all his competitions which depend on the same events or on events taking place on the same day ; and
 - (ii) a percentage which is determined and notified to the accountant before that day ;
 - (f) the rules applying to the competition shall be notified to the accountant before the first of the relevant sporting or other events takes place.
- 14 Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 13 (d) or (e) of this Schedule, the rules applicable to any competition may provide—
- (a) that the winnings shall not, in the case of any bet, exceed a stated amount and that any resulting decrease in the total amount payable in the case of the winning bets qualifying for, or for shares in, a prize in the competition shall be applied in increasing the amount payable in the case of the winning bets qualifying for, or for shares in, another prize or other prizes in that competition;
 - (b) that, in specified circumstances, one or more of the prizes shall not be paid and that the amount which would have been payable in the case of the winning bets qualifying for, or for shares in, that prize or those prizes shall be applied in increasing the amount payable in the case of the winning bets qualifying for, or for shares in, another prize or other prizes in that competition;

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- (c) for the winnings of winning bets (being bets staking the minimum permissible under the rules of the competition) being increased or decreased (with a view to facilitating payment) by not more than sixpence, and consequentially for the winnings of other winning 'bets (being bets staking more than the said minimum) being increased or decreased by not more than a proportionately greater sum than sixpence,

and the total amount payable by way of winnings in the case of the competition may exceed or fall short of the amount specified in the said paragraph 13 (e) to such extent as is reasonably necessary having regard to any such provision of the rules applicable thereto as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (c) of this paragraph.

- 15 Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 13 (d) or (e) of this Schedule, if it is found that a bet which ought to have been treated as a winning bet has been inadvertently overlooked, the promoter may pay to the person making that bet the sum paid by him to other persons making comparable bets, or, if there are no comparable bets, such sum as may be proper, and any sum paid under this paragraph shall be left out of account for the purposes of the said paragraph 13 (e).

- 16 Nothing in paragraph 13 (b) of this Schedule shall be construed as preventing—
- (a) several bets being made by a person relating to the same competition; or
 - (b) several bets (whether relating to the same competition or to different competitions) being made by a person by means of the same coupon or other entry form ; or
 - (c) the use of a formula for the purpose of making several bets and, in particular, the use for that purpose of any form of the device commonly known as a permutation.

- 17 Nothing in paragraph 13(f) of this Schedule shall be construed as requiring, in the case of a series of competitions proposed to be held under the same rules, that those rules should be re-notified to the accountant on the occasion of each competition, and, if the rules are altered before the series is completed, it shall suffice if the alteration is notified to the accountant before any of the sporting or other events relevant to the first competition to which the alteration applies takes place.

- 18 Nothing in paragraphs 13 to 17 of this Schedule shall prevent the rules of any competition from providing that the competition may be declared void in specified circumstances.

- 19 Where two or more competitions of the same registered pool promoter are so conducted that entries in all of them can be effected by a person without completing more than a single coupon or other entry form, the promoter may arrive at the total amount of the stakes in respect of the entries in each competition by—

- (a) ascertaining the aggregate total amount of the stakes in respect of the entries in all the competitions ; and
- (b) causing the said aggregate total amount to be apportioned among those competitions by reference to the results of an inspection of samples of the completed coupons or forms ;

and if the sampling, inspection and apportionment is such (both as to the process adopted and as to the manner of carrying it out) that the amount apportioned to each competition is not likely to differ from the total amount actually staked therein by more than one per cent. the amount so apportioned to any such competition shall for all the purposes of this Schedule be deemed to be the total amount actually staked in that competitions