

## **GAMBLING COMMISSION E-BULLETIN – ISSUE 75**

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Welcome to the fortnightly email bulletin from the Gambling Commission (the Commission).

**Please note, we were unable to send E-bulletin on the expected date (13 February 2009) due to a power cut at our offices.**

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### **Licence conditions and codes of practice: condition 11 on lottery limits revised**

Towards the end of last year, both the Gambling Commission and the Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) held consultations on the limits on large society lottery proceeds and prizes. As a result, DCMS has raised the maximum proceeds for individual large society lottery draws from £2 million to £4 million. This change means that a maximum prize of £400,000 is now possible for each draw.

Since the original limits were set in place by the Gambling Act 2005, the change required an Order to be approved by Parliament; the Gambling Act 2005 (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2009 came into effect on 4 February 2009.

However the limits also appear in the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice (LCCP) published by the Commission, in licence condition 11. In order for operators to apply the revised limits set in the Order, they must also be revised in the LCCP. Consequently we have published a supplement to the LCCP, revising this licence condition.

Ordinarily the Commission gives at least three months notice of changes to the licence conditions. However in this instance we consider it appropriate to introduce the change immediately. It will therefore take effect from 13 February 2009. A copy of the new LCCP supplement 5 has been sent to all operators affected by this change.