

Minimum Technical Requirements for Electronic Monitoring System

Pursuant to section 327 of the Gambling Act 2003, the Gambling Act (Class 4 Gambling Equipment) Minimum Standard 2004 has been amended by inserting the following sections into the Minimum Technical Requirements for Electronic Monitoring System (Cabling and Site Controller).

1. Gaming Machine Communications Interface & LAN Requirements

Section 1.2, relating to exclusions, amendments and additions to the incorporated specification 'EGM Communications Interface and LAN Requirements Version 2.0 Revised 8 August 2001' as published by the Queensland Office of Gaming Regulation, is amended as follows:

8.3.3

The following is added to the requirements for Venue Cabling Diagram:

“9a. Location and identification of any Third Party EGM Communication Tap-In Gambling Technology.”

9 Snooping the Loops

This section is included.

The last 2 paragraphs of the preamble are excluded and the following inserted:

“Any approval for third party systems listening of EGM communications will only apply to the actual connection to gambling equipment and venue LAN e.g. third party tap (sniffer) gambling equipment and not the functionality or operation of the third party system unless this is covered by an additional separate standard such as for a jackpot system. Performance and management type systems are not required to be approved under an additional standard.”

9.1 General Requirements for Methods of Tapping EGM Communications

The first 2 paragraphs of this subsection are excluded and the following is inserted.

“An approved third party tap gambling equipment and/or associated third party system must have no physical connection to be able to transmit data direct onto an EGM loop or to disrupt EGM/SC communications in any way.

No approved third party tap and/or associated third party system is to cause any problems or degradation of the existing EGM LAN in a venue and must be immediately removed if found to do so.

Any change to the venue fibre loop cabling to allow insertion of an approved third party sniffer gambling equipment and/or associated third party system is to be regarded as a significant gaming machine physical re-arrangement as described under section 10 LAN Testing.

Any change to the venue fibre loop cabling to allow insertion of an approved third party tap gambling equipment and/or associated third party system must be able to be undone and permit normal loop cable reconnection and operation.

There must be clear instructions and any necessary equipment kept with the 'sniffer' gambling equipment to allow venue or other authorised personnel to disable and remove this equipment and reconnect the venue loop.

All sniffer gambling equipment must be located in a suitable secured location within a venue in accordance with requirements detailed in '2. Site Controller Minimum Technical Requirements'. The sniffer gambling technology must not be co-located with site controller and associated equipment when this equipment is located in a secure cabinet."

Cabling between third party tap, sniffer, and associated third party system must as applicable meet requirements detailed for FO cable in terms of security and enclosure as contained in these standards.