



Legal Division

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby provided that in accordance with G.L. c. 30A § 2, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) will convene a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments, ideas, and information relative to the proposed adoption of regulations. The regulations were promulgated pursuant to G.L. c. 23N § 4, and G.L. c. 23K §§ 4 and 5, as part of the Commission’s regulatory process, and concern the following regulations:

205 CMR 141.06: Notice to the Commission of Changes

This section is amended by the Commission to clarify when and how communication between surveillance and security should be documented by gaming licensees.

205 CMR 152.03: Criteria for Exclusion

The proposed language is meant to address underage sport betting. Under the proposed changes, in determining whether the potential of injurious threat to the interests of the Commonwealth exists in accordance with 205 CMR 152.03(1)(e), the Investigations and Enforcement Bureau may consider two new criteria for the exclusion of an individual.

205 CMR 247.07: Acceptance of Sports Wagers

This section is being amended by the Commission to strike the language in the regulatory section that specifically permits the use of “digital, crypto and virtual currencies converted to cash.”

205 CMR 248.10: Account Deposits

This section is being amended by the Commission to strike the language in the regulatory section that specifically permits the use of “digital, crypto and virtual currencies converted to cash.”

Scheduled hearing date and time:

Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 9:30 AM EST

Pursuant to chapter 2 of the session acts of 2025, Governor Healey extended a limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of the public and individuals interested in attending public meetings during the global Coronavirus pandemic. In keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission will conduct this hearing utilizing remote collaboration technology.



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A complete copy of the draft regulations referenced above may be downloaded by visiting www.massgaming.com, clicking on 'Regulations and Compliance' and selecting the '[Proposed Rulemaking](#)' Section. Anyone wishing to offer comments can email Autumn.Birarelli@massgaming.gov and request the virtual hearing link to appear and speak. Alternatively, written comments may also be submitted to the same email address with 'Regulation Comment' in the subject line. **Comments must be received by 5:00 PM EST on November 17, 2025.** Additionally, please find the Small Business Impact Statements in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 2 attached.



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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) hereby files this small business impact statement in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §2 relative to the proposed amendment in **205 CMR 141.00: *Surveillance of the gaming establishment***, specifically, **205 CMR 141.06: *Notice to the Commission of Changes***; notice of which was filed this day with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. The regulation was developed as part of the process of promulgating regulations governing the operation of gaming establishments in the Commonwealth. The amendment updates the surveillance of the gaming establishment to create two clearly defined sections for notification and to clarify the reporting requirement between departments. This regulation amendment is authorized by M.G.L. c. 23K, §§ 4(28), 4(37) and 5(a)(9).

The amendment applies directly to gaming licensees. Accordingly, the amendment is unlikely to have an impact on small businesses. In accordance with G.L. c.30A, §2, the Commission offers the following responses:

1. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation:

There are no small businesses that the Commission anticipates will be impacted by the amendment as it applies solely to gaming licensees.

2. State the projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation:

There are no projected reporting, recordkeeping or administrative costs created by the regulation that would affect small businesses as the amendment applies solely to gaming licensees.

3. State the appropriateness of performance standards versus design standards:

As a general matter, the proposed amendment requires design standards that ensure adequate surveillance coverage of the casino and comply with best practices within the industry.

4. Identify regulations of the promulgating agency, or of another agency or department of the commonwealth, which may duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation:

There are no conflicting regulations in 205 CMR, and the Commission is unaware of any conflicting or duplicating regulations of any other agency or department of the Commonwealth.



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5. State whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the commonwealth:

The amendment updates the regulation pertaining to the surveillance operations of gaming establishments and therefore is not likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth.

Massachusetts Gaming Commission
By:

Melanie Foxx
Associate General Counsel
Legal Division

Dated: October 9, 2025



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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) hereby files this small business impact statement in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §2 relative to the proposed amendments to **205 CMR 152.00: *Individuals excluded from gaming and sports wagering***, specifically, **205 CMR 152.03: *Criteria for Exclusion***, notice of which was filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. The amendment was developed as part of the process of promulgating regulations governing sports wagering in the Commonwealth. This regulation is authorized by G.L. c. 23N, §§4(b), d(1) and (i).

The amendment applies directly to individuals participating in sports wagering in the Commonwealth. Accordingly, the proposed regulation is not likely to have a negative impact on small businesses. In accordance with G.L. c. 30A, § 2, the Commission offers the following responses:

1. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation:

It is unlikely that the proposed regulation changes would impact small businesses.

2. State the projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation:

Projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs are unlikely to change in any material way for compliance with the proposed regulation amendment.

3. State the appropriateness of performance standards versus design standards:

The amendment establishes design standards to define patron responsibilities and enforce age restrictions for sports wagering in Massachusetts. These standards also empower the Investigation and Enforcement Bureau to take appropriate action against individuals involved in cases of suspected or confirmed underage activity.

4. Identify regulations of the promulgating agency, or of another agency or department of the commonwealth, which may duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation:

There are no conflicting regulations in 205 CMR, and the Commission is unaware of any conflicting or duplicating regulations of any other agency or department of the Commonwealth.

5. State whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the commonwealth:



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This amendment will most likely not affect small businesses in an administrative capacity and is unlikely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth at this time.

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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) hereby files this Small Business Impact Statement in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §2, relative to the proposed amendment of **205 CMR 247 UNIFORM STANDARDS OF SPORTS WAGERING** specifically **205 CMR 247.07(5) Acceptance of Sports Wagers**.

This regulation was promulgated as part of the process of promulgating regulations governing sports wagering in the Commonwealth, and is primarily governed by G.L. c. 23N, §4. This regulation governs the process surrounding the acceptance of sports wagers by sports wagering operators.

The regulation applies to sports wagering operators. Accordingly, this regulation is unlikely to have an impact on small businesses. Under G.L. c.30A, §2, the Commission offers the following responses to the statutory questions:

1. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation:

This regulation is unlikely to have an impact on small businesses.

2. State the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation:

There are no projected reporting, recordkeeping, or other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with this regulation.

3. State the appropriateness of performance standards versus design standards:

No standards applicable to small businesses are set forth. Provided standards are performance standards.

4. Identify regulations of the promulgating agency, or of another agency or department of the Commonwealth, which may duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation:

There are no conflicting regulations in 205 CMR, and the Commission is unaware of any conflicting or duplicating regulations of any other agency or department of the Commonwealth.

5. State whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth:



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This amendment is unlikely to have any impact on the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth.

Massachusetts Gaming Commission
By:

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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) hereby files this Small Business Impact Statement in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §2, relative to the proposed amendment of **205 CMR 248 UNIFORM STANDARDS OF SPORTS WAGERING** specifically **205 CMR 248.10(2) Account Deposits**.

This regulation was promulgated as part of the process of promulgating regulations governing sports wagering in the Commonwealth, and is primarily governed by G.L. c. 23N, §4. This regulation governs the process surrounding the funding of sports wagering accounts.

The regulation applies to sports wagering operators. Accordingly, this regulation is unlikely to have an impact on small businesses. Under G.L. c.30A, §2, the Commission offers the following responses to the statutory questions:

1. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation:

This regulation is unlikely to have an impact on small businesses.

2. State the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation:

There are no projected reporting, recordkeeping, or other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with this regulation.

3. State the appropriateness of performance standards versus design standards:

No standards applicable to small businesses are set forth. Provided standards are performance standards.

4. Identify regulations of the promulgating agency, or of another agency or department of the Commonwealth, which may duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation:

There are no conflicting regulations in 205 CMR, and the Commission is unaware of any conflicting or duplicating regulations of any other agency or department of the Commonwealth.

5. State whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth:



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This amendment is unlikely to have any impact on the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth.

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