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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 amendment and adoption of **205 CMR 250: Protection of Minors and Underage Youth from Sports Wagering**. The regulation was promulgated pursuant to G.L. c. 23N §§ 4 and 13(d) as part of the Commission’s regulatory process, and concerns the following regulation:

205 CMR 250: Protection of minors and underage youth from sports wagering

The regulation is being amended by the Commission to correct a discrepancy found between language in this regulation and language found in 205 CMR 150, which governs the protection of minors and youth in gaming. It is being amended to add language to require sports wagering operators to deposit any winnings, in addition to losses, resulting from prohibited sports wagering by those under 21 years old into the Sports Wagering Fund. The regulation is further being amended to address and correct typographical errors.

Scheduled hearing date and time:

Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 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 regulation 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 Jenna.Hentoff@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. **Written comments must be received by 5:00 PM EST on March 9, 2026.**

Additionally, please find the Small Business Impact Statement 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 amendments to **205 CMR 250: Protection of Minors and Underage Youth from Sports Wagering**. This regulation was developed as part of the process of promulgating regulations governing sports wagering in the Commonwealth. The amendments to the regulation clarify the handling of funds resulting from prohibited sports wagering by those under 21 years of age and make corrections to typographical errors. The regulation amendments are authorized by G.L. c. 23N, §§ 4 and 13(d).

The amendments apply directly to licensed Sports Wagering Operators in the Commonwealth. Accordingly, these proposed amendments are not likely 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 would be impacted by the amendments to this regulation.

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

There are no projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs created by the amendments to this regulation that would affect small businesses.

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

The amendments to this regulation utilize performance standards to ensure licensee compliance with the requirements outlined in the regulation.

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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The amendments to this regulation are unlikely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth.

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Dated: January 29, 2026



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