

**NOTIFICATION OF 2 OR LESS GAMING MACHINES or  
**GAMING MACHINE PERMIT APPLICATIONS (i.e. for greater than 2 machines) for:  
CONVERSION / NEW / VARIATION / TRANSFER****

**Guidance notes:**

1. This form is to be used for the **notification of up to 2 gaming machines** of categories C and / or D under Section 282 of the Gambling Act 2005, or for the **conversion of an existing Section 34** gaming machine permit under the Gaming Act 1968, or for a **new application, variation or transfer** of a alcohol licensed premises gaming machine permit under the Gambling Act 2005.
2. The premises must be licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises, without the requirement that alcohol is served only with food and there must be a bar for serving alcohol to customers on the premises.
3. The gaming machines must be located on these licensed premises.
4. A 'Premises Licence holder' is a person holding a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003.
5. There is no statutory limit to the number of machines which may be applied for although the licensing authority has some discretion in this regard. It should also be noted that the licensing authority can cancel the permit or vary the number of machines should the premises be mainly used for making gaming machines available for use on the premises (Schedule 13 paragraph 16 Gambling Act 2005). You may therefore wish to contact the licensing authority to ask whether there is a local policy as regards applications and whether application for certain numbers of machines are decided via a hearing of local councillors.
6. The permit's duration is indefinite as it is linked to the Licensing Act 2003 Premises Licence. There is a first annual fee payable within 30 days of the issue date of the permit and an annual fee payable after that before each anniversary of the date of issue of the permit. Failure to pay the annual fee may result in the cancellation of the permit. The annual fee is £50. There is no annual fee payable for 2 machines or less.
7. Sections 282 and 283 and Statutory Instrument 2009 No. 1502 of the Gambling Act 2005 provide for two types of gaming machines which can be located in alcohol licensed premises. These are:

Category of machine	Maximum stake	Maximum prize
C	£1	£70
D (Money-prize machine)	10p	£5 cash
D (Crane Grab Machines)	£1	£50
D (Non-money prize machine (other than Crane Grab Machine))	30p when non- monetary prize	£8 non-monetary prize

D (For coin pushers and penny fall machines)	10p	£15 (£8 maximum in cash)
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8. **All alcohol licensed premises which provide gaming machines for use on the premises must comply with any relevant Code of Practice issued by the Gambling Commission under Section 24 of the Gambling Act 2005.** The Gaming Machine Code of Practice for Alcohol licensed premises permits and permissions is available via the Gambling Commission's website at: <http://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/UploadDocs/Contents/Documents/Gaming%20Machine%20Permits%20Code%20of%20Practice.pdf> Should you be unclear as to the provisions of the code of practice please contact the Gambling Commission or your local Council licensing service.
9. This licensing authority must notify the applicant of its grant / refusal of the application for a permit as soon as is reasonable practicable after that decision to grant / refuse has been made.
10. Where you are notifying the local licensing authority of 2 machines or less, you may wish to request an acknowledgement of receipt of the notification. The form attached to this application can be utilised for this purpose.