



Gaming Regulation

The new penalty system for online gaming comes into effect today

- Regulation of the sector will this business activity to grow from which a large part of the revenues reverts to the public purse and social activities.
- Ministry of Finance highlights the fact that fines of up to 50 million euros will be imposed on anyone breaching the regulations and that illegal websites will be shut down.

15 June 2012. The Ministry of Finance and Public Administrations, through the Directorate General for the Regulation of Gambling (DGOJ), today published the list of 53 companies that have been awarded gaming licences. This marks the coming into effect of the new penalty system established in the Gaming Regulation Act. From today, penalty processes will be applied to any practises that contravene the gaming legislation, particularly those aimed at the precautionary closure of gaming websites run by operators that do not have the corresponding licence. Penalties for illegal practices can be as high as 50 million euros. This will translate into a significant increase in protection both for consumers of gaming products and society in general.

The Directorate General for the Regulation of Gaming highlighted the potential risk faced by players who have funds deposited in the accounts of unauthorised online gaming operators, as illegal websites could be closed down as of today and will consequently be inaccessible from Spain. The DGOJ recommends recovering these funds. These operators are obliged to enable Spanish customers to recover their funds before completely ceasing their activity in Spain.

The Ministry of Finance also emphasised the business opportunity being generated in the gaming industry and how a large part of the revenues

from this industry is paid directly into the public purse and used for social activities. The list of companies that have been awarded licences and are therefore entitled to operate through websites based in Spain (.es) is as follows:

Licencias de Juego adjudicadas (06/06/2012)

53 entidades licenciatarias de 59 solicitantes

TOTAL LICENCIAS (LG + LS)	Licencias GENERALES	LG OTROS JUEGOS	LG APUESTAS	LG CONCURSOS	Licencias SINGULARES
277	91	44	29	18	186
888 Spain, PLC	2	1	1		6
Antena 3 Juegos, SAU	2	1		1	3
Apuesta Ganadora Online, SA	1		1		0
Banegrás Unión, SA	2	1	1		5
Betfair International, PLC	2	1	1		3
Bingo Soft, SAU	1	1			2
Bluesblock, SA	1			1	1
Carousel Game, SA	1			1	1
Casino Barcelona Interactivo, SA	1	1			5
Casino Ocio Online, SA	2	1		1	0
Cirsa Digital, SAU	2	1	1		6
Codere Online, SAU	3	1	1	1	0
Comar Inversiones, SA	2	1	1		0
Desarrollo Online Juegos Regulados, SA	3	1	1	1	8
Digital Distribution Management Ibérica, SA	1	1			5
Ebingo Online España, SA	1	1			3
Electraworks, PLC	2	1	1		5
Esgaming, SAU	3	1	1	1	6
Eurojuego Star, SA	3	1	1	1	7
G2 Gaming Spain, SA	2	1	1		8
Gamesys Spain, PLC	1	1			3

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