

THE FOUNDATION OF GAMBLING SUPERVISION BOARD (GSB)

On the basis of authorisation given by Article 38 (1b) of Act XXXIV of 1991 on Gambling Operations the Government of Hungary has appointed Gambling Supervision Board (hereinafter: GSB) as the gaming supervisory authority by the Government Decree 183/2017. (VII.5.) (hereinafter: Government Decree).

Under provisions of the Government Decree, GSB took up its duties on 6 July 2017.

As referred to Article 10 (2) of the Government Decree, GSB, which is operating as a market surveillance type central office and as a central budgetary institution, has departed from the National Tax and Customs Administration (hereinafter: national tax authority) and is the successor of the national tax authority regarding the gambling supervision responsibilities described within the Gambling Act and within the Government Decree.

THE STATUS OF GSB

GSB is controlled by the minister responsible for the public supervision of gambling operations (the minister responsible for national assets) and is operating as a market surveillance type central office and as a central budgetary institution, which has an independent economic management, so as well acting as a consumer protection authority related to advertisement promoting games of chance.

GSB is operating at national level / has a national jurisdiction.

GSB is led by the Chair. The Vice-Chair of General Issues and the Vice-Chair of Economic Issues support the Chair's work.

The basic data of GSB are the following:

- a) *name of authority*: Gambling Supervision Board;
- b) *short name of authority*: GSB;
- c) *date of foundation*: 6 July 2017;
- d) *law of foundation*: Government Decree 183/2017. (VII. 5.);
- e) *date of deed of foundation*: 18 June 2019.;
- f) *number of deed of foundation*: VSZKF/1697/13/2019-MKI ;
- g) *registered office*: Sas utca 20-22., H-1051 Budapest, Hungary;
- h) *postal address*: 1372 Budapest, Pf. 431.
- i) *account number*: MÁK 10032000-00338491-000000000

THE TASKS OF GSB

GSB carries out the tasks related to the supervision of gambling operations entrusted to it by the national legislation, in particular as follows:

- a) performs official supervision of the activities covered by the *Gambling Operations Act* (hereinafter: Act), supervise the gambling organizer's exercise of rights, and continuously supervises and controls the gambling market;

b) acting as an authority in licensing and game plan modification procedures related to gambling organization;

c) oversees the compliance of “*Law on the Prevention and Combating of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing*” (hereinafter: "Pmt") and “*On the implementation of financial and asset restriction measures ordered by the European Union and the United Nations Security Council*” ("Pvkit") provisions; if necessary, issues a code for gambling operators, a supervisory risk assessment and a supervisory procedure in relation to the prevention and combating of money laundering and terrorist financing;

d) carries out authority supervision and litigation related to gambling activities, as well as enforce decisions that have become enforceable and enforcing confiscation;

e) takes action against illegal, unauthorized gambling operators; initiates criminal proceedings, follows up on the allegations that were made and takes appropriate measures in relation to the subject matter, also the measures taken by the investigating authority in connection with the investigation and the decisions taken in the criminal proceedings, and initiates supervision proceedings with the National Media and Infocommunications Authority (hereinafter: "NMHH");

f) acts as consumer protection authority related to the violation of Act XLVIII of 2008 on the Basic Requirements and Certain Restrictions of Commercial Advertising Activities Section 5 (1) and Section 21.

g) records and handles complaints and notices in public interest related to gambling supervision activities;

h) operates customer support services related to gambling supervision activities; and issues professional statements, in addition responds to clients submissions with information on gambling supervision activities;

i) carries out it's tasks related to gambling-related concession tenders and contracts;

j) carries out register related tasks which are containing gambling supervision activities; manages the gambling licensing and conducting, as well as gambling related revenues and cash transactions covered by the scope of the Act;

k) carries out it's tasks which are related to player protection and responsible gambling organizing;

l) prepares, and provides opinion on legislative proposals for the Act and related laws;

m) monitors and maintains the information in prospectuses which are related to its responsibilities and operates a gambling supervision website;

n) carries out tasks which are related to non-gambling activities (slot machine, promotional contests of chance);

GSB also initiates criminal proceedings related to illegal gambling activities, and keeps track of the actions taken by the law enforcement authorities as well as all the necessary measures related to decisions adopted during the criminal investigation by the law enforcement authorities.

The detailed rules of the activities carried out by GSB are laid down by:

DECREE No. 1/2018. (X.30.) NVTNM OF THE MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING NATIONAL ASSETS.