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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This notice is issued by the Authority pursuant to regulation 20(2) of the Casino Control (Gaming Equipment) Regulations 2009.
- 1.2 This notice shall take effect from 10 May 2019.
- 1.3 All terms used in this notice, unless the context otherwise requires or otherwise defined, shall have the same meanings as in the Casino Control Act (Cap. 33A) (the “Act”) and any regulations made thereunder.

2. UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES

- 2.1 The evaluation of gaming equipment serves to ensure that the operation of a casino is and remains free from criminal influence or exploitation and that gaming in a casino is conducted honestly.
- 2.2 Hence, all gaming equipment must be designed and manufactured to allow operations of a casino to be conducted in a manner that is honest, secure, auditable and reliable.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-ELECTRONIC CARD SHOES

- 3.1 Every non-electronic card shoe shall bear the name or logo of a casino operator, or any other form of artwork that would indicate that the non-electronic card shoe belongs to a particular casino operator.
- 3.2 Every non-electronic card shoe shall bear, at minimum, the following information:-
 - a. The name of manufacturer;
 - b. A unique serial number;
 - c. The model number; and
 - d. The date of manufacture.
- 3.3 The lip of the non-electronic card shoe shall be designed with bristles.
- 3.4 The body of the card shoe and the card shoe lid shall be constructed using solid material that is opaque, with all loose panels secured in a way to ensure that they have not been tampered with or conceal any hidden compartment.
- 3.5 The roller shall be constructed using solid material, with no loose panel that may conceal any hidden compartment. Any wheel on the roller shall be able to move freely.

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- 3.6 The roller shall:-
- a. Be designed so that when positioned at the top of the ramp, it will roll to the bottom of its own accord; and
 - b. Be constructed and fitted to prevent ‘seconds¹’ from inadvertently being dealt.
- 3.7 The card shoe shall be designed to facilitate the dealing of cards without revealing their face value.
- 3.8 The card shoe shall not leave any marking on the cards that may assist, help or otherwise allow any person to predict or project the outcome of a game.
- 3.9 The card shoe shall be designed and manufactured in such a manner to preclude the possibility of viewing of cards loaded into it.

4. GENERAL

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¹ Seconds refer to the additional card beyond the first.