

**DECISION UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON AN APPLICATION  
BY SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED FOR APPROVAL OF  
TWO NEW FLOOR PLANS FOR THE AUCKLAND CASINO**

Date of Decision:  November 2019

1. On 7 November 2019, SKYCITY Casino Management Limited (“**SCML**”) applied, pursuant to condition 11 of its operator’s licence for the Auckland casino, for approval of two new floor plans, “2019 L2 007” and “2019 L3 007”.
2. Condition 11 provide as follows:
  11. The Licence Holder shall operate in accordance with approved floor layouts showing the position of gaming tables and gaming machines. The Licence Holder shall obtain approval for new floor plans prior to relocating or installing tables or machines in positions not specified in approved floor layouts. When applying, the Licence Holder must submit fresh plans showing the floor layout for the Gambling Area and details of the proposed CCTV layout for consideration. Any change must comply with the Surveillance Standard. The Executive Director and a single Gambling Commissioner may approve the new floor plans if they are satisfied that the floor layout has no potentially adverse effects. If they are not so satisfied, the proposed floor plan must be referred to the Commission for a decision on approval.
3. SCML submitted:
  - (a) It wants to make changes to the placement of gaming product on levels 2 and 3 of the Auckland casino and therefore seeks approval of plans 2019 L2 007 and 2019 L3 007.
  - (b) The various changes are as follows:

*Level 2*

    - Remove one EGM from the outdoor Gambling Area and reconfigure the remaining machines
    - Remove 8 FATGs
    - Install one gaming table


*Level 3*

    - Install one gaming table and allocate the same as a Substitute Table (“**ST**”) pursuant to condition 6A of SCML’s operator’s licence.
  - (c) The reconfiguration of EGMs on the outdoor Gambling Area will facilitate the introduction of more effective and aesthetic screening designed to ensure SKYCITY Auckland Limited continues to comply with the visibility restrictions set out in condition 8 of its venue licence. Subject to approval of these plans, and following deployment, it will invite the casino inspectors to inspect the changes to this area.

- (d) The substitute table on level 3 is to be paired with a table in the salons on the south side of Level 5 once the construction and design works have been completed in that area. Further floor plan of level 5 denoting this arrangement will be submitted to the Commission for approval in due course. Pending approval of this further plan, the new ST table will not be used.
- (e) At all times the number of EGMs and gaming tables (including STs) will comply with the requirements of its licence conditions. Similarly, the mix of games will comply with approved game mixes. Changes to the CCTV layout will be implemented to ensure compliance with the Surveillance Standard.
4. The proposal raises no issues of regulatory concern for the Commission. Accordingly plans 2019 L2 007 and 2019 L3 007 (**attached**) are approved by the Chief Gambling Commissioner and the Executive Director under delegated authority pursuant to condition 11 of SCML's operator's licence for the Auckland casino.
5. Once SCML is reliant on plan 2019 L2 007 plan 2019 L2 006 will cease to be valid.
6. Once SCML is reliant on plan 2019 L3 007, plan 2019 L3 006 will cease to be valid.



**Graeme Reeves**  
Chief Gambling Commissioner  
Gambling Commission



**Blair Cairncross**  
Executive Director  
Gambling Commission

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