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## GAMING MACHINE TAX

Clubs and hotels will have their gaming machine tax payments deferred from March 2020 until 1 September 2020.

### FAQS

#### **Is there any change to Centralised Monitoring System (CMS) fees for gaming machines that are switched-off because of venue shutdowns?**

Yes. Tabcorp are offering industry support by suspending CMS Monitoring fees for gaming machines for a month from 23 March 2020, in light of venue shutdowns. Tabcorp will continue to review the situation monthly and the fee suspension may be extended. If so, this webpage will be updated.

#### **Do venues closed to the public need to turn gaming machines on for 15 minutes every seven days?**

While venues may choose to turn off their gaming machines during current circumstances, it is recommended core CMS equipment (site controller and routers) should remain on.

Venues who are considering shutting down their gaming machines for an extended period should first consult their manufacturer, as there may be other considerations that could impact the performance or longevity of machines. For example, some manufacturers recommended powering on all gaming machines for a minimum of 4 hours every few days or per week to allow back-up batteries to maintain charge.

If possible, for monitoring and integrity purposes, on the last day of the assessment quarter (any time between 10am – midnight) venues should:

- ▶ Turn on all gaming machines, progressive controllers / jackpot-systems
- ▶ Leave them all running together for half an hour.

This will help the gaming machine reconciliation and assessment system process. Hotel end of quarter dates in 2020 are 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December.

Club end of quarter dates in 2020 are 30 May, 31 August and 30 November.



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## PARKING SPACE LEVY

Parking space levy payments will be deferred until 30 September 2020.

## LOTTERIES AND KENO

Lotteries and Keno payments will be deferred from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020.

## COURT PROCEEDINGS

Revenue NSW will not be listing any new Court Attendance Notices or Court Elections from 23 March 2020 until 1 October 2020.

## FEE AND LICENSE RELIEF

The NSW Government is waiving a range of licence and permit fees for businesses for 12 months.

Fees will be waived during the 12-month relief period.

For most licences, when you make a new application or need to renew you will not be charged.

### Relief period

The relief period is 12 months from:

- ▶ 1 April 2020, or
- ▶ 15 April 2020, or
- ▶ 20 April 2020

### Eligible fees and licences

#### Liquor and Gaming NSW

Businesses like restaurants, bars, pubs, clubs, hotels, bottle shops (with three or less outlets) and most other licensed venues will benefit from the following being waived:



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- ▶ New liquor licence application fees and pro-rata liquor licence fees
- ▶ Annual liquor licence base fees and trading hours risk loading fees
- ▶ Compliance risk loadings will not be waived, but deferred and included as part of 2021-2022 annual liquor licence fees.

Fee waivers for these licences start from 1 April.

### NSW Fair Trading

For 1 April:

- ▶ Paintball venue permit
- ▶ Tattoo parlour operator licence

From 15 April:

- ▶ Home building contractor licence
- ▶ Trade or specialist contractor licence
- ▶ Motor vehicle repairer specialist licence

From 20 April:

- ▶ Licence fee waivers for tattooists
- ▶ Home Building: Qualified Supervisor Certificates
- ▶ Home Building: Tradesperson Certificates
- ▶ Motor Vehicle Tradesperson Certificates

### SafeWork NSW

From 1 April:

- ▶ Pyrotechnician licence
- ▶ Registration permit of amusement device

From 15 April:

- ▶ Asbestos removal licences and asbestos assessor licence
- ▶ Demolition licence
- ▶ High risk work licence

From 20 April:

- ▶ High Risk Work Assessor Accreditation
- ▶ SafeWork Registered Training Organisations (for asbestos, construction and high-risk work training) – new applications only



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## HOW TO APPLY

Fees will be waived automatically when you apply during the 12-month relief period. So when you make a new application or apply to renew, you will not be charged.

## FAQS

### Which licence and permits are eligible?

From 1 April 2020 new application and renewal fees will be waived for:

- ▶ Paintball venue permits
- ▶ Tattoo parlour operator licence.

From 15 April 2020 new application and renewal fees will be waived for:

- ▶ Home building contractor licences
- ▶ Trade or specialist contractor licences
- ▶ Motor vehicle repairer licences.

From 20 April 2020 new application and renewal fees will be waived for:

- ▶ Tattooist licence
- ▶ Home building: Qualified Supervisor Certificates (Building supervisor certificate)
- ▶ Home building: tradesperson certificates
- ▶ Motor vehicle tradesperson certificates

### IMPORTANT

- ▶ We are waiving fees for the minimum renewal term (some licences can be purchased for different lengths of time, such as for one or three years).
- ▶ The fee waiver does not apply for change of class, changes to the licence or replacement of the licence.



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