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2 **Title 36 MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY**

3 **Subtitle 10 SPORTS WAGERING PROVISIONS**

4 **Chapter 18 Sports Wagering Technical Standards**

5 **Authority: State Government Article, §§9-1E-01—9-1E-15, Annotated Code of Maryland**

6 **.04 Geolocation Systems.**

7 A. A sports wagering licensee shall keep its geolocation system up to date by integrating current
8 solutions in real time that can detect the use of:

9 (1) Remote desktop software;

10 (2) Rootkits;

11 (3) Virtualization; and

12 (4) Any other programs identified by the Commission as having the ability to circumvent
13 geolocation measures.

14 B. The sports wagering licensee shall continually review the integrity of the geolocation system
15 to ensure that the system detects and mitigates existing and emerging location fraud risks.

16 C. A sports wagering platform shall utilize a geolocation system to:

17 (1) Reasonably detect the physical location of an individual attempting to access the sports
18 wagering platform and place a sports wager; and

19 (2) Monitor and block attempts to place an online sports wager when an individual is not within
20 the State.

21 D. The geolocation system required by §C of this regulation shall:

22 (1) Ensure that a bettor:

23 (a) Is located within the State when placing a sports wager; and

24 (b) Can dynamically monitor the bettors location; and

25 (2) Block unauthorized attempts to place a sports wager when an individual is not within the
26 State.

27 E. A sports wagering licensee shall:

28 (1) Prior to commencing operations, and annually thereafter, ensure:

- 1 **(a) Its** geolocation system is tested by a Commission approved testing laboratory; **and**
- 2 **(b) A report of the annual testing is submitted to the Commission no later than 120 days**
- 3 **after the end of the licensee’s fiscal year;**
- 4 (2) Ensure that testing of the geolocation system includes:
- 5 (a) Attempts to place wagers at locations from outside of the State from multiple locations within
- 6 varying distances from the State border;
- 7 (b) Attempts to place wagers at locations within the State from multiple locations within varying
- 8 distances from the State border; and
- 9 (c) Attempts to place wagers in which the tester crosses the State border;
- 10 (3) For all geolocation testing, ensure that the frequency of geolocation check is documented and
- 11 tested;
- 12 (4) Ensure that testing confirms that a geolocation check occurs immediately upon a change of IP
- 13 address;
- 14 (5) Ensure that testing includes static and mobile connections; and
- 15 (6) Ensure that testing is completed on all device types using the most prevalent versions
- 16 available.
- 17 F. A sports wagering licensee shall grant the Commission read only access to its geolocation
- 18 system as required by the Commission.
- 19 G. In addition to the requirements in this regulation, the Commission may require a sports
- 20 wagering licensee to implement other geolocation features.