



UK licence application by AGCC licensee – *August update.*

FAQs

1. Do I need a UK licence?

- If you are taking UK-based players, advertising into UK or supplying sites that are doing these, you are likely to be breaking UK law from October (or from January, 2015 re “supplying sites”), if you don’t have an appropriate UK licence.
- You are recommended to contact your legal advisers and look at the UKGC site. AGCC can only provide informal guidance.

2. Can I apply from Alderney?

- Yes; an Alderney company can apply for and hold a UK licence as well as an AGCC licence.

3. How will it affect my AGCC business?

- A Category 1 eGambling licensee’s Net Gambling Yield (“NGY”) and therefore its licence fee will be adjusted downwards, at renewal, to exclude NGY originating under the UK licence (this is a pending adjustment to Alderney regulation but will be given immediate effect).
- The Alderney company undertaking UK licenced activity will need to be licensed for that same activity in Alderney.
- The UK licenced activity will be regulated by UK to their standards. There are some significant differences (such as player complaints); the AGCC ICS will need to be amended to exclude UK licenced activity; you will need to submit a revision in the usual way.
- If your business is purely UK-facing, AGCC’s requirements for ICS and games testing will be significantly reduced. However AGCC’s hosting and games server security guideline requirements will remain unchanged.
- The Category 1 eGambling licensee will need to produce a migration plan for its “UK” players, including a revised set of terms and conditions.

4. How does my Alderney licence help the process?

- The UKGC site has an application form, which highlights the reduced requirements for applicants holding a licence from Alderney (or other relevant jurisdiction). This can be found at www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk
- BUT a supporting statement from AGCC is required and we will provide this directly to UKGC, for a fixed fee of £250, upon receipt of your written clearance to provide this information. We will also need a copy of the completed application you submit to the UKGC, downloaded or copied from their site.

5. What is the process?

- Your UK application is copied to AGCC; initial contact please to info@agcc.gg
- Our fee must be paid (or authorisation to take from sums held by AGCC) and our disclosure consent form completed.
- AGCC will then submit a fixed format declaration direct to UKGC, and confirm to the applicant that this has been done.
- You can nominate AGCC for player dispute resolution (“ADR” in UK terms). AGCC will accept this nomination, initially on a trial basis, and at no cost.
- *A specific UK requirement for local support for collection of unpaid UK debts from its overseas-resident licensees, is now under active discussion between the relevant authorities in UK and Guernsey.*

6. What is the UK timeframe?

- The UK process commenced July 15th, and their “Continuation licence” window closes Sept 15th.
- We will accept requests for support in this process immediately.
- We are informed that AGCC applicants will, *upon completion of this process*, receive a UK “continuation” licence of right.

7. What if I have any queries?

- Any queries relating to your UK application should be made to the UKGC.
- Your AGCC relationship manager will be able to assist you in relation to actions necessary under your Alderney licence.

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