



**OFFICE OF CENSORSHIP**  
**Office of The Chief Censor**  
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## CIRCULAR INSTRUCTION NO 04/2020

TO : All Bookmaker Operators currently operating in Papua New Guinea.  
Operations such as: -

- ✓ Betting Shops (Horse Race)
- ✓ Online Sports Tabs
- ✓ Other related business operations

This Circular Instruction serves to inform you that a directive has been issued by the Chief Censor under the Classification of Publication (Censorship) Act, 1989, Regulation.

Any person or entity operating the business activities stated above or any related bookmaking activity(s) with the use of a Master antenna (satellite disc) receiving foreign channels is a *Special Cable Television Operation* and must register their operations with the Office. Specific to the unregulated content of the channels being viewed by the public.

As Stipulated under **Part III, Section 25-27** of ***the Classification of Publication (Censorship) Act 1989***

"A person shall not establish or operate a prescribed activity, unless the premises in, or on which the activity is to be established or is being operated, are registered under this Act as Publication Premises."

As per the directives of the Chief Censor, you are hereby informed to register your prescribed activity(s) compliant to the regulations of the Office of Censorship. All Bookmaker Operators are to take immediate action. Failure to comply will result in a default penalty fine of **K3000 (Spot Fine)** and referred to Investment Promotion Authority for non-compliance to set government regulation.

Enforcement & Compliance Officers will be conducting inspections of all Bookmaker operations to ensure compliance with the Chief Censors Directives.

For your information and compliance.

  
JIM ABANI  
Chief Censor

