Regulatory Scrutiny of B2B Suppliers Tom Whitton



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It's business. But it's personal.



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Evolving Regulatory Landscape



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Warning to suppliers about content appearing on unlicensed websites







Michigan

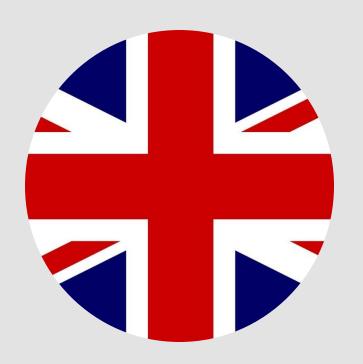
New requirement for disclosures about supply of unlicensed operators

Sweden

Financial penalties issued after suppliers' games appeared on unlicensed websites

Romania

Licensed suppliers must report every deal they sign with any operator



UK

Jurisdictional explanation document



Gambling Commission Approach

Over 770 cease and desist and disruption notices

102,000 URLs have been referred to Google

264 websites have been taken down



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Dedicated Illegal Markets Team It is ready to act if supplier games appear on illegal sites It will address any failure to consider illegal activities by B2C operators

More compliance assessments and investigations into B2B businesses

Gambling Commission Approach

Considerations for B2B Suppliers

Evaluate onboarding procedures to elicit info from outset

Ensure contracts mitigate legal, regulatory and reputational risk & enforce them

Demand compliance from all B2C operator clients

How can suppliers improve their processes?

Use internet scraping to identify unauthorised use and issue cease and desist

Implications for B2C Operators









Have robust onboarding procedures in place



Check whether they have been subject to regulatory enforcement action

Have well-drafted licensing agreements in place

Include short notice termination rights if supplier actions could affect the operator's reputation

Conclusion

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