

IMDA ONLINE USER GUIDE

VIDEO GAMES DECLARATION

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1.0 Introduction

This document serves as a guide for a video game distributor or publisher to use the IMDA Online system to:

- Declare Master Copy 'A' video games for classification (GA/GA2)
- Apply for rating labels for duplicate copies of M18 games (GSD)
- Search for and verify the rating of video games
- Perform status enquiry for submissions; and

1.1 Video Games Classification

The Classification System covers:

- All games that are to be distributed in Singapore in physical media or any form of physical storage. These include but are not limited to games for the following platforms:
 - Windows PC
 - Macintosh
 - PlayStation 4 / Playstation 4 Pro
 - PlayStation Vita
 - Xbox One / Xbox One X
 - Nintendo Switch
 - Nintendo 3DS / New Nintendo 3DS
 - Others
- Installation discs of Massively Multiplayer Online (MMOs) games that are for distribution.

The Classification System <u>does not</u> cover:

- Games that are only available via Internet download
- Arcade video game machines¹
- Software used primarily for business, scientific, educational or accounting purposes

¹ Arcade centre operators and importers should use the 'Declaration for Interactive Software' eservice on the IMDA Online e-services page to declare their arcade machines.

The Video Games Classification framework adopts a co-regulatory approach:

- Distributors declare games using IMDA Online and answer a questionnaire to highlight the content of a game. IMDA will selectively request for rating materials when required.
- Once IMDA verifies and approves the submission, you can proceed to distribute the game.
- Video games that contain classifiable elements will be rated Advisory 16 or Mature 18, and will need to be affixed with the corresponding rating labels and consumer advisory.
- Exempt video games need not be affixed with any labels, upon furnishing the required information to the Authority. These are 'General' games that do not contain depictions of content elements that fall within Advisory 16 or Mature 18 ratings.
- Video games with materials that exceed the content standards of the M18 rating will be refused classification.
- The detailed content standards can be found in the Video Game Classification Guidelines, which is made available on the IMDA website.

Classification Ratings

Video Games Classification comprises of two ratings:

Mature 18 (M18)





Rating Label

Advisory 16 (ADV16)



Rating Marking



Rating-cum-advisory Label

Mature 18 (M18) rating:

- Games that contain mature themes, realistic depictions of violence, drug use, nudity, sex and frequent use of strong coarse language, will be classified M18.
- M18 is a restricted rating. Such games are only suitable for those aged 18 years and above, and distributors must ensure that they are not distributed to those below the age of 18.
- The exterior packaging of M18 games must be affixed with the M18 rating label (purchased from IMDA) and a self-printed consumer advice. (see page 6 for example)
- The consumer advice highlights the contentious element(s) for which the rating was given. The label should be clear and legible.

Advisory 16 rating:

- Advisory 16 games may contain moderate depictions of violence, implied sexual activity, nudity without details, coarse language, horror elements and incidental depictions of illegal drug use that is unrealistic.
- ADV16 is an advisory rating. Such games are only suitable for those aged 16 and above.
- The exterior packaging of ADV16 games must be affixed with the selfprinted ADV16 rating-cum-advisory label, which comprises the rating marking and the consumer advisory "Suitable for 16 & Above".
- The affixed label should be clear and legible. You may download a sample of the ADV16 rating label from the IMDA website. (see page 6 for example)
- Age Advisory games (i.e. those approved before 29-Apr-2019) can continue to use the Age Advisory label or the ADV16 rating label.

For box-sets, compilations, collections

- Box-sets, compilations or collections that contain more than 1 game title bundled together in a single packaging will only carry a single rating label that bears the highest rating amongst the packaged games.
- Consumer advice need to be indicated clearly for each M18 and ADV16 title included in the box-set (see page 7 to 9 for examples)

Example of an M18 rating label with consumer advice

* for illustrative purpose only



Example of an Advisory 16 rating-cum-advisory label

* for illustrative purpose only



Examples of a box-set with single highest rating label and consumer advice for each title

* for illustrative purpose only

Example 1: Multiple M18 games



Examples of a box-set with single highest rating label and consumer advice for each title

* for illustrative purpose only

Example 2: M18 game + ADV16 game



Examples of a box-set with single highest rating label and consumer advice for each title

* for illustrative purpose only

Example 3: M18 game + General game



For box-sets where the highest rating is Advisory16, only the ADV16 label needs to be affixed on the front cover of the game.

1.2 Service Standards & Fees

Processing Time

Declarations for exempted video games, which IMDA does not require any submission of rating materials, will be verified within 2 working days.

For games with mature elements, or which IMDA requests materials for content assessment, the submission will be approved within 10 working days, from when all required materials have been provided.

For games submitted under priority request (i.e. Premium Service), the submission will be approved within 5 working days, <u>from when all required materials have been provided</u>. Premium Service submissions will only be accepted when detailed rating materials (i.e. documents, scripts and gameplay video) are provided.

The Video Games Submission Guidelines lay out the requirements regarding rating materials typically requested by IMDA for assessment (refer to Annex A).

Fees

Fees are applicable to games that are classified as M18 or refused classification:

- Standard Service
 - Classification fee \$50
 - Processing time Up to 10 working days
- Premium Service
 - Classification fee \$200
 - Processing time Up to 5 working days

An M18 rating label must be affixed on every copy of an M18 game before distribution in Singapore.

- M18 certificate label
 - Certificate label fee \$0.80 per piece

1.3 Registering with IMDA to use IMDA Online

Distributors must register the company and authorised users with IMDA to access IMDA Online for video game declarations and related functions. This is in addition to the requirement for CorpPass access.

The registration form can be downloaded from the IMDA corporate website or from the IMDA Online e-services website.

2.0 Master Copy Video Game ('A' submission)

'A' refers to the first or master copy of a game that the company submits to IMDA for approval, and which will be subsequently used for certification of duplicate copies (where applicable). The 'A' copy must be approved by IMDA before application for classification labels for duplicate copies can be accepted (where applicable).

2.1 Log in with your company's particulars

Step 1:

Log on to the IMDA website at

http://imdaonline.imda.gov.sg/OnlineServices/indexInet1.aspx, scroll down to the 'Video Game Classification Services' section and click on 'Submission of Master Video Games ('GA')'



Step 2:

Log in using CorpPass.

CorpPass		A A 🖨 Contact Us Feedback Sitemap FAQ
Upcoming Scheduled Ma The CorpPass system will be und to 8am. For enquiries, please en	iintenance Jergoing scheduled maintenance to serve you bette hall support@corppass.gov.sg. Thank you.	er and will not be available on 07 Apr 2019, from 12am
	Log in with Corp	Pass
	UEN/ENTITY ID	Ø
	CORPPASS ID	Ø
	Password	Ø
	Remember Entity ID	0
	Forgot Entity / CorpPass ID or Password	
	Cancel Login >	

Step 3:

Key in your registered Login ID (i.e. UEN Number) and click 'Submit'.

Please note that you can only access the submission system after registering as a user. If you have not registered, click on '**Please click here to Download the Registration Form**' and register your company with IMDA. The registration process will be completed within 2 working days.



Step 4:

Confirm your business particulars and click on **'Confirm and Submit'** to proceed. At this point you can update the email address field to permanently change the list of authorised personnel to receive the classification decision email alert.

Registration Form		
Company ID/Organisation ID : *	MDA001 (Please Enter ACRA or BR No.)	
Company Name :	MDA - MEDIA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TEST ADD	
Block No. : *	45	
Street Name : *	KADAYANALLUR STREET	
Floor No. :	007	Update mailing list of
Unit No. :	11	receive notification of the
Long Unit No. :		classification decision
Building Name :	URA CENTRE EAST WING	7
Postal Code : *	069118	
Telephone No. : *	12345678	
Fax No. :	12345678	
Email : *	ABC@DISTRIBUTOR.COM.SG:CDE@DISTRIBUTOR.COM.SG Multiple emails must be separated by semicolon(;)	Click on ' Confirm and Submit' to proceed
ALERT - Any changes to the Feedback or in writing.	email field will be saved permanently. If you wish to upo	late other details, please submit your request to IMDA via Online
	Confirm and Submit	Reset

2.2 Search for a title to check if your game has been classified

Step 1:

Before you can make a declaration for your game, you need to perform a search to check if the game that you are submitting has already been classified. If the game has not been classified, you are required to make an 'A' submission.

Enter the name of the game in the '**Title**' field. Next, click on the '**Search**' button to commence the search. You may use the '**Reset**' button to clear the search field to begin a new search.

Romanised title – the title in romanised characters for a game of non-English origin (e.g. a game with a Chinese or Japanese title).

Video Game Submissio	n		
Page 3 of 12			
This form may take you about 5 to 10 m	inutes to complete.		
Please do a search to check if the you are submitting 'Dynasty Wa	his title has already arriors 6'.	been approved. You may obtain better search results by (ising less keywords in your title search. Eg. Type 'Dynasty' if
Fields marked with * are mandatory			
Title Search			
Title			
1		Search Reset	
VideoGame List - Total Number of F	Records:	T	
If you encounter any problem with this e	e-service, please contact	us at 1800 478 5478 or send a feedback	
		Rate this e-service	
1. Enter the title of the game in the original		2. Click on 'Search' to proceed	Use ' Reset' to modify your search criteria or search for another title
language or roma	nised title		

2.3 Making a Master Copy 'GA' submission (game was not found in the search)

Step 1:

After searching for your game title and no record has been found in the database (your game has not been classified), click on **'This is a New title...'** to proceed.

If the game title that you wish to declare can be found in the database, proceed to section **2.4** 'Making a submission when the game has already been classified / found in the search database'.

Video Game Subn	hission	
Page 3 of 12		
This form may take you about	5 to 10 minutes to complete.	
Please do a search to ch you are submitting 'Dyn	neck if this title has already been approved. You may obtain better search results by using less keywords in your title search. Eg. Type 'Dynasty' if asty Warriors 6'.	
Fields marked with * are mand	atory	
Title Search		
Title	Zero Hero	
	Search	
VideoGame List - Total Nu	mber of Records: 0	
No record(s) found.		
	This is a NEW title and is not listed above. Click to declare the NEW title.	
If you encounter any problem with this e-service, please contact us at 1800 478 5478 or send a feedback		
	Rate this e-service	
	Click 'This is a NEW title'	

Step 2:

Next, confirm if your software can be exempted. Software that is used for business, scientific, educational or accounting purposes do not require a declaration. Check **'Yes'** or **'No'** accordingly and click on the **'Continue Submission'** button to proceed.

Video Game Submission			
Page 4 of 12			
Please answer the following question			
Is your title or software intended for any of the following purposes? • Yes • No			
Business (eg. Word processing, presentation, graphics design) Scientific usage (eg. software used for research purpose)	2. Click on 'Continue Submission'		
- Education (e.g. training instructions, lessons or encyclopedia)			
- Accounting 1. Check ' Yes ' or ' No '			
Continue Submission			

If your answer is '**Yes**' to the above question, then you need not submit your software for classification and this screen will appear:

	Singapore Government Integrity • Service • Excellence Last Updated On : 26 Dec 2013 FAQ Feedback Home
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System Messages	
No submission is required for this title. Thank you for using th	e system.

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Step 3 (Entering game info, Part 1 – General Details):

If you answered **'No'** to the question in Step 2, the below screen appears. Fill in the required game information and click **'Continue Submission**' to proceed to the next step. You can upload documents as attachments here for IMDA's review.

Fields marked with * are mandatory		
Page 5 of 12		
Title Details		
Title *		
Romanised Title *(eg. Game title in English alphabets) Publisher /Developer*		
Perion*	Asia	
Kegion *		
Year of Release*		
Import Make	Import •	
Have you played the game?	Ves No	
Have you viewed the gameplay/graphi	cs of the strongest content/element that is in the game? OYes ●No	
Platform: (Please select the platform(s) you are submitting)	
Platform *	Macintosh	
	Nintendo 3DS	d Fill in the menuined
	New Nintendo 3DS	1. Fill in the required
	Nintendo Switch	game information
	Nintendo Wii U	
	PC	
	Sony Playstation 3	
	Sony Playstation 4	
	Sony PS Vita	
	Cbox 360	
	Chox One	
	Sbox One X	
	Others, please specify	
Attachments	8	

Step 4 (Entering game info, Part 2 – Game Genre and Sub-Genre):

Select the game genre (a maximum of two is possible) and sub-genres and click **'Continue Submission'** to continue.

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Fields marked with * are mandatory			
Genre:* (Select Maximum 2)			
Action	 Espionage/Stealth First Person Shooters Other Platform Shooter Survival Horror 	Adventure	 Fantasy Futuristic Historic Modern Other
C Fighting	 Beat-Em-Up Hack & Slash Other 	Puzzle	
Racing	 Arcade Racing Futuristic Racing Kart Racing Motorcycle Other Rally Racing Simulation Racing 	C Role Playing Games (RPG)	 Fantasy Futuristic Historic Modern
Simulation	 Flight Simulation Life Simulation Other Virtual Pet 	Sports	
C Strategy	 Real-Time Strategy Turn-Based Strategy Select the game genre, then 'Continue Submission' to p 	Click on proceed	Arcade Game Board Game Card Game Casino Game Game Compilation Mini Game Collection Music/Rhythm Game Other
		Continue Sub	omission

Step 5a (Entering game info, Part 3 – Ratings by Other Ratings Board): Please enter the ratings by other ratings board (if available) accordingly and click 'Continue Submission' to proceed to the next step.

Note: if you had previously submitted a copy of the game in a different language/region, click '**Yes'** and provide the in-receipt number (IR) – see screenshot in Step 5b. Otherwise, select '**No**' and proceed.

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Fields marked with * are mandatory				
Have you previously sub	mitted a different language/region version o	of this game? o Y	es ⊚ No	
Rating by other ratings board:*			A	
ESRB Rating:				
Consumer Advice				
		500	Characters Left	
PEGI Rating:	v			
Consumer Advice				
		500	Characters Left	
ACB Rating:		500	Characters Leit	
Concernance Advice				
Consumer Advice				
		500	Characters Left	
CERO Rating:				
Consumer Advice				
		500	Characters Left	
Others, please specify:	No rating available			
		500	Characters Left	
Note : Follo	owing special characters are not allowed in C	onsumer Advice: "	< ", " > ", " & ", " (", ") " ," { ", " } '	'and " % "
		ntinue Submission		
				1
	2 Click 'Continue	1.	Select 'Yes' or 'No' to a	
	2. Olick Continue	l r	previous submission in	
	Submission' to proceed	1	ather language/version	
		l ar	iother landuade/version	

Step 5b: Note - if you have previously submitted a copy of the game in a different language/region, click **'Yes'** and provide the **in-receipt number (IR)**

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	Fields marked with [#] are mandatory						
	Have you previously subr	Have you previously submitted a different language/region version of this game? ◎ Yes ○ No					
	Please provide IR No:*						
\	Rating by other ratings board:*						
1	ESRB Rating:	▼					
1	Consumer Advice						
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	- Con reading.						
'	Consumer Advice						
	Ν		500 Characters Left				
	ACB Rating:						
	Consumer Advice						
			500 Characters Left				
	CERO Rating:	_					
	Constitutor Adviso						
	Consumer Advice						
			500 Characters Left				
	Others, please specify:	🖾 No rating available					
	500 Characters Left						
	Note : Following special characters are not allowed in Consumer Advice: " < ", " > ", " & ", " (", ") ", " { ", " } "and " % "						
	Continue Submission						
	I. Fill in the	in-receipt number	2. Click Continue Submission to proceed				

Step 6 (Answer Content Questionnaire):

After you have clicked on '**Yes**' or '**No**' in the previous screen, you will be required to answer a series of 4 questions. The number of questions you have to answer depends on the game's content. Incorrect or false declaration of the content may lead to delays in the classification process, as IMDA will then request for full rating materials to verify the declaration when in doubt.

Click on '**Continue Submission**' to proceed each time you answer a question. You may click on '**Read More**' for more info on the terms that are used in the questions.

Q1	
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Fields marked with * are mandatory	
Description of the game:*	Q1. Does the game contain any of the following materials? ∗ ⊙ Yes ⊙ No
	- Gambling (Read More)
	- Religious content / elements (Read More)
	- Terrorism (Read More)
	- Politics (Read More)
	Continue Submission

Q2

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Fields marked with * are mandatory	
Rating Related Questions (Cont.):	Q2. Does the game contain any of the following materials? ⊙ Yes ⊛ No
	- Material which may undermine national interest(Read More)
	- Material which is likely to offend a race or religion in Singapore (Read More)
	- Material that deals with alternative lifestyle, depict sexual violence, explicit sexual activity, or deviant sexual activity (Read More)
	- Material that depicts criminal activities with clear instructional details (Read More)
	- Material which depict sadistic and cruel violence to human-like characters (Read More)
	- Exploitative nudity(Read More)
	- Instructive details of consumption of illegal drugs or content that encourages drug use (Read More)
	Continue Submission

Q3

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Fields marked with * are mandatory	
Rating Related Questions (Cont.):	Q3. Does the game contain any of the following materials? ● Yes O No
	- Content that requires the player to engage in illegal activities or play the role of a criminal, but does not have instructional details (Read More)
	- Depictions of realistic violence such as killing or causing serious injury to human-like characters (Read More)
	- Materials which depicts sexual activity (Read More)
	- Non-exploitative nudity or materials which could be sexually titillating (Read More)
	- Strong and frequent coarse language (Read More)
	- Realistic depiction of frequent illegal drug use (Read More)
	Continue Submission

Q4

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Fields marked with * are mandatory			
Rating Related Questions (Cont.):*	Q4. Does the game contain any of the following materials ? O Yes O No		
	- Depictions of moderate violence such as killing or causing injury to human-like characters (Read More)		
	- Images or words that imply sexual activity (Read More)		
	- Nudity in a non-sexual context (Read More)		
	- Depictions of materials which could be mildly suggestive (Read More)		
	- Some coarse language (Read More)		
	- Depiction of drug use (Read More)		
	Continue Submission		

Depending on your answers to the questions, you will encounter either Scenario 1 or 2.

Step 7-1A (Scenario 1):

After you have answered the questions and your game **does not** contain mature content, you will be led to this screen. Tick the **<u>declaration box</u>** and then click on the **<u>submit button</u>** to proceed.

Page 12 of 12		
Title	Title Details	
ZERO HERO	Romanized Title	ZERO HERO
	Also Known As	ZERO HERO
	Publisher/Developer	ZERO
	Year of Release	2008
	Region Code	ASIA
	Platform	Xbox 360
1. Check the declaration box 2. Click on 'Submit' to proceed I declare that all the information given in this application form is true and correct and I am aware that legal action may be taken against me if I had knowingly provided false information. I agree that in any legal proceedings, I shall not dispute the authenticity or accuracy of any statements, confirmations, records, acknowledgments, information recorded in or produced from MDA Online. Submit		

Step 7-1B (Scenario 1):

Next, you will see the summary page which you can print for your records. You should save an electronic copy or print a hard copy for reference. IMDA may selectively notify you to submit rating materials for assessment. Otherwise, the submission will be processed and the rating decision will be emailed to you within 2 working days.



Step 7-2A (Scenario 2):

If your game contains mature content, you will be asked to submit rating materials or a copy of the game for evaluation (see screenshots below).

If you wish to use the Premium Service*, select the '**Yes**' button and then click '**Continue Submission**' else click '**No**' and click '**Continue Submission**'.

* Premium Service will be rejected if applicants are unable to provide full rating materials (pertinent content video, detailed submission documents and/or script)



Step 7-2B (Scenario 2):

Next, check the box to make your declaration and then click on 'Submit'.

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Title	Title Details		
MATURE GAMES	Romanized Title	MATURE GAMES	
	Also Known As	MATURE GAMES	
	Publisher/Developer	ADULT INC	
	Year of Release	2007	
	Region Code	ASIA	
	Platform	Xbox 360	
I declare that all the information given in this application form is true and correct and I am aware that legal action may be taken against me if I had knowingly provided false information. I agree that in any legal proceedings, I shall not dispute the authenticity or accuracy of any statements, confirmations, records, acknowledgments, information recorded in or produced from MDA Online.			
	_		
1. Check the declaration box		2. Click on ' Submit ' to proceed	

Step 7-2C (Scenario 2):

Finally, print this page for submission to IMDA. Your declaration has been successful and you are required to submit rating materials to IMDA for evaluation.

Video Game Submission				
Receipt Details				
In-Receipt No. Year of Release	GA/0804/1000158L 2007	Title Publisher/Developer	MATURE GAMES Adult inc	
Year of Kelease 2007 Publisher/Developer ADULTINC You are required to submit the following to MDA: Physical copy of the video game Nideo recording of game play (optional) • Video recording of game play (optional) • Any other materials which will help MDA to assess the video game, e.g. synopsis/description of video game (optional) Please bring the following items for verification when submitting the physical video game(s) at the MDA counter within the next working day after this online declaration:				
Original NRIC A printout copy of 'Submission Successful' page TradeNet Permit (if any) Print Continue Another Submission				

2.4 Making a submission when the game has already been classified / found in the search

There are 3 scenarios if a game you are submitting is already classified:

- 1. Game classified M18 refer to steps 1A to 1D
- 2. Game classified Advisory 16 (or Age Advisory) refer to steps 2A to 2B
- 3. Game is generally suitable for all refer to steps 3A to 3B

Step 1A (Scenario 1 – if the game has already been rated M18):

Check on the radio button and click on 'The title selected above is same as mine. Click to proceed.'



Step 1B (Scenario 1 – if the game has already been rated M18): Enter all the required info and click on 'Next' to proceed.

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Fields marked with * are mandatory	
Submission	
Licence No.	NA
Organisation ID	MDA001
Organisation Name	MDA
Title	DRAG-ON DRAGOON 3
Romanised Title	DRAG-ON DRAGOON 3
Also Known As	ドラッグ オンドラグーン3 / DRAKENGARD 3
Rating	Mature 18
Year of Release	2013
Publisher/Developer	SQUARE ENIX CO LTD
Region	Asia 💌
Import Make	Import 💌
Import Reference Type	Customs No
Import Reference No	NA
Platform: (Please select the platform	n(s) you are submitting)
Platform * 1. Fill in the required game information	 Game Boy Advance GameCube Macintosh Nintendo DS Nintendo 3DS Nintendo Wii Nintendo Wii U PC Sony Playstation 1 Sony Playstation 2 Sony Playstation 3 Sony Playstation 4 Sony Playstation Portable (PSP) Sony PS Vita Xbox Xbox 360 Xbox One Others, please specify
2. Click on 'Next' to pro	Deceed Next IDX/1312/000312

Step 1C (Scenario 1 – if the game has already been rated M18): Please check the declaration box to make your declaration and then click on 'Submit'.

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Title	Title Details	
DRAG-ON DRAGOON 3	Romanized Title	DRAG-ON DRAGOON 3
	Also Known As	ドラッグ オンドラグーン3 / DRAKENGARD 3
	Publisher/Developer	SQUARE ENIX CO LTD
	Year of Release	2013
	Rating	M18
	Region Code	ASIA
	Platform	Sony Playstation 3
I declare that all the information given in this application form I agree that in any legal proceedings, I shall not dispute the autho Online.	n is true and correct and I am aware tha enticity or accuracy of any statements, co Submit	legal action may be taken against me if I had knowingly provided false information. Infirmations, records, acknowledgments, information recorded in or produced from MDA
<u> </u>		
1. Check the declaration	n box	2. Click on 'Submit' to proceed

Step 1D (Scenario 1 – if the game has already been rated M18): Print out this page for your records and bring it along with a copy of the game for verification.

Video Game Submission			
Receipt Details			
In-Receipt No. Year of Release	GA/0804/000158L 2007	Title Publisher/Developer	MATURE GAMES ADULT INC
You are required to submit the following to MDA: Physical copy of the video game • Physical copy of the video game (optional) • Any other materials which will help MDA to assess the video game, e.g. synopsis/description of video game (optional) • Please bring the following items for verification when submitting the physical video game(s) at the MDA counter within the next working day after this online declaration: • Original NRIC • A printout copy of "Submission Successful" page			
Print Continue Another Submission			
		Rate this e-service	
	Click on 'Print' fo	or record purposes	

Step 2A (Scenario 2 – game has already been rated ADV16 / Age Advisory: Check on the radio button and click on 'The title selected above is same as mine. Click to proceed.'



Step 2B (Scenario 2 – game has already been rated ADV16 / Age Advisory:

For a game which has been given the Advisory 16 rating (or Age Advisory), you will see the message below. Please follow the instructions to affix the corresponding label on every copy of the game. You can download a sample of the ADV16 label from IMDA's website. A copy is included in Annex B for reference.



Step 3A (Scenario 3 – game is General):

Check on the radio button and click on 'The title selected above is same as mine. Click to proceed.'



Step 3B (Scenario 3 – game is General):

For a game which has not been given any rating but is approved by IMDA, you will see the message:



3.0 Using IMDA Online to apply classification labels ('GSD' submission) for approved M18 title

Subsequent Duplicates (SD) or Duplicate Copies are those submitted for certification after approval of the Master Copy ('A' submission). Distributors can use this function to purchase additional M18 classification labels.

3.1 Log in with your company's particulars

Step 1:

Log on to the IMDA website at

http://imdaonline.imda.gov.sg/OnlineServices/indexInet1.aspx, scroll down to the 'Video Game Classification Services' section and click on 'Application of Classification Labels for M18 Games ('GSD')'.

ARTS ENTERTAINMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR CAT 1 OR AD-HOC PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE	
FILM CLASSIFICATION FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION	Video Game Classification Services
FILM CLASSIFICATION FOR DISTRIBUTION	
FILM CLASSIFICATION FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION - NON PROFIT	Submission Of Master Video Games (GA)
FILM CLASSIFICATION FOR DISTRIBUTION - NON PROFIT	Submission of the first or master copy of a video game that the applicant will be using for certification of
REGISTERED CONTENT ASSESSOR (RCA) SUBMISSIONS	subsequent duplicate copies
VIDEO GAME CLASSIFICATION SERVICES	
PUBLICATION SUBMISSION	Application Of Classification labels For M18 Video Games (GSD)
	Application for classification labels for duplicate copies of video games which the applicant has already made a master copy application that has been approved by IMDA
	Status Enquiry On Video Game Submission
	Enquiry on the status of an application that has been submitted to IMDA. Applicant may use the In-Receipt Number for enquiry.

Step 2:

Log on to the system using CorpPass.

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Upcoming Scheduled Ma The CorpPass system will be und to 8am. For enquiries, please en	aintenance dergoing scheduled maintenance to serve you better an nail support@corppass.gov.sg. Thank you.	d will not be available on 07 Apr 2019, from 12am
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	Forgot Entity / CorpPass ID or Password	
	Cancel Login >	

Step 3:

Key in your registered Login ID (i.e. UEN Number) and click 'Submit'.

Video Game	e Submission - SD
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Fields marked with *	are mandatory
Search	
Login ID *	(Enter Organisation ID/ ACRA Number)
	Submit
	Rate this e-service
	1. Key in Registered Login ID 2. Click on the 'Submit' button to proceed

3.2 How to enter your previous in-receipt number and indicate number of classification labels

Step 1:

Enter the in-receipt number issued for the approved master copy ('GA') submission).

If you have not made an 'GA' submission for the game, refer to section **2.0 'How** to use IMDA Online to submit a Master Copy Video Game'.



Step 2:

Enter the number of classification labels that you wish to purchase, together with all the required relevant information, then click '**Next**' to proceed.



Step 3:

Verify that the details are correct and then check on the <u>declaration box</u> before clicking on the '**Submit**' button.

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AA	Romanized Title	AD
	Also Known As	AD
	Publisher/Developer	SADA
	Year of Release	2019
	Rating	M18
	Region Code	ASIA
	Platform	Nintendo Switch
I declare that all the information given in this application I agree that in any legal proceedings, I shall not disput IMDA Online.	on form is true and correct and I am aware t is the authenticity or accuracy of any statem Sub	that legal action may be taken against me if I had knowingly provided false information. nents, confirmations, records, acknowledgments, information recorded in or produced from mit 4. Click on ' Submit ' to proceed
	Rate this e	e-service

Step 4:

You will see confirmation of your submission. Print and save the page for your records. Bring the print-out along to IMDA to collect the classification labels.

Video Game Sub	mission			
Receipt Details				
In-Receipt No.	GSD/1904/1000007T	Title	AD	
Year of Release	2019	Publisher/Developer	SADA	
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4.0 Status Enquiry on Video Game Submission

Use this option to find out the status of your video game submission.

4.1 Log in with your company's particulars and enter your in-receipt number provided

Step 1:

Log on to the IMDA website at

http://imdaonline.imda.gov.sg/OnlineServices/indexInet1.aspx, scroll down to the 'Video Game Classification Services' section and click on 'Status Enquiry on Video Game Submission'



Step 2: Log in using CorpPass

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Upcoming Scheduled Maintenance The CorpPass system will be undergoing scheduled maintenance to serve you b to 8am. For enquiries, please email support@corppass.gov.sg. Thank you.	etter and will not be available on 07 Apr 2019, from 12am
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Forgot Entity / CorpPass ID or Password	
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Step 3:

Enter your particulars (Registered Login ID) and the in-receipt number that was generated when you submitted your declaration for the game.

If you have not made an 'A' submission for the game, refer to section **2.0** 'How to use IMDA Online to submit a Master Copy Video Game' for the step-by-step process.

Status Enquiry on Video Game Submission			
Fields marked with * are mandatory			
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Select Login Type *	Organisation	*	
Login ID *		(Enter Registered Login ID/ACRA Number)	
In-Receipt No. *			
		Search	
Video Game Submission List - Total Nu	nber of Records:		
	1	Rate this e-service	
1. Key in Registered	Login ID	2. Key in the In-Receipt (IR) number generated for the submission	3. Click on the 'Search to proceed

Step 4:

The screen will display the title and the status information. Click on the **in-receipt number** highlighted in blue for more details.

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n-receipt No. Company		Video Game Submiss	ion Details	Prev Receipt No	GA/1901/C00000311
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Step 5: Click on the '<u>Expand All</u>' to view all details of the submission.

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Submission		
Company Details		
Company ID	MDA001	
Company Name	MDA - MEDIA DEVELOPMENT A	UTHORITY TEST ADD
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Person Name		
Sets		
No. of Labels for Duplicate Copies	0	
Fee Details		
Censorship Fee	0	
For A2/SD Submissions	0	
Prev Receipt No.		
Media Details		
Media Request Date	10/01/2019	
Type A Received	Yes	
Type A Received Date	10/01/2019	
Type B Received		
Type B Received Date		
Type B Issued Date	24/01/2019	
Other Details	24/01/2019	
Game Played?	No	
Game Viewed?	No	
Submission Type	A Submission	

5.0 Search for title on the video games database

Step 1:

Go to the IMDA website at

http://imdaonline.imda.gov.sg/OnlineServices/indexInet1.aspx, scroll down to the 'Video Game Classification Services' section and click on 'Search for Game Ratings'



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Step 2:

Type in the search keyword, optional platform filters, and click 'Search'.

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Search for Game Ratings			
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Please specify the sea	rch criteria below.		
Title Search			
Title	Grand Theft x		
	Game Boy Advance		
	GameCube		
	Macintosh		
	Nintendo DS		
	Nintendo 3DS		
	New Nintendo 3DS		
	Nintendo Wii		
	Nintendo Wii U		
	□ PC		
Platform	Sony Playstation 1		
	Sony Playstation 2		
	Sony Playstation 3		
	Sony Playstation 4		
	Sony Playstation Portable (PSP)		
	Sony PS Vita		
	Xbox		
	□ Xbox 360		
	Xbox One		
	Others, please specify		
Rating			
	Search Reset		

Step 3: Review the search results.

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	Sony Playstation 3		
	Sony Playstation 4		
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	Sony PS Vita		
	Xbox		
	Xbox 360		
	Xbox One		
	Others, please specify		
Rating	×		
		Search	Reset
VideoGame List - Tota	al Number of Records: 1		
Index No.	Title	Title Details	
IDX/1308/000163	GRAND THEFT AUTO V	Romanised Title	GRAND THEFT AUTO V
		Also Known As	GRAND THEFT AUTO 5 / GTA V / GTA 5
		Publisher/Developer	TAKE 2/ROCKSTAR GAMES/ROCKSTAR NORTH
		Year of Release	2013
		Region	Asia,USA
		Decision	Approved
		Platform	PC,Sony Playstation 3,Sony Playstation 4,Xbox 360,Xbox One
		Rating	Mature 18
		Consumer Advice	MATURE THEMES, VIOLENCE AND COARSE LANGUAGE
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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES FOR VIDEO GAMES

IMDA has drawn up basic guidelines (which may be revised from time to time) to facilitate the submission process for video games. For proper assessment and classification of the video game, applicants are advised to submit complete applications with all the necessary and correct information required.

Submission Timeframe

1 Depending on the nature of the content in a video game, the applicant may be prompted by the system or via email to submit rating materials for evaluation. The service standards will commence from the next working day after all requested rating materials are submitted completely and in full.

- (a) Submissions where rating materials are NOT required:
- For video games that are deemed generally innocuous, and/or do not contain mature content, IMDA will not request the submission of rating materials.
- IMDA will process the declaration of the video game within 2 working days.
- (b) Submissions where rating materials are required:
- For video games that are deemed to contain mature content, or where there is insufficient information available to ascertain the rating, IMDA will request rating materials to be submitted for assessment.
- IMDA will process the submission and approve the video game within 10 working days.
- For submissions under Premium Service priority request, IMDA will process and approve the video game within 5 working days. Premium service submissions will only be accepted if full evaluation materials can be provided for assessment (i.e. documents, scripts and gameplay video declaring and showing all pertinent content in the game).

2 Applicants should submit their applications 30 days before the intended date of distribution. This will allow sufficient time for classification ratings and advisories to be included in publicity materials and advertisements.

3 Please also note that if the content of the video game is controversial and requires further consultation, including with the Films Consultative Panel (FCP), more time will be required for assessment. The above service standards will not apply to such submissions.

Basic Guidelines for Rating Materials

4 Rating materials typically consist of videos and documents declaring all pertinent content that can be found in the game. These include, and are not limited to:

- Gameplay video recording;
- Detailed submission documents describing the synopsis of the game and all classifiable elements within the game;
- Dialogue scripts;
- Audio clips;
- Screenshots;
- Final copy of the video game, playable on a retail version console (i.e nondebug console).

5 To avoid any delay and submission rejection, applicants are advised to check their rating materials on the following aspects before submitting to IMDA.

(a) Online Submission

- No submission of rating materials will be accepted for classification unless accompanied by a fully-completed Submission Form made through IMDA Online.
- The online submission form must be correctly filled with the required information such as *Title*, *Region*, *Format* and *Developer/Publisher*.
- The title declared in the submission system must be the correct and <u>original title</u>² as found in the video game.
- The romanised title (in English alphabet) should be provided in the 'Romanised Title' field, if the original title is in a foreign script.

(b) Technical Quality

- The applicant must ensure that all discs and files submitted are readable and free of errors.
- The picture and sound quality of video footage must be clear and good. The audio and visuals must be in sync.
- The video must not be obscured by any watermarks. Watermarks should not be splashed across the centre of the screen.

(c) Content of Submission

- The rating materials submitted should contain and highlight all scenes with mature or strong content that can be found in the game.
- The content submitted, ie. video footage, audio clips, screenshots, dialogue scripts and any other content documents – should be representative of the final content, and should not contain any raw or pre-production footage or content.
- If rating materials are not available, a final copy of the game would have to be submitted for evaluation.

² Original Title = Original wordings/punctuations/notations in the original language.

ANNEX B

Rating Label for Advisory 16 Video Games

The classification label comprises the **rating marking** and **consumer advice**, and must be affixed on the exterior packaging of Advisory 16 video games.

ADV16 Marking (downloadable as an image file at the IMDA website)



Consumer Advice

Suitable For 16 & Above

Please refer to the sample below.

Consumer Advice – 'Suitable For 16 & Above'

Font: ARIAL Font Style: Bold Font Size: 9

Label Dimensions

Width – 3.20 cm Height – 1.20 cm



For details on the affixing of classification labels, you may refer to the 'Films (Classification And Licensing) Regulations 2019' on the IMDA website.

ANNEX C

The following sections are excerpts from the 'Films (Classification and Licensing) Regulations 2019'

Affixing classification label

8. For the purposes of section 18(5)(b) of the Act, before a copy of a classified film is distributed, a classification label in respect of the film must be affixed to every copy of that film as follows:

(a) the classification label must be affixed on any exterior part of —

- (i) the storage device in which a film is stored;
- (ii) the container in which a film or the storage device in sub-paragraph(i) is contained inside; or
- (iii) where a container mentioned in sub-paragraph (ii) is contained in one or more larger containers, the largest container in addition to subparagraph (ii);
- (b) the classification label must be so displayed that
 - (i) the classification marking or alternative classification marking (whichever is applicable) on it is clearly legible; and
 - (i) the typeface and colours are prominent and easily distinguishable from any other information, diagram or image with which the classification marking or alternative classification marking (whichever is applicable) is displayed;
- (c) the classification label must not be obscured by other material displayed on the storage device or container for the film.

Display of consumer advice

9. For the purposes of section 21(6) of the Act, any consumer advice relating to a classified film which is distributed must be displayed as follows:

(a) the consumer advice must be affixed on any exterior part of —

- (i) the storage device in which a film is stored;
- (ii) the container in which a film or the storage device in sub-paragraph(i) is contained inside; or
- (iii) where a container mentioned in sub-paragraph (ii) is contained in one or more larger containers, the largest container in addition to subparagraph (ii);
- (b) the consumer advice must be so displayed that its contents are clearly legible, prominent and easily distinguishable from any other information, diagram or image with which the consumer advice is displayed;
- (c) the consumer advice must not be obscured by other material displayed on the storage device or container for the film.