

(c) If coin or slot tokens are inserted by a patron and are neither registered nor returned to the patron by the slot machine, a member of the slot department in accordance with (b) above may remove the coin or slot tokens from the slot machine hopper and return them to the patron. The removal of the coin or slot tokens shall be documented on the Machine Entry Authorization Log pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(j). Under no circumstances shall a casino licensee remove more coin or slot tokens than the maximum number of coin or slot tokens which can be wagered on one handle pull of the slot machine.

(d) Whenever slugs are found in a slot machine's hopper the following procedures and requirements shall be followed:

1. A slot attendant, slot mechanic or supervisor thereof shall immediately remove the slugs from the slot machine hopper and place the slugs into an envelope or container. The individual who found the slugs shall record the asset number and the denomination of the slot machine, the quantity of slugs found, the date the slugs were found, and his or her signature on the Machine Entry Authorization Log pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(j). The envelope or container may be maintained inside the slot machine until the number of slugs in the envelope or container is nine. When the number of slugs in the envelope or container reaches nine or at such other times as may be necessary, the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor shall complete a three-part Slug Report which contains, at a minimum, the following:

- i. The date and time;
- ii. The asset number of the slot machine from which the slugs were removed;
- iii. The denomination of the slot machine;
- iv. The denomination and quantity of slugs;
- v. A brief description of the slugs; and
- vi. The signature of the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot department supervisor completing the Slug Report.

2. Upon completion of the Slug Report required by (d)1 above, the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot department supervisor shall remove the envelope or container and transport it with the Slug Report to the Master Coin Bank or other location as approved by the Commission. The individual accepting receipt of the slugs shall sign all three parts of the Slug Report. The original Slug Report shall be delivered to the Commission and the triplicate shall be delivered to the Division's in-house office by the end of each gaming day. The duplicate Slug Report shall remain with the slugs until their destruction.

3. If more than nine slugs are found at any one time in a slot machine's hopper, the slot department member shall place the slugs into the envelope or container and immediately complete the Slug Report required by (d)1

above. The slugs shall be immediately transported in accordance with (d)2 above. The slot department member shall inspect the slot machine and coin mechanism to determine if there is a malfunction. The results of this inspection shall be documented on the Machine Entry Authorization Log pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(j).

4. All slugs shall be destroyed in accordance with procedures submitted to and approved by the Commission which procedures shall include a written notification to the Division as to the date, time and location of destruction.

New Rule, R.1994 d.423, effective August 15, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 1620(a), 26 N.J.R. 3465(c).

Amended by R.1994 d.504, effective October 3, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4089(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.417, effective September 3, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1498(a), 28 N.J.R. 4111(b).

Amended by R.1997 d.459, effective November 3, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 858(b), 29 N.J.R. 4715(a).

In (b), and (d)1, deleted all references to slot machine denominations less than \$25.00.

Cross References

Accounting controls for the cashiers' cage, satellite cages, master coin bank and coin vaults, see N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15.

19:45-1.42 Removal of slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes; unsecured currency; meter readings

(a) For each slot machine and attached bill changer on the gaming floor, the slot drop bucket, slot drop box and slot cash storage box shall be removed at least once a week on specified days and at times designated by the casino licensee on a schedule which shall be filed with the Commission and the Division. No slot drop bucket, slot drop box or slot cash storage box shall be removed from its compartment at other than the times specified on such schedule except with the express approval of the Commission. Prior to emptying or removing any slot drop bucket, slot drop box or slot cash storage box, a casino licensee shall notify the Commission and the surveillance department of the transportation route that will be utilized.

1. Notwithstanding (a) above, a casino licensee may submit a written application to the Commission at least 48 hours prior to a scheduled time for removal requesting an extension of time for removal of some or all of its slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes. The application shall specify the length of the extension sought, the reason therefor, and identify the particular slot machines included in such request (by slot zone and/or slot machine denomination). The Commission shall, if it determines that expected business conditions during the requested extension would neither compromise the removal process nor otherwise adversely affect the operation of the casino licensee's slot machines, extend the time to complete the removal of the affected slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes up to seven days. Upon expiration of the extension, the casino licensee shall resume its regular schedule.

as filed with the Commission and the Division. Whenever an extension does not encompass all slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes scheduled to be removed, the casino licensee shall ensure, through internal control procedures approved by the Commission, that the casino security department knows which slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes are to be removed and the count room supervisor knows which slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes contents should be counted.

2. All slot drop boxes which are not attached to a slot machine or temporarily stored in the base of a slot machine pursuant to (c)2ii below, including emergency slot drop boxes which are not actively in use, shall be stored in the count room or other secure area outside the count room approved by the Commission, in an enclosed storage cabinet or trolley and secured in such cabinet or trolley by a separately keyed, double locking system. The key to one lock shall be maintained and controlled by the security department and the key to the second lock shall be maintained and controlled by the Commission.

(b) Slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes shall be removed from their compartments in a slot machine or bill changer, in the presence of a Commission inspector, by at least three employees, two of whom shall be members of the casino security department, and one of whom shall be a member of the casino accounting department or an independent slot machine cage department established pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)9.

(c) Procedures and requirements for removing slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes from the casino shall be as follows:

1. The slot drop bucket, slot drop box or slot cash storage box shall be removed from its compartment and an empty slot drop bucket, slot drop box, or slot cash storage box shall be placed into the compartment, and if applicable, a unique identification number shall be assigned and recorded for the slot cash storage box, either upon its insertion or removal, after which the compartment shall be closed and locked;

2. All slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes removed from compartments shall be transported directly to, and secured in the count room by, at a minimum, a Commission inspector, a casino security department member and a member of the casino accounting department or an independent slot machine cage department, for the counting of their contents; provided, however, that:

i. A slot cash storage box removed from a bill changer in order to service the bill changer may be temporarily stored in the corresponding double-locked base of the slot machine (the compartment of the slot machine containing the slot drop bucket or slot drop box) attached to the bill changer, and shall be replaced and relocked in the bill changer when the repairs are completed. If the repairs cannot be completed and the slot cash storage box cannot be replaced in the bill changer by the end of the repair person's shift, or if the bill changer must be removed from the casino floor, the slot cash storage box shall be removed from the locked slot compartment and transported to the count room in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.38; and

ii. A full or inoperable slot drop box shall be replaced with an empty emergency slot drop box, and may be stored in its corresponding double-locked slot machine base until no later than the next scheduled slot drop box pickup;

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or this chapter to the contrary, a casino licensee may, in lieu of transporting all slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes directly to the count room prior to the start of the count, utilize either or both of the following alternative procedures:

i. A casino licensee may create a secure staging area outside of the count room where slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes may be temporarily stored for a maximum of one hour before being transferred to the count room; provided, however, that the location of the staging area and the security measures used by the casino licensee shall be approved by the Commission, which security measures shall require, at a minimum, that the staging area be videotaped by the surveillance department and guarded by at least one casino security department representative whenever slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes are temporarily stored in the area; or

ii. A casino licensee may, prior to collecting and transporting all slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes on the casino floor to the count room or a secure staging area, begin to count, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.43, the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes that have been collected and transported from a particular portion of the casino floor, provided that the casino licensee shall thereafter continue to collect and transfer to the count room, during the counting process, the slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes from the remaining portions of the casino floor until all slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes have been collected and counted; and

4. Except for members of the casino accounting department or independent slot machine cage department participating in the emergency removal of a slot cash storage box or slot drop box, casino security department employees and representatives of the Commission and Division, all persons participating in the removal of slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes shall wear as outer garments only a full-length, one-piece pocketless garment with openings only for the hands, feet and neck.

(d) In addition to complying with the procedures included in (b) and (c) above, a casino licensee shall submit to the Commission for approval its procedures detailing how the slot drop bucket, slot drop box and slot cash storage box for each slot machine and attached bill changer on the gaming floor will be emptied or removed from its compartment when the casino is open to the public for 24 hours. Such submission shall include at least the following:

1. How patrons will be notified that a slot machine will be closed for emptying or removing slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes or slot cash storage boxes;
2. How patrons will be removed from slot aisles;
3. How the area will be secured while the slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes or slot cash storage boxes are emptied or removed; and
4. How the compartments in which the full slot drop buckets, slot drop boxes or slot cash storage boxes are transported, will be secured while they are in the casino.

(e) Whenever currency or a coupon is found inside a bill changer but outside the slot cash storage box ("unsecured currency" or "unsecured coupon"), a slot department representative or casino accounting department representative shall complete a form which includes the asset number or, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.16(b), other unique identification number of the slot cash storage box in the bill changer in which the unsecured currency or unsecured coupon was found, the date the unsecured currency or unsecured coupon was found and the total dollar amount of the unsecured currency or dollar value of the unsecured coupon. The slot department representative or casino accounting department representative and a member of the casino security department shall then sign the form as evidence of the total dollar amount or dollar value being transported; place the form and the unsecured currency or unsecured coupon into an envelope or container, unless the form is printed on the front of the envelope in which the currency or coupon is being placed; and transport the envelope or container directly to the cashiers' cage.

(f) Upon receipt of the envelope or container from the slot department representative or casino accounting department representative, a main bank cashier or cage supervisor shall immediately prepare an Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report. If the unsecured currency or unsecured coupon was not transported by a slot supervisor or

casino accounting supervisor, the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report must be prepared by a cage supervisor pursuant to (j) below.

(g) Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports shall be serially prenumbered forms. Each series of Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports shall be used in sequential order and shall be accounted for by employees independent of the cashiers' cage and slot department. All original and duplicate void Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports shall be marked "VOID" and shall require the signature of the preparer. All copies of void Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports shall be forwarded to the accounting department at the end of the gaming day.

(h) For establishments in which Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports are manually prepared, the following procedures and requirements shall be observed:

1. Each series of Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports shall be a three-part form, at a minimum, and shall be inserted into a locked dispenser that will permit an individual slip in the series and its copies to be written upon simultaneously while still locked in the dispenser, and that will discharge the original and duplicate while the triplicate remains in a continuous, unbroken form in the dispenser; and
2. Access to the triplicates shall be maintained and controlled at all times by employees responsible for controlling and accounting for the unused supply of Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports, placing Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports in the dispensers, and removing from the dispensers the triplicates remaining therein.

(i) For establishments in which Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports are computer prepared, each series of Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Reports shall be a two-part form, at a minimum, and shall be generated by a computer system that will: simultaneously print an original and duplicate and store, in machine-readable form, all information printed on the original and duplicate; and discharge the original and duplicate. The stored data shall not be susceptible to change or removal by any personnel after preparation of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report.

(j) On the original, duplicate and triplicate or, if applicable, in stored data, the main bank cashier or cage supervisor shall record, at a minimum, the following information:

1. The date and time of preparation;
2. The asset number or, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.16(b), other unique identification number of the slot cash storage box in the bill changer from which the unsecured currency or unsecured coupon was removed;
3. The denomination(s) of unsecured currency;

4. The total dollar amount of the unsecured currency;
5. The denomination(s) of unsecured coupons;
6. The total dollar value of the unsecured coupons; and
7. The signature or, if computer prepared, identification code of the preparer.

(k) The original and duplicate copies of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report shall be presented to the slot department representative or casino accounting department representative and the casino security representative for signature.

1. Upon meeting the signature requirements, the main bank cashier or cage supervisor shall transport the unsecured currency and unsecured coupons along with the original and duplicate copies of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report to the main bank.

i. If the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report was prepared by a cage supervisor, the main bank cashier shall:

(1) Sign the original and duplicate copies of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report;

(2) Retain the original Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report and the unsecured currency and unsecured coupons; and

(3) Return the duplicate Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report to the cage supervisor who shall attach the form referenced in (e) above to the duplicate and expeditiously deposit the duplicate with the attached form into the locked accounting box located in the cashiers' cage.

ii. If the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report was prepared by the main bank cashier, the main bank cashier shall:

(1) Retain the original Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report and the unsecured currency and unsecured coupons;

(2) Attach the form referenced in (e) above to the duplicate Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report; and

(3) Return the duplicate Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report and attached form to the casino security representative who shall expeditiously deposit the duplicate with the attached form into a locked accounting box maintained in a location approved by the Commission.

2. The main bank cashier shall then either:

i. Add the value of the unsecured currency and unsecured coupons to the main bank's accountability and retain the original of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report until the end of the gaming day; or

ii. Maintain the unsecured currency, the unsecured coupons and the original Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report until collected by a count room supervisor and immediately transported to the count room where:

(1) The currency and coupons shall be counted with the contents removed from the corresponding slot cash storage box and recorded on the Slot Cash Storage Box Report; and

(2) The original Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report shall be forwarded to the accounting department in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.33(i).

(l) At the end of the gaming day, at a minimum, the original and duplicate copy of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report shall be forwarded as follows:

1. If, pursuant to (k)1 above, the main bank cashier has retained possession of the original, the cashier shall forward the original directly to the accounting department for agreement with the triplicate or stored data; and

2. The duplicate with the attached form shall be forwarded directly to the accounting department for recording on the Slot Cash Storage Box Report and Slot Win Sheet, and agreement with the triplicate or stored data; provided, however, that no additional recording of the unsecured currency and unsecured coupons shall be required if the currency and coupons have been transported to the count room, counted and recorded pursuant to (k)2 above.

(m) The duplicate copy of the Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report shall be attached to the Slot Cash Storage Box Report as supporting documentation. A notation shall be made on the duplicate Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/Coupon Report indicating whether the dollar amount of the unsecured currency and the dollar value of the unsecured coupons have been added to the Slot Cash Storage Box Report and Slot Win Sheet in accordance with (k)2 above or (l)2 above.

(n) Notwithstanding the requirements of (e) through (m) above, when unsecured currency and unsecured coupons are found during the collection of slot cash storage boxes, a casino licensee shall transport the unsecured currency and unsecured coupons directly to the soft count room. The completion of the form required by (e) above shall be performed by a count team member and a member of the casino security department. The envelope or container shall be transported with the slot cash storage boxes to the count room pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.17(c). The unsecured currency and unsecured coupons shall be counted and recorded with the contents removed from the corresponding slot cash storage box. The form prepared pursuant to (e) above shall be forwarded to the accounting department with the Slot Cash Storage Box Report pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.33(i).

(o) Accounting department employees with no incompatible functions shall, at least once a week on the same schedule filed pursuant to (a) above for the removal of slot drop buckets, or slot drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes, read and record on a Slot Meter Sheet the numbers on the in-meter, drop meter, jackpot meter, manual jackpot meter, cash box meter, if applicable, and coupon meters in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission. In lieu of manual meter readings, a casino licensee may have a computer system, as approved by the Commission, record any of the required meter readings. The computer shall store in machine readable form all information required by this section and such stored data shall not be susceptible to change or removal by any personnel. If a bill changer does not contain a cash box meter pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(e)1, a casino licensee shall be required to read and record or have a computer system record the bill meter readings each time the slot cash storage box is removed. Accounting department employees shall periodically read and record on a Slot Meter Sheet the numbers on the bill meters in accordance with a schedule established by the casino licensee and approved by the Commission, but in no event shall the casino licensee be required to read and record the bill meters more than once a week. These procedures shall be performed in conjunction with the removal and replacement of the slot drop box buckets, slot drop boxes or slot cash storage boxes prior to opening the slot machines for patron play. If a casino licensee is granted an extension to remove slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes pursuant to (a)1 above, the required meter readings for slot machines housing affected slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes shall be similarly extended. Upon expiration of the extension, the casino licensee shall resume its regular schedule for required meter readings.

(p) After preparation of the Slot Meter Sheet each employee involved with its preparation shall sign the Slot Meter Sheet attesting to the accuracy of the information contained thereon after which the sheet shall be forwarded directly to the accounting department for comparison to the Slot Win Sheet and calculation of slot machine statistics.

(q) Whenever there is a variance of more than two percent and more than \$25.00 between the total amount of cash and coupons removed from a bill changer's slot cash storage box and either the cash box meter reading and, if applicable, the value coupon meter reading that is recorded on the Slot Meter Sheet pursuant to (o) above or a reading from a computer system approved pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(e)1 and, if applicable, (o) above, the casino licensee's casino accounting department shall be required to initiate an incident report and comply with the following procedures.

1. If the casino licensee uses casino accounting department employees to read and record meter readings manually and, pursuant to (o) above, the bill meters were not read when the slot cash storage box was removed for counting, a representative of the casino accounting de-

partment shall, either prior to or during the next scheduled removal of the slot cash storage box, read and record on the Slot Meter Sheet each of the bill meters and value coupon meter, and shall remove the slot cash storage box and count the contents in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.33. The meter readings from the bill meters and value coupon meter shall be compared to the total amount of cash and coupons removed from the slot cash storage boxes for the period from the last date the meters were read.

2. If a variance exists, the casino licensee shall be required to have its slot department investigate the cause of the variance, if appropriate, and prepare and file an incident report documenting the variance with the casino controller, Commission and Division. The incident report shall be a report of all bill changers with reportable variances and shall be filed within three weeks from the completion of the weekly slot cash storage box pickup, provided, however, that the Commission may direct a shorter time frame for the filing of the report, if an expedited filing is considered necessary to protect the integrity of casino operations. The incident report shall include, at a minimum, the following for each bill changer with a reportable variance as well as the specified cumulative data:

- i. The date of the meter reading;
- ii. The date the report was filed;
- iii. The amount of the variance, by denomination;
- iv. The asset number of the bill changer involved;
- v. An indication as to the cause of the variance with any documentation attached to support the given explanation (for example, Unsecured Currency/Coupon Report);
- vi. An indication as to whether the bill meters or numerical coupon meter confirmed the variance, if applicable;
- vii. The manufacturer and model number of the slot machine to which the bill changer is attached or embedded;
- viii. The manufacturer of the bill changer involved;
- ix. The total number of reported variances by manufacturer and model number of the slot machine;
- x. The total number of reported variances by manufacturer of the bill changer;
- xi. The total number of reported variances compared to the total number of slot cash storage boxes counted; and
- xii. The signature and license number of the preparer.

(r) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, a casino licensee which has approval to read and record a bill

changer's meter readings with an approved computer system shall be required to read the bill changer's meter and coupon meters manually if 10 percent or more of the bill changers counted during the week have reported variances pursuant to (q) above for a period of three consecutive weeks. The manual meter readings shall continue until the Commission is satisfied that the computer system can accurately read and record the bill changer's meter readings.

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See: 19 N.J.R. 1110(a).

Experimental 90-day implementation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-69(e), (P.L. 1987 c.354), 5:12-70(f) and 5:12-100(e), effective April 11, 1988 (expires July 10, 1988).

See: 20 N.J.R. 769(a).

Amended by R.1988 d.387, effective August 15, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 765(a), 20 N.J.R. 769(a), 20 N.J.R. 2090(a).

Added the removal of slot storage boxes.

Amended by R.1992 d.110, effective March 2, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3243(a), 24 N.J.R. 858(c).

In (a): revised text and added final phrase regarding the emptying or removing of any slot drop bucket or slot cash storage box. In (b): added new (b)1ii, revising old (b)1ii deleted (b)2ii, recodifying (b)2i into text of subparagraph (b)2. Revised text at (b)1i, adding phrase "When the casino is not open to the public, the ..." to beginning of subparagraph and adding "accounting department members" to identify employees. In (c): stylistic revisions; added new subsection (d), recodifying (d)-(e) as (e)-(f).

Amended by R.1992 d.154, effective April 6, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 57(a), 24 N.J.R. 1379(a).

In (b)-(c), added "casino" to define "security department member".

In (c)1iii, added reference to "casino security department employees".

Amended by R.1992 d.432, effective November 2, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2695(a), 24 N.J.R. 4068(c).

Staffing requirements for removal changed in (b).

Amended by R.1993 d.36, effective January 19, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 4026(a), 25 N.J.R. 348(b).

Meters to be read by casino accountants; (g) added procedure for variation of \$25.00 or more.

Administrative correction to (b)1ii.

See: 25 N.J.R. 1519(b).

Amended by R.1993 d.143, effective April 5, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 279(a), 25 N.J.R. 1523(a).

In (c): added text regarding the utilization of a unique identification number.

Amended by R.1993 d.318, effective July 6, 1993 (operative October 15, 1993).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1503(b), 25 N.J.R. 2908(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.69, effective February 7, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4471(a), 26 N.J.R. 829(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.79, effective February 22, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4873(a), 26 N.J.R. 1110(b).

Amended by R.1994 d.297, effective June 20, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 1440(a), 26 N.J.R. 2594(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.344, effective July 5, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 1621(a), 26 N.J.R. 2804(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.422, effective August 15, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2213(a), 26 N.J.R. 3464(b).

Amended by R.1994 d.574, effective November 21, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 3606(b), 26 N.J.R. 4639(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.624, effective December 4, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1789(a), 27 N.J.R. 4915(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.653, effective December 18, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3598(a), 27 N.J.R. 5044(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.357, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2355(a), 28 N.J.R. 3821(b).

Amended by R.1996 d.476, effective October 7, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3521(a), 28 N.J.R. 4517(b).

Amended by R.1997 d.249, effective June 16, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 746(a), 29 N.J.R. 2676(a).

Inserted new (a)1; recodified former (a)1 as (a)2; and in (o), inserted "on the same schedule ... cash storage boxes," and added the last two sentences.

Amended by R.1997 d.425, effective October 6, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 859(a), 29 N.J.R. 4306(a).

Substantially amended (q) and added (r).

Amended by R.1998 d.149, effective March 16, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 37(a), 30 N.J.R. 1059(b).

In (c)2, added language regarding required count room personnel; added a new (c)3; and recodified former (c)3 as (c)4.

Amended by R.1998 d.235, effective May 18, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 810(a), 30 N.J.R. 1851(a).

Inserted references to unsecured coupons and substituted references to Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/ Coupon Reports for references to Unsecured Bill Changer Currency Reports throughout; in (e), inserted references to the dollar value of unsecured coupons throughout; in (j), inserted a new 5 and 6, and recodified former 5 as 7; in (m), inserted a reference to the dollar value of unsecured coupons; and in (q)2v, substituted a reference to Unsecured Currency/ Coupon Reports for references to Unsecured Currency Reports.

Cross References

Accounting controls for the cashiers' cage, satellite cages, master coin bank and coin vaults, see N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15.

19:45-1.43 Procedure for counting and recording contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes

(a) The opening, counting and recording of the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes (the "hard count") shall be performed in the count room required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32 in the presence of a casino key employee who shall be referred to herein as a count room supervisor. The hard count shall be performed by at least three employees (the "count team"), which may include the count room supervisor. Except as otherwise provided in (i) below, the hard count shall be performed in the presence of a Commission inspector. To gain entrance to the count room, a Commission inspector shall present an official identification card issued by the Commission which contains his or her photograph.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes shall be counted and recorded immediately after removal from their slot machine compartments. If a casino licensee uses the phased collection and transfer procedures authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, the counting process set forth in (i) below may begin as soon as the slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes from any portion of the casino floor have been secured in the count room. Each casino licensee shall file with the Commission and the Division the specific times during which the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes shall be counted and recorded.

(c) All members of the count team present in the count room during the counting process shall be required to wear a full-length, one-piece, pocketless outer garment with no openings other than for the hands, feet and neck.

(d) No person shall carry a pocketbook or other container into the count room at any time unless it is transparent.

(e) All persons exiting the count room shall be inspected with a metal detector by a casino security department employee in the presence of a Commission inspector. The counting and recording process shall be discontinued and all

coin and slot tokens shall be secured during any work break or emergency where the minimum number of count room personnel required by (a) above are not present or are not capable of performing their responsibilities.