

(e) Each casino licensee shall be authorized to issue and use gaming plaques in denominations of \$5,000, \$10,000, \$25,000, \$50,000 and \$100,000, and in such quantities as the casino licensee may deem proper to conduct gaming in its casino or casino simulcasting facility. Each gaming plaque of a specific denomination utilized by a casino licensee shall be in a shape and of a size, as approved by the Commission, which is identical to the shape and size of all other gaming plaques of that denomination issued by that casino licensee. The size and shape of each denomination of gaming plaque issued by a casino licensee shall be readily distinguishable from the size and shape of every other denomination of gaming plaque issued by that casino licensee.

(f) Each gaming plaque issued by a casino licensee shall contain certain identifying characteristics which shall appear at least once on each face of the gaming plaque and shall be applied in a manner which ensures that each such characteristic shall be clearly visible and remain a permanent part of the gaming plaque. These characteristics shall, at a minimum, include:

1. The denomination of the gaming plaque, expressed in numbers of no less than three-eighths inch in height;
2. The name, trade name, or other approved identification of the casino licensee issuing the gaming plaque, which shall be applied in such a manner so as to be visible to surveillance employees using the closed circuit television system; and
3. A unique serial number.

(g) No casino licensee shall issue, use or allow a patron to use in its casino or casino simulcasting facility any gaming plaque that it knows, or reasonably should know, is materially different from the sample of that gaming plaque approved by the Commission pursuant to this section.

Amended by R.1982 d.329, effective October 4, 1982.

See: 14 N.J.R. 708(a), 14 N.J.R. 1101(c).

Deleted gaming plaques denominations of \$500.00 and \$1,000.00 and added denominations of \$25,000, \$50,000, and \$100,000. Added last sentence to (b). Added (d) and (e).

Amended by R.1990 d.171, effective March 19, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 23(a), 22 N.J.R. 983(a).

In (b): added language "Unless . . . Commission".

Amended by R.1993 d.37, effective January 19, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 3695(a), 25 N.J.R. 348(b).

Simulcast provisions added.

Recodified from 19:46-1.2 and amended by R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 5160(a), 29 N.J.R. 923(a).

Substantially amended section. Former section, "Submission of gaming chips, plaques, match play coupons and progressive wager coupons for review and approval", repealed.

19:46-1.5 Nature, exchange and redemption of gaming chips, plaques and match play coupons

(a) All wagering on authorized games, other than slot machines, in a casino or casino simulcasting facility shall be conducted with gaming chips or plaques; provided, however, that match play coupons shall be permitted for use in

wagering at authorized games in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.18 and 1.46. A casino licensee shall submit for approval to the Commission a sample of its match play coupon. Value chips previously issued by a casino licensee which are not in active use by that casino licensee shall not be used for wagering at authorized table games, keno or casino simulcasting, and shall not be accepted nor exchanged for any purpose at a gaming table, keno booth or a casino simulcast counter. Such chips shall only be redeemed at the cashiers' cage pursuant to (g) below.

(b) Gaming chips or plaques shall be issued to a person only at the request of such person and shall not be given as change in any other but a gaming transaction. Gaming chips and plaques shall only be issued to casino patrons at the gaming tables. Gaming plaques and value chips shall only be redeemed at the cashiers' cage; provided, however, that value chips may be exchanged by a patron at the slot booths or with changepersons for currency, coin or slot tokens to play the slot machines, and may be used for keno or simulcast wagering, including keno wagers in public keno areas.

(c) Non-value chips shall be presented for redemption only at the gaming table from which they were issued and shall not be redeemed or exchanged at any other location within the casino or casino simulcasting facility. When non-value chips are presented for redemption, the dealer shall accept them in exchange for an equivalent amount of value chips which may then be used by the patron in gaming or simulcast wagering or redeemed in the same manner as any other value chip.

(d) Each casino licensee shall have the discretion to permit, limit or prohibit the use of value chips in gaming at roulette or pokette; provided, however, that it shall be the responsibility of the casino licensee and its employees to keep an accurate account of the wagers being made with value chips at any such game so that the wagers being made by each player are readily distinguishable from those being made by every other player at the table.

(e) Except as provided in (j) below and as otherwise may be specifically approved by the Commission, each casino licensee shall redeem its gaming chips and plaques only from its patrons and shall not knowingly redeem its gaming chips and plaques from any non-patron source.

(f) Each gaming chip and plaque is solely evidence of a debt that the issuing casino licensee owes to the person legally in possession of the gaming chip or plaque, and shall remain the property of the issuing casino licensee. Each casino licensee shall have the right at any time to demand that the person in possession of the gaming chip or plaque surrender the item for redemption in accordance with (g) below.

(g) Each casino licensee shall redeem promptly its own genuine gaming chips and gaming plaques presented by a

patron in person, except when the gaming chips or plaques were obtained or being used unlawfully. A casino licensee shall redeem its value chips or gaming plaques by accepting them in exchange for an equivalent amount of cash, except that:

1. Upon request by a patron who surrenders value chips or gaming plaques in any amount over \$100.00, a casino licensee shall exchange them for a casino check of that casino licensee in the amount of the value chips or gaming plaques surrendered and dated the day of such redemption;

2. A casino licensee may apply all or any part of the value chips or gaming plaques presented by a patron to the redemption of any Counter Check or Slot Counter Check drawn by the patron in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25 or 1.25A, or to the payment of any returned check in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.29, provided that the casino licensee has given that patron prior written notice of such right of setoff and has obtained the patron's written acknowledgment thereof in the patron's credit application or in a separate writing, which writing shall be maintained in the patron's credit file.

(h) Notwithstanding (g) above, if a patron requests by mail to redeem value chips in any amount, a casino licensee may effectuate such redemption, however, only by a cage supervisor as defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.1, in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission which, at a minimum, shall detail procedures for the issuance of a casino check and the transfer of the surrendered value chips to the chip bank in a transaction fully supported by proper documentation.

(i) Each casino licensee shall accept, exchange, use or redeem only gaming chips or plaques that it has issued and shall not knowingly accept, exchange, use or redeem gaming chips or plaques, or objects purporting to be gaming chips or plaques, that have been issued by any other person, except that a casino licensee may redeem from its patrons gaming chips or plaques issued by another legally operated casino licensee upon the representation of a patron that such chips or plaques had been purchased or received as payment in a gaming transaction from an employee of such licensee working on the premises.

(j) Each casino licensee shall redeem promptly its own genuine value chips and gaming plaques presented to it by any other legally operated casino licensee upon the representation that such chips and plaques were received or accepted unknowingly, inadvertently or in error or were redeemed from patrons. Each casino licensee shall submit to the Commission for approval a system for the exchange, with other legally operated casino licensees, of value chips and gaming plaques:

1. That are in its possession and that have been issued by any other legally operated casino licensee; and

2. That it has issued and that are presented to it for redemption by any other legally operated casino licensee.

(k) Each casino licensee shall cause to be posted and remain posted in a prominent place on the front of the cashiers' cage, any satellite cage, the simulcast counter, the keno booth and any satellite keno booth a sign that reads as follows:

"By law, gaming chips or plaques issued by another casino may not be used, exchanged or redeemed in this casino or casino simulcasting facility."

Amended by R.1984 d.564, effective December 17, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 41(a), 16 N.J.R. 3494(b).

Substantially amended.

Amended by R.1988 d.224, effective May 16, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 516(a), 20 N.J.R. 1099(c).

Substantially amended.

Amended by R.1991 d.232, effective May 6, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3327(a), 23 N.J.R. 1463(b).

In (c): added "slot" booth to text.

Amended by R.1993 d.37, effective January 19, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 3695(a), 25 N.J.R. 348(b).

Simulcast provisions added; satellite cages added.

Administrative correction to (b).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1778(b).

Amended by R.1993 d.431, effective September 7, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 2233(a), 25 N.J.R. 4126(a).

Amended by R.1993 d.492, effective October 4, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 3107(b), 25 N.J.R. 4618(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.137, effective March 21, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 5902(a), 26 N.J.R. 1373(b).

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

See: 26 N.J.R. 2872(a), 26 N.J.R. 3253(a), 26 N.J.R. 4089(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.285, effective June 5, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2218(a), 27 N.J.R. 2254(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.269, effective June 17, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1614(a), 28 N.J.R. 3175(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.442, effective September 16, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3246(a), 28 N.J.R. 4242(a).

Amended by R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 5160(a), 29 N.J.R. 923(a).

In (a), amended N.J.A.C. references and inserted second sentence; in (b), substituted "gaming tables. Gaming plaques and value chips shall only be redeemed" for "gaming tables and shall only be redeemed" and inserted reference to keno wagers in public keno areas; inserted new (c) and (d); recodified former (c) through (i) as (d) through (k); and made conforming changes to subsection references and substituted references to value chips for references to gaming chips throughout.

19:46-1.6 Receipt of gaming chips or plaques from manufacturer or distributor; inventory, security, storage and destruction of chips and plaques

(a) When gaming chips or plaques are received from the manufacturer or distributor thereof, they shall be opened and checked by at least three people, one of whom shall be from the accounting or auditing department of the casino licensee. Any deviation between the invoice accompanying the chips and plaques and the actual chips or plaques received or any defects found in such chips or plaques shall be reported promptly to the Commission and Division.