

(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 patron only at the request of such patron 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 gaming tables. Gaming plaques and value chips shall only be redeemed by casino patrons at the cashiers' cage; provided, however, that gaming chips may be:

1. Issued to a patron in payment of a winning keno or simulcast wager and as part of a keno or simulcast wagering transaction in which value chips are tendered for wager;
2. Exchanged by a patron at the slot booths or with changepersons for currency, coin or slot tokens to play the slot machines, and
3. Used by a patron for keno or simulcast wagering.

(c) Except as provided in (j) and (l) 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.

(d) 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.

(e) Each casino licensee shall have the discretion to permit, limit or prohibit the use of value chips in gaming at roulette and pokette, provided however, that:

1. No person shall be permitted to wager a value chip with a match play coupon at any roulette table at which match play coupons are permitted to be used; and
2. When value chips are in use, 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.

(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:

i. As part of the patron's credit application;

ii. In a separate writing, which shall be maintained in the patron's credit file; or

iii. On a Counter Check or Slot Counter Check drawn by the patron and issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25 or 1.25A; provided that the patron specifically acknowledges the notice by signing his or her name thereunder or in any other manner approved by the Commission, and further provided that a photocopy of the signed Counter Check or Slot Counter Check 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) Employees of a casino licensee who are authorized to receive gaming chips as personal gratuities may redeem the gaming chips at the cashiers' cage or at another secure location in the casino hotel as approved by the Commission. Gaming chips redeemed by employees at a non-cage employee redemption site shall be exchanged on a daily basis with the cashiers' cage pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15 and in accordance with procedures approved by the Commission.

(k) 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.

(l) 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.

Amended by R.1997 d.217, effective May 19, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 325(b), 29 N.J.R. 2470(a).

Subdivided (b); in (b), substituted "Gaming plaques and value chips" for "and", and "value chips may be" for "gaming chips may be"; inserted (b)1; and in (b)3, inserted "by a patron" and "including keno wagers in public areas".

Petition for Rulemaking: Notice of Receipt of a Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2571(c).

Amended by R.1997 d.250, effective June 16, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 745(a), 29 N.J.R. 2675(a).

In (b)3, deleted "including keno wagers in public keno areas"; recodified former (e) as (c), and former (c) and (d) as (d) and (e); in (e), inserted cite to (l); inserted new (j); and recodified former (j) and (k) as (k) and (l).

Amended by R.1997 d.423, effective October 6, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 4181(b), 29 N.J.R. 4304(b).

Inserted (e)1 and 2.

Amended by R.1997 d.490, effective November 17, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 3440(b), 29 N.J.R. 4863(a).

Added (g)2i through (g)2iii.

**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.

(b) After checking the gaming chips or plaques received, the casino licensee shall cause to be recorded in a chip inventory ledger the assigned alphabetical designation, the denomination of the value chips and gaming plaques received, the number of each denomination of value chip and gaming plaque received, the number and description of all non-value chips received, the date of any such receipt and the signatures of the individuals who checked any such chips and plaques. If the gaming chips will not be put into active use, the ledger shall also identify the storage location.

(c) Any gaming chips not in active use shall be stored in:

1. An approved casino vault;
2. The cashiers' cage; or
3. A comparable secure area, approved by the Commission, which is adjacent to and accessible exclusively from the casino.

(d) Whenever any gaming chips or plaques are taken from or returned to an approved storage area, at least two individuals shall be present, and the following information shall be recorded in the chip inventory ledger together with the date and signatures of the individuals involved:

1. The alphabetical designation, and if applicable, any numeric designation;
2. The number and dollar amount for each denomination of value chip or gaming plaque removed or returned;
3. The number and description of the non-value chips removed or returned;
4. The specific storage area being entered; and
5. The reason for the entry into the storage area.

(e) At the end of each gaming day, a casino licensee shall compute and record the unredeemed liability for each denomination of value chips and gaming plaques. At least once every 30 days, at a minimum, each casino licensee shall inventory all sets of value chips and gaming plaques in its possession and shall record the result of such inventory in the chip inventory ledger. The procedures to be utilized to compute the unredeemed liability and to inventory value chips and gaming plaques shall be submitted to the Commission for approval. A physical inventory of value chips and gaming plaques not in active use shall only be required annually if the inventory procedures incorporate the sealing of the locked compartment.

1. If a casino licensee elects to commingle gaming chips pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.3(e), a member of the casino accounting department shall, on a quarterly basis, inventory all gaming chips of a particular sample and readjust the starting inventory for those gaming chips which are no longer in the possession of the casino licensee. The adjusted inventory figure shall be recorded in the chip inventory ledger and shall be the new beginning inventory figure for the next quarter for purposes of computing the daily outstanding chip liability required by this section.

(f) Prior to the destruction of gaming chips and plaques, the casino licensee shall notify the Commission and the Division, in writing, of the date and the location at which the destruction will be performed, the denomination, number and amount of value chips and plaques to be destroyed, the description and number of non-value chips to be destroyed and a detailed explanation of the method of destruction. Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, the destruction of gaming chips and plaques shall be carried out

in the presence of at least two employees of the casino licensee, one of whom shall be from the accounting or auditing department of the casino licensee and one of whom shall be from any other mandatory department of the casino licensee. The denomination, number and amount of value chips and plaques or, in the case of non-value chips, the description and number so destroyed shall be recorded in the chip inventory ledger together with the signatures of the individuals carrying out such destruction, and the date on which said destruction took place. The casino licensee shall also maintain a written log of the names and license numbers of all casino personnel involved in each such destruction, as well as the names and addresses of all non-casino personnel involved.

(g) A casino licensee shall ensure that at all times there is adequate security, as approved by the Commission, for all gaming chips and plaques in its possession.

Amended by R.1983 d.299, effective August 1, 1983.  
See: 14 N.J.R. 828(a), 15 N.J.R. 1259(b).

In (f), added requirement to compute and record the unredeemed liability of chips and plaques on a daily basis.

Amended by R.1984 d.564, effective December 17, 1984.  
See: 16 N.J.R. 41(a), 16 N.J.R. 3494(b).

Section substantially amended.

Amended by R.1991 d.468, effective September 16, 1991.  
See: 23 N.J.R. 1780(a), 23 N.J.R. 2869(a).

In (g): added security department reference and text regarding the maintenance of a written log.

Amended by R.1992 d.110, effective March 2, 1992.  
See: 23 N.J.R. 3243(a), 24 N.J.R. 858(c).

In subsections (f) and (h), revised text to specify time frames for rule.  
Amended by R.1993 d.37, effective January 19, 1993.

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

"Casino" changed to "casino licensee."

Amended by R.1993 d.254, effective June 7, 1993.  
See: 25 N.J.R. 1083(a), 25 N.J.R. 2508(a).

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.1996 d.14, effective January 2, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3772(a), 28 N.J.R. 181(a).

In (g) substituted "two employees of the casino licensee" for "two people" and substituted "any other mandatory department" for "the security department".

Amended by R.1996 d.122, effective March 4, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1775(a), 28 N.J.R. 1399(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 (b), inserted reference to alphabetical designation and substituted "value chips and gaming plaques" for "chips and plaques", and added the last sentence; deleted (c), relating to reserved chips or plaques; recodified former (d) through (h) as (c) through (g); and substantially amended (c), (d), and (e).

#### **19:46-1.7 Roulette table; physical characteristics; double zero roulette wheel used as a single roulette wheel**

(a) Roulette shall be played on a table having a roulette wheel of not less than 30 inches in diameter at one end of the table and a roulette layout imprinted on the opposite end of the table.

(b) Each roulette wheel shall be of a single zero variety or a double zero variety as described and depicted below:

1. Each single zero roulette wheel shall have 37 equally spaced compartments around the wheel where the roulette ball shall come to rest. The roulette wheel shall also have a ring of 37 equally spaced areas to correspond to the position of the compartments with one marked zero and colored green and the others marked 1 to 36 and colored alternately red and black which numbers shall be arranged around the wheel as depicted in the following diagram unless otherwise approved by the Commission. The color of each compartment shall either be a corresponding color to those depicted on the ring or a neutral color as approved by the Commission.

2. Each double zero roulette wheel shall have 38 equally spaced compartments around the wheel where the roulette ball shall come to rest. The roulette wheel shall also have a ring of 38 equally spaced areas to correspond to the position of the compartments with one marked zero and colored green, one marked double-zero (00) and colored green, and the others marked 1 to 36 and colored alternately red and black which numbers shall be arranged around the wheel as depicted in the following diagram unless otherwise approved by the Commission. The color of each compartment shall either be a corresponding color to those depicted on the ring or a neutral color as approved by the Commission.

(c) A double zero roulette wheel may be used as a single zero roulette wheel, provided that:

1. If a double zero table layout is used, the "00" wager area on the layout is obscured with a cover or other approved device which clearly indicates that such a wager is not available; and

2. Appropriate signage is posted at the roulette table to notify players that:

i. A double zero roulette wheel is being used as a single zero roulette wheel, and that double zero (00) is not an available wager;

ii. If the roulette ball comes to rest in a compartment marked double zero (00), the spin will be declared void and the wheel will be respun; and

iii. Wagers on red, black, odd, even, 1 to 18 and 19 to 36 shall be lost if the roulette ball comes to rest in a compartment marked zero (0).

(d) The layout for a roulette table shall be approved by the Commission and shall contain, at a minimum:

1. The name or trade name of the casino licensee offering the game; and

2. Specific areas for the placement of the wagers authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:47-5.1.