

**CHAPTER 14A
CARNIVAL-AMUSEMENT RIDES**

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

5:14A-1.1 Title; scope; intent

(a) These rules shall be known and may be cited as chapter 14A, Carnival-Amusement Rides of Title 5, N.J.A.C.

(b) The purpose of this chapter is to provide reasonable standards for the design, construction and operation of amusement rides for the safety of the public.

(c) No person shall manufacture or sell for use in this State, operate, arrange for or cause to be used any ride that is not in compliance with this chapter.

1. No person shall change a ride in any way that makes the ride less conforming with the provisions of this chapter.

(d) This chapter shall apply to:

1. An amusement ride subject to the Carnival-Amusement Ride Safety Act, N.J.S.A. 5:3-31 et seq.;

2. An amusement ride as defined in N.J.A.C. 5:14A-1.2;

i. Amusement ride shall include a water slide exceeding 15 feet in height with the height of a water slide calculated as the difference in elevation between the highest point on the sliding surface and the lowest allowable elevation of the water surface into which the slide discharges; and

ii. A water amusement ride as defined in N.J.A.C. 5:14A-1.2;

3. Any mechanical device which carries, conveys, or directs riders along, around, or over a fixed or restricted route or course for the purpose of giving its riders amusement, pleasure, thrills or excitement; and

4. Any rider or gravity propelled ride, including, but not limited to, any water slide or water-based recreation equipment when located in an amusement area or park in which there are other rides covered by the Act.

(e) This chapter shall not apply to:

1. A locomotive weighing more than seven tons, operating on a track the length of which is one-half mile or greater, the gage of which is three feet or greater, and the weight of which is at least 60 pounds per yard;

i. Such locomotives shall be under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the purposes of safety inspection;

2. A manually, mechanically or electrically operated, coin-operated ride, which is customarily placed, singly or in groups, in a public location and which does not normally require the supervision or services of an operator; or

3. A rider-or gravity-propelled ride that is not a mechanical device, or is not limited to a fixed or restricted course, and is not located in an amusement area or park.

(f) Where there is a conflict between these rules and any referenced standard, these rules shall govern.