

(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).

Amended by R.1999 d.221, effective July 19, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 3171(a), 31 N.J.R. 1943(a).

In (b), inserted a reference to serial numbers of value chips and gaming plaques; and in (d)2, inserted a reference to serial numbers.

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.

(e) Notwithstanding (d) above, if a casino licensee offers an optional wager authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:47-5.1, the layout for that roulette table shall also include, in a manner approved by the Commission, designated areas for the placement of such wagers.

(f) Each roulette table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it, in locations approved by the Commission.

Petition for Rulemaking: To permit alternative color designations for the bases of the equally spaced compartments or pockets of the roulette wheel upon which the ball comes to rest.

See: 20 N.J.R. 824(c).

Amended by R.1989 d.96, effective February 21, 1989.

See: 20 N.J.R. 2445(a), 21 N.J.R. 461(a).

(b) substantially amended.

Amended by R.1992 d.452, effective November 16, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 3033(a), 24 N.J.R. 4279(a).

Added new (c); redesignated existing (c) as (d).
Amended by R.1995 d.167, effective March 20, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 57(b), 27 N.J.R. 1202(a).
Amended by R.1998 d.147, effective March 16, 1998.
See: 30 N.J.R. 33(a), 33 N.J.R. 1057(a).
Rewrote (d); and added (f).

19:46-1.8 Roulette balls

Balls used in gaming at roulette shall be made completely of a non-metallic substance and not be less than 12/16 of an inch nor more than 14/16 of an inch in diameter unless otherwise approved by the Commission.

19:46-1.9 Roulette; inspection procedures; security procedures

(a) Prior to opening a roulette table for gaming activity, a casino supervisor or member of the casino security department shall:

1. Inspect the roulette table and roulette wheel for any magnet or contrivance that would affect the fair operation of such wheel;
2. Inspect the roulette wheel to assure that it is level and rotating freely and evenly;
3. Inspect the roulette wheel to assure that all parts are secure and free from movement;
4. Inspect the roulette ball by passing it over a magnet or compass to assure its non-magnetic quality; and
5. Conform that the layout and signage comply with N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.7(c), if a double zero roulette wheel is being used as a single zero roulette wheel.

(b) If a casino licensee uses a roulette wheel which has external movable parts, any adjustments to the movable parts shall be made by a casino supervisor or a member of the casino maintenance department, in the presence of a security department member. Adjustments to the movable parts of a roulette wheel that is located on the casino floor, or in a casino simulcasting facility, shall only be made:

1. When the casino or casino simulcasting facility is not open to the public; or
2. If the roulette wheel is moved to a secure location outside the casino or casino simulcasting facility as approved by the Commission.

(c) All adjustments shall be completed prior to the required inspections in (a) above.

(d) The casino licensee may replace any of the movable parts at any time, provided, however, if any one or more of the movable parts are external then an inspection must be completed by the Division prior to reopening the roulette wheel and table for gaming activity.

(e) A log shall be maintained which shall include, at a minimum, the date, the roulette table number, whether an adjustment or replacement was completed and the signature of the person making the adjustment or replacement.

(f) When a roulette table is not open for gaming activity, the roulette wheel shall be secured by placing a cover over the entire wheel and securely locking such cover to the roulette table.

Amended by R.1989 d.96, effective February 21, 1989.
See: 20 N.J.R. 2445(a), 21 N.J.R. 461(a).

Added new (a)3 and (b); recodified old (a)3 to (a)4 and (b) to (c).
Amended by R.1992 d.110, effective March 2, 1992.
See: 23 N.J.R. 3243(a), 24 N.J.R. 858(c).

Section amended to provide an option to casino licensees where it is necessary to make adjustments to roulette wheels with external movable parts. Added (b)1 and 2; recodified text of existing (b) as (c)-(e); recodified existing (c) as (f), revising text.

Amended by R.1992 d.452, effective November 16, 1992.
See: 24 N.J.R. 3033(a), 24 N.J.R. 4279(a).

Added (a)5.
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.

19:46-1.10 Blackjack tables; card reader device; physical characteristics; inspections

(a) Blackjack shall be played at a table having on one side places for the players and on the opposite side a place for the dealer.

(b) The layout for a blackjack 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 designated for the placement of wagers, which betting areas shall not exceed seven in number.

(c) The following inscriptions shall appear on the blackjack layout:

1. Blackjack pays 3 to 2.
2. Dealer must draw to 16 and stand on all 17's; and
3. Insurance pays 2 to 1.

(d) Notwithstanding the requirements of (c) above, if a casino licensee offers blackjack rule variations in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.6(k), the blackjack layout shall be approved by the Commission and have imprinted on it, at a minimum, the following additional inscriptions:

1. Blackjack pays 1 to 1;
2. Dealer must draw to 16 and stand on all 17's; and
3. Dealer's hole card dealt face up.

(e) Each blackjack table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it with the location of said boxes on the same side of the gaming table, but on opposite sides of the dealer, as approved by the Commission.

(f) If a casino licensee offers one of the additional wagers authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.17, the blackjack layout shall be approved by the Commission and shall have designated areas for the placement of the additional wager. If a casino licensee offers the additional wager authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.17(a)1, the layout shall also have the payout odds for the additional wager imprinted thereon. If a casino licensee offers the additional wager authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.17(a)3, the layout or a separate sign located at the table shall contain the payout odds for the additional wager.

(g) A blackjack table may have attached to it, as approved by the Commission, a card reader device which permits the dealer to read his or her hole card in order to determine if the dealer has a blackjack in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.6. If a blackjack table has an approved card reader device attached to it, the floorperson assigned to the table shall inspect the card reader device at the beginning of each gaming day. The purpose of this inspection shall be to insure that there has been no tampering with the device and that it is in proper working order. A card reader device shall not be used on a blackjack table offering a progressive blackjack wager pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.19.

(h) Notwithstanding the requirements of (b) above, if a casino licensee offers multiple action blackjack in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.18, the blackjack layout shall be approved by the Commission and shall contain, at a minimum:

1. Three separate designated betting areas for each player position at the table with each separate betting area being numbered one through three, provided, however, that the number of player positions at each table shall not exceed six;
2. A separate designated area on the layout, for each player position, for the placement of insurance wagers;
3. A separate designated area on the layout, for each player position, for the placement of double down wagers;
4. A separate designated area on the layout for each player position, for the placement of split pair wagers; and
5. Three separate areas designated for the placement of the dealer's original face up card with each separate area being numbered one through three.

(i) In order to collect the cards at the conclusion of a round of play as required by N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.6(i) and at such other times as provided in the rules of the Commission, each blackjack table shall have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table. The

height of each discard rack shall equal the height of the cards, stacked one on top of the other, contained in the total number of decks that are to be used in the dealing shoe at that table; provided, however, that a taller discard rack may be used if such rack has a distinct and clearly visible mark on its side to show the exact height for a stack of cards equal to the total number of cards contained in the number of decks to be used in the dealing shoe at that table. Whenever a double shoe is used at a blackjack table, the same number of decks shall be used in each side of the double shoe, and the height and marking requirements as set forth above for the table's discard rack shall be determined from the number of decks used in one side of the shoe.

(j) If a casino licensee offers a progressive blackjack wager pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.19, the blackjack layout shall be approved by the Commission. In addition, the blackjack layout shall have designated areas for the placement of the progressive blackjack wager and shall contain the following equipment in addition to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39B:

1. A separate acceptor device mounted directly in front of each respective betting area for the placement of a progressive wager. Each acceptor device shall have a light which shall illuminate upon insertion and acceptance of a gaming chip;
2. A method to ensure that only one progressive blackjack wager is made per person, per round of play;
3. A device or method to indicate that a progressive blackjack wager has been won;
4. A sign describing the winning wagers and the payouts to be awarded on winning progressive blackjack wagers at a location near the table as approved by the Commission;
5. A table controller panel located in an area of the table as approved by the Commission. The table controller panel shall be equipped with a "lock-out" button which, once activated by the dealer, shall prevent any player from depositing a gaming chip in the acceptor device; and
6. A mechanical, electrical or electronic table inventory return device which shall permit all gaming chips deposited into the acceptor devices referenced in (j)1 above to be collected and immediately returned to a designated area within the table inventory container prior to the dealing of a hand. The table inventory return device shall be designed and constructed to contain any feature the Commission may require to maintain the security and integrity of the game. The procedures for the operation of all functions of the table inventory return device shall be submitted to and approved by the Commission.

(k) If a casino licensee offers a blackjack bonus wager pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.20, the blackjack layout shall be approved by the Commission, shall have designated areas for the placement of the blackjack bonus wager, and shall contain the following equipment:

1. A table controller located in an area of the table or the pit as approved by the Commission, which area shall be secured by dual key control, with one key being maintained and controlled by the Commission and the second key being maintained and controlled by a casino supervisor.

i. One table controller shall control no more than four blackjack tables. Procedures for the operation, security and control of the table controller shall be submitted to and approved by the Commission.

ii. Whenever it is required that a table controller or any device connected thereto which may affect the operation of the blackjack bonus system be accessed or opened, certain information shall be recorded on a form entitled "Controller Access Authorization Log," which shall include, at a minimum, the date, time, purpose of accessing or opening the controller or device, and the signature of the authorized employee accessing or opening the machine or device. The Controller Access Authorization Log shall be maintained in the same secured location as the table controller, and shall have recorded thereon a sequential number and the manufacturer's serial number or the asset number of the controller;

2. A blackjack bonus button, which shall be located at the table by the dealer, and used by each player with a winning blackjack bonus wager to generate a bonus amount to be won by that player. The blackjack bonus button shall be attached to the table in a manner that will enable the dealer to place the blackjack bonus button directly in front of each winning player;

3. A blackjack bonus display, which shall be located at the table and shall display the amount of the winning blackjack bonus on both sides of the device, so that the amount is visible to all players, the dealer and supervisory personnel; and

4. A sign containing the amount of the blackjack bonus wager, as well as the minimum and maximum possible blackjack bonus amounts to be awarded, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-8.3.

(l) If a casino licensee offers a streak wager pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.22, the blackjack table shall also contain:

1. A layout approved by the Commission which shall include, at a minimum:

i. Four additional separate designated betting areas for each of the player positions at the table, which areas shall be numbered "2" through "5"; and

ii. The inscriptions "Two consecutive wins pays 3 to 1," "Three consecutive wins pays 7 to 1," "Four consecutive wins pays 17 to 1," and "Five consecutive wins pays 37 to 1";

2. The following equipment:

i. Marker buttons ("lammers") with the casino licensee's name or logo, or other devices or methods approved by the Commission, to indicate how many consecutive blackjack hands a patron has won; and

ii. A sign containing the permissible amount of the streak wager, posted pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-8.3.

Temporary amendment to (b).

See: 22 N.J.R. 2343(a).

Amended by R.1992 d.122, effective March 16, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3732(a), 24 N.J.R. 974(b).

In (b), revised text regarding shapes of blackjack betting areas. In (d), added new text concerning placement of drop and tip boxes. Deleted notes referring to blackjack diagram.

Amended by R.1992 d.174, effective April 20, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3251(a), 24 N.J.R. 1516(c).

Added new subsection (e).

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See: 24 N.J.R. 2085(a).

Amended by R.1992 d.362, effective September 21, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2350(a), 24 N.J.R. 3338(a).

Double exposure blackjack specifications added at (d).

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

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

"Trade name" and "licensee" added.

Amended by R.1993 d.38, effective January 19, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2351(a), 25 N.J.R. 367(a).

Card reader device provisions added at (f).

Amended by R.1993 d.461, effective September 20, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 2234(a), 25 N.J.R. 4508(c).

Amended by R.1994 d.80, effective February 22, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 5454(b), 26 N.J.R. 1113(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.265, effective June 6, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 5893(a), 26 N.J.R. 2463(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.315, effective July 15, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1947(a), 28 N.J.R. 3623(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.316, effective July 15, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1950(a), 28 N.J.R. 3625(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.147, effective March 16, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 33(a), 30 N.J.R. 1057(a).

Substituted references to blackjack layouts for references to cloths covering blackjack tables throughout; and rewrote (b).

Amended by R.1999 d.9, effective January 4, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 1217(a), 31 N.J.R. 57(a).

Added (k).

Amended by R.1999 d.110, effective April 5, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 4155(a), 31 N.J.R. 894(a).

In (i), deleted "immediately in front of or to the right of the dealer" at the end of the first sentence.

Amended by R.2001 d.24, effective January 16, 2001.

See: 32 N.J.R. 3754(a), 33 N.J.R. 287(a).

Added (l).

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See: 35 N.J.R. 1598(a), 2375(a).

19:46-1.10A Three card poker table; physical characteristics

(a) Three card poker shall be played at a table having betting positions for the players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side. Such betting positions shall not exceed nine in number depending on the size of the table.

(b) The layout for a three card poker 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;
2. A separate designated betting area at each betting position for the placement of "ante" wagers;
3. A separate designated betting area located immediately in front of each ante wager betting area for the placement of "play" wagers;
4. A separate designated betting area located immediately behind each ante wager betting area for the placement of "pair plus" wagers; and

5. Inscriptions that advise patrons, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:47-20.11 and as approved by the Commission, the payout odds for ante and play wagers, pair plus wagers and ante bonuses and that "Dealer Plays with Queen High or Better".

(c) Each three card poker table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the gaming table as, but on opposite sides of, the dealer, and in locations approved by the Commission.

New Rule, R.1997 d.134, effective March 17, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2531(a), 29 N.J.R. 928(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.147, effective March 16, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 33(a), 30 N.J.R. 1057(a).

In (b), rewrote the introductory paragraph, and added "offering the game" at the end of 1; and rewrote (c).