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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

19:46-1.1 Gaming chips; physical characteristics applicable to all gaming chips; issuance and use; promotional non-gaming chips

(a) Each gaming chip issued by a casino licensee shall be in the form of a disk and, except as otherwise provided in

N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1A, shall have a uniform diameter of one and $\frac{1}{16}$ ths inches. Each of the two surfaces of a gaming chip across which the diameter of the chip can be measured shall be known as a "face." The surface of a gaming chip across which its thickness can be measured in a perpendicular line from one face to the other shall be known as its "edge."

(b) No gaming chip shall be issued by a casino licensee or utilized in a casino or casino simulcasting facility unless and until:

1. The design specifications of the proposed gaming chip are, prior to the manufacture of the gaming chip, submitted to and approved by the Commission, which submission shall include a detailed schematic depicting the actual size and, as appropriate, location of the following:

- i. Each face, including any indentations or impressions;
- ii. The edge; and
- iii. Any colors, words, designs, graphics or security measures contained on the gaming chip; and

2. A sample stack of 20 gaming chips of each sample chip, manufactured in accordance with its approved design specifications, is submitted to and approved by the Commission.

(c) Each gaming chip issued by a casino licensee shall be designed and manufactured with sufficient graphics or other security measures, including, at a minimum, those items specifically required to appear on the face or edge of a gaming chip pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1A or 1.1B, so as to prevent, to the greatest extent possible, the counterfeiting of the gaming chip.

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

(e) No casino licensee or other person licensed by the Commission shall manufacture for, sell to, distribute to or use in any casino outside of Atlantic City, any gaming chips having the same edge spot and design specifications as those approved for use in Atlantic City casinos and casino simulcasting facilities.

(f) A casino licensee may issue promotional non-gaming chips that are prohibited from use in gaming or simulcast wagering in any casino or casino simulcast facility. The physical characteristics of such chips shall be sufficiently distinguishable from approved design specifications of any gaming chip issued by a casino licensee so as to reasonably ensure that they will not be confused with authorized gaming chips. At a minimum, such chips shall:

1. Be unique in terms of size or color;

2. Have no edge designs unique to gaming chips; and

3. Bear the name of the casino licensee issuing them and language on both faces stating that they have no redeemable value.

Amended by R.1979 d.358, effective September 11, 1979.

See: 11 N.J.R. 419(a), 11 N.J.R. 531(a).

Amended by R.1983 d.539, effective November 21, 1983.

See: 15 N.J.R. 1239(a), 15 N.J.R. 1957(c).

Substantially amended and recodified text.

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

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

In subsection (l), recodified 1.i. and 1., deleting 1.ii. regarding the cage cashier; added new subparagraphs 2. and 3., deleting 2.i. Stylistic revisions through (l). Added new text regarding one-half hour prior notice for a roulette table impressment. In (m), deleted (m)5 and added specific signature requirements.

Amended by R.1992 d.453, effective November 16, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2140(a), 24 N.J.R. 4279(b).

Added new (h); redesignated existing (h) through (p) as (i) through (q). In (i), (j), and (l), added references to pokette.

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.

Amended by R.1996 d.13, effective January 2, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3771(b), 28 N.J.R. 180(c).

In (m) deleted provision for notice to the commission prior to impressment.

Repeal and New Rule, R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.

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

Section was "Gaming chips; value and non-value; physical characteristics".

Administrative correction.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2847(a).

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

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

Added (f).

Amended by R.2000 d.106, effective March 20, 2000.

See: 31 N.J.R. 3941(a), 32 N.J.R. 1052(a).

In (f)1., deleted "weight and" following "of size".

19:46-1.1A Value chips; denominations; physical characteristics

(a) Each gaming chip which contains a denomination on each face thereof shall be known as a "value chip."

(b) Each casino licensee shall be authorized to issue and use value chips in denominations of \$1.00, \$2.50, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$100.00, \$500.00, \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$20,000 and in such quantities as the casino licensee may deem appropriate to conduct gaming or simulcast wagering in its casino or casino simulcasting facility.

(c) Each denomination of value chip issued by a casino licensee shall contain a predominant color unique to that denomination to be known as the "primary color." A "secondary color" on a value chip is any color, other than that chip's primary color, that the Commission authorizes a casino licensee to include on the face or edge of the chip as a contrast to the chip's primary color, except that no primary color shall be used as a secondary color on a value chip of another denomination where such use on the edge is reasonably likely to cause confusion as to the chip's denomination when the edge alone is visible.

(d) Each gaming chip manufacturer shall submit sample color disks to the Commission that identify all primary and secondary colors to be used for the manufacture of gaming chips for casino licensees in Atlantic City. Once a gaming chip manufacturer has received approval for a primary or secondary color, those colors shall be consistently manufac-

tured in accordance with the approved samples. In order for a primary color to be approved for use, it must visually appear, when viewed either in daylight or under incandescent light, to comply with the colors set forth below or such other similar colors as approved by the Commission:

1. \$1.00—"White" which shall mean that color classified as N9/ on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	to	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Value	V+ N9.4/		V- N8.75/
Chroma	5R 9/1 5 YR 9/1 5Y 9/1		5G 9/0.5 5B 9/0.5 5P 9/0.5

2. \$2.50—"Pink" which shall mean that color classified as 2.5R 6/10 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 3.75R 6/10	H- 1.25R 6/10
Value	V+ 2.5R 6.75/10	V- 2.5R 5.75/10
Chroma	C+ 2.5R 6/12	C- 2.5R 6/8

3. \$5.00—"Red" which shall mean that color classified as 2.5R 4/12 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 3.75R 4/12	H- 1.25R 4/12
Value	V+ 2.5R 4.5/12	V- 2.5R 3.5/12
Chroma	C+ 2.5R 4/14	C- 2.5R 4/10

4. \$10.00—"Blue" which shall mean that color classified as 2.5PB4/10 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 5PB4/10	H- 10B4/10
Value	V+ 2/5PB4.5/10	V- 2.5PB3.5/10
Chroma	C+ None	C- 2.5PB4/9

5. \$20.00—"Yellow" which shall mean that color classified as 5Y 8.5/12 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 7.5Y 8.5/12	H- 2.5Y 8.5/12
Value	V+ 5Y 8.75/12	V- 5Y 8/12
Chroma	C+ 5Y 8.5/14	C- 5Y 8.5/10

6. \$25.00—"Green" which shall mean that color classified as 2.5G 5/12 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 3.75G 5/12	H- 1.25G 5/12
Value	V+ 2.5G 5.5/12	V- 2.5G 4.5/12
Chroma	C+ None	C- 2.5G 5/9

7. \$100.00—"Black" which shall mean that color classified as N2/ on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	to	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Value	V+ N2.3/		V- N1.5/
Chroma	5R 2/0.5 5Y 2/0.5 5G 2/0.5		5B 2/0.5 5P 2/0.5

8. \$500.00—"Purple" which shall mean that color classified as 2.5P 4/10 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 3.75P 4/10	H- 1.25P 4/10
Value	V+ 2.5P 4.5/10	V- 2.5P 3.5/10
Chroma	C+ None	C- 2.5P 4/8

9. \$1,000.00—"Fire Orange" which shall mean that color classified as 8.9R 5.9/18.5 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 1.5YR 5.9/18.5	H- 7.64R 5.9/18.5
Value	V+ 8.9R 6.4/18.5	V- 8.9R 5.4/18.5
Chroma	C+ 8.9R 5.9/20.5	C- 8.9R 5.9/16.5

10. \$5,000.00—"Gray" which shall mean that color classified as N5/ on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	to	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Value	V+ N 5.5/		V- N 4.5/
Chroma	5R 5/0.5 5Y 5/0.5 5G 5/0.5		5B 5/0.5 5P 5/0.5

11. \$20,000—"Mustard Yellow" which shall mean that color classified as 5Y 7/6 on the Munsell System of Color Coding which shall be reproduced to within the following tolerances:

	<u>Upper Limits</u>	<u>Lower Limits</u>
Hue	H+ 7.5Y 7/6	H- 2.5Y 7/6
Value	V+ 5Y 8/6	V- 5Y 6/6
Chroma	C+ 5Y 7/8	C- 5Y 7/4

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

1. The denomination of the value chip, expressed in numbers;

2. The name, trade name, or other approved identification of the casino licensee issuing the value chip, which shall be applied in such a manner so as to be visible to surveillance employees using the closed circuit television system;

3. The words "Atlantic City" or "New Jersey" if the casino licensee has casino properties in other gaming jurisdictions; and

4. The primary color of the value chip.

(f) In addition to the characteristics specified in (e) above, each value chip in a denomination of \$25.00 or more shall contain a design or other identifying characteristic that is unique to the gaming chip manufacturer that makes the chip. Upon approval of a particular design or characteristic by the Commission, the gaming chip manufacturer shall thereafter have the exclusive right to use that design or characteristic on that denomination of value chip and shall be precluded from using that same design or characteristic on any other denomination of value chip that it manufactures. The approved unique design or characteristic may only be changed upon a showing by the gaming chip manufacturer that, despite the change, each value chip in a denomination of \$25.00 or more shall nonetheless be readily identifiable to the manufacturer. An example of the application of this subsection is as follows:

1. If a hexagon is approved for use by Manufacturer A on a \$100.00 value chip, a hexagon can be used by Manufacturer A on any \$100.00 value chip that it makes for any casino licensee, but Manufacturer A cannot use a hexagon on any other denomination of value chip that it manufactures; but

2. Manufacturer B could use a hexagon on any value chip with a denomination of less than \$25.00 and on any value chip with a denomination of \$25.00 or more, other than a \$100.00 chip, provided that no other manufacturer has been granted approval by the Commission to use a hexagon on the same particular value chip with a denomination of \$25.00 or more.

(g) Each value chip issued by a casino licensee shall contain an identifying characteristic, to be known as an "edge spot," which shall:

1. Be applied in a manner which ensures that the edge spot shall:

i. Be clearly visible on the edge and, to the extent required by the Commission, on each face of the value chip; and

ii. Remain a permanent part of the value chip;

2. Be created by using:

i. The primary color of the chip; and

ii. One or more secondary colors; and

3. Include a design, pattern or other feature that a natural person with adequate training could readily use to identify, when viewed through the closed circuit television system of the casino licensee, the denomination of the particular value chip when placed in a stack of gaming chips, in the table inventory or in any other location where only the edge of the value chip is visible; provided, however, that the design, pattern or feature created by the primary and secondary colors required by (g)2 above shall be sufficient by itself to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph if approved for that purpose by the Commission.

(h) When determining the secondary colors to be used to make the edge spot on a particular denomination of value chip, a casino licensee shall, unless otherwise approved by the Commission, use only those secondary colors that are reasonably likely to differentiate its value chip from the same denomination of value chip issued by any other casino licensee.

1. If an approved value chip uses a single secondary color, no other casino licensee shall use a similar secondary color as the sole secondary color on the same denomination of value chip unless it is used in a different pattern or design approved by the Commission pursuant to (g) above.

2. If an approved value chip uses a combination of two or more secondary colors, no other casino licensee shall use that identical combination of secondary colors on the same denomination of value chip unless it is used in a different pattern or design approved by the Commission pursuant to (g)3 above.

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1(a) to the contrary, any value chip issued in the denomination of \$1,000, \$5,000 or \$20,000 shall have a uniform diameter of one and 11/16ths inches. Each value chip issued in a denomination of \$20,000, in addition to satisfying the requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1 and this section, shall be impressed with a unique serial number and shall be subject to an approved system of internal procedures and administrative and accounting controls governing their distribution, redemption, receipt and inventory by such serial number.

(j) Each value chip when a denomination below \$25.00 shall contain at least one anti-counterfeiting measure and each value chip with a denomination of \$25.00 or more shall contain at least three anti-counterfeiting measures in addition to those items specifically required to appear on the face or edge of a value chip by this section.

(k) In addition to any other requirement imposed by N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1 and this section, the edge spots on a value chip that has non-identical faces shall appear uniform in design, pattern or other feature when viewed from the perspective of the same face on any other value chip in the set. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the edge spots on a value chip that has non-identical faces and a denomination below \$25.00 may appear uniform in design, pattern or other feature or as an inverted mirror image thereof when viewed from the perspective of either face on any other value chip in the set.

New Rule, R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.

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

Administrative correction.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2847(a).

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), deleted a denomination of \$.50, and inserted a denomination of \$20,000; in (d), deleted a former 1, recodified former 2 through 11 as 1 through 10, and added a new 11; and in (i), inserted a denomination of \$20,000 in the first sentence, and added a second sentence. Amended by R.1999 d.224, effective July 19, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 843(a), 31 N.J.R. 1946(b).

Added (k).

19:46-1.1B Non-value chips; physical characteristics

(a) Each gaming chip which does not contain a denomination on either face thereof shall be known as a "non-value" chip.

(b) Each non-value chip utilized in a casino or casino simulcasting facility shall be issued solely for the purpose of gaming at roulette. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this section shall preclude a casino licensee from using non-value chips approved for use in roulette at the game of pokette.

(c) Each non-value chip issued by a casino licensee shall contain certain identifying characteristics that may appear in any location at least once on each face of the gaming chip 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 chip. The characteristics required by (c)1 and 2 below shall be applied in such a manner so as to be visible to surveillance employees using the closed circuit television system. The identifying characteristics of a non-value chip, at a minimum, shall include:

1. The name, trade name, or other approved identification of the casino licensee issuing the non-value chip;
2. A design, insert or symbol that will permit a set of non-value chips being used at a particular gaming table to be distinguished from the non-value chips being used at every other gaming table in the casino or casino simulcasting facility;
3. The word "Roulette"; and
4. Such color and/or design combinations as the Commission may approve so as to readily distinguish the non-

value chips of each player at a particular gaming table from:

- i. The non-value chips of every other player at the same gaming table; and
- ii. The value chips issued by any casino licensee.

(d) Each non-value chip issued by a casino licensee shall contain an identifying characteristic, to be known as an "edge spot," which shall:

1. Be applied in a manner which ensures that the edge spot shall:

i. Be clearly visible on the edge and, to the extent required by the Commission, on each face of the non-value chip; and

ii. Remain a permanent part of the non-value chip;

2. Be created by using the colors approved for the face of the particular non-value chip pursuant to (c)4 above in combination with one or more other colors that provide a contrast with the color on the face of the chip and that enable it to be distinguished from the non-value chips issued by any other casino licensee; and

3. Include a design, pattern or other feature approved by the Commission that a natural person with adequate training could readily use to identify, when viewing the non-value chip through the closed circuit television system of the casino licensee, the player to whom the non-value chip has been assigned when the non-value chip is placed in a stack of gaming chips or in any other location where only the edge of the non-value chip is visible; provided, however, that the design, pattern or feature created by the colors required by (d)2 above shall be sufficient by itself to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph if approved for that purpose by the Commission.

New Rule, R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.

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

19:46-1.2 Non-value chips; permitted uses; inventory and impressment

(a) Each non-value chip shall be assigned to a particular gaming table and shall be issued and used for gaming at that table only. All non-value chips utilized at a particular gaming table shall have the same design, insert or symbol as required by N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1B(c)2. No casino licensee or any employee thereof shall allow any patron to remove a non-value chip from the gaming table at which it was issued.

(b) No patron at a gaming table shall be issued or permitted to game with non-value chips that are identical in color and design to any non-value chip issued to any other patron at the same table. When a patron purchases non-value chips, a non-value chip of the same color and design shall be placed in a slot or receptacle attached to the outer rim of the roulette wheel or, for pokette, in such other device as approved by the Commission. At that time, a

marker button denoting the value of a stack of 20 non-value chips of the same color and design shall be placed in the slot, receptacle or other device (for example, a marker button with "100" imprinted on it would be placed in the receptacle to designate that, during the patron's play on that occasion only, the non-value chips of that color and design are each worth \$5.00).

(c) An impressment of the non-value chips assigned to each gaming table shall be completed at least once every 30 days. The casino licensee shall record the results of the impressment in the chip inventory ledger required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.6 and shall perform the impressment as follows:

1. A casino department supervisor shall complete a "Non-Value Chip Impressment" form to record missing or excess chips and shall deliver the form and any excess chips to the main bank or chip bank;

2. Upon receipt of the "Non-Value Chip Impressment" form, a main bank cashier or chip bank cashier shall, if appropriate, immediately prepare any chips needed to impress the table; and

3. The casino department supervisor shall then, if applicable, deliver the non-value chips needed to restore the impress to the appropriate gaming table.

(d) The completed "Non-Value Chip Impressment" form shall be maintained by the accounting department and shall contain, at a minimum, the following:

1. The date and time of preparation;

2. The design schematic of the chip including its primary color and the applicable table number;

3. The signature of the casino department supervisor who completes the "Non-Value Chip Impressment" form and the impressment for such table; and

4. The signature of the main bank cashier or chip bank cashier who reviewed the form and, if necessary, prepared the chips to restore the impressment.

(e) Each casino licensee shall record in the chip inventory ledger required by N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.6 and submit to the Commission and Division, a monthly summary of the non-value chip inventory for each gaming table. This monthly summary shall include, at a minimum, the following information for each non-value chip color and design:

1. The balance on hand at the beginning of the month;

2. The number of non-value chips distributed to the gaming table during the month;

3. The number of non-value chips returned to inventory during the month; and

4. The balance on hand at the end of the month.

New Rule, R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.

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

Former section recodified to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.4.

19:46-1.3 Additional sets of gaming chips

(a) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, for each set of value gaming chips that a casino licensee elects to issue pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.1A(b) in a denomination of \$25.00, \$100.00 or \$500.00, it shall also have at least one approved set of gaming chips that may be used as a back-up for the set of gaming chips in active use. Each set of value chips maintained for use by a casino licensee shall have different secondary colors. All sets of value and non-value gaming chips shall conform with the color and design requirements contained in this chapter.

(b) Each casino licensee shall have a reserve non-value chip for each color utilized in the casino or casino simulcasting facility with a design insert or symbol different from those non-value chips comprising the primary set.

(c) The casino licensee shall remove the set of gaming chips in use from active play whenever it is believed the casino or casino simulcasting facility is taking on counterfeit chips or whenever any other impropriety or defect in the utilization of that set of chips makes removal of the chips in active use necessary or whenever the Commission or its designee so directs. An approved back-up set of value chips and a reserve non-value chip shall be placed into active play whenever the active set is removed.

(d) Whenever the chips in active use are removed from play, the casino licensee shall notify immediately a representative of the Commission and Division of this fact and the reasons for such occurrence.

(e) Notwithstanding (a) above, a casino licensee may obtain Commission approval of two or more different samples within a single set of value chips from the same or different manufacturers for a particular denomination of value chip with a value of \$100.00 or less ("commingling"), provided that each sample of a particular denomination shall have the same secondary color and edge design. Any approved sample of a particular denomination of value chip within a single set of chips may be placed in or removed from active use by the casino licensee at any time.

(f) Each set of gaming chips that the Commission approves for use by a casino licensee shall receive a unique and permanent alphabetical designation. This designation shall be assigned by the casino licensee during the design schematic approval process and shall be used for all inventory procedures required by N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.6. If a casino licensee elects to commingle gaming chips pursuant to (e) above, in addition to the assigned alphabetical designation for that set of chips, each different sample within the set shall also be assigned an accompanying unique numeric designation.

As amended, R.1981 d.408, effective November 2, 1981.