

CHAPTER 45

ACCOUNTING AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

19:45-1.1 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Access control" means a system or device used by a casino licensee to grant a patron exclusive authority to initiate the transmission of electronic credits to the electronic transfer credit meter of a slot machine in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37A and may include, without limitation, the use of an access card with a magnetically coded strip, a coded key pad system or any other means of access control approved by the Commission.

"Annuity jackpot trust check" means a check issued by an annuity jackpot trust, as defined in N.J.S.A. 5:12-2.2, in payment of winnings from an annuity jackpot. An annuity jackpot trust check shall be made payable only to the person presenting the check and shall not contain any other endorsements.

"Asset number" means a unique number permanently assigned to a slot machine and a slot cash storage box for purposes of tracking that machine and storage box while owned by a casino licensee.

"Automated coupon redemption machine" means any mechanical, electrical or other device which operates independently of a slot machine and which, upon insertion of a valid casino coupon or currency, dispenses an amount of coin or slot tokens equivalent to the face value of the coupon or currency, and which immediately upon exchange cancels the coupon.

"Authorized instrument" means a cash equivalent, a casino check, a casino affiliate check, an annuity jackpot trust check or a replacement check.

"Bank" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25.

"Cage cashier" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15.

"Cage supervisor" means any person holding a license as required by the casino licensee's approved jobs compendium which allows that person to supervise personnel and functions within the cashier's cage.

"Cash" means currency or coin.

"Cash equivalent" means a:

1. Certified check, cashiers check, treasurers check, recognized travelers check or recognized money order that:

i. Is made payable to the casino licensee where presented, a holding company of the casino licensee, "bearer" or "cash";

ii. Is dated, but not postdated; and

iii. Does not contain any endorsement;

2. Certified check, cashiers check, treasurers check or recognized money order that:

i. Is made payable to the presenting patron;

ii. Is endorsed in blank by the presenting patron;

iii. Is dated but not postdated; and

iv. Does not contain any endorsement other than that of the presenting patron; or

3. Recognized credit card or debit card presented by a patron in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.18A or 1.25(i).

"Cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing of value" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40A.

"Cashiers' cage" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14.

"Casino Accounting Department" (accounting department) is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11.

"Casino clerk (Pit clerk)" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.12.

"Casino supervisor" means a person employed in the operation of a casino or of the authorized games in a casino simulcasting facility in a supervisory capacity or empowered to make discretionary decisions which regulate casino operations, including but not limited to, boxpersons, floorpersons, pit bosses, poker shift supervisors, table games shift managers, the assistant casino manager, and the casino manager.

"Check" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25.

"Check credit slip" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25.

"Checking account" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25.

"Chief executive officer" means the natural person located at a casino hotel facility who is ultimately responsible for the daily conduct of an applicant's or casino licensee's hotel and gaming business, regardless of the applicant's or casino licensee's form of business association or the particular title which the person holds.

"Closer" means the original of the Table Inventory Slip upon which each table inventory is recorded at the end of each shift.

"Coin vault" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14.

"Commission inspector" means any authorized representative of the Commission.

"Compensation" means direct or indirect payments for services performed including, but not limited to, salary, wages, bonuses, deferred payments, and overtime and premium payments.

"Complimentary distribution program" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.46.

"Complimentary services or items" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.9.

"Complimentary Vigorish Form" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:47-3.3(c)3i and 7.3(c)3i.

"Counter Check" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25.

"Coupon" means a document which is issued in accordance with the coupon redemption and complimentary distribution programs in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.46(a), and includes a match play coupon and a progressive wager coupon.

"Credit card cash transaction" means a transaction in which a patron obtains cash or slot tokens from a cashier by presenting a recognized credit card in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25(i).

"Credit Slip" is known as a "Credit" and is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.23.

"Debit card cash transaction" means a transaction in which a patron obtains cash or slot tokens from a cashier by presenting a recognized debit card in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25(i).

"Drop box" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.16.

“Electronic fund transfer” means a transfer of funds, other than a transaction originated by check, draft, or similar paper instrument, that is initiated through an electronic terminal, telephone, computer, or magnetic tape for the purpose of ordering, instructing, or authorizing a financial institution to debit or credit an account. For the purposes herein, the term does not include a debit card cash transaction as defined in this section, a debit card chip transaction as defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.18A(a), or any transactions exempt, by statute or regulation, from the provisions of Title IX of the Federal Consumer Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1693.

“Fill Slip” is known as a “Fill” and is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.22.

“Gaming voucher credit” means the equivalent value of coins or slot tokens registered on the credit meter of a slot machine as a result of a patron inserting a gaming voucher into the slot machine, which value shall also be recorded on the value voucher in meter.

“Gaming voucher system” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.55.

“Handle” means the total value of coins, slot tokens, including foreign slot tokens, currency, coupons, gaming vouchers, and electronic credits invested by a patron to activate the play of a slot machine.

“Hopper fill” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.41.

“Hopper inventory level” means the total dollar value of the initial fill of a slot machine hopper or an adjusted total that includes any subsequent increases in the total dollar value of the initial fill.

“Hopper storage area” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36A.

“Identification credential” means a valid credit card, driver license, passport or other document generally accepted in business as a form of identification and which contains, at a minimum, the person signature. A personal reference does not constitute an identification credential.

“Imprest basis” means the basis on which cashiers’ cage and slot booth funds are replenished from time to time in exactly the value of the net of expenditures made from the funds and value received. A review is made by a higher authority of the propriety of the expenditures before the replenishment.

“Incompatible function” means a function, for accounting control purposes, that places any person or department, in a position to both perpetrate and conceal errors or irregularities in the normal course of his duties. Anyone recording transactions and having access to assets ordinarily is in a position to perpetrate errors or irregularities. Persons may have incompatible functions if such persons are members of departments which have supervisors not independent of each other.

“Jackpot” means any money, merchandise or thing of value to be paid to a patron as the result of a specific combination(s) of characters indicated on a slot machine.

“Jackpot Payout Receipt” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40.

“Jackpot Payout Slip” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40.

“Keno booth” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.47.

“Keno drawer” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.48.

“Keno drop” means the sum of the total value of currency, coin, gaming chips, coupons and slot tokens wagered on keno tickets.

“Keno payout” means the currency, coin or casino check paid to a player in exchange for a winning keno ticket.

“Keno request” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:47-15.1.

“Keno ticket” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:47-15.1.

“Keno win or loss” means the total value of currency, coin, gaming chips, coupons and slot tokens wagered by patrons at keno less the total value of currency and coin paid to patrons for winning keno wagers.

“Keno work station” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.47.

“Master coin bank cashier” is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15.

“Master Game Report (Stiff Sheet)” means a record of the computation of the win or loss or, for the game of poker, the poker revenue, for each gaming table, each game, and each shift.

“Match play coupon” means a coupon with a fixed, stated value that is issued, utilized and redeemed pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.18 and 1.46, and the stated value of which, when presented by a patron with gaming chips which are equal to or greater in value to the stated value of the coupon, is included in the amount of the patron’s wager in determining the payout on any winning bet at an authorized game.

"Opener" means the duplicate copy of the table inventory slip upon which each table inventory is recorded at the end of each shift and serves as the record of each table inventory at the beginning of the next succeeding shift.

"Outstanding patron check" means any Counter Check, Slot Counter Check or replacement check that is not due for deposit or presentation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.28 and has not in fact been deposited or presented for payment or redeemed by the drawer.

"Pari-mutuel window net" means the total value of credit vouchers issued and wagers placed on simulcast horse races at a pari-mutuel window less the total value of simulcast payouts at the same pari-mutuel window. Pari-mutuel window net shall be calculated by the totalisator.

"Patron cash deposit" means the total value of cash, cash equivalents, complimentary cash gifts, slot tokens, prize tokens, gaming chips or plaques deposited with a casino licensee by a patron for his or her subsequent use pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.24.

"Patron check" means a Counter Check, a Slot Counter Check or a replacement check.

"Payout" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40, 1.40A, and 1.54.

"Poker revenue" means the total value of rake charged to patrons at all poker tables pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:47-14.14. The poker revenue is determined by adding the value of cash, coupons, the amount recorded on the Closer, the totals of amounts recorded on the Credits and issuance copies of Counter Checks removed from a drop box, the total of the amounts recorded on documents that evidence the exchange of gaming chips or plaques as part of credit card or debit card chip transactions, and subtracting the amount on the Opener and the total of amounts recorded on Fills removed from a drop box.

"Progressive wager coupon" means a coupon that:

1. Is issued, utilized and redeemed pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.18 and 1.46;
2. Has a fixed, stated value that is equal to that required for a table game progressive payout wager; and
3. Is redeemable only at specified table games offering progressive payout wagers pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39B.

"Propriety" means the quality of being proper; conforming to sections of this chapter.

"Rake" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:47-14.1.

"Recognized credit card" means a credit or charge card that:

1. Is issued by or under an agreement with a company that, as a normal part of its business, supplies its customers, either directly or through a national credit card network, with credit or charge cards that can be used for and are routinely accepted in consumer transactions;

2. Qualifies as a credit card for purposes of Regulation Z issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (12 C.F.R. Part 226);

3. Expires on an expiration date that is imprinted on the card and is later than the date of the transaction for which the card is presented; and

4. Has a clearly visible registered credit card logo that is a permanent part of the card.

"Recognized debit card" means a debit card that:

1. Is issued by or under an agreement with a company that qualifies as a "depository institution" as defined in Section 19(b) of the Federal Reserve Act, 12 U.S.C. § 461(b), and that, as a normal part of its business, supplies its customers, either directly or through a registered debit card verification agency, with access to funds maintained for the cardholder in such depository institution by means of a debit card that is routinely accepted in consumer transactions or used to obtain cash;

2. Qualifies as an access device for purposes of Regulation E issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (12 C.F.R. Part 205); and

3. Has a clearly visible registered debit card logo that is a permanent part of the card.

"Redemption receipt" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.26.

"Registered credit card logo" means a logo, permanently affixed on a recognized credit card, that a casino licensee, prior to accepting the card, has designated in its internal controls as the type of logo that must appear on any such card before the casino licensee will accept the card in a credit card cash or chip transaction and that is commonly seen on credit or charge cards that are routinely accepted in the United States, including, without limitation, the following:

1. American Express;
2. Carte Blanche;
3. Diners Club;
4. Discover;
5. MasterCard; or
6. Visa.

"Registered debit card logo" means a logo, permanently affixed on a recognized debit card, that a casino licensee, prior to accepting the card, has designated in its internal controls as the type of logo that must appear on any such card before the casino licensee will accept the card in a debit card cash or chip transaction and that is commonly seen on debit cards that are routinely accepted in the United States, including, without limitation, the following:

1. Money Access Card (MAC); or
2. New York Cash Exchange (NYCE).

"Registered debit card verification agency" means an organization that:

1. Verifies, upon request from a merchant, the validity and account sufficiency of a recognized debit card in the normal course of its business;
2. Is authorized to perform the verification for purposes of Regulation E issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (12 C.F.R. Part 205); and
3. A casino licensee has identified in its internal controls as a company that will be used to verify recognized debit cards that are presented in debit card cash or chip transactions.

"Registered electronic funds transfer company" means an organization that:

1. Verifies, upon request from a merchant, the validity and account sufficiency of a recognized credit card in the normal course of its business;
2. Is authorized to perform the verification for purposes of Regulation E issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (12 C.F.R. Part 205); and
3. A casino licensee has identified in its internal controls as a company that will be used to verify recognized credit cards that are presented in credit card cash or chip transactions.

"Replacement check" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.26.

"Request for Fill" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.22.

"Request for Credit" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.23.

"Request for Jackpot Payout Slip" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40.

"Returned check" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.29.

"Security department member" means any person employed by a casino licensee or its agent to provide physical security in an establishment.

"Shift" means the regular, daily work period of a group of employees administering and supervising the operation of table games, slot machines, simulcast counter, keno booths, cashiers' cage and satellite cages, working in relay with another such succeeding or preceding group of employees or specific times, as approved by the Commission, during the day that all drop boxes attached to gaming tables are removed, expeditiously transported to the count room, and replaced with empty ones.

"Signature" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.45.

"Simulcast count sheet" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15A(b).

"Simulcast handle" means the total value of currency, coin, gaming chips, slot tokens and coupons wagered by patrons on a simulcast horse race, less the total value of canceled or refunded tickets.

"Slot booth" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.34.

"Slot cashier" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.35.

"Slot cash storage box" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.16.

"Slot counter check" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25A.

"Slot drop box" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36.

"Slot drop bucket" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36.

"Slot machine drop" means the total value of coins, slot tokens, and foreign slot tokens in a slot drop bucket or a slot drop box, the total value of currency, gaming vouchers and coupons in a slot cash storage box, and the total value of electronic credits withdrawn from patron accounts pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37A, if applicable.

"Slot machine win" means the value determined by subtracting the hopper fills, other than initial fills of slot machine hoppers and hopper storage areas or any subsequent increases to those initial fills, cash payouts pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40, and gaming vouchers redeemed pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.54 from the slot machine drop.

"Table game drop" means the sum of the total value of currency, coin, coupons other than match play coupons and 50 percent of the total value of match play coupons, the total amounts recorded on issuance copies of Counter Checks removed from a drop box, and the total of the amounts recorded on documents that evidence the exchange of gaming chips or plaques as part of credit or debit card chip transactions.

"Table game win or loss" means the value of gaming chips and plaques and cash won from patrons at gaming tables less the value of gaming chips, plaques and coins won by patrons at gaming tables other than poker tables and the value paid to patrons in cash or by casino check for progressive payout wagers in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39B and 1.52. The table game win or loss is determined by adding the value of cash, total value of coupons other than match play coupons and 50 percent of the total value of match play coupons, the amount recorded on the Closer, the totals of amounts recorded on the Credits and the issuance copies of Counter Checks removed from a drop box, the total of the amounts recorded on documents that evidence the exchange of gaming chips or plaques as part of credit or debit card chip transactions, and the total of the amounts recorded on Complimentary Vigorish Forms that document uncollected baccarat or minibaccarat vigorish, subtracting the amount recorded on the Opener and the total of amounts recorded on fills removed from a drop box, and making any adjustments required by the internal controls of the casino licensee to account for the value of any progressive payout wagers paid pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39B and 1.52.

"Travel Disbursement Voucher" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.9A.

"Unredeemed gaming voucher record" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.54.

"Unsecured currency," "unsecured gaming voucher" and "unsecured coupon" are defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42.

"Vault cashier" is defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.12.

"Verbalize" means to orally express something in words.

"Wire transfer" means a transfer of funds by means of the Federal Reserve Bank wire system in accordance with the requirements of 12 CFR 210.25 et seq. and the Commission's rules.

Amended by R.1981 d.437, effective November 16, 1981.

See: 13 N.J.R. 534(b), 13 N.J.R. 848(b).

"Cash equivalent" and "identification credentials" added.

Amended by R.1983 d.112, effective March 29, 1983.

See: 15 N.J.R. 257(a), 15 N.J.R. 627(b).

Originally filed as an emergency adoption (R.1983 d.37) on January 27, 1983. Readopted as R.1983 d.112. Added "or items" to definition of "complimentary services." Deleted definition of junket.

Amended by R.1984 d.623, effective January 21, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2075(b), 17 N.J.R. 211(b).

Added the word "coupons" to the definition "change person".

Amended by R.1985 d.41, effective February 19, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 3302(b), 17 N.J.R. 480(c).

"Cash equivalent" substantially amended.

Amended by R.1986 d.77, effective April 7, 1986.

See: 17 N.J.R. 2245(a), 19 N.J.R. 706(b).

Added definition "casino check".

Amended by R.1987 d.302, effective July 20, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 2005(a), 19 N.J.R. 1321(a).

Definitions amended.

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See: 19 N.J.R. 1110(a).

Amended by R.1988 d.34, effective January 19, 1988.

See: 19 N.J.R. 1890(a), 20 N.J.R. 205(a).

Deleted definition for "Affiliate".

Amended by: R.1988 d.387, effective August 15, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 765(a), 20 N.J.R. 769(a), 20 N.J.R. 2090(a).

Amended by R.1989 d.233, effective May 1, 1989.

See: 20 N.J.R. 3012(a), 21 N.J.R. 1152(b).

Added definitions for "cage supervisor" and "wire transfer".

Amended by R.1989 d.611, effective December 18, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2953(a), 21 N.J.R. 3931(b).

Added "Travel Disbursement Voucher".

Amended by R.1990 d.2, effective January 2, 1990.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2954(a), 22 N.J.R. 63(a).

In "Casino check": stylistic changes, adding phrase "or for winnings ... payoffs."

In "Slot machine": deleted language regarding a special token to be exchanged for merchandise or thing of value.

Amended by R.1991 d.152, effective March 18, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3708(b), 23 N.J.R. 885(a).

Added "Automated coupon redemption machine" and "change machine".

Amended by R.1991 d.229, effective May 6, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3205(a), 23 N.J.R. 1455(a).

Added definitions of "master coin bank cashier," "slot cashier" and "slot counter check."

Amended by R.1991 d.230, effective May 6, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3325(a), 23 N.J.R. 1461(a).

Added definitions: "Asset number," "Location number" and "Manufacturer's serial number."

Amended by R.1991 d.301, effective June 17, 1991.

See: 23 N.J.R. 191(a), 23 N.J.R. 1963(b).

Added definitions for "bank," "check," and "checking account" with N.J.A.C. references.

Amended by R.1991 d.381, effective August 5, 1991.

See: 23 N.J.R. 1302(a), 23 N.J.R. 2323(a).

Added definition of "Chief executive officer".

Amended by R.1992 d.233, effective June 1, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3085(a), 24 N.J.R. 2078(a).

Added definition of "coin vault".

Amended by R.1992 d.360, effective September 21, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2137(a), 24 N.J.R. 3336(a).

Hopper storage area provisions added.

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.1993 d.75, effective February 16, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2536(a), 24 N.J.R. 4243(a), 25 N.J.R. 717(a).

Added definition of "coupon"; amended definition of "Table game drop".

Administrative correction to definition of "slot counter check."

See: 25 N.J.R. 1519(b).

Amended by R.1993 d.144, effective April 5, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2692(b), 25 N.J.R. 1520(a).

Added definition of complimentary distribution program.

Amended by R.1993 d.318, effective July 6, 1993 (operative October 15, 1993).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1503(b), 25 N.J.R. 2908(a).

Amended by R.1993 d.491, effective October 4, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 2227(b), 25 N.J.R. 4615(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.31, effective January 18, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4866(a), 26 N.J.R. 486(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.33, effective January 18, 1994 (operative February 22, 1994).

See: 25 N.J.R. 4737(a), 26 N.J.R. 489(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.69, effective February 7, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4471(a), 26 N.J.R. 829(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.141, effective March 21, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 5906(a), 26 N.J.R. 1380(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.1994 d.471, effective September 19, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2212(a), 26 N.J.R. 3891(c).

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).

Administrative Correction.

See: 27 N.J.R. 382(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.40, effective January 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 3825(a), 27 N.J.R. 382(b).

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.1995 d.430, effective August 7, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1767(b), 27 N.J.R. 2967(a).

Amended definition of "Table game win or loss".

Amended by R.1995 d.466, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2113(a), 27 N.J.R. 3219(a).

Added definition of "Annuity jackpot trust check".

Amended by R.1996 d.31, effective January 16, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3921(a), 28 N.J.R. 281(a).

Amended definitions of "Table game drop" and "Table game win or loss".

Amended by R.1996 d.314, effective July 15, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1612(a), 28 N.J.R. 3622(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.350, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2348(a), 28 N.J.R. 3816(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.439, effective September 16, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2809(a), 28 N.J.R. 4236(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.486, effective October 21, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4992(a), 28 N.J.R. 4601(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.562, effective December 2, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3900(a), 28 N.J.R. 5082(a).

Amended by R.1997 d.130, effective March 17, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2807(a), 29 N.J.R. 918(a).
Added "Vault cashier".

Amended by R.1997 d.131, effective March 17, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 4572(a), 29 N.J.R. 919(a).
Added "Redemption receipt".

Amended by R.1997 d.132, effective March 17, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 5160(a), 29 N.J.R. 923(a).
Deleted "Gaming chips and plaques".

Amended by R.1997 d.423, effective October 6, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 4181(b), 29 N.J.R. 4304(b).
Amended "Match play coupon".

Amended by R.1997 d.489, effective November 17, 1997.
See: 29 N.J.R. 1289(a), 29 N.J.R. 4862(b).
Amended "Slot machine win"; and added "Hopper inventory level".

Amended by R.1998 d.18, effective January 5, 1998.
See: 29 N.J.R. 3432(b), 30 N.J.R. 112(b).
Amended "Cage supervisor" and "Casino supervisor."

Amended by R.1998 d.267, effective June 1, 1998.
See: 30 N.J.R. 807(a), 30 N.J.R. 2076(a).
In "Identification credential", inserted "document generally accepted in business as a" following "other".

Amended by R.1998 d.369, effective July 20, 1998.
See: 30 N.J.R. 298(a), 30 N.J.R. 2637(a).
Inserted "Authorized instrument" and "Outstanding patron check".

Amended by R.1999 d.43, effective February 1, 1999.
See: 30 N.J.R. 3173(a), 31 N.J.R. 455(a).
Inserted "Complimentary Vigorish Form"; and in "Table game win or loss", inserted "and the total of the amounts recorded on Complimentary Vigorish Forms that document uncollected baccarat or mini-baccarat vigorish," following "debit card chip transactions," in the second sentence.

Amended by R.2000 d.333, effective August 21, 2000.
See: 32 N.J.R. 1918(a), 32 N.J.R. 3076(a).
In "Cash equivalent", added reference to holding companies of casino licensees in 1i.

Amended by R.2001 d.451, effective December 3, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 772(a), 33 N.J.R. 4151(b).
Deleted "Theoretical slot machine payout percentage".

Amended by R.2002 d.282, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 655(a), 34 N.J.R. 3128(a).
Added "Electronic fund transfer".

Amended by R.2003 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.
See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).
Rewrote the section.

19:45-1.1A Gaming day

(a) The "gaming day" for a casino licensee on a calendar day which has not been approved for extended hours of operation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-97(a) shall commence at 10:00 A.M. or the actual time when the casino opens to the public, whichever is later, and shall terminate:

1. At 4:00 A.M. on the next calendar day, if the next calendar day is a weekday which is not a holiday;
2. At 6:00 A.M. on the next calendar day, if the next calendar day is a Saturday, Sunday or State or Federal holiday;
3. In accordance with (b) below, if the next calendar day has been approved by the Commission for extended hours of casino operation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-97(a); or
4. When the casino actually closes if such time is earlier than the time specified in (a)1 through 3 above.

(b) The "gaming day" for a casino licensee on a calendar day which has been approved for extended hours of operation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-97(a) shall commence and terminate, and the end of the gaming day for the previous calendar day shall terminate, at those times set forth in the approved system of internal procedures and administrative and accounting controls of each casino licensee. Each casino licensee may establish a gaming day for slot machines which is different from its gaming day for table games and different from its gaming day for the game of keno; provided, however, that no gaming day shall be longer than 24 hours.

New Rule, R.1992 d.110, effective March 2, 1992.
See: 23 N.J.R. 3243(a), 24 N.J.R. 858(c).
Amended by R.1995 d.285, effective June 5, 1995.
See: 26 N.J.R. 2218(a), 27 N.J.R. 2254(a).

19:45-1.2 Accounting records

(a) Each casino licensee shall maintain complete, accurate, and legible records of all transactions pertaining to the revenues and costs for each establishment.

(b) General accounting records shall be maintained on a double entry system of accounting with transactions recorded on the accrual basis. Detailed, supporting, subsidiary records sufficient to meet the requirements of (c) below shall also be maintained in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.

1. The Commission shall periodically prescribe a uniform chart of accounts and accounting classification in order to insure consistency, comparability, and effective disclosure of financial information.

i. The chart of accounts shall provide the classifications necessary to prepare the standard financial statements required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.6.

ii. The prescribed chart of accounts shall be the minimum level of detail to be maintained for each accounting classification by the licensee.

iii. The licensee shall not use other than the prescribed chart of accounts but may, with the permission of the Commission, expand the level of detail for some or all accounting classifications and/or alter the account numbering system. In such instances, the licensee shall provide to the Commission, upon request, a cross-reference from the licensee's to the prescribed chart of accounts.

(c) The detailed, supporting, and subsidiary records shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

1. Records of all patron checks initially accepted by the licensee, deposited by the licensee, returned to the licensee as "uncollected", and ultimately written-off as uncollectible.

2. Statistical game records to reflect drop and win amounts or, for the game of poker, the poker revenue, by table for each table game, and by keno work station number or keno writer for the game of keno, by each shift.

3. Records supporting the accumulation of the costs and number of persons, by category of service, for regulated complimentary services.

4. Records of all investments, advances, loans and receivable balances, other than patron checks, due to the establishment.

5. Records related to investments in property and equipment. The records shall identify the investments made under section 144 of the Casino Control Act as an alternative to the additional two percent tax on gross revenues. Such investments must be approved by the Commission as to their eligibility.

2. Whenever it is required that a progressive controller not housed within the cabinet of a slot machine be opened, the information specified in (j)1 above shall be recorded on a form to be entitled "Progressive Entry Authorization Log." The Progressive Entry Authorization Log shall be maintained in the progressive unit and shall have recorded thereon a sequential number and serial number of the progressive controller.

3. With the exception of the transportation of slot cash storage boxes, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.17(a), whenever it is required that a bill changer, other than a separate slot cash storage box compartment, be opened, certain information shall be recorded on a form to be entitled "Bill Changer Log." The information shall include, at a minimum, the date, time, purpose of opening the bill changer, and the signature of the authorized employee opening the bill changer. The Bill Changer Log shall be maintained in the bill changer and shall have recorded thereon a sequential number and the serial number or asset number of the bill changer. If the bill changer is contained completely within the cabinet of a slot machine and there is no separate access to the bill changer unit, the information may be recorded on the Machine Entry Authorization Log required by (j)1 above, provided that any information that concerns the opening of the bill changer may be distinguished from any other information that concerns the opening of the slot machine or any other device connected thereto.

4. Whenever it is required that a printer for an approved gaming voucher system be accessed, the date, time, purpose of such access, and the signature of the authorized employee shall be recorded in the log required by (j)1 or (j)3 above, or a separate log as approved by the Commission.

Amended by R.1983 d.239, effective June 30, 1983.
See: 14 N.J.R. 1052(a), 15 N.J.R. 1040(b).

Deleted requirements in (d)1, that only slot machines or attendants had to sign the Machine Entry Authorization Log.
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See: 19 N.J.R. 1110(a).

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.
Experimental 90-day implementation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-69(e), (P.L. 1987 c.354), 5:12-70(f) and 5:12-100(e), effective April 11, 1988 (expires July 10, 1988).

See: 20 N.J.R. 769(a).
Amended by: R.1988 d.387, effective August 15, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 765(a), 20 N.J.R. 769(a), 20 N.J.R. 2090(a).

Added bill changers and slot token containers and keys for slot storage box compartments.

Amended by R.1988 d.468, effective October 3, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 1069(a), 20 N.J.R. 2468(a).

Sequentially number "machine entry authorization logs" and require preparation and maintenance of "progressive entry authorization logs".
Amended by R.1991 d.230, effective May 6, 1991.
See: 22 N.J.R. 3325(a), 23 N.J.R. 1461(a).

In (a)2 and (g)1, 3: revised text to read "asset" and "manufacturer's serial" number.

Amended by R.1992 d.359, effective September 21, 1992.
See: 24 N.J.R. 1472(b), 24 N.J.R. 3335(b).

Requirement for separate locked compartment for slot cash storage box eliminated, under specified circumstances.

Amended by R.1993 d.318, effective July 6, 1993 (operative October 15, 1993).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1503(b), 25 N.J.R. 2908(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.69, effective February 7, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4471(a), 26 N.J.R. 829(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.474, effective September 19, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2217(a), 26 N.J.R. 3894(a).

Administrative Correction.

See: 26 N.J.R. 4788(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.161, effective March 18, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 77(a), 28 N.J.R. 1560(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.358, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1946(a), 28 N.J.R. 3822(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.163, effective April 6, 1998.

See: 29 N.J.R. 4260(a), 30 N.J.R. 1309(a).

In (a)2, added the last two sentences in the introduction, and added i and ii.

Amended by R.2001 d.401, effective November 5, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2632(a), 33 N.J.R. 3761(a).

Rewrote (a)3; rewrote (f).

Amended by R.2002 d.60, effective March 4, 2002.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2402(b), 34 N.J.R. 1020(b).

Rewrote (a).

Amended by R.2002 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).

In (a), added "Except as provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-154.a, each"; in (j) added 4.

19:45-1.36A Slot machines; hopper storage areas

(a) A hopper storage area may be used in connection with the operation of a slot machine, for the purpose of temporarily storing coins, prize tokens or slot tokens that are to be deposited only into the slot machine's hopper that corresponds with the coin or type of token stored in the hopper storage area.

(b) A hopper storage area shall be a separate secure compartment located within or adjacent to its corresponding slot machine. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a single hopper storage area may be used to store hopper fills for two or more slot machines. A hopper storage area used to supply two or more slot machines shall:

1. Be located on the casino floor in close proximity to its corresponding slot machines, which location shall be approved by the Commission; and

2. Contain a separate marked compartment for each corresponding slot machine, so that all hopper fills stored in the hopper storage area can be segregated and identified by slot machine.

(c) Each hopper storage area shall:

1. Be constructed so as to provide maximum security for the coins or tokens stored in it;

2. Be secured by two separate locks, the keys to which shall be different from each other. One of the keys, which may be the same as the key which opens the slot machine corresponding to that hopper storage area, shall be maintained and controlled by the slot department. The other key, which shall be different from the key

securing the corresponding slot machine, shall be maintained and controlled by the casino security department, in a secure area within that department, and access to that key may be gained only by a supervisor in that department. Removal of the key from this area may be undertaken only for use and return no later than the end of the shift of the department member to whom the key was issued, and upon the approval of a supervisor of that department, and entry of the following information into a log:

- i. The signature of the department member to whom the key was issued;
 - ii. The signature of the supervisor authorizing such issuance;
 - iii. The date and time issued; and
 - iv. The date and time replaced; and
3. Include a device that indicates when the door of the hopper storage area is open.

(d) Hopper storage areas shall be filled and utilized in accordance with the procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.41 and a casino licensee's system of internal controls. No hopper storage area and no compartment within a hopper storage area that supplies two or more slot machines shall contain more than triple the hopper inventory level of each of the hoppers in its corresponding slot machine.

New Rule, R.1992 d.360, effective September 21, 1992.
See: 24 N.J.R. 2137(a), 24 N.J.R. 3336(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.1997 d.489, effective November 17, 1997.
See: 29 N.J.R. 1289(a), 29 N.J.R. 4862(b).

Rewrote (b); inserted new (b)1, (b)2 and (c); recodified existing (b)1 through (b)3 as (c)1 through (c)3; recodified existing (c) as (d); and in (d), added the second sentence.

19:45-1.37 Slot machines and bill changers; electronically erasable/ programmable storage media; identification; signs; meters

(a) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine in a casino shall have the following identifying features:

1. A manufacturer's serial number affixed to the outside of the slot machine cabinet in a location as approved by the Commission.
2. An asset number that is permanently imprinted, affixed or impressed on the outside of the machine. The asset number must be conspicuous and clearly visible to persons involved in removing or replacing the slot drop bucket or slot drop box in the slot machine and through the casino licensee's closed circuit camera coverage system. The size and location of the asset number are subject to prior approval by the Commission;
3. A display located conspicuously on the front of the slot machine that automatically illuminates when a player has won a jackpot not paid automatically and totally by the slot machine and which advises the player to see an attendant to receive full payment;

4. A display on the front of the slot machine that provides fair notice of the following:

i. The rules of play, character combinations which will award payouts and the related payouts;

ii. If the slot machine offers a payout of merchandise or some other thing of value, a clear description of the merchandise or thing of value, including its cash equivalent value (unless the payout is an annuity jackpot), and the dates that the merchandise or thing of value will be offered if the casino licensee establishes a time limit for offering the merchandise or thing of value as provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40A (a time limit shall not be permitted for a progressive annuity jackpot); provided, however, that the display need only contain the name or a brief description of the merchandise or thing of value offered if a sign containing all of the information specified in this subparagraph is displayed near the slot machine in a manner and location approved by the Commission;

iii. If the slot machine offers a progressive jackpot, the payout limit, if the casino licensee establishes a payout limit as provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39; provided, however, that the display need not contain the payout limit if a sign which does contain the payout limit is displayed near the slot machine in a manner and location approved by the Commission;

iv. If the slot machine is equipped with a payout-only hopper, a statement either that:

(1) Any prize tokens that are paid out as a jackpot from that hopper cannot be used to activate play at any slot machine; or

(2) Any coins or slot tokens that are paid out from that hopper cannot be used to activate play at that slot machine;

v. If the slot machine is equipped with multiple hoppers and has the win meter permitted by (b)4ii below and N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.26(c)5, a statement, approved by the Commission, that reasonably explains to patrons the information disclosed by the win meter;

vi. If the slot machine offers an alternative jackpot of either cash or merchandise or some other thing of value pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40A(m), or an annuity jackpot with a cash payout option pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40B, in addition to any other requirement imposed by (a)4i through v above, a clear description of the jackpots and options that are available to a winning patron and all essential terms governing the exercise of any option; provided, however, that the display need only contain a brief description of the jackpots offered if a sign containing all of the information specified in this subparagraph is displayed near the slot machine in a manner and location approved by the Commission; and

vii. If the slot machine has an approved gaming voucher feature, a description of whether the patron is paid in coin/tokens and/or gaming vouchers;

5. A mechanical, electrical, or electronic device that automatically precludes a player from operating the slot machine after a jackpot requiring a manual payout and requires an attendant to reactivate the machine;

6. A slot machine tower light that complies with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37B; and

7. A location number that is affixed to the outside of the machine. The location number must be conspicuous and clearly visible to persons involved in removing or replacing the slot drop bucket or slot drop box in the slot machine and through the casino licensee's closed circuit camera coverage system. The size and location of the location number are subject to prior approval by the Commission.

(b) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine in a casino shall be equipped with the following:

1. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as an "in-meter" that continuously and automatically counts the number of coins or slot tokens placed by patrons into the machine for the purpose of activating play;

2. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as a "drop meter," that continuously and automatically counts the number of coins or slot tokens that are dropped into the machine's slot drop bucket or slot drop box;

3. For each hopper in a slot machine, a separate mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as a "jackpot meter," that continuously and automatically counts, for that hopper only, the number of coins, prize tokens or slot tokens that are automatically paid by the machine from the corresponding hopper and that displays the aggregate number so counted; provided, however, that:

i. In lieu of the jackpot meter for a payout-only hopper displaying the aggregate number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens paid out from that hopper, each casino licensee that uses a slot machine which is capable of converting the number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens paid out from a payout-only hopper into the equivalent number of coins or slot tokens that match the denomination of the coin or slot token which that slot machine is designed to accept in order to activate play (the "machine denomination equivalent"), may, in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission, set the jackpot meter connected to each payout-only hopper in that slot machine to continuously and automatically count and display the aggregate number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens paid out from that hopper by its machine denomination

equivalent (for example, the jackpot meter on a 25¢ slot machine may display the payout of one \$3.00 prize token as the payout of "12" quarters); and

ii. Each slot machine with multiple hoppers may have a single jackpot meter to count and display the aggregate number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens paid out from that machine's hoppers provided that:

(1) Each hopper is connected to that meter;

(2) The jackpot meter counts and displays, in accordance with (b)3i above, the aggregate number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens paid out from a payout-only hopper by its machine denomination equivalent; and

(3) Each payout-only hopper has a separate jackpot meter, to be known as a "payout-only jackpot meter," that counts and displays the aggregate number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens actually paid out from that hopper only;

4. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as a "win meter," visible from the front of the machine, that, upon a player hitting a winning combination, advises the player of the number of coins, prize tokens or slot tokens for that round that have been paid to the player by the machine from the corresponding hopper; provided, however, that multiple win meters, as provided in (b)4i or ii below after approval of the casino licensee's internal controls therefor, shall be used on each multiple hopper slot machine whenever one or more winning combinations that are hit on the same round of play at that machine entitle the winning player to automatically receive coins, slot tokens or prize tokens from both hoppers and each hopper contains a different denomination of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens, as follows:

i. A separate win meter for each hopper that, for the round in which a winning combination is hit, advises the winning player of the actual number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens won from that hopper only; or

ii. A win meter to which each hopper is connected that advises the winning player of the aggregate number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens won on that round from both hoppers after first converting the aggregate number of any coins, slot tokens or prize tokens won that round from a payout-only hopper into its machine denomination equivalent, and a separate win meter, to be known as a "payout-only win meter," connected to each payout-only hopper that advises the player of the number of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens actually won on that round from the corresponding hopper only (for example, a win meter on a multiple hopper 25 cent slot machine may, pursuant to this paragraph, record the payout, on the same round of play, of one \$3.00 prize token and two quarters as the payout of "14" quarters, provided there is a separate payout-only win

meter advising the player that one prize token was paid out); and

5. Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine approved to dispense gaming vouchers shall also be equipped with mechanical, electrical or electronic devices as follows:

i. A "numerical voucher out meter" that continuously and automatically counts the number of gaming vouchers dispensed by the machine and that displays the aggregate number so counted; and

ii. A "value voucher out meter" that continuously and automatically counts the value of gaming vouchers dispensed by the machine and that displays the aggregate value so counted.

(c) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission each slot machine which does not totally and automatically pay the full amount of a jackpot to a patron shall be equipped with a mechanical, electrical or electronic device to be known as a "manual jackpot meter" that continuously and automatically records a pulse(s) for a predetermined number of coins or slot tokens that are to be paid manually.

(d) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine that accepts currency shall have meters that accomplish the objectives set forth in (b) and (c) above.

(e) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine that has a bill changer shall also be equipped with mechanical, electrical or electronic devices as follows:

1. A "cash box" meter that continuously and automatically records the total value of all currency accepted by the bill changer or, as an alternative, a connection to a computer system approved by the Commission that determines the total value of all currency accepted by the bill changer from data supplied from the bill meters required by (e)2 below;

2. A number of "bill meters," that continuously, automatically and separately count, for each denomination of currency accepted by the bill changer, the actual number of bills accepted by the bill changer;

3. If the bill changer can accept coupons but does not contain the coupon meters identified in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.46B:

i. A "numerical coupon meter" that continuously, automatically and separately counts the total number of all coupons accepted by the bill changer; and

ii. A "value coupon meter" that continuously, automatically and separately counts the total value of all coupons accepted by the bill changer; and

4. If the bill changer can accept gaming vouchers:

i. A "numerical voucher in meter" that continuously, automatically and separately counts the total number of all gaming vouchers accepted by the bill changer; and

ii. A "value voucher in meter" that continuously, automatically, and separately counts the total value of all gaming vouchers accepted by the bill changer.

(f) Each casino licensee that operates a slot machine with a bill changer that is controlled by a software program which may be modified without replacing any physical element of the bill changer (for example, by downloading software to the storage medium on which the bill changer control program is stored) shall submit for review and approval internal controls which shall address, at a minimum, the following:

1. The method for detecting authorized and unauthorized software changes;

2. The creation of a daily report from its slot monitoring system which immediately documents the software change;

3. Procedures for the control and installation of the software by the slot department;

4. The creation of a slot software control log by the slot department evidencing all authorized changes to the bill changer software; and

5. The review and comparison of the report and log required in (f)2 and 4 above by either the surveillance, security, casino accounting or management information systems department for any deviations and investigation.

(g) All meters described in this section and in N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.26 shall be placed in a position so that the numbers thereon can be read and recorded without opening the slot machine.

(h) Each casino licensee shall set each of its slot machine games to have a theoretical payout percentage that complies with N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.28A and shall maintain a record of each slot machine game setting and the theoretical payout percentage for each slot machine game. No cash or gaming voucher issued to a slot machine patron shall result in a deduction from gross revenue unless the patron's entitlement to the payment is determined by the approved program that controls the slot machine and the payment is recorded on the jackpot meter, numerical and value voucher out meters, or manual jackpot meter required by (b)3, (b)5 and (c) above, the progressive jackpot meter required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39(b)2 or in accordance with procedures authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40A and 1:40B.

(i) Each slot machine in a casino shall have such test connections as may be specified by the Division and approved by the Commission for the on-site inspection, examination, and testing of such machine.

(j) Each slot machine in a casino shall have devices, equipment, features and capabilities as may be required by the Commission for that particular model of slot machine after the prototype model is tested and examined by the Division.

(k) If the probability of hitting a proposed jackpot is greater than 34 million to one, the jackpot shall not be approved by the Commission unless it is offered on a linked progressive slot machine; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to a jackpot with a probability that may exceed 34 million to one during the game cycle due solely to the intervening occurrence of free play awards between the activation of a play and the award of the jackpot.

Amended by R.1987 d.302, effective July 20, 1987.
See: 18 N.J.R. 2005(a), 19 N.J.R. 1321(a).

(a)4 and (f) substantially amended.

Petition for Rulemaking: Slot machine bill changer machine.
See: 19 N.J.R. 1110(a).

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.

Experimental 90-day implementation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-69(e), (P.L. 1987 c.354), 5:12-70(f) and 5:12-100(e), effective April 11, 1988 (expires July 10, 1988).

See: 20 N.J.R. 769(a).
Amended by: R.1988 d.387, effective August 15, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 765(a), 20 N.J.R. 769(a), 20 N.J.R. 2090(a).

Added (e) bill changers attached to slot machines.

Correction: At (b)2., the word "slot" added before "tokens" and "gaming" deleted. N.J.A.C. reference corrected.

See: 21 N.J.R. 933(a).

Notice of Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking in (a).
See: 23 N.J.R. March 18, 1991.

Amended by R.1991 d.230, effective May 6, 1991.
See: 22 N.J.R. 3325(a), 23 N.J.R. 1461(a).

Added new (a)7; revised (a)1 to specify placement of manufacturer's serial number.

Amended by R.1992 d.58, effective February 3, 1992.
See: 23 N.J.R. 1306(a), 24 N.J.R. 487(a).

Allowed casinos to establish time limits of not less than 30 days for the offering of progressive and merchandise jackpot.

Amended by R.1992 d.210, effective May 18, 1992.
See: 24 N.J.R. 58(a), 24 N.J.R. 1906(a).

Deleted requirement at existing (e)2 regarding the "cash box meter".
Recodified existing (e)3 as new (e)2.

Amended by R.1993 d.319, effective July 6, 1993 (operative October 15, 1993).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1503(b), 25 N.J.R. 2908(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.69, effective February 7, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4471(a), 26 N.J.R. 829(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.1995 d.624, effective December 4, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1789(a), 27 N.J.R. 4915(a).

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.1996 d.358, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1946(a), 28 N.J.R. 3822(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.474, effective October 7, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3244(a), 28 N.J.R. 4516(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.20, effective January 5, 1998.

See: 29 N.J.R. 326(a), 30 N.J.R. 120(a).

In (a)4iii, added new N.J.A.C. reference; amended (g); and inserted (j).

Amended by R.1999 d.225, effective July 19, 1999 (operative January 15, 2000).

See: 30 N.J.R. 3175(a), 31 N.J.R. 1947(a).

Inserted a new (f); and recodified former (f) through (j) as (g) through (k).

Amended by R.2000 d.334, effective August 21, 2000.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2525(a), 32 N.J.R. 3075(a).

Rewrote (a)4iii, (h) and (k).

Amended by R.2000 d.336, effective August 21, 2000.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2527(a), 32 N.J.R. 3077(a).

Rewrote (a)4 and (h).

Amended by R.2000 d.405, effective October 2, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1154(a), 32 N.J.R. 3582(a).

Rewrote (a)6.

Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 33 N.J.R. 3379(b), 33 N.J.R. 3775(b).

Amended by R.2001 d.451, effective December 3, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 772(a), 33 N.J.R. 4151(b).

Rewrote (h) and (k).

Amended by R.2001 d.284, effective September 3, 2002 (operative October 18, 2002).

See: 33 N.J.R. 3879(a), 34 N.J.R. 3130(a).

In (a)4, inserted "(a time limit shall not be permitted for a progressive annuity jackpot)" following "N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40A", in ii; rewrote iii.

Amended by R.2002 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).

In (a), added 4vii; in (b), added 5; in (e), added 4; rewrote (h).

Case Notes

No implied private cause of action for inadequate or defective signage of slot machine. *Marcangelo v. Boardwalk Regency Corp.*, D.N.J.1994, 847 F.Supp. 1222, on subsequent appeal 47 F.3d 88.

Failure to state claim against casinos for breach of contract for removal of progressive slot machines before jackpots were won. *Decker v. Bally's Grand Hotel Casino*, 280 N.J.Super. 217, 655 A.2d 73 (A.D.1994).

19:45-1.37A Electronic transfer credit systems

(a) A casino licensee may operate an electronic transfer credit system which permits a patron to convert cash complementaries accumulated by the patron pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.9(f) or received by the patron pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.9(g) through (i) into electronic credits and to have those credits transferred directly to a slot machine.

(b) All aspects of an electronic transfer credit system, including all hardware and software utilized therein, shall be subject to review and approval by the Commission prior to the implementation of the system by the casino licensee. The internal control procedures submitted by the casino licensee shall address the integrity, security and control of its electronic transfer credit system and shall, without limitation, include:

1. An overview of the system design;
2. System access restrictions including, at a minimum, copies of all menus;
3. Hardware and software controls;
4. Magnetic tape controls;
5. Override policies and restrictions;
6. Copies of all reports generated related to the use of electronic transfer credits;

7. Backup and recovery procedures and failure analysis;

8. The duties and responsibilities of the MIS, internal audit, slot and casino accounting departments with regard to the electronic transfer credit system;

9. Access controls;

10. Procedures for handling customer disputes;

11. Network security;

12. Audit programs; and

13. The manner in which cash complimentarys in the form of electronic credits shall be issued, and how the recipients of those credits shall be identified.

(c) Each transfer of electronic credits to a slot machine authorized by this section shall be initiated by a patron using an access control approved by the Commission. All access controls shall require the use of a unique access code for each patron, which access code shall be selected by and only available to the patron.

(d) An electronic transfer credit system shall not permit a patron to transfer more than \$400.00 in electronic credits to a slot machine in a single transaction.

(e) A record of each transfer of electronic credits to a slot machine authorized by this section shall be maintained by the casino licensee and shall be identified by, at a minimum, the date, time and the asset number of the slot machine to which the transfer occurred and an identification number assigned to the patron who initiated the transaction. The identification number assigned to each patron for the purposes of this subsection shall be different from the unique access code selected by that patron as part of an access control.

(f) In addition to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(b), each slot machine which can be activated through the use of an electronic transfer credit shall be equipped with an "electronic transfer credit meter" that continuously and automatically increments in an amount equal to the value of any cash complimentarys which are converted into electronic credits and transferred to that slot machine by a patron. The electronic transfer credit system shall store this information in machine-readable form and such stored data shall not be susceptible to unauthorized alteration or deletion by any person. On a daily basis, a member of the casino accounting department shall generate a report of the amounts withdrawn from patron accounts and attach a copy of such report to the Slot Win Report in accordance with (h) below.

(g) No slot machine may be connected to, or disconnected from, an electronic transfer credit system without the prior written approval of the Commission.

(h) Each casino licensee shall develop a report or reports which shall be used by a casino accounting department employee to audit the system on a daily basis. Once the audit has been completed, the casino accounting department employee shall sign the report(s) and record the appropriate figures from the report(s) on the Slot Win Report. The report(s) shall be attached to the Slot Win Report for that gaming day. The report(s) required by this subsection and all related audit procedures shall be approved by the Commission.

(i) On at least a monthly basis, each casino licensee using an electronic transfer credit system shall provide a statement to each patron who has participated in the system that month. The statement shall include, at a minimum, the patron's beginning monthly balance, credits earned pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.9(f), credits transferred to a slot machine pursuant to this section and the patron's monthly ending balance. In addition, if requested by a patron, the casino licensee shall have the ability to provide a detail account of all electronic transfer credit transactions initiated by that patron.

(j) No adjustment to the amount of any electronic transfer credit shall be made by a casino licensee without the approval of the Commission.

New Rule, R.1996 d.486, effective October 21, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4992(a), 28 N.J.R. 4601(a).

Amended by R.1997 d.248, effective June 16, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 541(a), 29 N.J.R. 2674(c).

In (a), amended N.J.A.C. reference; and added (b)13.

19:45-1.37B Slot machine tower light

(a) Each slot machine shall be connected to a slot machine tower light located on top of the slot machine cabinet. The slot machine tower light shall be used to identify the slot machine's denomination and the operational status of the slot machine and any device connected thereto that may affect the operation of the slot machine. The slot machine tower light shall be visible to the surveillance department closed circuit camera system from all sides of the slot machine cabinet, unless the slot machine cabinet is against a wall or is in another location approved by the Commission that results in the partial obstruction of the light.

(b) A slot machine tower light shall be approved by the Division and Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.20 and 1.28 and shall consist of two separate lights, one on top of the other, that function in accordance with the requirements of this section.

1. At any given point in time, each of the two lights may be in one of five states as follows:

i. "Off" means the light is off;

ii. "On" means the light is on continually;

iii. "Slow flash" means the light is flashing regularly at a 500 millisecond interval;

iv. "Medium flash" means the light is flashing regularly at a 250 millisecond interval; and

v. "Fast flash" means the light is flashing regularly at a 125 millisecond interval.

2. The top light of the two lights shall always be white. The color of the bottom light shall indicate the denomination of the slot machine to which it is attached:

i. Red means a penny or nickel machine;

ii. Green means a dime machine;

iii. Yellow means a quarter machine;

iv. Orange means a half-dollar machine;

v. Blue means a dollar machine;

vi. Pink means a two-dollar machine; and

vii. Purple means a five dollar or higher denomination machine.

(c) For the purposes of this section, there shall be three separate methods by which a slot machine may be placed in an unplayable state.

1. "Administrative mode" means that a member of the department that is responsible for the operation of slot machines and bill changers has placed the slot machine in an unplayable state in order to access the set up or recall functions of a slot machine game.

2. "Disabled mode" means that a member of the department that is responsible for the operation of slot machines and bill changers or a computer controlled by that department has placed the slot machine in an unplayable state for any reason other than those included in administrative mode.

3. "Tilt mode" means that the slot machine placed itself in an unplayable state due to some type of malfunction or exception condition and the machine cannot be returned to a playable state without intervention by a member of the department that is responsible for the operation of slot machines and bill changers.

(d) Each of the following combinations of light states shall be displayed by a slot machine tower light to indicate the slot machine operating condition that is described therein:

1. White light off with colored light:

i. Off means that the slot machine is idle and the slot machine door is closed;

ii. Medium flash means the slot machine is idle and the slot machine door is open; and

iii. Fast flash means the slot machine is idle and the drop compartment door is open;

2. White light on with colored light:

i. Off means a patron is requesting change and the slot machine door is closed;

ii. On means that the slot machine is in disabled mode;

iii. Medium flash means either:

(1) A patron is requesting change and the slot machine door is open; or

(2) The slot machine is in disabled mode and the slot machine door is open; and

iv. Fast flash means the slot machine is in disabled mode and the drop compartment door is open;

3. White light slow flash with colored light:

i. Off means that the slot machine is in tilt mode and the slot machine door is closed;

ii. Slow flash means either:

(1) The slot machine is displaying a hand-paid jackpot combination and the slot machine door is closed; or

(2) The slot machine is displaying a hand-paid jackpot combination while in tilt mode and the slot machine door is closed;

iii. Medium flash means either:

(1) The slot machine is displaying a hand-paid jackpot combination and the slot machine door is open; or

(2) The slot machine is in tilt mode and the slot machine door is open; and

iv. Fast flash means the slot machine is in tilt mode and the drop compartment door is open; and

4. White light fast flash with colored light:

i. Off means the slot machine is in administrative mode and the slot machine door is closed;

ii. Medium flash means the slot machine is in administrative mode and the slot machine door is open; and

iii. Fast flash means the slot machine is in administrative mode and the drop compartment door is open.

(e) Any combination of light states capable of display by a slot machine tower light that is not assigned a particular slot machine operating condition by (d) above may be used by the casino licensee for its own internal signals if such signals are identified in the casino licensee's approved internal control submission; provided, however, that the casino licensee shall be required to conform the light states displayed by its slot machine tower lights with any future modifications to (d) above.

(f) The provisions of this section shall apply to all slot machines submitted for Commission approval after April 2, 2001. Any slot machines approved prior to April 2, 2001 and which do not conform to the above specifications shall either be modified to comply with this section or shall be removed from the casino floor in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.21.

New Rule, R.2000 d.405, effective October 2, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1154(a), 32 N.J.R. 3582(a).

Amended by R.2001 d.78, effective March 5, 2001 (operative September 5, 2001).

See: 32 N.J.R. 4381(b), 33 N.J.R. 842(b).

In (b)2, added new vi, renumbered existing vi as vii.

19:45-1.38 Slot machines and bill changers; authorized locations; movements

(a) Each slot machine that is on a casino floor shall be:

1. Placed at an authorized location identified on a casino floor plan approved by the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:43-7.3 or 7.6; and

2. Identified on the Slot Machine Master List required by N.J.A.C. 19:43-7.4(b).

(b) No slot machine or bill changer shall be removed from or returned to an authorized slot machine location in the casino or moved from one authorized slot machine location to another except in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:43-7.4.

(c) Once a slot machine or bill changer has been placed in the casino, all movements of that machine and/or bill changer from or to a location shall be recorded by a slot department member in a machine movement log which shall include the following:

1. The manufacturer's serial number and the asset number of the moved slot machine and/or bill changer;

2. The date and time of movement of the slot machine and/or bill changer;

3. The location from which the slot machine and/or bill changer was moved;

4. The location to which the slot machine and/or bill changer was moved; and

5. The signatures of the slot shift manager and the lead technician verifying the movement of the slot machine and/or bill changer.

(d) Prior to removing a slot machine from the gaming floor:

1. The machine's slot drop bucket or slot drop box shall be removed and transported to the count room;

2. All meters shall be read and recorded in conformity with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42; and

3. Any coins or slot tokens in any of the slot machine's hoppers or in the corresponding hopper storage area shall be removed, transported, and counted with the slot drop bucket or slot drop box; provided, however, that a slot machine may be removed from the casino with coins or slot tokens contained therein so long as:

i. Removal of the coins or the slot tokens, or any combination thereof, is precluded by mechanical or electrical difficulty;

ii. The casino licensee records in a slot machine movement log whether coins or slot tokens remain in the slot machine that is removed from the casino, and also records in that log the nature of the mechanical or electrical difficulty, the date and time that the coins or slot tokens are removed from the slot machine and transported to the count room, the date and time that the slot machine is removed from the casino, and the date and time that the slot machine is opened; and

iii. The removal and transportation to the count room of the coins or slot tokens is completed immediately after the slot machine is opened; and

4. Any prize tokens in a payout-only hopper, in a reserve hopper or in a corresponding hopper storage area shall be removed, transported and counted in accordance with procedures and internal controls submitted to and approved by the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.3.

(e) Prior to removing a bill changer from the casino floor, the slot cash storage box shall be removed and transported to the count room and all meters except the cash box meter shall be read and recorded in conformity with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42. A bill changer may be removed from the casino floor with currency, gaming vouchers, or coupons contained therein when removal of the slot cash storage box is precluded by mechanical or electrical difficulty. If currency, gaming vouchers, or coupons remain in a bill changer when it is removed from the casino floor, this fact and the date and time that the slot cash storage box or, if necessary, currency, gaming vouchers, or coupons are removed from the bill changer and transported to the count room shall be recorded in the machine movement log.

Experimental 90-day implementation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-69(e), (P.L. 1987 c.354), 5:12-70(f) and 5:12-100(e), effective April 11, 1988 (expires July 10, 1988).

See: 20 N.J.R. 769(a).

Amended by: R.1988 d.387, effective August 15, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 765(a), 20 N.J.R. 769(a), 20 N.J.R. 2090(a).

Added location and movements of slot machines.

Amended by R.1991 d.230, effective May 6, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3325(a), 23 N.J.R. 1461(a).

In (a)1: added N.J.A.C. reference for location number; in (c)1: added "asset" to define number.

Amended by R.1992 d.121, effective March 16, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 2920(a), 24 N.J.R. 974(a).

Rule text amended to eliminate requirement the Commission Inspector sign the machine movement log approving movement of individual slot machines and/or bill changers. Deleted (c)5, recodifying existing 6 as new (c)5, with text changes.

Amended by R.1992 d.360, effective September 21, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2137(a), 24 N.J.R. 3336(a).

Hopper storage area provisions added.

Administrative Correction to (c)4.

See: 25 N.J.R. April 5, 1993.

Amended by R.1993 d.319, effective July 6, 1993 (operative October 15, 1993).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1503(b), 25 N.J.R. 2908(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.69, effective February 7, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4471(a), 26 N.J.R. 829(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.122, effective March 4, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1775(a), 28 N.J.R. 1399(a).

Amended by R.2002 d.60, effective March 4, 2002.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2402(b), 34 N.J.R. 1020(b).

In (d)4, inserted ", in a reserve hopper" preceding "or in a corresponding hopper".

Amended by R.2002 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).

Rewrote (e).

19:45-1.39 Progressive slot machine jackpots

(a) This section shall apply to any slot machine jackpot that may increase in value as the machine is played (a "progressive jackpot").

(b) Each slot machine that includes a slot machine game that offers a progressive jackpot which increases in value based upon handle and is adjusted and displayed by a device other than the approved program that controls the operation of the slot machine game shall have the following features:

1. For each progressive jackpot offered by the slot machine game, a mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as a "progressive meter," visible from the front of the machine which increases in value based upon handle, and which advises the player of the amount which can be won if the progressive jackpot combination appears;

2. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as a "progressive jackpot meter" that continuously and automatically records the number of times a progressive jackpot is hit;

- i. If a slot machine game offers more than one progressive jackpot, it shall have a separate progressive jackpot meter for each progressive jackpot and a "cumulative progressive jackpot meter" that continuously and automatically records the total number of times that progressive jackpots are hit;

- ii. All meters required by (b)2 and (b)2i above shall be capable of being read without opening the slot machine;

3. A separate key and key switch to reset the "progressive meter(s)" or such other separate reset mechanism as may be approved by the Commission;

4. A separate key locking the compartment housing the progressive meter(s) or other means by which to preclude any unauthorized alterations to the progressive meters; and

5. Dual key control by the Commission and the casino licensee, or such other key controls as the Commission may approve, of the compartment housing the microprocessor or other control unit that controls the progressive meter(s), which compartment shall be in a location approved by the Commission.

(c) Except as provided in (j) below, each slot machine that is connected to a common progressive meter ("common display unit") for the purpose of offering the same progressive jackpot on two or more slot machines (a "linked slot machine") shall:

1. Be of the same denomination and have the same probability of hitting the combination that will award the progressive jackpot as every other linked slot machine connected to such common display unit.

(g) Any overage or shortage in the imprest pouch of a slot attendant who makes pouch payouts shall be included as part of the main bank or master coin bank accountability, and shall in no way affect the reporting of gross revenue or any deductions therefrom.

New Rule, R.2002 d.132, effective May 6, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 17(a), 34 N.J.R. 1735(a).

19:45-1.41 Procedure for filling payout reserve containers of slot machines and hopper storage areas

(a) Each hopper of a slot machine may be filled by a slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor by requesting coin, slot tokens or prize tokens that are compatible with the hopper to be filled from a slot cashier, general cashier or master coin bank cashier or by obtaining coin, slot tokens or prize tokens that are compatible with the hopper to be filled from its corresponding hopper storage area.

1. A slot hopper may be refilled at any time, provided however, that:

- i. An entire sealed bag of coin or tokens is used for the hopper fill and placed into the hopper;
- ii. The hopper cannot be filled beyond its operational capacity;
- iii. The hopper cannot be filled beyond its present inventory level; and
- iv. The procedures for ensuring (a)1i through iii above have been approved by the Commission.

(b) The filling of a hopper or a hopper storage area with coin, slot tokens or prize tokens obtained from a slot cashier, general cashier or master coin bank cashier shall be accomplished as follows:

1. Whenever a slot supervisor, attendant or mechanic requests coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to fill a hopper or a hopper storage area of a slot machine, he or she shall obtain a properly completed and signed Hopper Fill Slip ("Hopper Fills") from a slot cashier, general cashier or master coin bank cashier.

2. Hopper Fills shall be serially prenumbered forms, each series of Hopper Fills shall be used in sequential order, and the series numbers of all Hopper Fills received by a casino licensee shall be accounted for by employees independent of the cashiers' cage and the slot department. All original and duplicate void Hopper Fills shall be marked "VOID" and shall require the signature of the preparer. Notwithstanding the above, a serially prenumbered combined Jackpot Payout/Hopper Fill form may be utilized in conjunction with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40(b), as approved by the Commission, provided that the combined form shall be used in a manner which otherwise complies with the procedures and requirements established by this section.

3. For establishments in which Hopper Fills are manually prepared, the following procedures and requirements shall be observed:

i. Each series of Hopper Fills shall be a three-part form, at a minimum, and shall be inserted in a locked dispenser that will permit an individual slip in the series and its copies to be written upon simultaneously while still locked in the dispenser, and that will discharge the original and duplicate while the triplicate remains in a continuous, unbroken form in the dispenser; and

ii. Access to the triplicates shall be maintained and controlled at all times by employees responsible for controlling and accounting for the unused supply of Hopper Fills, placing Hopper Fills in the dispensers, and removing from the dispensers the triplicates remaining therein.

4. For establishments in which Hopper Fills are computer prepared, each series of Hopper Fills shall be a two-part form, at a minimum, and shall be inserted in a printer that will: simultaneously print an original and a duplicate and store, in a machine-readable form, all information printed on the original and duplicate; and discharge the original and duplicate. The stored data shall not be susceptible to change or removal by any personnel after preparation of a Hopper Fill.

5. On originals, duplicates and triplicates, or in stored data, the Hopper Fill shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

i. The asset number of the slot machine to which the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens are to be distributed;

ii. The date and shift during which the coins, slot tokens or prize token are distributed;

iii. The denomination of the coin, slot tokens or prize tokens that are to be distributed;

iv. The amount of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens that are to be distributed;

v. The location from which the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens are distributed;

vi. The signature and, if computer prepared, the identification code of the preparer;

vii. The signature or identification code of the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor requesting coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to fill the hopper (on the original and the duplicate only);

viii. Whether the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens are to be placed in the slot machine's:

(1) All-purpose hopper and/or any reserve hoppers that automatically replenish the all-purpose hopper;

(2) Payout-only hopper and/or any reserve hoppers that automatically replenish the payout-only hopper; or

(3) In its corresponding hopper storage area; and

ix. Whether the Hopper Fill is to be witnessed and verified by a casino security department member pursuant to (b)8 below or by a second casino employee pursuant to (b)9 below.

6. The time of preparation of the Hopper Fill shall be recorded at a minimum, on the original and duplicate upon preparation.

7. All coins, slot tokens or prize tokens distributed from a slot booth, master coin bank or the cashiers' cage to a slot machine or its corresponding hopper storage area shall, during their transportation to the machine or hopper storage area and until their deposit into the appropriate hopper or storage compartment, remain in pre-wrapped secured bags; provided, however, that the secured bags in which prize tokens are transported shall have sufficient identifying features, approved by the Commission, to distinguish those bags and their contents from the secured bags in which coins or slot tokens are transported.

8. Except as otherwise provided in (b)9 below, the pre-wrapped secure coin, slot tokens or prized tokens shall be transported directly to the slot machine or its corresponding hopper storage area, along with the duplicate Hopper Fill, by a casino security department member who shall observe the deposit of the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens in the appropriate slot machine hopper or the slot machine's corresponding hopper storage area, and the closing and locking of the slot machine or its corresponding hopper storage area by the slot mechanic, slot attendant or slot supervisor before obtaining the signature of the slot mechanic, slot attendant or slot supervisor on the duplicate copy of the Hopper Fill.

9. Notwithstanding the provisions of (b)8 above, if the pre-wrapped, secured bags of coin, slot tokens or prize tokens are being distributed by a slot booth, master coin bank or the cashiers' cage to a slot machine with a denomination of \$1.00 or less, the coin, slot tokens or prize tokens may be transported, along with the duplicate copy of the Hopper Fill, directly to the slot machine by a slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor who shall, in the presence of a second casino employee, open the slot machine and deposit the coin or tokens in the appropriate hopper of the slot machine. The casino employee who witnesses the fill shall sign the duplicate Hopper Fill attesting to the fact that the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor opened the slot machine, deposited all the coins or tokens in the appropriate hopper of the slot machine and closed and locked the slot machine in his or her presence.

i. The casino employee who witnesses the fill and signs the duplicate Hopper Fill shall hold a casino employee license or casino key employee license and shall be employed in a position requiring his or her presence on the casino floor and, at a minimum, a casino employee license.

ii. Any casino employee position authorized to witness and verify a Hopper Fill shall be identified in the casino licensee's approved internal controls; provided, however, that the following positions shall be prohibited from witnessing and verifying a Hopper Fill pursuant to (b)9 above:

(1) Any surveillance department, internal audit department or casino accounting department employee;

(2) A slot cashier or slot cashier supervisor in any department, other than a slot cashier who is prohibited from issuing Hopper Fills or Jackpot Payouts pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(e)1; or

(3) Any other employee for whom it would be an incompatible function pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(a)2 to witness and verify a Hopper Fill.

10. A slot mechanic who participates in filling a slot machine hopper shall inspect the slot machine and, if the hopper is empty, determine if the empty hopper resulted from a slot machine malfunction. A slot attendant or slot supervisor participating in a Hopper Fill shall review the Machine Entry Authorization Log and alert a slot mechanic to inspect the slot machine if the entries in the log indicate a consistent malfunction problem.

11. Signatures attesting to the accuracy of the information contained on the Hopper Fill shall be, at a minimum, the following personnel at the following times:

i. For Hopper Fills witnessed and verified by a casino security department member in accordance with (b)8 above:

2. Failure of the Division to object to the payment of the jackpot prior to or upon completion of its inspection shall not constitute waiver or estoppel of any charge, issue or claim raised in any criminal or regulatory complaint subsequently filed against any person in connection with the winning or payment of that jackpot.

(b) Nothing in (a) above shall be deemed to limit the obligation of a casino licensee under the Act and the Commission's rules to cooperate with the Division or Commission in any inquiry or investigation concerning slot machine jackpots.

New Rule, R.1989 d.72, effective February 6, 1989.

See: 20 N.J.R. 2648(a), 21 N.J.R. 314(a).

New Rule—19:45-1.40B.

Experimental 90-day implementation of new rule, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-69(e), 5:12-70(f), (l) and (m), effective March 23, 1990 (expires June 21, 1990).

Current N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40B redesignated as 1.40D.

See: 22 N.J.R. 841(a).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40B, R.1990 d.238, effective May 7, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 624(a), 22 N.J.R. 1381(a).

Temporary Amendment.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3226(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.575, effective November 6, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3148(a), 27 N.J.R. 4448(b).

Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2351(b), 33 N.J.R. 2920(b).

Amended by R.2001 d.449, effective December 3, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2745(a), 33 N.J.R. 4155(a).

In (a), substituted "greater than \$45,000" for "\$35,000 or more" throughout the introductory paragraph, rewrote 1 and inserted "prior to or" following "jackpot" in 2.

19:45-1.41 Procedure for filling payout reserve containers of slot machines and hopper storage areas

(a) Each hopper of a slot machine may be filled by a slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor by requesting coin, slot tokens or prize tokens that are compatible with the hopper to be filled from a slot cashier, general cashier or master coin bank cashier or by obtaining coin, slot tokens or prize tokens that are compatible with the hopper to be filled from its corresponding hopper storage area.

1. A slot hopper may be refilled at any time, provided however, that:

i. An entire sealed bag of coin or tokens is used for the hopper fill and placed into the hopper;

ii. The hopper cannot be filled beyond its operational capacity;

iii. The hopper cannot be filled beyond its present inventory level; and

iv. The procedures for ensuring (a)li through iii above have been approved by the Commission.

(b) The filling of a hopper or a hopper storage area with coin, slot tokens or prize tokens obtained from a slot cashier, general cashier or master coin bank cashier shall be accomplished as follows:

1. Whenever a slot supervisor, attendant or mechanic requests coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to fill a hopper or a hopper storage area of a slot machine, he or she shall obtain a properly completed and signed Hopper Fill Slip ("Hopper Fills") from a slot cashier, general cashier or master coin bank cashier.

2. Hopper Fills shall be serially prenumbered forms, each series of Hopper Fills shall be used in sequential order, and the series numbers of all Hopper Fills received by a casino licensee shall be accounted for by employees independent of the cashiers' cage and the slot department. All original and duplicate void Hopper Fills shall be marked "VOID" and shall require the signature of the preparer. Notwithstanding the above, a serially prenumbered combined Jackpot Payout/Hopper Fill form may be utilized in conjunction with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.40(b), as approved by the Commission, provided that the combined form shall be used in a manner which otherwise complies with the procedures and requirements established by this section.

3. For establishments in which Hopper Fills are manually prepared, the following procedures and requirements shall be observed:

i. Each series of Hopper Fills shall be a three-part form, at a minimum, and shall be inserted in a locked dispenser that will permit an individual slip in the series and its copies to be written upon simultaneously while still locked in the dispenser, and that will discharge the original and duplicate while the triplicate remains in a continuous, unbroken form in the dispenser; and

ii. Access to the triplicates shall be maintained and controlled at all times by employees responsible for controlling and accounting for the unused supply of Hopper Fills, placing Hopper Fills in the dispensers, and removing from the dispensers the triplicates remaining therein.

4. For establishments in which Hopper Fills are computer prepared, each series of Hopper Fills shall be a two-part form, at a minimum, and shall be inserted in a printer that will: simultaneously print an original and a duplicate and store, in a machine-readable form, all information printed on the original and duplicate; and discharge the original and duplicate. The stored data shall not be susceptible to change or removal by any personnel after preparation of a Hopper Fill.

5. On originals, duplicates and triplicates, or in stored data, the Hopper Fill shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

i. The asset number of the slot machine to which the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens are to be distributed;

ii. The date and shift during which the coins, slot tokens or prize token are distributed;

- iii. The denomination of the coin, slot tokens or prize tokens that are to be distributed;
 - iv. The amount of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens that are to be distributed;
 - v. The location from which the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens are distributed;
 - vi. The signature and, if computer prepared, the identification code of the preparer;
 - vii. The signature or identification code of the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor requesting coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to fill the hopper (on the original and the duplicate only);
 - viii. Whether the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens are to be placed in the slot machine's:
 - (1) All-purpose hopper and/or any reserve hoppers that automatically replenish the all-purpose hopper;
 - (2) Payout-only hopper and/or any reserve hoppers that automatically replenish the payout-only hopper; or
 - (3) In its corresponding hopper storage area; and
 - ix. Whether the Hopper Fill is to be witnessed and verified by a casino security department member pursuant to (b)8 below or by a second casino employee pursuant to (b)9 below.
6. The time of preparation of the Hopper Fill shall be recorded at a minimum, on the original and duplicate upon preparation.
7. All coins, slot tokens or prize tokens distributed from a slot booth, master coin bank or the cashiers' cage to a slot machine or its corresponding hopper storage area shall, during their transportation to the machine or hopper storage area and until their deposit into the appropriate hopper or storage compartment, remain in pre-wrapped secured bags; provided, however, that the secured bags in which prize tokens are transported shall have sufficient identifying features, approved by the Commission, to distinguish those bags and their contents from the secured bags in which coins or slot tokens are transported.
8. Except as otherwise provided in (b)9 below, the pre-wrapped secure coin, slot tokens or prized tokens shall be transported directly to the slot machine or its corresponding hopper storage area, along with the duplicate Hopper Fill, by a casino security department member who shall observe the deposit of the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens in the appropriate slot machine hopper or the slot machine's corresponding hopper storage area, and the closing and locking of the slot machine or its corresponding hopper storage area by the slot mechanic, slot attendant or slot supervisor before obtaining the signature of the slot mechanic, slot attendant or slot supervisor on the duplicate copy of the Hopper Fill.

9. Notwithstanding the provisions of (b)8 above, if the pre-wrapped, secured bags of coin, slot tokens or prize tokens are being distributed by a slot booth, master coin bank or the cashiers' cage to a slot machine with a denomination of \$1.00 or less, the coin, slot tokens or prize tokens may be transported, along with the duplicate copy of the Hopper Fill, directly to the slot machine by a slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor who shall, in the presence of a second casino employee, open the slot machine and deposit the coin or tokens in the appropriate hopper of the slot machine. The casino employee who witnesses the fill shall sign the duplicate Hopper Fill attesting to the fact that the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor opened the slot machine, deposited all the coins or tokens in the appropriate hopper of the slot machine and closed and locked the slot machine in his or her presence.

- i. The casino employee who witnesses the fill and signs the duplicate Hopper Fill shall hold a casino employee license or casino key employee license and shall be employed in a position requiring his or her presence on the casino floor and, at a minimum, a casino employee license.

- ii. Any casino employee position authorized to witness and verify a Hopper Fill shall be identified in the casino licensee's approved internal controls; provided, however, that the following positions shall be prohibited from witnessing and verifying a Hopper Fill pursuant to (b)9 above:
 - (1) Any surveillance department, internal audit department or casino accounting department employee;
 - (2) A slot cashier or slot cashier supervisor in any department, other than a slot cashier who is prohibited from issuing Hopper Fills or Jackpot Payouts pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(e)1; or
 - (3) Any other employee for whom it would be an incompatible function pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(a)2 to witness and verify a Hopper Fill.

10. A slot mechanic who participates in filling a slot machine hopper shall inspect the slot machine and, if the hopper is empty, determine if the empty hopper resulted from a slot machine malfunction. A slot attendant or slot supervisor participating in a Hopper Fill shall review the Machine Entry Authorization Log and alert a slot mechanic to inspect the slot machine if the entries in the log indicate a consistent malfunction problem.

11. Signatures attesting to the accuracy of the information contained on the Hopper Fill shall be, at a minimum, the following personnel at the following times:

- i. For Hopper Fills witnessed and verified by a casino security department member in accordance with (b)8 above:

(1) The original shall be signed by the slot cashier, master coin bank cashier or general cashier upon preparation of the Hopper Fill and by the casino security department member transporting the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to the slot machine upon receipt from the cashier of the coins or tokens to be transported; and

(2) The duplicate shall be signed by the slot cashier, master coin bank cashier or general cashier upon preparation of the Hopper Fill in accordance with (b)11i(1) above, by the casino security department member transporting the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to the slot machine upon receipt from the cashier of the coins or tokens to be transported in accordance with (b)11i(1) above, and by the slot mechanic, slot attendant or slot supervisor after completing the fill procedures required in (b)8 above in the presence of the casino security department member.

ii. For Hopper Fills witnessed and verified by a second casino employee in accordance with (b)9 above:

(1) The original shall be signed by the slot cashier, master coin bank cashier or general cashier upon preparation of the Hopper Fill and prior to the separation of the original and duplicate copy, and by the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor transporting the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to the slot machine upon receipt from the cashier of the coins or tokens to be transported, but after the separation of the original and duplicate copy; and

(2) The duplicate shall be signed by the slot cashier, master coin bank cashier or general cashier upon preparation of the Hopper Fill in accordance with (b)11ii(1) above, by the slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor after completing the fill procedures required in (b)9 above in the presence of the second casino employee, and by the casino employee verifying the fill after witnessing the completion of the fill procedures required in (b)9 above.

12. Upon meeting the signature requirements as described in (b)11 above, the slot cashier, master coin bank cashier or general cashier shall maintain and control the original Hopper Fill and the following employee shall maintain and control the duplicate copy and, as soon as is reasonably possible, deposit it in a secure, locked box controlled by the casino accounting department at the security podium or other location approved by the Commission:

i. For Hopper Fills witnessed and verified in accordance with (b)8 above, the casino security department member who witnessed and verified the fill procedures; and

ii. For Hopper Fills witnessed and verified in accordance with (b)9 above either:

(1) The casino employee who witnessed and verified the fill procedures; or

(2) The slot attendant, slot mechanic or slot supervisor who deposited the coin or tokens in the slot machine;

iii. A casino licensee shall state in its internal controls whether the duplicate copy of the Hopper Fill will be deposited pursuant to (b)12i or ii above, and if it will be deposited pursuant to (b)12ii, the casino employee who witnesses and verifies the fill procedures shall make an entry on the Machine Entry Authorization Log that shall include, at a minimum, the date, time, Hopper Fill serial number and his or her signature.

13. At the end of each gaming day, at a minimum, the original and duplicate Hopper Fill Slip shall be forwarded as follows:

i. The original Hopper Fill Slip shall be forwarded, in exchange for coin, currency or credit, to the master coin bank if prepared by a slot cashier or to the main bank if prepared by a general cashier. All original Hopper Fill Slips received or prepared by the master coin bank or received by the main bank shall then be forwarded to the accounting department, which, as reasonably practicable after receipt, shall confirm that the information on the original Hopper Fill agrees with the information on the triplicate or in stored data.

ii. The duplicate Hopper Fill Slip shall be forwarded directly to the accounting department, which, as reasonably practicable after receipt, shall record the information from the Hopper Fill Slip on the Slot Win Sheet, and shall confirm that the information recorded on the Hopper Fill Slip agrees with the meter readings recorded on the Slot Meter Sheet and with the information on the triplicates or in stored data.

14. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a casino licensee may use one Hopper Fill Slip to document fills to more than one hopper storage area or to a hopper storage area that supplies more than one slot machine, if:

i. All of the fills are the same denomination and are accomplished at the same time;

ii. The Hopper Fill Slip contains:

(1) The amount to be distributed to each hopper storage area or, if applicable, each compartment in a hopper storage area that supplies more than one slot machine;

(2) Spaces for slot and casino security department personnel to initial after each individual fill; and

(3) The total amount of all hopper fills that are documented by the Hopper Fill Slip; and

iii. The Hopper Fill Slip complies in all other respects with the requirements of this section.

(c) Whenever a slot machine's hopper requires coin, slot tokens or prize tokens, a slot attendant or mechanic, after confirming that its corresponding hopper storage area contains the necessary coin, slot tokens or prize tokens to replenish the hopper to be filled, may, in the presence of a member of the security department, transfer the necessary coin, slot tokens or prize tokens from that slot machine's hopper storage area directly to the appropriate hopper of the corresponding slot machine. The security department member shall observe the deposit of the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens in the appropriate slot machine hopper and the closing and locking of the slot machine and its corresponding hopper storage area by the slot mechanic or attendant.

(d) After transferring the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens to the slot machine's appropriate hopper from a corresponding storage area pursuant to (c) above or upon completing a fill pursuant to (b) above of a slot machine's hopper, the slot attendant or mechanic shall make the entries required on the slot machine's log, which, at a minimum and in addition to the entries required in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(j), shall include the following:

1. The date and time of the transfer;
2. The type of hopper in the slot machine to which the coins, slot tokens or prize tokens were transferred;
3. The separate amounts of coins, slot tokens or prize tokens that were placed in that hopper; and
4. The name and license number of the slot attendant or slot mechanic who made the transfer or fill.

(e) Hopper storage areas shall be filled by using Hopper Fill Slips, in accordance with the procedures in (b) above.

(f) Each casino licensee shall submit and have approved internal controls for detecting and removing prize tokens from the all-purpose hoppers of its slot machines. Each casino licensee so removing a prize token shall count it, for purposes of calculating its gross revenue pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-24, as cash received from gaming operations for the face amount of the prize token.

Amended by R.1981 d.437, effective November 16, 1981.
See: 13 N.J.R. 534(b), 13 N.J.R. 848(b).

(e)2: deleted "time of distribution" and substituted "shift during which coins are distributed" therefor. (f) added. Renumbered (f) as (g). (h) added. Renumbered (g)-(i) as (i)-(k) without change in text. Amended by R.1989 d.34, effective January 17, 1989.
See: 20 N.J.R. 2050(b), 21 N.J.R. 175(b).

Added text in (b) "Notwithstanding the above . . .".
Amended by R.1991 d.230, effective May 6, 1991.
See: 22 N.J.R. 3325(a), 23 N.J.R. 1461(a).

In (e)1: added "asset" to number.
Amended by R.1992 d.110, effective March 2, 1992.
See: 23 N.J.R. 3243(a), 24 N.J.R. 858(c).

In (k): stylistic revisions.
Amended by R.1992 d.255, effective June 15, 1992.
See: 23 N.J.R. 2921(a), 24 N.J.R. 2297(a).

Stylistic revisions throughout. In (a): revised to read that Hopper Fill Slips "shall be prepared, in accordance with procedures approved by the Commission." In (b): added text to specify that the slot booth cashier is the preparer of the Hopper Fill Slips. Added new (e)7. In (j), deleted reference to "cage" cashier maintaining and controlling the original.

Amended by R.1992 d.361, effective September 21, 1992.
See: 24 N.J.R. 2137(a), 24 N.J.R. 3336(a).

Revised to meet statutory changes regarding records retention, storage and destruction. Eliminates current petition process for records destruction and off-site record generation or storage. Revised section. Administrative correction to (c).
See: 25 N.J.R. 1230(a).

Amended by R.1993 d.631, effective December 6, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4474(a), 25 N.J.R. 5522(a).

Administrative Correction.

See: 26 N.J.R. 1538(c).

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.351, effective July 3, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1172(a), 27 N.J.R. 2597(a).

Extended the section to general cashiers and master coin bank cashiers; substituted "preparer" for "slot cashier" throughout; and rewrote (b)11i.

Amended by R.1996 d.561, effective December 2, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 4183(a), 28 N.J.R. 5081(a).

Amended by R.1997 d.489, effective November 17, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 1289(a), 29 N.J.R. 4862(b).

Added (b)12.

Amended by R.1999 d.223, effective July 19, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 934(a), 31 N.J.R. 1946(a).

Rewrote former (c) as (c) and (d); and recodified former (d) and (e) as (e) and (f).

Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 33 N.J.R. 3223(a), 33 N.J.R. 3696(b).

Amended by R.2001 d.404, effective November 5, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2636(a), 33 N.J.R. 3765(a).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2002 d.60, effective March 4, 2002.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2402(b), 34 N.J.R. 1020(b).

In (b), rewrote 5; rewrote (c) and (d).

19:45-1.41A Procedures governing the removal of coin, slot tokens and slugs from a slot machine hopper

(a) Except as provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.38(d), and (b) through (d) below, no coin, slot tokens, or slugs shall be removed from a slot machine hopper.

Amended by R.1994 d.79, effective February 22, 1994.
 See: 25 N.J.R. 4873(a), 26 N.J.R. 1110(b).
 Amended by R.1994 d.297, effective June 20, 1994.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 1440(a), 26 N.J.R. 2594(a).
 Amended by R.1994 d.344, effective July 5, 1994.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 1621(a), 26 N.J.R. 2804(a).
 Amended by R.1994 d.422, effective August 15, 1994.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 2213(a), 26 N.J.R. 3464(b).
 Amended by R.1994 d.574, effective November 21, 1994.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 3606(b), 26 N.J.R. 4639(a).
 Amended by R.1995 d.624, effective December 4, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 1789(a), 27 N.J.R. 4915(a).
 Amended by R.1995 d.653, effective December 18, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 3598(a), 27 N.J.R. 5044(a).
 Amended by R.1996 d.357, effective August 5, 1996.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 2355(a), 28 N.J.R. 3821(b).
 Amended by R.1996 d.476, effective October 7, 1996.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 3521(a), 28 N.J.R. 4517(b).
 Amended by R.1997 d.249, effective June 16, 1997.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 746(a), 29 N.J.R. 2676(a).

Inserted new (a)1; recodified former (a)1 as (a)2; and in (o), inserted "on the same schedule . . . cash storage boxes," and added the last two sentences.

Amended by R.1997 d.425, effective October 6, 1997.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 859(a), 29 N.J.R. 4306(a).

Substantially amended (q) and added (r).
 Amended by R.1998 d.149, effective March 16, 1998.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 37(a), 30 N.J.R. 1059(b).

In (c)2, added language regarding required count room personnel; added a new (c)3; and recodified former (c)3 as (c)4.

Amended by R.1998 d.235, effective May 18, 1998.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 810(a), 30 N.J.R. 1851(a).

Inserted references to unsecured coupons and substituted references to Unsecured Bill Changer Currency/ Coupon Reports for references to Unsecured Bill Changer Currency Reports throughout; in (e), inserted references to the dollar value of unsecured coupons throughout; in (j), inserted a new 5 and 6, and recodified former 5 as 7; in (m), inserted a reference to the dollar value of unsecured coupons; and in (q)2v, substituted a reference to Unsecured Currency/ Coupon Reports for references to Unsecured Currency Reports.

Amended by R.1998 d.493, effective October 5, 1998.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 2370(a), 30 N.J.R. 3669(a).

In (q), inserted "the director of surveillance," following "casino controller," in 2.

Amended by R.2000 d.422, effective October 16, 2000.
 See: 31 N.J.R. 4245(a), 32 N.J.R. 3863(c).

Rewrote (a); in (c)2, added new i and recodified existing i and ii as ii and iii; and in (n), inserted a new fourth sentence.

Amended by R.2002 d.367, effective November 18, 2002.
 See: 34 N.J.R. 2548(a), 34 N.J.R. 3977(b).

In (q), substituted "\$100" for "25.00" in the introductory paragraph, rewrote the first sentence and added the second sentence in the introductory paragraph of 2, and inserted "pursuant to (q)2 above," in 2v.

Amended by R.2002 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.
 See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 34 N.J.R. 3977(b), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).

Rewrote the section.

Cross References

Accounting controls for the cashiers' cage, satellite cages, master coin bank and coin vaults, see N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15.

19:45-1.43 Procedure for counting and recording contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes

(a) The opening, counting and recording of the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes (the "hard count") shall be performed in the count room required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32 in the presence of a casino key employee who shall be referred to herein as a count room supervisor. The hard count shall be performed by at least three

employees (the "count team"), which may include the count room supervisor. Except as otherwise provided in (i) below, the hard count shall be performed in the presence of a Commission inspector. To gain entrance to the count room, a Commission inspector shall present an official identification card issued by the Commission which contains his or her photograph.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes shall be counted and recorded immediately after removal from their slot machine compartments. If a casino licensee uses the phased collection and transfer procedures authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, the counting process set forth in (i) below may begin as soon as the slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes from any portion of the casino floor have been secured in the count room. Each casino licensee shall file with the Commission and the Division the specific times during which the contents of slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes shall be counted and recorded.

(c) All members of the count team present in the count room during the counting process shall be required to wear a full-length, one-piece, pocketless outer garment with no openings other than for the hands, feet and neck.

(d) No person shall carry a pocketbook or other container into the count room at any time unless it is transparent.

(e) All persons exiting the count room shall be inspected with a metal detector by a casino security department employee in the presence of a Commission inspector. The counting and recording process shall be discontinued and all coin and slot tokens shall be secured during any work break or emergency where the minimum number of count room personnel required by (a) above are not present or are not capable of performing their responsibilities.

(f) Immediately prior to opening and counting the contents of any slot drop bucket or slot drop box, the doors to the count room shall be securely locked. In addition, prior to opening and counting the first slot drop bucket or slot drop box of a hard count;

1. A count team member shall notify a surveillance department employee assigned to the closed circuit television monitoring room required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.10 that the count is about to begin; and

2. The count room supervisor or his or her supervisor shall notify the Commission inspector, in writing, of the name and Commission licensee number of each person who shall participate in the counting process and whether each such individual is scheduled to:

- i. Be present in the count room during the entire counting process;
- ii. Enter the count room during the counting process; or

iii. Leave the count room prior to the conclusion of the counting process.

(g) No person shall be permitted to enter or leave the count room during the counting process, except in an emergency, unless his or her name is on the written notice required by (f) above and a Commission inspector is present. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a casino licensee uses the phased collection and transfer procedures authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, the names of the personnel required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)2 to transport and secure the collected slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes in the count room (the "collection team") shall not have to be included on the written notice required by (f) above if they enter the count room during the counting process solely for that purpose.

1. If, during the counting process, a casino licensee permits a member of the count team to enter or leave the count room or members of the collection team enter the count room pursuant to the phased collection and transfer procedure authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, any employee remaining in the count room shall be required to display his or her hands and move to a location away from any coin or slot token until the count team member has entered or left the count room or the transfer of the slot drop boxes and slot drop buckets to the count room has been completed and the collection team has left the count room. All activity in the count room shall be discontinued during any period when a count team member is entering or exiting the count room or a transfer of slot drop boxes and slot drop buckets is taking place.

2. Once the counting process has been started, the count room supervisor shall be required to notify the closed circuit television monitoring room whenever a count room door will be opened, and if a casino licensee uses the phased collection and transfer procedures authorized by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, when all slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes have been secured inside the count room.

3. The surveillance department shall monitor and make a video recording, with the time and date inserted thereon, of the entire hard count, including any entrance to or exit from the count room by any person during the hard count, any transfer of slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes to the count room conducted pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, any storage of slot drop buckets or slot drop boxes in the staging area permitted by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(c)3, and all metal detector inspections performed by casino security. The video recording shall be retained by the surveillance department for at least five days from the date of recordation unless otherwise directed by the Commission or the Division.

(h) No prize tokens, coins or slot tokens shall be removed from the count room after the commencement of the hard count until the hard count has been completed and the prize tokens, coins or slot tokens have been recounted and accepted by a main bank cashier or master coin bank cashier in accordance with (j)4 below.

(i) Procedures and requirements for conducting the hard count shall be as follows:

1. Prior to the first slot drop bucket or slot drop box being emptied and counted, employees of the casino licensee shall:

i. Check, in the presence of the Commission inspector, the accuracy of all weighing and counting equipment, with the exception of coin or slot token wrapping machines, to insure proper calibration for each denomination of coin and slot token;

ii. Complete and sign a calibration report; and

iii. Initiate the preparation of a Slot Win Sheet, on which shall be recorded the results of the hard count. The Slot Win Sheet shall be, at a minimum, a two-part form consisting of an original and a duplicate copy unless the casino licensee chooses, pursuant to (j)6 below, to make photocopies of the original Slot Win Sheet, in which case only an original shall be required. Each additional copy of a multi-part Slot Win Sheet shall be clearly labeled as a copy.

2. All slot tokens in denominations of \$25.00 or more shall be counted or weighed at the beginning of the hard count, in the presence of the Commission inspector, except upon notice to and written approval of the Commission's principal inspector at least 24 hours in advance of the rescheduled count of such slot tokens. The casino licensee may count or weigh other denominations of coins or slot tokens at the same time, provided that the high denomination slot token count proceeds to completion without interruption, except as otherwise provided herein. The Commission inspector shall, independently of the casino licensee, record on a countdown sheet the total value of each slot token in a denomination of \$25.00 or more which is counted or weighed. The inspector shall compare the totals on his or her countdown sheet with the value of each of those slot tokens recorded by the hard count team on the Slot Win Sheet, and verify that the amounts are in agreement and are correct, and if not, shall either satisfactorily account for any discrepancies, if possible, or document the incident and promptly report it to the Division. At the conclusion of the hard count, the inspector shall recompare the totals on the countdown sheet with the final totals determined by the casino licensee.

3. Before each slot drop bucket or slot drop box is emptied, one count team member shall hold it up in full view of the closed circuit television camera and the count team member recording the count so as to permit proper recording of the number contained thereon.

4. The contents of each slot drop bucket or slot drop box shall be emptied, counted and recorded separately and such procedures shall at all times be conducted in full view of the closed circuit television cameras located in the count room.

5. The contents of each slot drop bucket or slot drop box shall be emptied separately into either a machine that automatically counts the coins or slot tokens or a scale that automatically weighs the coin or slot tokens; provided, however, that any prize tokens or foreign slot tokens shall be manually counted and separately recorded on the Slot Win Sheet.

6. Immediately after the contents of each slot drop bucket or slot drop box are emptied into either the counting machine or scale, the inside of the slot drop bucket or slot drop box shall be held up to the full view of the closed circuit television camera and shall be shown to at least one other count team member and the Commission inspector, if present, to assure that all contents of the slot drop bucket or slot drop box have been removed.

7. As the contents of each slot drop bucket or slot drop box are counted by the counting machine or weighed by the scale, one member of the count team shall manually record or cause a computer system to record, in a manner approved by the Commission, the following information on the Slot Win Sheet or a supporting document:

i. The asset number of the slot machine to which the slot drop bucket or slot drop box contents corresponds, if not preprinted thereon;

ii. The number of coins or slot tokens, or the weight of the coins or slot tokens contained in the slot drop bucket or slot drop box; provided, however, that if the value of the coins or slot tokens is not converted into dollars and cents until after the counting process is completed, the conversion shall be calculated and the dollar value of the drop shall be entered by denomination on the Slot Win Sheet;

iii. The number and dollar value of each denomination of prize token issued by any casino licensee, and the total dollar value of all prize tokens issued by any casino licensee; and

iv. The number and dollar value of each denomination of foreign slot token and the total dollar value of all foreign slot tokens.

8. A Commission inspector may, at any time, require the accuracy of any weighing, wrapping or counting equipment, or the value of any previously weighed, wrapped or counted coin or slot tokens, to be checked or rechecked.

9. After all slot tokens in denominations of \$25.00 or more have been counted, wrapped or placed in racks, and then secured in a manner approved by the Commission, the Commission inspector may leave the count room to perform other functions as required by the Commission. Upon leaving the count room, the inspector shall:

i. Notify the surveillance department of his or her departure; and

ii. Test and activate the light system or other approved device at the count room door required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32(d).

10. No person shall enter or leave the count room during the hard count when a Commission inspector is not present except in an emergency.

11. After the contents of all the slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes are counted or weighed and recorded, each count team member shall sign the Slot Win Sheet or other document as approved by the Commission attesting to their involvement in the hard count. Any person who, in accordance with (f) above, is scheduled to leave the count room prior to the completion of the entire count process, shall also record the time that he or she exited the count room. Any person who enters or leaves the count room due to an emergency shall sign, and record the time of the entry or exit on, the Slot Win Sheet or such other document as approved by the Commission; except that, if the person exiting the count room is unable to sign the document due to the emergency, the count room supervisor shall record the person's name and time of exit and a notation describing the emergency on the document.

12. At the conclusion of the hard count, any slugs that have been found shall be presented to a main bank cashier or master coin bank cashier together with the duplicate Slug Report. The Slug Report shall be a three-part form, at a minimum, which shall include the date, the total number of slugs received, the signature of the preparer and the signature of the main bank cashier or master coin bank cashier who accepted receipt of the slugs from the hard count representative. The original Slug Report shall be delivered to the Commission and the triplicate shall be delivered to the Division's in-house office by the end of the gaming day. The duplicate Slug Report shall remain with the slugs until their destruction.

13. Each prize token issued by any casino licensee that is removed from a slot drop bucket or a slot drop box and counted pursuant to this section shall be counted, for purposes of calculating gross revenue pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-24, as cash received by the casino licensee from gaming operations for the face amount of the prize token, and, notwithstanding the prohibition on prize tokens activating slot machine play, no adjustment to the amount recorded on the Slot Win Sheet in accordance with (i)7iii above shall be allowed.

(j) Procedures and requirements at the conclusion of the hard count shall be as follows:

1. Approximately 15 minutes prior to the end of the hard count, if a Commission inspector is not present, an inspector shall be notified that the hard count is about to be completed.

2. Upon reentering the count room, the Commission inspector shall:

- i. Examine the light system or other approved device to ascertain whether any person has entered or exited the count room during the period of his or her absence, and if so, either satisfactorily account for those events, if possible, or document the incident and promptly report it to the Division; and
 - ii. Compare the original list of count team members with the persons present at the conclusion of the hard count, ascertain whether the identities of the persons in the count room remained unchanged during the hard count, and if not, either satisfactorily account for any changes in personnel, if possible, or document the incident and promptly report it to the Division.
3. At least one count team member shall sign the Slot Win Sheet attesting to the accuracy of the information recorded thereon.
4. Any prize tokens, foreign slot tokens, wrapped coins, wrapped slot tokens, bagged coins or bagged slot tokens removed from the slot drop buckets and slot drop boxes shall be recounted in the count room by a main bank cashier or master coin bank cashier, in the presence of a count team member and the Commission inspector, prior to the cashier having access to the information recorded on the Slot Win Sheet. Any bagged coins or bagged slot tokens shall be recounted on a random sample basis as follows:
- i. The main bank cashier or master coin bank cashier shall randomly select, at a minimum, 10 percent of all bagged coins and bagged slot tokens. The sample bags selected shall then be weighed by the cashier in the presence of a Commission inspector.
 - ii. If a discrepancy greater than plus or minus \$1.00 for any denomination of bagged coins or greater than plus or minus one token for bagged slot token denominations of \$25.00 and below is found during the weighing of a sample bag, then the sample bag shall be opened and recounted by a counting machine in the presence of the Commission inspector provided, however, for slot token denominations greater than \$25.00, any discrepancy shall require a recount. If more than one sample bag has a discrepancy and the problem cannot be resolved, then the Commission inspector may require that the scales be recalibrated and that all bagged coins and bagged slot tokens be recounted.
5. The inspector shall then compare the value of each of the slot tokens, foreign slot tokens and prize tokens listed on his or her countdown sheet with the value of each of those tokens shown on the Slot Win Sheet, and verify that the amounts are in agreement and are correct, and if not, either satisfactorily account for any discrepancies, if possible, or document the incident and promptly report it to the Division.
6. The cage cashier or master coin bank cashier shall then attest by signature on the Slot Win Sheet to the accuracy of the value of coin, prize tokens, foreign slot tokens and slot tokens received from the slot machines. The inspector shall then sign the Slot Win Sheet evidencing the inspector's presence and the fact that the inspector, the cashier and count team have agreed on the total value of coin, prize tokens, foreign slot tokens and slot tokens counted. Once the signatures required by (i)11 and (j)3 above and this paragraph have been recorded on the Slot Win Sheet, the duplicate copy or a photocopy of the original Slot Win Sheet shall be given to the inspector. A casino licensee's internal controls may, in the licensee's discretion, require that an additional copy of a multi-part Slot Win Sheet or another photocopy of the original Slot Win Sheet be given to the cage cashier or master coin bank cashier. Each photocopy of the original Slot Win Sheet shall be stamped with the word "copy" by the inspector prior to its distribution. The coins, prize tokens, foreign slot tokens and slot tokens thereafter shall remain in the custody of cage cashiers or master coin bank cashiers.
7. A casino security department employee, in the presence of the Commission inspector, shall:
- i. Inspect all persons with a metal detector upon their exiting the count room; and
 - ii. Conduct a thorough inspection of the entire count room and all equipment located therein, for unsecured coins, foreign slot tokens, prize tokens and slot tokens.
8. The original Slot Win Sheet and any supporting documents shall be transported directly to the accounting department and shall not be available, except for signing, to any cashier's cage or slot personnel.
9. A casino accounting department employee shall complete the original Slot Win Sheet, either manually or through the use of a computer program such as a spreadsheet program, as approved by the Commission, by recording the following information on the Slot Win Sheet or supporting documentation:
- i. If not previously recorded on supporting documentation in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.33 and 1.43, the value of coin, slot tokens, prize tokens, foreign slot tokens, currency and coupon drop for each slot machine, and the total value of gaming voucher drop for each slot machine as determined in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.54;
 - ii. The total value of coin, slot tokens, prize tokens, foreign slot tokens, currency and coupon drop, and the total value of gaming voucher drop as determined in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.54, by denomination of slot machine and in total for all slot machines;

- iii. The total amount of Hopper Fills to each slot machine and its corresponding hopper storage area;
 - iv. The total of all Hopper Fills, by denomination of slot machine and the total for all Hopper Fills;
 - v. The total amount of Jackpot Payouts for each slot machine;
 - vi. The total of all Jackpot Payouts, by denomination of slot machine and the total for all slot machines;
 - vii. The total value of gaming vouchers redeemed at locations other than slot machines as determined in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.54;
 - viii. The calculated win or loss and statistics for each slot machine; and
 - ix. The total calculated win or loss for each denomination of slot machine and for all slot machines.
10. The Jackpot Payouts and Hopper Fills shall be:
- i. Compared for agreement with each other and, if applicable, to triplicates or stored data on a test basis;
 - ii. Reviewed for the appropriate number and propriety of signatures on a test basis;
 - iii. Accounted for by series numbers;
 - iv. Tested for proper calculation, summarization, and recording;
 - v. Subsequently recorded; and
 - vi. Maintained and controlled by accounting department employees.
11. The Slot Win Sheet shall be compared to the Slot Meter Sheet by a casino accounting department employee who shall:
- i. Compare for agreement, for each slot machine, the number of coins or slot tokens counted and recorded by the count team to the drop meter reading recorded on the Slot Meter Sheet; provided, however, that the casino accounting department, in making the comparison, shall account for any prize tokens and foreign slot tokens that were counted pursuant to this section after being improperly accepted by the coin acceptor and diverted to the slot drop bucket or slot drop box;
 - ii. Compare for agreement, for each slot machine, Jackpot Payouts to the manual jackpot meter reading recorded on the Slot Meter Sheet;
 - iii. Compare for agreement, for each slot machine, the gaming voucher information as required in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.54; and
 - iv. Report all significant differences between meter readings and amounts recorded to the slot department for appropriate action.

Amended by R.1981 d.437, effective November 16, 1981.

See: 13 N.J.R. 534(b), 13 N.J.R. 848(b).

(i)5: deleted "(and the value . . . counted)" and added "and/or the value . . . Slot Win Report."

Amended by R.1987 d.277, effective July 6, 1987 (operative November 1, 1987).

See: 18 N.J.R. 1929(a), 19 N.J.R. 1237(a), 19 N.J.R. 1656(a).

Added text in (g) " , after which such . . . or the division." Added new (j)2 and renumbered 2-4 as 3-5. Correction deferred operative date from September 1, 1987 to November 1, 1987.

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See: 19 N.J.R. 1110(a).

Amended by R.1991 d.230, effective May 6, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3325(a), 23 N.J.R. 1461(a).

In (i)5: added "asset" before number, revising from "casino" number.

Amended by R.1991 d.229, effective May 6, 1991.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3205(a), 23 N.J.R. 1455(a).

In (j): revised text from "slot cashier" to "master coin bank cashier."

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

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

In (f): stylistic revisions; in (i)6, amended text regarding required documents; added new (i)7, recodifying prior 7 as 8; in (j): added new (j)1, recodifying prior 1 as 2 and recodifying existing 2-5 as 3-6. Amended by R.1993 d.318, effective July 6, 1993 (operative October 15, 1993).

See: 25 N.J.R. 1503(b), 25 N.J.R. 2908(a).

Administrative Correction.

See: 25 N.J.R. 2913(b).

Amended by R.1993 d.493, effective October 4, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 2855(a), 25 N.J.R. 4622(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.282, effective June 6, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 1209(b), 26 N.J.R. 2476(c).

Amended by R.1994 d.344, effective July 5, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 1621(a), 26 N.J.R. 2804(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.110, effective February 20, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3923(a), 28 N.J.R. 1224(b).

Amended by R.1996 d.314, effective July 15, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1612(a), 28 N.J.R. 3622(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.417, effective September 3, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1498(a), 28 N.J.R. 4111(b).

Amended by R.1997 d.37, effective January 21, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 4575(a), 29 N.J.R. 379(a).

In (e), deleted provision limiting entry/exit of counting room to specified persons; added (f)3; and substantially amended (g) and (i). Amended by R.1997 d.447, effective October 20, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2811(a), 29 N.J.R. 4560(a).

In (a), rewrote the first and second sentences; and in (f)3, inserted "or his or her supervisor".

Amended by R.1997 d.489, effective November 17, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 1289(a), 29 N.J.R. 4862(b).

In (j)9ii, added requirement for recording the hopper storage area.

Amended by R.1998 d.149, effective March 16, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 37(a), 30 N.J.R. 1059(b).

Rewrote (b), (f) and (g).

Amended by R.1998 d.524, effective November 2, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 2846(a), 30 N.J.R. 3971(b).

In (i), added a new iii in 1 and inserted "value" following "dollar" in 7iii; and rewrote (j).

Amended by R.1999 d.28, effective January 19, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 3764(b), 31 N.J.R. 147(a).

In (i)2, added an exception at the end of the first sentence.

Amended by R.2002 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).

Rewrote the section.

19:45-1.44 Commission-controlled keys for dual locks; casino licensee-controlled keys and locks; notice to the Commission and surveillance department upon malfunction and repair, maintenance or replacement of alarms

(a) Any key that is required by N.J.S.A. 5:12-100c and this chapter to be controlled and maintained by a Commis-

sion inspector and any corresponding locking device for a dual key control locking system shall be patented and shall be approved by the Commission. Such key shall be legally duplicable only by the manufacturer or an approved agent or successor thereof, and shall be capable of unlocking the locking device on no more than one type of secure box, compartment or location used or maintained within any casino hotel facility. To the extent a casino licensee is not in compliance with the provisions of this subsection, the casino licensee shall submit internal controls for Commission approval by January 5, 2001 detailing its prospective implementation of any upgrades to its dual key locking systems in accordance herewith. Such internal controls shall, at a minimum, include a completion date for all upgrades by November 6, 2002, and an enumeration of those incidents or events which, if they occurred, would compromise the security of the casino licensee's dual key control locking systems and require it to immediately comply with the provisions herein. Notwithstanding the above, nothing herein shall preclude the Commission from exempting a type of secure box, compartment or location from the requirements of this subsection upon a determination that the security of such box, compartment or location would not otherwise be compromised. The types of secure boxes, compartments or locations that require a unique Commission key shall include, without limitation, the following:

1. Drop boxes, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.16(a);
2. Slot cash storage boxes, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.16(b);
3. Trolleys to transport drop boxes from gaming tables to a secure location, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.17(b);
4. Trolleys or cabinets used to transport or store, respectively, slot cash storage boxes, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(d);
5. Count room entrance and exit doors, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32(b);
6. Compartments housing slot drop buckets, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(b);
7. Slot drop boxes, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(c)3;
8. Compartments housing slot drop boxes, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(d);
9. Areas in which slot cash storage boxes are located, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(f);
10. Compartments housing microprocessors or other control units controlling progressive meter(s) for progressive slot machines, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39(b)5;

11. Locations housing a computer that controls a progressive payout wager system for gaming tables offering a progressive payout wager, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39B(b)6;

12. Storage cabinets or trolleys for unattached slot drop boxes, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.42(a); and

13. Compartment housing a random number generator for the keno system, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-15.5.

(b) Each casino licensee shall establish inventory internal controls for any key required by the rules of the Commission to be controlled and maintained by a casino licensee and for any corresponding locking device including, without limitation, any key and locking device required by N.J.S.A. 5:12-100c and this chapter for a dual key control locking system. The key and locking device inventory controls of each casino licensee shall include, at a minimum, procedures for:

1. Maintenance of inventory ledgers by identified, authorized personnel for purposes of documenting:
 - i. The requisitioning of keys and locking devices from vendors;
 - ii. The receipt of blank key stock;
 - iii. The storage and issuance of keys and locking devices;
 - iv. Any loss, removal from service, and subsequent replacement of keys and locking devices;
 - v. The destruction of keys and locking devices; and
 - vi. The results of physical inventories;
2. The storage of duplicate keys and locking devices, including a physical description of any storage location and the identification of authorized personnel in control of such location;
3. The destruction of keys and locking devices, including documentation detailing in whose presence any destruction shall occur; and
4. Physical inventories of all keys and locking devices at least once every 12 months.

(c) A casino licensee shall notify the Commission and its surveillance department immediately upon becoming aware of any malfunction of any alarm system or alarmed door required by the Act and these rules, or required by the Commission pursuant thereto, and upon any emergency service to restore their proper function. In addition, a casino licensee shall provide the Commission and its surveillance department with at least 24 hours written notice prior to effecting any non-emergency repair, maintenance or replacement of any such alarm system or alarmed door including, without limitation:

1. Alarm systems for any emergency exit from the casino floor or casino simulcasting facility, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:43-6.2(a)3;
2. Alarm systems for the casino cage, its ancillary office space and any related casino vault, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(c)2;
3. Alarm systems for any master coin bank located outside the casino cage, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(d);
4. Alarmed emergency exit door(s) for the casino cage, as required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(c)3iii;
5. Alarmed doors to casino vaults signaling the closed circuit television system, as required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(f)3;
6. Alarmed doors to count rooms signaling the monitoring rooms and the casino security department, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32(b)2;
7. Alarm systems providing for a continuous visual signal whenever any access door to the count room is open, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32(e);
8. Alarm systems for any slot cashier window in a slot booth, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.34(c);
9. Alarm systems for separate work stations within a keno booth or satellite keno booth, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.47(c)1i and (f); and
10. Alarm systems for keno work stations in keno lockers, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.47(g)1.

New Rule, R.1999 d.361, effective November 1, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 3765(a), 31 N.J.R. 3529(a).

Amended by R.2000 d.445, effective November 6, 2000.

See: 31 N.J.R. 3245(a), 32 N.J.R. 4004(a).

Added new (a); recodified former (a) as (b).

Amended by R.2001 d.381, effective October 15, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1874(a), 33 N.J.R. 3673(a).

Added a new (b) and recodified former (b) as (c).

Amended by R.2001 d.402, effective November 5, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2633(a), 33 N.J.R. 3762(a).

In (a)11, substituted "a computer that controls a progressive payout wager system" for "the supercontroller and CPU disk drive for the progressive meter".

19:45-1.45 Signature

(a) Signatures shall:

1. Comply with either of the following requirements:
 - i. Be, at a minimum, the signer's first initial, last name and Commission license number, written by the

signer, and be immediately adjacent to or above the clearly printed or preprinted title of the signer; or

- ii. Be the employee's identification number or other computer identification code issued to the employee by the casino licensee, if the document to be signed is authorized by the Commission to be generated by computer, and such method of signature is approved or required by the Commission;

2. Signify that the signer has prepared forms, records, and documents and/or authorized, observed, and/or participated in a transaction to a sufficient extent to attest to the accuracy of the information recorded thereon, in conformity with this regulation and the casino licensee's system of internal accounting control; and

3. Signify that the signer required by this chapter to count or observe gaming chips and plaques has counted or observed the count of such chips and plaques and such count was made by breaking down stacks of chips to the extent necessary.

(b) Signature records shall be prepared for each person required by the rules of the Commission to sign records and documents and shall include specimens of signatures, titles of signers and the date the signature was obtained. Such signature records shall be filed alphabetically by last name either on a company-wide or departmental basis. The signature records shall be adjusted on a timely basis to reflect changes of personnel.

(c) Signature records shall be securely stored in the accounting department.

(d) This section shall apply to any signature required in a casino licensee's approved system of internal procedures and administrative and accounting controls, including, without limitation, procedures required by N.J.A.C. 19:46.

Amended by R.1981 d.272, effective August 6, 1981.

See: 13 N.J.R. 47(c), 13 N.J.R. 541(a).

(a)4: delete "except in counts required under sections 19:45-1.21, 19:45-1.30 and 19:45-1.31 of this regulation".

(b): delete "or initial forms" after "regulation to sign", and delete "and initials" after "specimens of signatures".

Amended by R.1988 d.468, effective October 3, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1069(a), 20 N.J.R. 2468(a).

Added (d).

Amended by R.1994 d.223, effective May 2, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 912(b), 26 N.J.R. 1853(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.372, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1533(a), 27 N.J.R. 2707(a).