

(i) No provision of this section or any other Commission rule shall be construed so as to limit a casino licensee's discretion in utilizing a particular job title for any position in its jobs compendium.

New Rule, R.1986 d.240, effective July 7, 1986.

See: 17 N.J.R. 2747(a), 18 N.J.R. 1402(c).

Petition for Rulemaking: Job descriptions.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1002(c).

Amended by R.1989 d.169, effective March 20, 1989.

See: 20 N.J.R. 3120(b), 21 N.J.R. 780(a).

(b)2: deleted requirement concerning number of persons employed and added "date of submission" language. (b)3: added "at a minimum" to "Each job description . . ." and deleted iv and v. Existing vi through x redesignated iv through viii; added ix. (c)1: added "changes in page numbers" requirement; in (c)2, (b) above was (b)3 above. Added new (d) and changed existing (d) to (d)1, with changes; added (d)2.

Amended by R.1990 d.523, effective November 5, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 2253(a), 22 N.J.R. 3391(b).

Deleted requirement that a casino licensee file job compendium with Division of Gaming Enforcement.

Administrative Correction to section heading.

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

Amended by R.1994 d.140, effective March 21, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 114(a), 26 N.J.R. 1379(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.249, effective June 3, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1360(b), 28 N.J.R. 3008(a).

19:45-1.12 Personnel assigned to the operation and conduct of gaming

(a) Each casino licensee shall be required to employ the personnel herein described in the operation of its casino and casino simulcasting facility, regardless of the position titles assigned to such personnel by the casino licensee in its approved jobs compendium. Functions described in this section shall be performed only by persons holding the appropriate license required by the casino licensee's approved jobs compendium to perform such functions, or by persons holding the appropriate license required by the casino licensee's approved jobs compendium to supervise persons performing such functions, subject to the limitations imposed by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(a).

1. Each casino licensee shall at all times maintain a level of staffing that ensures the proper operation and effective supervision of all authorized games and simulcast wagering in the casino and casino simulcasting facility.

2. Each casino licensee shall be required to employ a person referred to herein as a casino manager. The casino manager shall be the executive assigned the responsibility and authority for the supervision and management of the overall operation of a casino licensee's casino games department including, without limitation, the hiring and terminating of all casino personnel and the creation of high employee morale and good customer relations, all in accordance with the policies and practices established by the casino licensee's board of directors or non-corporate equivalent.

i. In the absence of the casino manager and the assistant casino manager, should the establishment have

an assistant casino manager, a table games shift manager, slot shift manager or keno shift supervisor, as applicable, who is employed within the casino games department shall be designated by the casino licensee as the person responsible for the overall operation of the casino games department and such person shall have the authority of a casino manager.

ii. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a casino licensee chooses, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)4, to establish an independent slot department or an independent keno department, the independent slot department shall be supervised and managed by a slot department manager in accordance with (h)5 below, and the independent keno department shall be supervised and managed by a keno manager in accordance with (k)3 below.

(b) The following personnel shall be used to operate the table games in an establishment:

1. Casino clerk shall be the person located at a desk in the pit to prepare documentation required for the operation of table games including, without limitation, Requests for Fills, Requests for Credits, Counter Checks and documents that evidence the exchange of gaming chips or plaques as part of credit or debit card chip transactions.

2. Dealers shall be the persons assigned to each craps, mini-craps, mini-dice, baccarat, blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, minibaccarat, red dog, sic bo, big six, casino war, pai gow, pai gow poker, caribbean stud poker, let it ride poker, three card poker, fast action hold 'em, colorado hold 'em poker and poker table to directly operate and conduct the game.

3. Stickperson shall be the dealer assigned to each craps table to control the dice and may be responsible for the proposition wagers made at the craps table. At the casino licensee's option, a stickperson may also be assigned to a mini-craps table, in addition to the required dealer, to control the dice and may be responsible for the proposition wagers made at the mini-craps table.

4. Boxperson shall be the first level supervisor assigned the responsibility of directly participating in and supervising the operation and conduct of the craps game.

5. Floorperson shall be the second level supervisor assigned the responsibility for directly supervising the operation and conduct of a craps game, and the first level supervisor assigned the responsibility for directly supervising the operation and conduct of a baccarat, blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, mini-craps, mini-dice, sic bo, minibaccarat, red dog, casino war, pai gow, pai gow poker, big six, caribbean stud poker, let it ride poker, three card poker, fast action hold 'em, colorado hold 'em poker or poker game.

6. Pit boss shall be the third level supervisor assigned the responsibility for the overall supervision of the opera-

tion and conduct of a craps game and the second level supervisor assigned the responsibility for the overall supervision of the operation and conduct of a blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, mini-craps, mini-dice, minibaccarat, big six, sic bo, red dog, casino war, pai gow, pai gow poker, caribbean stud poker, let it ride poker, three card poker, fast action hold 'em, colorado hold 'em poker or baccarat game.

7. Poker shift supervisor shall be licensed as a casino key employee and shall be the supervisor assigned and present during a shift with the responsibility for directly supervising all activities related to the operation and conduct of poker. A poker shift supervisor may also supervise table games other than poker in lieu of a pit boss in accordance with the provisions of this section.

8. Table games shift manager shall be the supervisor assigned to each shift with the responsibility for the supervision of table games conducted in the casino and casino simulcasting facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a casino licensee chooses, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)4, to establish an independent slot department, a casino manager may personally perform the required duties of a table games shift manager when the casino manager is present in the casino.

(c) Each casino licensee shall maintain the following minimum levels of staffing:

1. One casino clerk shall be assigned to the entire casino facility;

2. One dealer shall be assigned to each blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, minibaccarat, sic bo, red dog, pai gow, pai gow poker, big six, mini-craps, mini-dice, casino war, caribbean stud poker, let it ride poker, three card poker, fast action hold 'em, colorado hold 'em poker and poker table;

3. Three dealers shall be assigned to each craps and baccarat table;

4. One boxperson shall be assigned to each craps game;

5. One floorperson shall supervise:

i. Not more than four blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, pai gow poker, minibaccarat (using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2), mini-dice, sic bo, red dog, casino war, caribbean stud poker, let it ride poker, three card poker, fast action hold 'em, colorado hold 'em poker or big six tables, or any combination thereof; or

ii. Not more than two minibaccarat tables if either table uses the dealing procedure in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)3; or

iii. Not more than one blackjack, roulette, pai gow poker, mini-dice, sic bo, red dog, casino war, caribbean stud poker, let it ride poker, three card poker, fast action hold'em or big six table, and one minibaccarat table which uses the optional dealing procedure in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)3;

iv. Not more than two craps tables; or

v. Not more than one craps table and one blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, minibaccarat (using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2), mini-dice, sic bo, red dog or big six table; or

vi. Not more than one mini-craps table; or

vii. Not more than one baccarat or pai gow table; or

viii. As to the game of poker:

(1) If the poker shift supervisor is supervising only poker tables, not more than eight poker tables; or

(2) If the poker shift supervisor is supervising only poker tables and no floorperson assigned to poker by a casino licensee has any responsibilities for seating players, not more than 10 poker tables; or

(3) If the poker shift supervisor is supervising both poker tables and table games other than poker, not more than four poker tables;

6. One pit boss shall supervise not more than 20 gaming tables; and

7. One poker shift supervisor shall supervise all open poker tables; provided, however, that the poker shift supervisor may supervise a total of not more than 16 poker tables and table games other than poker (in lieu of a pit boss) if fewer than 16 poker tables are open.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of (c)5 above:

1. If a casino licensee has six or fewer poker tables open for gaming activity, no poker floorperson shall be required and the poker tables may be supervised by the poker shift supervisor, provided that the poker shift supervisor is not supervising any other table games; and

2. If a casino licensee has at least one but fewer than four poker tables open for gaming activity, the poker shift supervisor may supervise any combination of not more than four poker tables and table games other than poker (in lieu of a pit boss) and no floorperson shall be required to supervise the poker tables provided that the floorperson supervision requirements for games other than poker are satisfied.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of (c) above, a casino licensee may implement a plan for revised supervision by floorpersons, poker shift supervisors, pit bosses, or slot shift supervisors. In any plan for revised supervision:

1. One floorperson may supervise not more than six blackjack (none of which shall offer the streak wager permitted under N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.22), spanish 21, roulette, minibaccarat (using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2), mini-dice, sic bo, red dog or big six tables, or any combination thereof;

2. One pit boss may supervise not more than 24 gaming tables;

3. One poker shift supervisor may supervise a total of not more than 24 poker tables and gaming tables other than poker (in lieu of a pit boss), provided that:

i. The poker shift supervisor is supervising all poker tables which are open to the public; and

ii. One floorperson may supervise not more than six poker tables;

4. One floorperson may supervise two craps tables and one additional blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, minibaccarat (using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2), mini-dice, sic bo, red dog or big six table;

5. One floorperson may supervise one craps table and two additional blackjack, spanish 21, roulette, minibaccarat, (using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2), mini-dice, sic bo, red dog or big six tables, or any combination thereof;

6. One floorperson assigned to poker may supervise not more than 10 poker tables if the poker shift supervisor is supervising only poker tables;

7. One floorperson assigned to poker may supervise not more than 12 poker tables if the poker shift supervisor is supervising only poker tables and no floorperson assigned to poker has any responsibilities for seating players; and

8. If a casino licensee chooses to establish slot and keno operations in the same department, as permitted under N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b), a slot shift supervisor may simultaneously assume the responsibility of the keno shift supervisor.

(f) The casino manager or table games shift manager shall notify the Commission and the Division no later than 24 hours in advance of implementing or changing any plan for revised supervision for table games, and the slot shift supervisor or keno shift supervisor shall provide such notification for keno, provided, however, that notice may be provided less than 24 hours in advance in circumstances which are emergent or may otherwise not reasonably be anticipated.

1. Any notice for a plan for revised supervision of table games shall include, without limitation, the following information:

i. The pit number and configuration of any pit affected;

ii. The type, location and table number of any table affected;

iii. The standard staffing level required for the gaming table or tables and the proposed variance therefrom;

iv. The start date and time, and the duration, of the revised supervision; and

v. The basis for the decision to revise the number of supervisory personnel, which shall include any relevant factors which demonstrate that proper operation and effective supervision of the affected gaming tables will be maintained, including, as applicable, a showing:

(1) That the revised supervision is justified by a reduced volume of play at the specified times and gaming tables in the casino or casino simulcasting facility;

(2) That the particular dealers or supervisors assigned to the affected tables possess a degree of skill and experience indicative of sufficient ability to operate the affected tables with revised supervision, in which case a record of the personnel assigned to such tables during the period or revised supervision shall be maintained;

(3) That a reduced number of gaming tables will be operating in the affected pits, which are in a configuration to ensure proper supervision and operation; or

(4) Any other facts or circumstances which establish that a revision in the number of supervisory personnel is appropriate.

2. Any notice for a plan for revised supervision for keno operations shall include, without limitation, the following information:

i. The start date and time, and the duration, of the revised supervision; and

ii. The basis for the decision to consolidate the supervisory responsibilities in one employee, which shall include any relevant factors which demonstrate that effective supervision of keno operations will be maintained, including a showing that the revised supervision is justified by a reduced level of keno wagering or keno staffing.

(g) The Commission may, at any time upon 12 hours notice, direct that the plan for revised supervision shall be terminated and that the licensee shall maintain standard staffing levels as defined in (c) above.

(h) The following personnel shall be used to maintain and operate the slot machines and bill changers in an establishment:

1. Slot mechanics shall be the persons assigned the responsibility for repairing and maintaining slot machines and bill changers in proper operating condition and participating in the filling of payout reserve containers.

2. Slot attendants shall be the persons assigned the responsibility for the operation of slot machines and bill changers, including, but not limited to, participating in manual jackpot payouts and filling payout reserve containers. At the discretion of the casino licensee, slot attendants may, using currency obtained from an imprest fund issued by the cashiers' cage, the master coin bank or a slot booth in accordance with internal control procedures approved by the Commission, pay slot jackpots of less than \$1,200 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:40-1.40E, and accept currency and coupons from patrons in exchange for currency.

3. Slot supervisors shall be the first level supervisors assigned the responsibility for directly supervising the operation of slot machines and bill changers.

4. Slot shift manager shall be the second level supervisor with the responsibility for the overall supervision of the slot machine and bill changer operation for each shift.

5. If a casino licensee chooses to establish an independent slot department pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)4, the slot department manager shall be the executive assigned the responsibility and authority for the supervision and management of the overall operation of the casino licensee's slot machines and bill changers including, without limitation, the hiring and terminating of all slot department personnel and the creation of high employee morale and good customer relations, all in accordance with the policies and practices established by the casino licensee's board of directors or non-corporate equivalent. In the absence of the slot department manager, the slot shift manager shall have the authority of the slot department manager.

(i) The following personnel shall, at a minimum, be used to operate a simulcast counter in a casino simulcasting facility:

1. Casino pari-mutuel cashiers shall be assigned the responsibility of generating, and issuing to patrons, pari-mutuel tickets and credit vouchers, conducting credit card and debit card cash transactions, making simulcast payouts to patrons, and redeeming credit vouchers for patrons. At the discretion of a casino licensee, a casino pari-mutuel cashier ("vault cashier") may, alternatively, be assigned the responsibility to control the currency and coin in the simulcast vault, as provided in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14A and 1.15A. A vault cashier on a shift shall not perform any other functions of a casino pari-mutuel cashier on the same shift; and

2. Simulcast counter shift supervisor shall be the first level supervisor assigned the responsibility for directly supervising the operation and conduct of the simulcast counter; provided, however, that the simulcast counter shift supervisor may simultaneously assume the responsibilities of the keno shift supervisor if a casino licensee chooses to establish keno and simulcasting operations in the same department, as permitted by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)4.

(j) The following personnel, at a minimum, shall be used to conduct keno operations:

1. Keno writer shall be the person assigned the responsibility to generate keno tickets, redeem coupons, conduct credit card and debit card cash transactions, accept wagers and issue keno payouts at a keno booth, roving keno work station or satellite keno booth.

2. Keno supervisor shall be the supervisor assigned to each shift with the responsibility for directly supervising all activities at a keno booth, roving keno work stations and satellite keno booths. A keno supervisor who is licensed as a casino key employee may simultaneously assume the responsibilities of the simulcast counter shift supervisor if a casino licensee chooses to establish keno and simulcasting operations in the same department as permitted by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)4. The following functions shall only be performed by the casino key employee to whom the keno supervisor reports or a supervisor thereof:

i. Requesting access to the keno computer system for keno personnel;

ii. Requesting pay table changes and performing pay table changes in accordance with approved internal controls;

iii. Requesting and being present for software and hardware upgrades as performed in accordance with approved internal controls;

iv. Authorizing the payment of winning keno tickets of \$5,000 or more; and

v. Hiring and terminating keno personnel in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the casino licensee.

3. If a casino licensee chooses to establish an independent keno department pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11(b)4, the keno manager shall be the executive assigned the responsibility and authority for the supervision and management of the overall operation of the game of keno by the casino licensee, including, without limitation, the hiring and terminating of all keno personnel in accordance with the policies and practices established by the casino licensee.

(k) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit a casino licensee from utilizing personnel in addition to those described herein nor shall anything in this section be construed to limit the discretion of the Commission to order the utilization of additional personnel by the casino licensee necessary for the proper conduct and effective supervision of gaming in an establishment.

Amended by R.1982 d.206, effective July 6, 1982.

See: 13 N.J.R. 534(b), 14 N.J.R. 710(d).

Added 10 to (a).

Amended by R.1986 d.308, effective August 4, 1986.

See: 18 N.J.R. 1096(a), 18 N.J.R. 1614(b).

- (a)5iv added.
Amended by R.1987 d.395, effective October 5, 1987.
 See: 19 N.J.R. 54(b), 19 N.J.R. 1826(b).
 Added text to (a)5iv "or a combination . . .".
Petition for Rulemaking: Personnel assignments.
 See: 20 N.J.R. 1002(c).
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. 2090(a).
 Added "and bill changers".
Amended by: R.1989 d.169, effective March 20, 1989.
 See: 20 N.J.R. 3120(b); 21 N.J.R. 780(a).
 (a)7: added assistant casino manager proviso; deleted (a)8 and renumbered existing 9 and 10 as 8 and 9. In (d), added "appropriate license and position endorsement required by . . . jobs compendium" language.
Amended by: R.1990 d.323, effective July 2, 1990.
 See: 21 N.J.R. 3080(a), 22 N.J.R. 2039(a).
 Revised (a)6i to elaborate on supervisory duties of the pit boss.
Amended by: R.1991 d.381, effective August 5, 1991.
 See: 23 N.J.R. 1302(a), 23 N.J.R. 2323(a).
 Added new subsection (a), recodifying (a)-(c) as (b)-(d); deleted (d).
 Stylistic revisions throughout new subsection (c).
Amended by: R.1991 d.532, effective November 4, 1991.
 See: 23 N.J.R. 2231(a), 23 N.J.R. 3348(a).
 Added "red dog" game to (b)2; (b)5ii; (b)5iv; and (b)6i-ii.
Amended by: R.1991 d.615, effective December 16, 1991.
 See: 23 N.J.R. 2922(a), 23 N.J.R. 3820(b).
 Revised (b)2, added Sic bo.
Amended by: R.1992 d.120, effective March 16, 1992.
 See: 24 N.J.R. 56(a), 24 N.J.R. 972(a).
 Revised (b)5 regarding first level supervisor responsibilities, deleting (b)5i-iii structurally. Added new (c)-(g), recodifying existing (c)-(d) as (h)-(i). In (g), added expiration date of September 16, 1992 for (d), (e) and (f).
Amended by: R.1992 d.334, effective September 8, 1992.
 See: 24 N.J.R. 2136(a), 24 N.J.R. 3098(b).
 Moved "baccarat" to (c)3 from (c)2 to correct text to conform with provisions that three dealers be present for baccarat.
Amended by: R.1992 d.335, effective September 8, 1992.
 See: 24 N.J.R. 1249(b), 24 N.J.R. 3098(c).
 Moved language from subsection (d) to end of subsection (a) regarding staffing level requirements.
 Deleted (g), which had set a September 16, 1992 expiration date for subsections (d), (e) and (f).
Notice of Temporary Adoption of New Rules and Amendments.
 See: 24 N.J.R. 1517(a).
 New rules and amendments for the game of pai gow poker.
Amended by: R.1992 d.406, effective October 19, 1992.
 See: 24 N.J.R. 569(a), 24 N.J.R. 3742(a).
 Pai gow poker provisions added on permanent basis.
Amended by: R.1992 d.411, effective October 19, 1992.
 See: 24 N.J.R. 558(a), 24 N.J.R. 3753(a).
 Pai gow 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.
Administrative Correction.
 See: 25 N.J.R. 2507(a).
Amended by: R.1993 d.319, effective July 6, 1993.
 See: 25 N.J.R. 1673(a), 25 N.J.R. 2911(a).
Amended by: R.1994 d.141, effective March 21, 1994.
 See: 25 N.J.R. 5906(a), 26 N.J.R. 1380(a).
Temporary Amendment: Double Down Stud.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 4445(a).
Amended by: R.1995 d.11, effective January 3, 1995.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 4174(a), 27 N.J.R. 144(a).
Amended by: R.1995 d.285, effective June 5, 1995.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 2218(a), 27 N.J.R. 2254(a).
Amended by: R.1995 d.306, effective June 19, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 1162(a), 27 N.J.R. 2455(a).
Amended by: R.1995 d.371, effective July 17, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 1370(a), 27 N.J.R. 2706(a).
Amended by: R.1995 d.430, effective August 7, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 1767(b), 27 N.J.R. 2967(a).
 Added Caribbean stud poker.
Amended by: R.1995 d.534, effective October 2, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 2119(a), 27 N.J.R. 3795(b).
Amended by: R.1995 d.623, effective December 4, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 3596(a), 27 N.J.R. 4912(b).
Amended by: R.1995 d.652, effective December 18, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 3595(b), 27 N.J.R. 5043(a).
Administrative Correction to (c)5i.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 2404(a).
Amended by: R.1996 d.356, effective August 5, 1996.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 2352(b), 28 N.J.R. 3818(b).
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.443, effective September 16, 1996.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 3597(a), 28 N.J.R. 4235(b).
Amended by: R.1996 d.532, effective November 18, 1996.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 3907(a), 28 N.J.R. 4899(a).
Amended by: R.1997 d.130, effective March 17, 1997.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 2807(a), 29 N.J.R. 918(a).
 In (i), inserted reference to slot games department; in (i)1, added responsibilities of the vault cashier.
Amended by: R.1997 d.133, effective March 17, 1997.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 110(a), 29 N.J.R. 921(a).
 In (b)3, added second sentence.
Amended by: R.1997 d.134, effective March 17, 1997.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 2531(a), 29 N.J.R. 928(a).
 In (b)2, (b)5, (b)6, (c)2 and (c)5i, added reference to three card poker.
Amended by: R.1997 d.215, effective May 19, 1997.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 542(a), 29 N.J.R. 2468(b).
 In (b)7, inserted last sentence; in (c)7 and (e)3, inserted "(in lieu of a pit boss)"; subdivided (d); in (d)1, inserted "poker" preceding "flopperson" and deleted second sentence relating to assignment of flopperson when seven or more poker tables opened; added (d)2; and made nonsubstantive changes throughout section.
Administrative correction.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 3270(b).
 In (b)5, (b)6 and (c)2, inserted reference to mini-craps.
Amended by: R.1997 d.427, effective October 6, 1997.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 5060(a), 29 N.J.R. 4307(a).
 Inserted references to mini-dice throughout.
Amended by: R.1998 d.18, effective January 5, 1998.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 3432(b), 30 N.J.R. 112(b).
 Rewrote (a)1; added (a)2 through (a)2ii; amended (b)8; deleted (b)9; amended (f) and (h); rewrote (h)5 and added N.J.A.C. reference; deleted (i)3; amended (j)2; rewrote (j)3; and deleted (l).
Amended by: R.1998 d.148, effective March 16, 1998.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 36(a), 30 N.J.R. 1059(a).
 Inserted "conducting credit card and debit card cash transactions" in (i)1 and (j)1.
Amended by: R.1998 d.371, effective July 20, 1998.
 See: 29 N.J.R. 4672(a), 30 N.J.R. 2639(b).
 In (b) and (c), inserted references to fast action hold 'em throughout.
Amended by: R.1999 d.29, effective January 19, 1999.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 30(a), 31 N.J.R. 144(a).
 In (b) and (c), inserted references to casino war and fast action hold 'em.
Amended by: R.1999 d.42, effective February 1, 1999.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 4034(a), 31 N.J.R. 454(a).
 In (c)5, inserted "(using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2)" following "minibaccarat" and inserted a reference to casino war in i, added a new ii and recodified former ii through v as iii through vi; and in (e)1, inserted "(using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2)" following "minibaccarat".
Amended by: R.1999 d.247, effective August 2, 1999.
 See: 31 N.J.R. 842(a), 31 N.J.R. 2248(a).
 In (c)5, inserted a new iii, and recodified former iii through vi as iv through vii.
Amended by: R.2000 d.2, effective January 3, 2000.

See: 30 N.J.R. 4149(a), 32 N.J.R. 71(a).

Inserted references to spanish 21 and casino war throughout; and in (c)5i and (e)1, inserted "(using only the dealing procedures in N.J.A.C. 19:47-7.7(c)1 or 2)" following "minibaccarat".

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

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

In (e)1, inserted "(none of which shall offer the streak wager permitted under N.J.A.C. 19:47-2.22)" preceding "; spanish 21".

Amended by R.2001 d.77, effective March 5, 2001.

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

Rewrote (c); and added (e)4 and 5.

Amended by R.2001 d.288, effective August 20, 2001.

See: 32 N.J.R. 4240(a), 33 N.J.R. 2824(a).

In (b)2, (b)5, (b)6, (c)2 and (c)5, added references to colorado hold 'em poker.

Amended by R.2002 d.132, effective May 6, 2002.

See: 34 N.J.R. 17(a), 34 N.J.R. 1735(a).

In (h)2, substituted ", using currency" for "also accept currency and coupons from patrons in exchange for currency", and inserted ", pay slot jackpots of less than \$1,200 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:40-1.40E, and accept currency and coupons from patrons in exchange for currency" at the end of the paragraph.

Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 34 N.J.R. 1750(a), 2154(a).

Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2871(b).

Amended by R.2002 d.343 and d.344, effective November 4, 2002.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2212(a), 34 N.J.R. 2213(a), 34 N.J.R. 3793(a), 34 N.J.R. 3794(a).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2003 d.19, effective January 6, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 3176(a), 34 N.J.R. 3289(b), 35 N.J.R. 274(a).

Rewrote the section.

Petition for Rulemaking.

See: 35 N.J.R. 280(b), 1159(b).

Amended by R.2003 d.117, effective March 17, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 3941(a), 35 N.J.R. 1428(a).

Rewrote (j).

Case Notes

Examination of casino clerk responsibilities. Playboy-Elsinore Associates v. Strauss, 189 N.J.Super. 185 (Law Div.1983).

19:45-1.12A Internal control procedures for access badge system and issuance of temporary license credentials

Each casino licensee shall establish procedures and a control plan for readily identifying each employee of a casino licensee who is permitted, during the normal course of performing his or her duties or during emergencies, to have access to one or more restricted areas, and for issuing temporary license credentials and access badges. These procedures and control plan shall be submitted, reviewed and modified in conformance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.3.

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;

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; and

5. On a slot machine equipped for tokenization pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37C, any credits remaining on the slot machine shall be cancelled in a manner approved by the Commission.

(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).

Amended by R.2003 d.161, effective April 21, 2003.

See: 35 N.J.R. 88(a), 35 N.J.R. 1689(b).

In (c), added new 2; recodified existing 2 through 5 as 3 through 6; in (d), added new 5.

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.

2. Require that the same amount of handle be invested to entitle the player to a chance at winning the progressive jackpot and that each increase in handle increment the meter(s) by the same rate of progression as every other linked slot machine connected to such common display unit; and

3. Have its microprocessor or other control unit that controls the common display unit housed in a location approved by the Commission that would allow dual key control by the Commission and the casino licensee, or with such other key controls as the Commission may approve.

(d) Every casino seeking to utilize a linked slot machine shall submit to the Commission for approval the location and manner of installing the common display unit.

(e) No slot machine that includes a slot machine game that offers a progressive jackpot shall be placed on the casino floor until the casino licensee has submitted to the Commission and the Commission has approved the following:

1. The initial and reset amounts at which the "progressive meter(s)" will be set;

2. The proposed system for controlling the keys and access codes to these machines;

3. The proposed rate of progression for each progressive jackpot; and

4. The calculated probability of hitting the combination that shall award each progressive jackpot, which probability shall not exceed 50 million to one. For example, a probability of 45 million to one would be permitted, but a probability of 55 million to one would not be permitted. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this paragraph shall not apply to a jackpot with a probability that may exceed 50 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.

(f) No progressive meter(s) shall be turned back to a lesser amount unless:

1. The amount indicated has been actually paid to a winning patron;

2. The progressive jackpot amount won by the patron has been recorded in accordance with an approved system of internal controls;

3. The progressive jackpot has, with prior Commission approval, been transferred to another progressive slot machine or slot system in accordance with (n) below; or

4. The change is necessitated by a slot machine or meter(s) malfunction, in which case:

i. For progressive jackpots governed by (b) above, an explanation shall be entered on the Progressive Slot Summary required in (k) below and the Commission inspector shall preapprove the resetting in writing; or

ii. For progressive jackpots governed by (o) below, an explanation shall be entered on the Machine Entry Authorization Log pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.36(j) unless the slot machine automatically addresses the malfunction in a manner approved by the Commission.

(g) Once an amount appears on a progressive meter(s), the probability of hitting the combination that will award the progressive jackpot may not be decreased unless the progressive jackpot has been won by a patron or the progressive jackpot has been transferred to another progressive machine or slot system in accordance with (n) below.

(h) If the "progressive meter(s)" progresses without a payout until the meter(s) return to zero because of digital limitations on the meter(s), some means must be utilized to clearly advise the patrons of the value of the undisplayed digit.

(i) Except as otherwise provided in (n) below, a casino licensee may limit or terminate a progressive jackpot only in accordance with the following procedures.

1. A casino licensee may, prior to the time that a particular amount is registered on the progressive meter, establish a payout limit for the progressive jackpot that is equal to or greater than that particular amount, by providing notice of the payout limit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(a)4.

2. After a progressive jackpot is won, a casino licensee may stop offering the progressive jackpot if:

i. Notice to that effect was provided in the manner set forth in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(a)4 prior to the jackpot being won; and

ii. Any slot machine that offered the progressive jackpot being terminated is shut down or rendered unplayable as soon as possible after the jackpot is won; provided, however, that if the slot machine or machines in question are not shut down or rendered unplayable within 24 hours after the progressive jackpot is won, the notice required by (i)2i above shall be considered void and the progressive jackpot on that slot machine shall continue to be offered until won and terminated or transferred in accordance with this section.

3. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the immediate and permanent removal by a casino licensee of one or more linked slot machines from the casino floor, provided that:

i. At least one linked slot machine offering the same progressive jackpot remains on its casino floor, if the progressive jackpot is offered in more than one casino, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.39A; and

ii. At least two linked slot machines offering the same progressive jackpot remain on its casino floor, if the progressive jackpot is only offered in that casino.

(j) Notwithstanding (c) above:

1. Two or more linked slot machines offering the same progressive jackpot may be of different denominations and/or have different minimum wagers required to win the progressive jackpot, provided that:

i. The probability of hitting the combination that will award the progressive jackpot is directly proportional to the minimum wager required to win that jackpot. For example, if on the same link, a nickel slot machine requires 20 coins (a \$1.00 wager), a quarter slot machine requires eight coins (a \$2.00 wager), and a dollar slot machine requires three coins (a \$3.00 wager) to win the progressive jackpot, then the probability of a winning wager must be three times more likely on a linked dollar machine than on the linked nickel machine, and twice more likely on a linked quarter machine than on the linked nickel machine. Similarly, if among three linked quarter denomination slot machine games, the first required two coins (a \$.50 wager), the second required four coins (a \$1.00 wager) and the third required eight coins (a \$2.00 wager) to play for the progressive jackpot, then on each handle pull, the probability of hitting the jackpot would be twice more likely on the second machine than on the first machine, and four times more likely on the third machine than on the first machine; and

ii. A notice approved by the Commission indicating the proportional probability of hitting the progressive jackpot on such a linked progressive system shall be conspicuously displayed on each linked slot machines; and

2. The probability of hitting the combination that will award a progressive jackpot offered on linked slot ma-

chines may vary among such machines when necessary to enable a casino licensee to institute a change in the probability which is otherwise permitted by this section, if the change is completed expeditiously in accordance with procedures that have been filed with and approved by the Commission.

(k) The amount indicated on the "progressive meter(s)" and "in meter" on each slot machine governed by (b) above shall be recorded on a Progressive Slot Summary, at a minimum, at least once every seven calendar days and each summary shall be signed by the preparer. If not prepared by the casino accounting department, the Progressive Slot Summary shall be forwarded to casino accounting by the end of the gaming day on which it is prepared. A representative of the casino accounting department shall be responsible for calculating the correct amount that should appear on the progressive meter(s). If an adjustment to the progressive meter(s) is necessary, the adjustment shall be made by a member of the slot department as follows:

1. Supporting documentation shall be maintained to explain any addition or reduction in the registered amount on the progressive meter(s), which documentation shall include, at a minimum, the date, asset number of the slot machine, the amount of the adjustment and the signature of the slot department member making the adjustment; and

2. The adjustment shall be effectuated within 48 hours of the meter reading.

(l) Except as otherwise authorized by this section, a slot machine offering a progressive jackpot that is removed from the casino floor shall be returned to or replaced on the casino floor within five gaming days. The amount on the progressive meter(s) on the returned or replacement machine shall not be less than the amount on the progressive meter(s) at the time of removal. If the slot machine is not returned or replaced, then the progressive meter(s) amount at the time of removal shall, within five days of the slot machine's removal, be added to a slot machine approved by the Commission which machine offers the same or a greater probability of winning the progressive jackpot, and accepts a denomination of coin or slot token the same or less than the denomination accepted by the slot machine which was removed. This subsection shall not apply to the temporary removal by a casino licensee, for a period not to exceed 30 days, of all linked slot machines that are part of a particular multi-casino progressive slot system, provided that the progressive jackpots offered by the temporarily removed slot machines remain available on slot machines that are part of the same multi-casino progressive slot system in another casino.

(m) Slot machines that offer progressive jackpots may have payout-only hoppers from which prize tokens may be paid as jackpots; provided, however, that prize tokens shall not be available as a payout on a winning progressive jackpot combination.

(n) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a casino licensee may, with prior written approval from the Commission, transfer a progressive jackpot amount, in its entirety, to the progressive meter for a similar progressive slot machine or slot system with the same or greater probability of winning and the same or lower denomination.

(o) Each slot machine that offers a progressive jackpot which increases in value based upon either handle contributions adjusted and displayed by the approved program that controls the slot machine or events dictated by the approved program, shall conform with the following requirements:

1. The slot machine shall include a meter or display, visible from the front of the slot machine, that advises the player of the amount which can be won if the progressive jackpot combination appears;

2. The approved program for the slot machine shall limit the progressive jackpot to an amount which is less than \$1,200; and

3. The progressive jackpot shall be totally and automatically paid by the slot machine.

(p) Any progressive jackpot governed by (o) above shall not be subject to the provisions of (l) or (n) above.

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

Section substantially amended.
Amended by R.1983 d.300, effective August 1, 1983.
See: 14 N.J.R. 1053(a), 15 N.J.R. 1259(a).

In (f), added requirement that jackpot amount has been recorded with a system of internal controls.
Notice of Receipt of petition for rulemaking: Progressive slot machines.

See: 22 N.J.R. 3638(c).
Administrative Correction.
See: 23 N.J.R. 714(b).

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

In (j): added "asset" to define number.
Amended by R.1992 d.58, effective February 3, 1992.
See: 23 N.J.R. 1306(a), 24 N.J.R. 487(a).

Allows casinos to establish time limit of not less than 30 days for offering of a progressive jackpot.

Administrative Correction to (f)4.
See: 24 N.J.R. 649(b).
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) and (l): added "gaming" to describe day.
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.440, effective September 16, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2537(a), 28 N.J.R. 4241(b).
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.1998 d.20, effective January 5, 1998.
See: 29 N.J.R. 326(a), 30 N.J.R. 120(a).

Added (e)4 and (n).
Amended by R.1999 d.281, effective August 16, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 1171(a), 31 N.J.R. 2372(a).

In (i) and (l), substituted references to the casino floor for references to the gaming floor; in (i), added an exception at the beginning and added the last sentence; in (l), added the last sentence; and in (n), rewrote the last sentence.

Amended by R.2000 d.334, effective August 21, 2000.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2525(a), 32 N.J.R. 3075(a).

Rewrote section.
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 (b), (e) and (n).
Amended by R.2002 d.246, effective August 5, 2002.
See: 33 N.J.R. 2955(b), 34 N.J.R. 2801(a).

Rewrote (i); in (n), inserted "or remove" preceding "the amount" and deleted "remove the slot machine that offers the progressive jackpot from the casino floor" following "progressive meter" in the first sentence, and inserted "the progressive meter for one or more" following "in its entirety, to" and deleted "probability" preceding "or reasonably" in the second sentence.
Amended by R.2002 d.284, effective September 3, 2002 (operative October 18, 2002).

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

Rewrote the section.
Amended by R.2002 d.366, effective November 18, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 2415(a), 34 N.J.R. 3976(a).

In (c), substituted "Except as provided in (j) below" for "Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission" in the introductory paragraph; rewrote (j).

Petition for Rulemaking.
See: 35 N.J.R. 1964(a).

19:45-1.39A Linked slot machines interconnected in more than one casino

(a) Two or more casino licensees may, with the prior approval of the Commission, operate linked slot machines that are interconnected in the participating casinos (a "multi-casino progressive slot system").

(b) Any multi-casino progressive slot system approved by the Commission shall be operated in accordance with all relevant requirements of the Act and the Commission's regulations governing casino licensees and the conduct of gaming. Any casino licensee seeking approval to participate in a multi-casino progressive slot system shall submit for Commission approval a system of accounting and internal controls specifying the manner in which participating casino licensees will satisfy the requirements of the Act and the Commission's regulations concerning the operation of slot machines.

(c) A casino licensee may, with the prior approval of the Commission, designate one or more casino key employees to represent the interests of the casino licensee in the operation and control of a multi-casino progressive slot system. Any designated representative shall only be permitted to exercise the duties and responsibilities he or she is authorized to perform for the casino licensee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.11; provided, however, a designated representative may also communicate information and directions concerning the operation and control of the system to or from other employees of the casino licensee who are authorized to exercise responsibility for such matters.

19:45-1.39A: 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).

See: 22 N.J.R. 841(a).
New Rule, R.1990 d.238, effective May 7, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 624(a), 22 N.J.R. 1381(a).
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).

19:45-1.39B Table game progressive payout wagers

(a) This section shall apply to any table game with a progressive payout wager approved by the Commission. If a casino licensee offers a table game with a progressive payout wager, it may be offered individually at each gaming table or the casino licensee may connect the progressive wager among two or more tables so that the progressive amount increments for all wagers at these two or more tables.

(b) Except as provided in this subsection, each table which offers a progressive payout wager shall have the following features:

1. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device to be known as an "in-meter" that continuously and automatically counts the number of gaming chips wagered by patrons on the progressive payout;

2. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device to be known as a "progressive meter," visible from the front of the gaming table, which increments at a set rate of progression when gaming chips are wagered and accepted for the progressive payout and which prominently displays the amount which can be won if the outcome which awards the entire progressive payout is achieved; provided, however, that more than one gaming table may be connected to a common progressive display unit if:

i. A casino licensee elects to connect two or more tables to the same progressive payout wager pursuant to (d) below; and

ii. The display unit is visible to every player at each of the connected tables;

3. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device to be known as a "progressive payout meter" that continuously and automatically records the number of times each progressive payout wager is won;

4. A separate key and key switch to reset or alter the amount on the "progressive meter" or such other separate mechanism as may be approved by the Commission;

5. A separate key locking the compartment housing the component which acknowledges the acceptance of the progressive payout wager and initiates an increase in the progressive meter or some other means by which to preclude any unauthorized or unintentional alterations to the progressive meter;

6. Dual key control by the Commission and the casino licensee of the location in which the computer that controls the progressive payout wager system and any related component specified by the Commission is housed, which location shall be approved by the Commission; and

7. Storage of and access to any disks specified by the Commission for the computer that controls the progres-

sive payout wager system shall be in accordance with procedures approved by the Commission.

(c) A casino licensee may use a percentage of each progressive payout wager that is accepted at a table to fund a portion of the reset amount for the progressive meter. If a reset fund is established by a casino licensee pursuant to this subsection, each table shall have or be connected to a device known as a "reset meter" which increments at a set rate of progression when gaming chips are wagered and accepted for the progressive payout and which records the amount which shall be transferred to the progressive meter, inclusive of any reset amount funded by the casino licensee, when the entire amount on the progressive meter is won by a player. Each table shall have the following features in addition to those specified in (b) above:

1. A separate key and key switch to reset or alter the amount on the reset meter or such other separate mechanism as may be approved by the Commission; and

2. A separate key locking the compartment housing the component which operates the reset meter or some other mechanism which precludes any unauthorized or unintentional alterations to the reset meter.

(d) If a casino licensee elects to connect two or more tables for a progressive payout wager, the following shall be required:

1. The same denomination gaming chip shall be wagered at all gaming tables connected;

2. The same number of gaming chips shall be wagered to entitle a player to a chance at winning the progressive payout wager, and each gaming chip shall increment the meter by the same rate of progression at all tables connected;

3. The same progressive payouts shall be offered and the probability of hitting those payouts be the same at the connected tables; and

4. A device which shall either automatically or manually lockout all progressive meters if a patron has won a progressive payout wager.

(e) No table game with a progressive payout wager shall be placed in a casino or casino simulcasting facility until the casino licensee has submitted and obtained Commission approval of the following:

1. The authorized game and outcome which will award the progressive payout wager;

2. The initial and reset amounts at which the progressive meter will be set;

3. The proposed rate of progression for each progressive meter and reset meter, if applicable, and the procedure by which any change to the rate of progression will be made, which shall include, at a minimum, prior notice to, and approval by, the Commission;

4. The procedures governing the reset switch or mechanism referenced in (b) and, if applicable, (c) above which shall, at a minimum, preclude the dealer from resetting or altering the amount on the progressive or reset meter;

5. The procedures for operating all the equipment associated with the table games progressive wager including the lockout feature referenced in (d) above;

6. The installation of the computer system that controls the progressive payout wager system, which installation shall occur only after advance written notice of at least three business days to the MIS department of the casino licensee and to designated representatives of the Commission and Division, and which notice shall: