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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1. Be unique in terms of size or color;
2. Have no edge designs unique to gaming chips; and
3. Bear the name of the casino licensee issuing them and language on both faces stating that they have no redeemable value.

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

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

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

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

Substantially amended and recodified text.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Simulcast provisions added.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Administrative correction.

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

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

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

Added (f).

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

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

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

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

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

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

(c) Each denomination of value chip issued by a casino licensee shall contain a predominant color unique to that denomination to be known as the "primary color." A "secondary color" on a value chip is any color, other than that chip's primary color, that the Commission authorizes a casino licensee to include on the face or edge of the chip as

a contrast to the chip's primary color, except that no primary color shall be used as a secondary color on a value chip of another denomination where such use on the edge is reasonably likely to cause confusion as to the chip's denomination when the edge alone is visible.

(b) A slot machine being temporarily removed from the casino floor shall have an additional seal affixed to it by the Commission in such a manner so as to enable the Commission to determine if the main door of the slot machine was opened while the slot machine was off the casino floor. If, when the slot machine is returned to the casino floor, the additional seal:

1. Is intact, the Commission shall remove the additional seal;
2. Has been broken, the slot machine shall be re-inspected prior to its use for gaming.

(c) A slot machine being transported out of New Jersey or being converted to any other lawful non-gaming use shall have all seals removed from it by the Commission prior to such transportation or conversion.

R.1978 d.160, effective May 17, 1978.

See: 10 N.J.R. 176(c), 10 N.J.R. 266(c).

Amended by R.1990 d.196, effective April 2, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 24(a), 22 N.J.R. 1156(a).

In (a): revised location of State seal on slot machine.
Amended by R.1996 d.533, effective November 18, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 4092(b), 28 N.J.R. 4899(b).

19:46-1.25 (Reserved)

R.1978 d.160, effective May 17, 1978.

See: 10 N.J.R. 176(c), 10 N.J.R. 266(c).

Amended by R.1984 d.564, effective December 17, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 41(a), 16 N.J.R. 3494(b).

(a) added: "or tokens."

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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 changer and slot token containers and slot storage box compartment keys.

Amended by R.1992 d.359, effective September 21, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 1472(b), 24 N.J.R. 3335(b).

Separate lock requirement for slot cash storage box deleted, under specified circumstances.

Repealed 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).

Section was "Slot machines and bill changers; coin and slot token containers; slot cash storage box compartments; keys".

19:46-1.26 Slot machines and bill changers; identification; signs; meters; other devices

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

1. A logic board serial number permanently imprinted, impressed, affixed or engraved on each logic board installed in the slot machine;

2. An asset number that is permanently imprinted, impressed, engraved or affixed on the outside cabinet of the machine by the casino licensee. 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 sign conspicuously located on the front of the machine that automatically illuminates and a bell that automatically rings when a player has won a jackpot not paid automatically and totally by the machine and which advises the player to see an attendant to receive full payment;

4. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device that automatically precludes a player from operating the slot machine after a jackpot requiring a manual payout has been hit and which requires the machine to be reset by an attendant in such circumstances;

5. A display on the front of the slot machine that includes the information required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(a)4;

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

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;

8. A manufacturer's serial number affixed to the outside of the slot machine cabinet in a location as approved by the Commission; and

9. A labelling system that enables the Division to determine that the reel mechanisms are installed in the machine in the same manner as when the slot machine was inspected and approved.

(b) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each bill changer shall have the following identifying features:

1. An asset number that is permanently imprinted, affixed or impressed on the outside cabinet of the bill changer or the slot machine to which it is attached. The asset number must be conspicuous and clearly visible to persons involved in removing or replacing the slot cash storage box in the bill changer, clearly visible through the casino licensee's closed circuit camera coverage system and must correspond to the asset number affixed to the slot machine in accordance with (a) above. The size and location of the asset number are subject to prior approval by the Commission;

2. A display on the front of the bill changer that clearly indicates the denomination of the currency or coupon inserted therein;

3. A display on the front of the bill changer that clearly indicates the amount of coins or slot tokens dispensed by the slot machine all-purpose hopper after currency, a gaming voucher or a coupon has been inserted and accepted; and

4. A display on the front of the bill changer that indicates a malfunction or which informs the patron that the bill changer is out of service.

(c) 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 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 its machine denomination equivalent, may, in accordance with its 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 record 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 (c)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 payout-only jackpot meter;

4. A mechanical, electrical or electronic device, to be known as a "manual jackpot meter," that continuously and automatically records the number of coins or slot tokens to be paid manually;

5. 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 (c)5i 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 on that round from a payout-only hopper into its machine denomination equivalent, and a separate payout-only win meter connected to each payout-only hopper (for example, a win meter on a 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 that there is a separate payout-only win meter advising the patron that one prize token was paid out);

6. An on/off switch located in an accessible place in the interior of the slot machine which will control the current utilized in the operation of the slot machine; and

7. Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine that can 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.

(d) Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, each slot machine that has an attached bill changer shall also be equipped with the mechanical, electrical or electronic devices that are required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37(e).

(e) In addition to the above requirements, each slot machine in a casino shall have such 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.

R.1978 d.160, effective May 17, 1978.

See: 10 N.J.R. 176(c), 10 N.J.R. 266(c).

Amended by R.1981 d.388, effective November 2, 1981.

See: 13 N.J.R. 534(b), 13 N.J.R. 780(c).

(b)6 added.

Amended by R.1984 d.564, effective December 17, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 41(a), 16 N.J.R. 3494(b).

Added the text "or tokens".

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

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

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

Added text to (a)5 and (e).

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.

Notice of Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking in (a).

See: 23 N.J.R. 624(a).

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)7-8; revised (a)2 to read "asset" number.

Amended by R.1992 d.58, effective February 3, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 1306(a), 24 N.J.R. 487(a).

Deleted (a)5, i and ii; replaced with cross reference.

Amended by R.1992 d.210, effective May 18, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 58(a), 24 N.J.R. 1906(a).

Deleted existing (d)2 requirement for the "cashbox meter." Recodified existing (d)3 as new (d)2.

Amended by R.1992 d.475, effective December 7, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 3253(a), 24 N.J.R. 4418(a).

In (b)1: Added text specifying asset number requirements.

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.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.350, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2348(a), 28 N.J.R. 3816(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.2000 d.405, effective October 2, 2000.

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

Rewrote (a)6.

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

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

In (b)3, added "gaming voucher"; in (c), added 7.

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.

19:46-1.26A Bill changers with electrically erasable/programmable storage media

(a) All program code for bill changers with electrically erasable/programmable storage media shall:

1. Be capable of detecting 99.99 percent of all possible failures or changes in the bill changer program;

2. Utilize a Cyclic Redundancy Check, or other method reviewed by the Division and approved by the Commission, which:

i. Yields, at a minimum, an eight digit hex number; and

ii. Is displayed by the slot machine upon demand by calculating independently the Cyclic Redundancy Check code using a random number entered manually at the slot machine;

3. Be stored in an electrically erasable programmable read-only memory ("EEPROM") that is soldered onto the mother board or attached in some other manner deemed acceptable by the Division;

4. Provide verification from the slot machine that the bill changer code has not been altered, which verification shall occur, at a minimum, whenever power is restored to the slot machine, during all door closures and at other times related to the operation of the game; and

5. Be capable of detecting a change in the bill changer code, and in such event shall:

i. Cause the slot machine to enter a tilt mode which requires a manual act to clear; and

ii. Send a specific signal to the casino licensee's slot monitoring system to indicate such change.

New Rule, 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).

In (a)4, changed N.J.A.C. reference.

19:46-1.26B Gaming equipment and related devices utilizing alterable storage media

(a) "Alterable storage media" shall mean a memory chip or other storage medium, such as an E-EPROM, FLASH chip, CD-ROM or hard disk, which is contained in a slot machine, bill changer or other gaming equipment or related device subject to approval pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.20,

but does not include a printer, display or other peripheral device that does not affect the integrity or outcome of the game. Alterable storage media may include media that are:

1. Erasable or reprogrammable without being removed from the gaming equipment or related device, such as an E-EPROM or hard disk; or
2. Removable and replaceable, such as a CD-ROM or a diskette.

(b) Each manufacturer of gaming equipment and related devices pursuant to (a) above that utilizes alterable storage media shall, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.20(c) or 1.28(c), identify any data, files, and programs that may be written to alterable storage media and specify, at a minimum, the data type such as game state and meter information, the location to which the data shall be written, and the need for the written data.

(c) Gaming equipment and related devices pursuant to (a) above that utilize alterable storage media shall only write to alterable storage media containing data, files, and programs that are not critical to the basic operation of the game, such as marketing information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such devices may write to media containing critical data, files, and programs provided that the gaming equipment:

1. Maintains a record, known as an authorization list or digital signature, of all information that is added, deleted, and modified on the media, which satisfies the requirements of (d) below; and
2. Verifies the validity of all data, files, and programs which reside on the media against the authorization list or digital signature by means of an algorithm or other method which satisfies the requirements of (e) below, is approved by the Commission and, if subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.28, is recommended by the Division for such approval.

(d) The authorization list or digital signature maintained pursuant to (c)1 above shall reside on an EPROM or other read-only storage media and shall be encrypted using a cryptographic system approved by the Commission and, if subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.28, is recommended by the Division for such approval. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an authorization list or digital signature that resides on read-only storage media which the Commission requires to be inspected and physically sealed or otherwise secured as a result of a recommendation by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:46-1.28(f) shall not require encryption.

(e) The authentication algorithm or other method utilized pursuant to (c) above shall:

1. Reside in and execute from separate read-only media in the gaming equipment or related device pursuant to (a) above of which may be inspected and physically sealed or otherwise secured as a result of a recommendation by the Division;

2. Except for sound files and other types of computer files that do not affect the integrity or outcome of the game, execute for all computer files each time the gaming equipment or related device pursuant to (a) is powered up, and when files are loaded from the media; and

3. Prevent further play of the gaming equipment or related device pursuant to (a) if unexpected data or structural inconsistencies are detected.

(f) In the event a failed authentication occurs in a slot machine, the slot machine shall:

1. Immediately enter into a tilt mode pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37B(c)3;

2. Automatically generate an alert notification of the tilt to the surveillance department and the slot shift manager, or such manager's supervisor, in a manner approved by the Commission, or, if gaming equipment and related devices are not capable of such alert notification, cause an appropriate tower light state pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.37B(d)3, and the recording of the details of the tilt to include, at a minimum, type of tilt, time, date, and slot machine event in a log; and

3. If the slot machine is connected to an approved computerized slot monitoring system, send a specific signal to the casino licensee's slot monitoring system indicating a tilt mode that shall be reviewed in accordance with approved internal controls.

(g) Each casino licensee shall immediately notify the Commission and Division of all failed authentications in a manner approved by the Commission and Division, respectively.

New Rule, R.2002 d.111, effective April 15, 2002.
See: 33 N.J.R. 2059(a), 34 N.J.R. 1542(a).
Amended by R.2003 d.464, effective December 1, 2003.
See: 35 N.J.R. 2796(a), 35 N.J.R. 5437(a).
Rewrote (a) and (f)2.

19:46-1.27 Slot machine areas; density; arrangement; floor plans

(a) Slot machines used in the conduct of gaming shall be located and arranged in such a manner so as to:

1. Promote optimum security for the casino operation;
2. Avoid deception or frequent distraction to players at gaming tables;
3. Maximize the comfort of patrons;
4. Create and maintain a gracious playing environment in the casino; and

19:46-1.31 Records and reports

(a) Each casino licensee shall maintain a complete record of all customer complaints registered and repairs made with regard to each slot machine in the possession of the licensee. A copy of such records shall be made available to authorized employees and agents of the Commission or Division upon request.

(b) Each casino licensee shall record in a log whenever any logic board in any slot machine is replaced with another logic board. Such log shall include the date, slot machine asset number, serial number on the logic board and the signature of the individual completing the log. Such log shall be maintained by the casino licensee's slot department and shall be available for inspection by the Commission and Division upon request.

R.1978 d.160, effective May 17, 1978.
See: 10 N.J.R. 176(c), 10 N.J.R. 266(c).
Amended by R.1996 d.350, effective August 5, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2348(a), 28 N.J.R. 3816(a).

19:46-1.32 (Reserved)

R.1979 d.255, effective June 28, 1979.
See: 11 N.J.R. 108(a), 11 N.J.R. 420(b).
Amended by R.1988 d.34, effective January 19, 1988.
See: 19 N.J.R. 1890(a), 20 N.J.R. 205(a).
Added (c) renumbered old (c)-(d) to (d)-(e).
Petition for rulemaking.
See: 28 N.J.R. 1315(b).
Repealed by R.1996 d.301, effective July 1, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 1952(a), 28 N.J.R. 3330(a).

Section was "Limitation on utilization of slot machines of any one manufacturer".

19:46-1.33 Issuance and use of slot tokens for gaming and simulcast wagering; prize tokens; slot token and prize token specifications; promotional non-gaming tokens

(a) Each casino licensee may, with Commission approval, issue the following types of metal disks having two faces and an edge:

1. A "slot token" that is:

- i. Designed for gaming use in the hoppers of the casino licensee's slot machines, in keno and in simulcast wagering within the casino licensee's casino simulcasting facility;
- ii. Capable, upon insertion into and recognition by the coin acceptor of a designated slot machine operated

by the casino licensee that issued the slot token, of activating the play of that slot machine;

iii. Issuable, in an exchange with a patron upon request, only from a slot booth, the cashiers' cage, a change machine or bill changer, or by a change person; provided, however, that each casino licensee may issue slot tokens as complimentary services or items in accordance with a distribution program authorized pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.46;

iv. Exchangeable, by a patron at the casino where the slot token was issued, in the manner provided by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.34 and 19:45-1.35;

v. Redeemable, by the issuing casino licensee promptly upon request of the patron surrendering one or more slot tokens, only at a coin redemption booth, a slot booth or the cashiers' cage for an equivalent amount of cash or for a casino check of that casino licensee in the amount of the slot tokens surrendered and dated the day of the redemption; and, at the option of the issuing casino licensee, redeemable upon request of the patron by mail, provided such redemption shall be effectuated by a cage supervisor as defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.1, in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission which, at a minimum, shall detail procedures for the issuance of a casino check and the transfer of the surrendered slot tokens to the master coin bank in a transaction fully supported by proper documentation; and

vi. Incapable of activating play at any slot machine other than a slot machine operated by the casino licensee that issued the slot token and intended to accept the token; and

2. A "prize token" that is:

i. Designed to be awarded and issued only as a payout from a payout-only hopper of a designated slot machine that is operated by the casino licensee using the token;

ii. Incapable of activating slot machine play at any slot machine which is capable of accepting coin or slot tokens of a denomination that is greater than the denomination of the prize token;

iii. Unavailable for use in keno or simulcast wagering;

iv. Redeemable, by the issuing casino licensee promptly upon request of the patron surrendering one or more prize tokens, only at a coin redemption booth, a slot booth or the cashiers' cage for an equivalent amount of cash or for a casino check of that casino licensee in the amount of the prize tokens surrendered and dated the day of the redemption; and, at the option of the issuing casino licensee, redeemable upon request of the patron by mail, provided such redemption shall be effectuated by a cage supervisor as defined in N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.1, in accordance with internal controls approved by the Commission which, at a minimum, shall detail procedures for the issuance of a casino check and the transfer of the surrendered prize tokens to the master coin bank in a transaction fully supported by proper documentation;

v. Exchangeable, by a patron at the casino where the prize token was issued, in the manner provided by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.34 and 19:45-1.35;

vi. Unavailable as a manually paid jackpot;

vii. Unavailable as a payout on a winning progressive jackpot combination;

viii. Unavailable as a multi-casino jackpot; and

ix. Unavailable as a complimentary service or item.

(b) Each slot token and each prize token shall be designed so that it:

1. Clearly identifies the name or trade name and location of the issuing casino;

2. Clearly states its face value;

3. Contains on at least one face, in the case of a slot token only, a statement, approved by the Commission as to form and content, that notifies a patron that the slot token will be accepted to activate play only in slot machines operated by the casino licensee that issued it;

4. Contains the statement "Not Legal Tender";

5. Is not deceptively similar to any current or past coin of the United States or a foreign country;

6. Is of a size or shape or has other characteristics which physically prevents its use in lawful vending machines or other machines designed to be operated by coins of the United States, except slot machines;

7. Is not manufactured from:

i. A three-layered material consisting of a pure copper core clad on both sides with a copper-nickel alloy;

ii. A copper based alloy, unless the total zinc, nickel, aluminum, magnesium and other alloying metal exceeds 25 percent of the token's weight; or

iii. A ferromagnetic material;

8. Shall not have a diameter which is between:

0.680 inch and 0.860 inch

0.890 inch and 0.980 inch

1.018 inches and 1.068 inches

1.180 inches and 1.230 inches

1.475 inches and 1.525 inches

9. Shall not weigh less than two grams and shall not be less than 0.060 inch thick;

10. Is manufactured from a metal or combination of metals approved by the Commission;

11. Incorporates such anti-counterfeiting features and other security measures as the Commission may require including, without limitation, for slot tokens in a denomination greater than \$500.00 high security coin acceptor technology for casino licensee and denomination recognition; and

12. Contains on each face, in the case of a prize token only, a statement, approved by the Commission as to form and content, that notifies a patron that the prize token does not activate play.

(c) A casino licensee may issue the following denominations of slot tokens which shall have the following diameters, with manufacturing tolerances approved by the Commission:

<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Diameter</u>
\$.10	.875 inches
\$.25	.986 inches
\$.50	1.175 inches
\$ 1.00	1.469 inches
\$ 2.00	1.340 inches
\$ 5.00	1.750 inches
\$ 10.00	1.700 inches
\$ 20.00	1.650 inches
\$ 25.00	1.875 inches or 1.950 inches
\$ 50.00	1.812 inches
\$100.00	1.600 inches
\$500.00	1.550 inches

(d) Each prize token with a face value that is less than the denomination of any slot token that is approved for use by any casino licensee shall be designed, through differences between it and such slot token in their metal content, diameter, thickness or by any other means approved by the Commission, to prevent its use for activating play at any slot machine that is capable of accepting any slot token of greater denomination than the prize token.

(e) Each casino licensee, in accordance with its internal controls approved by the Commission, may encase its prize tokens in clear plastic provided that:

1. The plastic does not hamper the payout of prize tokens from a payout-only hopper;

2. A patron with reasonable ease can remove the prize token from the plastic; and

3. The casino licensee:

i. Redeems each prize token under the same terms and conditions whether or not the prize token, when presented for redemption, is encased in plastic as originally issued by the casino licensee; and

ii. Reasonably notifies its patrons that prize tokens that are encased in plastic when originally issued to the patron may be redeemed without removing the plastic.

(f) No slot token or prize token shall be issued by a casino licensee or utilized in a casino or casino simulcasting facility unless and until:

1. The design specifications of the proposed slot token or prize token are, prior to the manufacture of the slot token or prize token, submitted to and approved by the Commission, which submission shall include a detailed schematic depicting the actual size of the token's diameter and thickness and, as appropriate, location of the following:

i. Each face;

ii. The edge; and

iii. Any words, logos, designs, graphics or security measures contained on the slot token or prize token; and

2. A sample slot token or prize token, manufactured in accordance with its approved design specifications, is submitted to and approved by the Commission.

(g) No casino licensee shall issue, use or allow a patron to use in its casino or casino simulcasting facility any slot token or prize token that it knows, or reasonably should know, is materially different from the sample of that slot token or prize token approved by the Commission.

(h) A casino licensee may issue promotional non-gaming tokens not intended for and prohibited from use in gaming or simulcast wagering in its casino or casino simulcasting facility. The physical characteristics of promotional non-gaming tokens shall be sufficiently distinguishable from approved design specifications of any authorized slot token issued by a casino licensee so as to reasonably ensure that they will not be confused with authorized slot tokens and that they will be incapable of activating slot machine play at any slot machine operated by the issuing casino licensee or any other casino licensee. In addition, at a minimum, such promotional non-gaming tokens shall:

1. Be unique in terms of size or metallic composition;

2. Be not deceptively similar to any current or past coin of the United States or a foreign country, nor have characteristics which physically allow their use in lawful vending machines or other machines designed to be operated by coins of the United States; and

3. Bear the name and location of the issuing casino licensee on at least one face and language on both faces stating that they do not activate slot machine play.

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of (c) above, a casino licensee may issue a slot token in a denomination greater than \$500.00, provided that each such slot token:

1. Has a diameter and manufacturing tolerance approved by the Commission; and

2. Incorporates approved high security coin acceptor technology, which technology shall also be incorporated in the coin acceptor that the casino licensee uses in conjunction with the slot token.

R.1979 d.175, effective May 3, 1979.

See: 11 N.J.R. 155(b), 11 N.J.R. 309(e).

Amended by R.1982 d.330, effective October 4, 1982.

See: 14 N.J.R. 569(a), 14 N.J.R. 1101(d).

Token specifications amended. Old (c) deleted and new (c) added. New (d) added. Recodified old (d)-(g) as (e)-(h).

Amended by R.1986 d.31, effective February 18, 1986.

See: 17 N.J.R. 184(a), 18 N.J.R. 429(a).

Substantially amended.

Amended by R.1988 d.224, effective May 16, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 516(a), 20 N.J.R. 1099(c).

Added (a)9.

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

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

"Trade name" and simulcasting added.

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.432, effective September 7, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 1961(a), 25 N.J.R. 4127(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.1995 d.285, effective June 5, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2218(a), 27 N.J.R. 2254(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.269, effective June 17, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 1614(a), 28 N.J.R. 3175(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.517, effective November 4, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3908(a), 28 N.J.R. 4805(b).

Amended by R.1999 d.8, effective January 4, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 3393(a), 31 N.J.R. 56(c).

In (c), added new \$.25 denomination.

Amended by R.1999 d.73, effective March 1, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 3767(a), 31 N.J.R. 673(a).

In (c), inserted references to \$.25 and \$.50 denomination tokens.

Amended by R.2000 d.107, effective March 20, 2000.

See: 31 N.J.R. 3939(b), 32 N.J.R. 1051(a).

Added (h).

Amended by R.2003 d.354, effective September 2, 2003.

See: 35 N.J.R. 2162(b), 35 N.J.R. 4125(a).

In (a)1, inserted "and recognition by" preceding "the coin acceptor" in i and added vi; in (b), rewrote 11; in (c), rewrote the introductory paragraph; added (i).

19:46-1.34 Wagering at slot machines; use of slot tokens, prize tokens, gaming vouchers, and coupons

(a) All wagering at slot machines in a casino shall be conducted with coins or slot tokens; provided, however, that currency, gaming vouchers, and coupons may be accepted through bill changers.

(b) Slot tokens may be used to make keno or simulcast wagers.

(c) Prize tokens shall not be used for keno or simulcast wagering or to activate play at slot machines.

New Rule, 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.285, effective June 5, 1995.
See: 26 N.J.R. 2218(a), 27 N.J.R. 2254(a).
Amended by R.2003 d.4, effective January 6, 2003.
See: 34 N.J.R. 2012(a), 35 N.J.R. 259(a).
Added "gaming vouchers, and coupons".

19:46-1.35 Redemption of slot tokens and prize tokens from non-patrons; duty of patrons to surrender slot tokens and prize tokens upon demand

(a) Except as provided in (e) and (h) below and as may be specifically approved by the Commission, each casino licensee shall redeem its slot tokens and prize tokens only from its patrons and shall not knowingly redeem its slot tokens and prize tokens from any non-patron source.

(b) Each slot token and prize token is solely evidence of a debt that the issuing casino licensee owes to the person legally in possession of the slot token or prize token, and shall remain the property of the issuing casino licensee. Each casino licensee shall have the right at any time to demand that the person in possession of the slot token or prize token surrender the item for redemption in accordance with (c) below.

(c) Each casino licensee, upon demand, shall have the right to redeem its slot tokens and prize tokens from any person in possession of them, who shall surrender the slot tokens and prize tokens upon the casino licensee presenting the person with an equivalent amount of cash.

(d) Notwithstanding (c) above, a casino licensee may apply all or any part of the slot tokens or prize tokens presented by a patron to the redemption of any Counter Check or Slot Counter Check drawn by the patron in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25 or 1.25A, or to the payment of any returned check in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.29, provided that the casino licensee has given that patron written notice of such right of setoff and has obtained the patron's written acknowledgment thereof:

1. As part of the patron's credit application in;
2. In a separate writing, which shall be maintained in the patron's credit file; or
3. On a Counter Check or Slot Counter Check drawn by the patron and issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.25 or 1.25A; provided that the patron specifically acknowledges the notice by signing his or her name thereunder or in any other manner approved by the Commission, and further provided that a photocopy of the signed Counter Check or Slot Counter Check shall be maintained in the patron's credit file.

(e) Each casino licensee shall accept, exchange, use or redeem only slot tokens or prize tokens that it has issued and shall not knowingly accept, exchange, use or redeem slot tokens or prize tokens, or objects purporting to be slot tokens or prize tokens, that have been issued by any other person, except that each casino licensee may accept and redeem slot tokens or prize tokens issued by any other legally operated casino licensee from:

1. A patron upon the patron's representation that he or she received such tokens from the payout chutes of slot machines on the casino licensee's premises, or that the patron purchased or received such tokens as payment in a gaming transaction from an employee of the casino licensee during the normal course of the employee's duties while on the premises of the casino licensee; or

2. One of its employees who is authorized to receive gratuities, upon his or her representation that he or she received such tokens as gratuities in the normal course of his or her duties while on the premises of the casino licensee.

(f) Each casino licensee shall redeem promptly its own genuine slot tokens and prize tokens presented to it by any other legally operated casino licensee upon the representation that such slot tokens and prize tokens were received or accepted unknowingly, inadvertently or in error, were unavoidably received in slot machines through patron play, were mistakenly redeemed from patrons, or were redeemed in accordance with the provisions of (e) above. Each casino licensee shall submit to the Commission for approval a system for the exchange, with other legally operated casino licensees, of slot tokens and prize tokens:

1. That are in its possession and that have been issued by any other legally operated casino licensee; and
2. That it has issued and that are presented to it for redemption by any other legally operated casino licensee.

(g) Each casino licensee shall cause to be posted and remain posted in a prominent place on all slot booths, the keno booth, all satellite keno booths, the simulcast counter and all coin redemption booths a sign that reads as follows:

"It is a violation of Federal law to use tokens issued by this casino outside these premises or to use tokens issued by another casino here."

(h) Employees of a casino licensee who are authorized to receive slot tokens or prize tokens as personal gratuities may redeem the slot tokens or prize tokens at the cashiers' cage or at another secure location in the casino hotel as approved by the Commission. Slot tokens and prize tokens redeemed by employees at a non-cage employee redemption site shall be exchanged on a daily basis with the cashiers' cage pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.15 and in accordance with procedures approved by the Commission.

New Rule, 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.285, effective June 5, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2218(a), 27 N.J.R. 2254(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.442, effective September 16, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3246(a), 28 N.J.R. 4242(a).

Amended by R.1997 d.250, effective June 16, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 745(a), 29 N.J.R. 2675(a).

In (a) inserted cite to (h); and added (h).

Amended by R.1997 d.490, effective November 17, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 3440(b), 29 N.J.R. 4863(a).

Added (d)1 through (d)3.

Amended by R.2001 d.405, effective November 5, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2745(b), 33 N.J.R. 3280(a), 33 N.J.R. 3766(a).

Rewrote (e); in (f), inserted “; or were redeemed in accordance with the provisions of (e) above”.

19:46-1.36 Slot tokens and prize tokens; receipt, inventory, security, storage and destruction

(a) Each casino licensee shall inspect all slot tokens or prize tokens, or any combination thereof, upon receipt from the manufacturer or distributor to ensure, at a minimum, that:

1. The quantity and denomination of slot tokens or prize tokens that are actually received from the manufacturer or distributor agrees with the amount of such tokens listed on the shipping documents; and

2. There are no physical defects in the slot tokens or prize tokens that were so received.

(b) The inspection required by (a) above shall be conducted by at least three employees of the casino licensee (the “inspection team”). Each inspection team shall consist of at least one representative from the accounting or auditing department of the casino licensee and one representative from any of the casino licensee’s other mandatory departments.

(c) Each casino licensee shall report to the Commission and the Division promptly after an inspection required by (a) above discloses any discrepancy in the shipment including, but not limited to, the following:

1. The shipment contains defective slot tokens or prize tokens; or

2. The quantity and denomination of the slot tokens or prize tokens actually received does not agree with the amount listed on the shipping documents.

(d) Each casino licensee shall submit to the Commission for approval procedures to record and process the receipt, inventory, storage and destruction of slot tokens and prize tokens.

New Rule, R.1994 d.504, effective October 3, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 2872(a), 26 N.J.R. 3253(a), 26 N.J.R. 4089(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.14, effective January 2, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 3772(a), 28 N.J.R. 181(a).

Amended (b).