

CHAPTER 45

ACCOUNTING AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

19:45-1.1 Definitions

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

"Cash" means currency or coin.

In (j)9ii, added requirement for recording the hopper storage area. Amended by R.1998 d.149, effective March 16, 1998. See: 30 N.J.R. 37(a), 30 N.J.R. 1059(b).

Rewrote (b), (f) and (g). Amended by R.1998 d.524, effective November 2, 1998. See: 30 N.J.R. 2846(a), 30 N.J.R. 3971(b).

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

Amended by R.1999 d.28, effective January 19, 1999. See: 30 N.J.R. 3764(b), 31 N.J.R. 147(a).

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

19:45-1.44 Notice to the Commission and surveillance department upon malfunction and repair, maintenance or replacement of alarms

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

1. Alarm systems for any emergency exit from the casino floor or casino simulcasting facility, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:43-6.2(a)3;

2. Alarm systems for the casino cage, its ancillary office space and any related casino vault, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(c)2;

3. Alarm systems for any master coin bank located outside the casino cage, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(d);

4. Alarmed emergency exit door(s) for the casino cage, as required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(c)3iii;

5. Alarmed doors to casino vaults signaling the closed circuit television system, as required by N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.14(f)3;

6. Alarmed doors to count rooms signaling the monitoring rooms and the casino security department, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32(b)2;

7. Alarm systems providing for a continuous visual signal whenever any access door to the count room is open, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.32(e);

8. Alarm systems for any slot cashier window in a slot booth, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.34(c);

9. Alarm systems for separate work stations within a keno booth or satellite keno booth, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.47(c)1i and (f); and

10. Alarm systems for keno work stations in keno lockers, as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.47(g)1.

New Rule, R.1999 d.361, effective November 1, 1999. See: 30 N.J.R. 3765(a), 31 N.J.R. 3529(a).

19:45-1.45 Signature

(a) Signatures shall:

1. Comply with either of the following requirements:

i. Be, at a minimum, the signer's first initial, last name and Commission license number, written by the signer, and be immediately adjacent to or above the clearly printed or preprinted title of the signer; or

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

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

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

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

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

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

Amended by R.1981 d.272, effective August 6, 1981. See: 13 N.J.R. 47(c), 13 N.J.R. 541(a).

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

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

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

Added (d).
 Amended by R.1994 d.223, effective May 2, 1994.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 912(b), 26 N.J.R. 1853(a).
 Amended by R.1995 d.372, effective July 17, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 1533(a), 27 N.J.R. 2707(a).

19:45-1.46 Procedure for control of coupon redemption and other complimentary distribution programs

(a) For the purposes of this chapter, a complimentary distribution program is a contest or promotion pursuant to which complimentary services or items are provided directly or indirectly by a casino licensee to the public without regard to the identity or level of gaming activity of the individual recipients. The procedures contained in (c) through (t) below shall apply to casino licensees offering coupon redemption complimentary distribution programs which entitle patrons to use match play coupons or to redeem coupons for complimentary cash, gaming chips, slot tokens or simulcast wagers issued in connection with bus and other complimentary distribution programs. No match play coupons, complimentary cash, gaming chips or slot tokens may be distributed, or complimentary simulcast wagers accepted, by a casino licensee under any coupon redemption complimentary distribution program that does not comply with the requirements of this section. Detailed procedures controlling complimentary distribution programs regulated by (c) through (t) below shall be prepared prior to implementation and maintained by the casino accounting department.

(b) Detailed procedures controlling all complimentary distribution programs entitling patrons to complimentary cash or slot tokens not regulated by (a) above shall be prepared prior to implementation of the programs and shall be maintained by the casino accounting department. Complimentary items or services, including cash, slot tokens or simulcast wagers, distributed through programs regulated by this subsection shall be reported in accordance with the procedures contained in (m) and (o) below.

(c) Each coupon or part thereof issued by a casino licensee directly or through an authorized vendor shall only be redeemable for a specific amount of cash, gaming chips, slot tokens or simulcast wagers.

(d) All coupons issued pursuant to this section shall contain a serial number and each series of coupons shall be issued in sequential order. Each coupon shall be printed with a description of what is being offered, the location where which it may be redeemed, and either a statement specifying the date on which the coupon becomes invalid or some other means to indicate the date when a coupon becomes invalid. If a coupon is of a type that is devisable into sections or is multipart, each such separate part or copy shall contain the information required by this subsection.

(e) The provisions of this subsection and (f) through (h) and (k) below shall only apply to coupons that will be distributed directly to patrons by a casino licensee. Coupons received by a casino licensee from a manufacturer or distributor or produced internally by the casino licensee pursuant to (t) below shall be opened and examined by at least one member of the accounting department. Any deviations between the invoice or control listing accompanying the coupons, the purchase or requisition order, and the actual coupons received shall be reported promptly to the supervisor of the casino accounting department or to a higher authority in a direct reporting line and the Internal Audit Department.

1. Upon examination of the coupons received, the casino licensee shall cause to be recorded in a Coupon Control Ledger the type and quantity of coupons received, the date of such receipt, the beginning serial number, the ending serial number, the new quantity of unissued coupons on hand, the purchase order or requisition number, any deviations between the number of coupons ordered and received and the signature of any individual who examined such coupons.

2. All unissued coupons shall be stored in a secured and locked area, controlled by an accounting department supervisor.

3. A representative from the accounting department shall prepare a monthly inventory of unissued coupons. Any deviations between the coupon inventory and the Coupon Control Ledger shall be reported to the Casino Controller or to a higher in a direct reporting line.

4. For purposes of this section, "accounting department" shall be deemed to refer to any accounting personnel employed by the casino licensee who report in a direct line to the supervisor of the casino accounting department.

(f) A representative of the casino licensee shall estimate the number of coupons needed by shift each day. An accounting department representative shall obtain the quantity of coupons to be issued. If a date indicating when the coupon becomes invalid is not preprinted thereon, the accounting department representative shall affix a stamp indicating the date the coupon becomes invalid or shall issue color coded coupons indicating the date that the coupons become invalid. The following, at a minimum, shall be recorded in the Coupon Control Ledger:

1. The date the coupons were issued;
2. The type of coupons issued;
3. The beginning serial number of the coupons issued;
4. The ending serial number of the coupons issued;
5. The quantity issued and the quantity remaining; and