

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Gaming Control Board hereby gives notice that the Board, at a Regular Board Meeting open to the public, will consider public comments received and determine whether to adopt the described rules below.

The Board will consider the proposed rulemaking on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 beginning at 9:00 am at the Gaming Control Board, 4900 Alameda Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113. Interested individuals may also attend via Zoom as follows:

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The public comment period for this rulemaking closed with the public comment hearing which occurred on June 16, 2025.

15.1.7.7 NMAC Definitions:

Purpose: Repeal and replace rule to make it more current and applicable.

Summary of Full Text: In subsection B changing “central site” to “designated location” as “central site” suggests a very fixed location, but “designated location” can change in case of emergency or other necessity.

In subsection J, removes second sentence of definition of “gaming media” because, even though it is not an exhaustive list, it is unnecessary to the definition.

In subsection L, the definition of “Machine entry access log” is restructured to make a little more sense. The change does not substantively change the definition of “machine entry access log”.

In subsection T changes “ticket in/ticket out” to “ticket-in-ticket-out” and adds acceptance of “online” tickets.

15.1.7.8 NMAC Evaluation of New Gaming Machines and Modifications to Previously-Approved Gaming Machines:

Purpose: Provides clarifying language.

Summary of Full Text: Adds to subsection A that gaming machines are to meet specifications of prototypes approved by the board “or a board approved independent gaming test laboratory” which would include GLI.

In subsection C changes “as set forth in this rule” to “as determined by the board” which provides more flexibility for prompt adaptation to changing circumstances.

15.1.7.9 NMAC Security and Audit Specifications

Purpose: Cleans up language.

Summary: Clarifies language in subsection B for what is required for display of gaming machine registration tags.

15.1.7.10 NMAC Security and Audit Specifications

Purpose: Updates language for current needs.

Summary: Subsections G and H are modified to require gaming machines to present a history of the outcome of ten games prior to the present game as opposed to four games.

15.1.7.11 NMAC General Ticketing Standards

Purpose: Cleans up language to make it more consistent with the rest of the rules.

Summary: In subsection A, adds “free play credits” to what can be offered at TITO-enabled slot machines.

Subsection B changes “casino’s” to “racetrack licensee’s” to keep language consistent with subsection A.

A technical change in subsection C removing the space between “a t”.

“Validation” removed from subsection D as it is unnecessary and inconsistent with the style of the remainder of the rule; also changes “casino” to “racetrack licensee” for consistency.

Subsection E removes “either” as it is unnecessary for the meaning of the subsection.

Subsection H changes “procedures” to “standards” so it reads “minimum internal control standards” which is consistent with how they are referenced everywhere else.

15.1.7.12 NMAC Accounting Meter Specifications

Purpose: Removes obsolete language.

Summary: Removes all references to anything “electromechanical” as that term is obsolete. Also cleans up language.

15.1.7.21 NMAC Display of Rules of Play

Purpose: Removes obsolete language.

Summary: Removes in subsection E “Except for posting of odds pursuant to Section 15.1.10.21 NMAC” because that section is reserved and does not currently contain any substantive material.

15.1.7.25 NMAC Ticket Printer Specifications

Purpose: Clarifies language.

Summary: Changes subsection C from “an approved system” to “a system approved by the board” for clarity.

15.1.7.28 NMAC Revocation of License or Approval

Purpose: Updates language.

Summary: Changes paragraph (2) of subsection A to remove “frequently” as to machine malfunctions.

Changes “must” to “shall” in subsection B.

Authority: Section 60-2E-7 NMSA 1978 and Section 60-2E-8 NMSA 1978.

All written public comments are posted on the website throughout the written comment period at:

<https://www.gcb.nm.gov/rulemaking/>.

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