

CHAPTER 467a. COMMENCEMENT OF SLOT OPERATIONS

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467a.1. Gaming floor plan.

467a.2. Commencement of slot and table game operations generally.

Authority

The provisions of this Chapter 467a issued under 4 Pa.C.S. §§ 1202(b)(30), 1207, 1322 and 1520, unless otherwise noted.

Source

The provisions of this Chapter 467a adopted July 27, 2007, effective July 28, 2007, 37 Pa.B. 4068, unless otherwise noted.

§ 467a.1. Gaming floor plan.

(a) Prior to the commencement of gaming operations, the holder of a slot machine license shall submit to the Board an initial floor plan of its gaming floor and the restricted areas servicing slot and table game operations. A licensee shall submit with its renewal application an up to date floor plan. Initial floor plans and floor plans submitted with a licensee's renewal application shall be drawn to 1/8 inch scale, unless another scale is approved by the Board, and certified by an architect licensed to practice in this Commonwealth. Revised gaming floor plans, which are submitted in accordance with subsection (d), may be submitted electronically, unless otherwise requested by Board staff, provided there is sufficient detail when enlarged to read the information in the electronic submission. A floor plan must depict the following:

- (1) The gaming floor with notations as to:
 - (i) Proposed total square footage.
 - (ii) The perimeter of the gaming floor.
 - (iii) A clearly delineated route for underage individuals to access areas adjacent to the gaming floor.
 - (iv) Designated smoking and nonsmoking areas.
- (2) Each slot machine area and table game pit on the gaming floor and each slot machine and table game located within each slot machine area and table game pit. Slot machine and table game locations shall be identified by number in accordance with § 463a.3 (relating to slot machine location).
- (3) The number of slot machines and table games on the gaming floor in compliance with sections 1210 and 13A11(b) of the act (relating to number of slot machines; and authorization to conduct table games), in total and by slot area or table game pit.
- (4) Each slot machine or table game seat on the gaming floor.
- (5) Each surveillance camera installed in compliance with § 465a.9(a) (relating to surveillance system; surveillance department control, surveillance department restrictions), noting its type and camera number.

- (6) The main cage and any satellite cage, inclusive of each cage window and window number, ancillary offices and areas.
 - (7) Each count room and any trolley storage area.
 - (8) Each automated bill breaker, gaming voucher redemption, coupon redemption and jackpot payout machine.
 - (9) Each automated teller machine.
 - (10) Each area designated for the storage or repair of slot machines, table games or table game equipment.
 - (11) Vault and armored car bay locations.
 - (12) Additional documentation requested by the Board or Board staff relating to the floor plan for the gaming floor.
- (b) A slot machine licensee may not commence slot or table game operations until the initial floor plan depicting its gaming floor and all restricted areas servicing slot and table game operations has been approved by the Board. The approval by the Board will expressly authorize:
- (1) The maximum square footage of gaming floor.
 - (2) The maximum number of slot machines and table games which may be operated by the slot machine licensee.
- (c) Requests for changes to the approved floor plan which will increase or decrease the square footage of the gaming floor by more than 10%, decrease the number of slot machines on the gaming floor by more than 2% or the number of table games on the gaming floor by more than 10% require Board approval and must be submitted to the Board as a petition under § 493a.4 (relating to petitions generally). Requests for all other changes to the gaming floor, including a request to increase the number of slot machines or table games or change the type of table games offered, shall be submitted in writing to the Board's Executive Director for approval. The approval of the Board or the Executive Director may include conditions that shall be met by the slot machine licensee prior to the commencement of operations.
- (d) A petition or request for changes to the gaming floor must, at a minimum, include:
- (1) A narrative description of the proposed changes.
 - (2) A revised floor plan, in accordance with subsection (a), if requested by the Board or Board staff.
 - (3) A gaming floor reconfiguration checklist.
 - (4) The table game pit number or slot machine area and the proposed configuration of any table game pit or slot machine area affected.
 - (5) The type, location and table number of any gaming table affected.
 - (6) The proposed amendments, if any, to the standard or alternative staffing levels required under § 465a.35 (relating to personnel assigned to the operation and conduct of table games).
 - (7) The proposed amendments, if any, to surveillance required under § 465a.9.

- (8) An estimated timetable for the completion of the proposed changes.

Authority

The provisions of this § 467a.1 amended under 4 Pa.C.S. §§ 1202(b)(30), 1207, 1322, 13A02(1)—(6) and 13A25.

Source

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Cross References

This section cited in 58 Pa. Code § 463a.3 (relating to slot machine and fully automated electronic gaming table location on the gaming floor); 58 Pa. Code § 467a.2 (relating to commencement of slot and table game operations generally) and 58 Pa. Code § 637a.7 (relating to Poker overview; general dealing procedures for all types of Poker).

§ 467a.2. Commencement of slot and table game operations generally.

(a) Prior to the commencement of slot or table game operations at a licensed facility a slot machine licensee shall demonstrate that:

(1) The licensed facility, including the gaming floor and restricted areas servicing slot and table game operations, complies in all respects with the act, this subpart and technical standards adopted by the Board and published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and posted on the Board's web site.

(2) Slot machines, table games and associated equipment installed in the licensed facility and utilized in the conduct of slot machine and table game operations have been tested and approved by the Board in compliance with the act, this subpart and technical standards adopted by the Board and published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and posted on the Board's web site.

(3) The gaming floor plan required under § 467a.1(a) (relating to gaming floor plan) has been approved by the Board in compliance with the act, this subpart and technical standards adopted by the Board and published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and posted on the Board's web site.

(4) The slot machine licensee's proposed site plan and internal control systems and audit protocols have been approved by the Board in compliance with the act, this subpart and technical standards adopted by the Board and published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and posted on the Board's web site.

(5) The slot machine licensee is prepared to implement necessary management controls, surveillance and security precautions to insure the efficient conduct of slot and table game operations.

(6) The slot machine licensee's employees are licensed or permitted by the Board and trained in the performance of their responsibilities.

(7) The slot machine licensee has complied with any conditions prerequisite to commencement of slot or table game operations contained in the State-

ment of Conditions executed under § 423a.6 (relating to license, permit, registration and certification issuance and statement of conditions).

(8) The licensed facility is prepared in all respects to receive the public.

(9) The slot machine licensee has successfully completed a test period.

(10) For Category 1 licensees, the slot machine licensee has a written live racing agreement as required under section 1303(d) of the act (relating to additional category 1 slot machine license requirements).

(b) Upon a slot machine licensee's successful demonstration of the criteria enumerated in subsection (a), the Board may authorize the date and time at which the slot machine licensee may commence slot and table game operations at the licensed facility and will fix the maximum square footage of gaming floor and maximum number of slot machines and table games which may be operated by the slot machine licensee pursuant to that authorization.

Authority

The provisions of this § 467a.2 amended under 4 Pa.C.S. §§ 1207, 1322, 13A02(1)—(6) and 13A25.

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