TITLE 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Division 45—Missouri Gaming Commission Chapter 5—Conduct of Gaming

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 45-5.300 Progressive Table Games. The commission is amending the purpose statement and sections (3), (6), and (8), deleting section (1), and renumbering accordingly.

PURPOSE: This amendment removes definitions that were added to 11 CSR 45-1.090 and revises language to be consistent with other regulations.

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the [process] requirements for offering progressive table games.

- [(1) Definitions. As used in this rule—
 - (A) Base amount means the amount of the progressive jackpot initially offered before it increases;
- (B) Incremental amount means the difference between the amount of a progressive jackpot and its base amount: and
- (C) Progressive jackpot means a table game payoff that increases over time solely as a function of the wagers played on the progressive game at a table game or group of table games.]
- [(2)](1) A meter that shows the accurate amount of the progressive jackpot must be conspicuously visible to the players at each table game to which the jackpot applies.
- [(3)](2) A licensee shall not reduce the amount displayed on a progressive jackpot meter or otherwise reduce or eliminate a progressive jackpot unless—
 - (A) A player wins the jackpot; [or]
- (B) The licensee adjusts the progressive jackpot meter to correct a malfunction and the licensee documents the adjustment and the reasons for it; *[or]*
- (C) The licensee's gaming operations at the establishment cease for any reason other than a temporary closure where the same licensee resumes gaming operations at the same establishment within a month; *[or]*
- (D) The licensee distributes the incremental amount to another table game progressive jackpot as approved in writing by the commission and—
 - 1. The licensee documents the distribution:
- 2. Any table game offering the jackpot to which the licensee distributes the incremental amount does not require that more money be played on a single play to win the jackpot than the table game from which the incremental amount is distributed; and
- 3. The distribution is completed within thirty (30) days after the progressive jackpot is removed from play or within a longer period as the commission for good cause may approve; or
- (E) The commission for good cause approves in writing a reduction, elimination, distribution, or procedure not otherwise described in this section.
- [(4)](3) Licensees shall preserve the records required by this rule for at least five (5) years after they are made unless the commission approves otherwise in writing. The records should be stored in a location acceptable to the commission.

- [(5)](4) During the normal mode of progressive table games, the progressive controller, or other approved device, must continuously monitor each table gaming position on the link for the progressive amounts wagered and must multiply the accepted amounts by the rate of progression in order to determine the correct amounts to apply to the progressive jackpot. The progressive display must be constantly updated, in a manner approved in writing by the commission, as play on the link is continued.
- [(6)](5) Progressive games shall not be used across multiple table games unless—
- (A) The progressive monitoring system separately and accurately accounts for the total number of progressive wagers for each table game and all games offered for play contribute to the progressive jackpot; [and]
 - (B) The odds of attaining the winning combination are the same for each game; and
 - (C) Each game requires the same wager amount to win the progressive jackpot.
- [(7)](6) The odds of winning a progressive jackpot shall not be greater than one in fifty million (1:50,000,000) unless specifically approved in writing by the commission.
- [(8)](7) Each progressive controller must be housed in a secure, locked location which allows only authorized accessibility and which contains an EGD Machine Entry [Authorization]Access Log (MEAL Book) that is completed by any person gaining access to the secured location. Both the location housing progressive controllers and the form on which entry is logged shall be approved by the commission prior to use. The storage medium that contains the progressive controller program shall have a unique signature that allows program verification by an agent of the commission through use of a commission-approved verification device. After verification the storage medium shall be secured in the controller with a commission security seal. The security seal must be affixed by and may only be broken and removed by an authorized commission agent. Normal operation of progressive gaming devices notwithstanding, communication to a progressive controller shall be permitted only by authorized personnel through access to the controller's secured location and who document such access and the purpose therefore on the [progressive entry authorization log] MEAL Book.
- [(9)](8) Each type of progressive game must have a unique key used to reset the progressive meter(s) or another reset mechanism approved in writing by the commission.
- [(10)](9) Unless the commission has approved the payment of prizes by installments, a licensee who has a progressive table game must maintain minimum cash reserves in accordance with 11 CSR 45-8.150. The commission must approve all such cash reserves.
- [(11)](10) Progressive jackpots shall not be shared between multiple Class B licensees.

AUTHORITY: section 313.004, RSMo [2000] **2016** and sections 313.800 and 313.805, RSMo Supp. [2010] **2024**.* Original rule filed July 28, 2010, effective Feb. 28, 2011. Amended: Filed Dec. 5, 2024.

*Original authority: 313.004, RSMo 1993, amended 1994; 313.800, RSMo 1991, amended 1993, 1994, 2005; and 313.805, RSMo 1991, amended 1993, 1994, 2000, 2008, 2010.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment via email to MGCPolicy@mgc.dps.mo.gov, or by mail to the Missouri Gaming Commission, Policy Section, PO Box 1847, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. A public hearing is scheduled for February 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in the Missouri Gaming Commission's Hearing Room, 3417 Knipp Drive, Jefferson City, MO.