

Chapter 11: TRANSPORTATION OF SLOT MACHINES AND TABLE GAMES

§1. Transporting Slot Machines or Table Games into Maine

1. No slot machine or table game distributor shall ship or transport a slot machine or table game into Maine without first obtaining a written authorization for such transport from the Director on forms MGCB-2200 and 2201. Transporting or shipping into Maine means the starting point is outside the State and terminates in the State.
2. Any slot machine or table game distributor authorized to ship a slot machine or table game into Maine shall provide the Board in writing at least two weeks prior to the time of shipment the following information:
 - A. The full name, address, and license number of the person shipping the slot machines or table games;
 - B. The method of shipment and the name of the carrier;
 - C. The full name, address, and license number of the person to whom the slot machines or table games are being sent and the destination of said terminals, if different from the address;
 - D. The number of slot machines or table games in the shipment;
 - E. The serial number of each slot machine or table games in the shipment;
 - F. The model number and description of each slot machine or table games in the shipment; and
 - G. The expected arrival date of the slot machines or table games at their respective destination within Maine.
3. For purposes of this rule, the term “shipping seal” shall mean a material of some description (generally a large paper patch with adhesive backing) applied across a closed door or closed container top. The shipping seal shall be applied in such a fashion that should the door or container be opened; the shipping seal must be broken or damaged. A broken shipping seal shall indicate the door or container has been opened.
4. All slot machine and slot machine components shall be transported in container compartment, or freight trailer that has been secured and bears a shipping seal.
5. All slot machine software components shall be delivered separately or encased in a separate compartment within a larger freight compartment or freight trailer. Each

compartment shall bear a shipping seal. The required shipping seal shall be applied at the shipper's point of origin. Alternatively, the software component may be shipped intact within a locked slot machine logic compartment so long as the key to such lock is shipped to the Department in advance of delivery.

6. All shipment containers must have a shipping seal applied at the shipper's point of origin. The shipping seal shall remain intact until inspected and accepted by the Department inspectors, at which time the seal shall be broken by Department inspectors.
7. Where equipment is shipped in vehicle freight trailers (when an entire freight trailer is used for shipment), the shipper shall affix a shipping seal across the center of each of the trailer's exterior doors so that should the door be opened, the shipping seal would be broken. Additionally, the shipper shall also apply a shipping seal to each individual packing box comprising the shipment. Shipping seals applied by the shipper must not be broken or removed until delivery and inspection by Department inspectors.
8. For those shipments not using an entire vehicle or freight trailer, shippers shall apply a shipping seal to each individual package, and the shipment seals shall not be broken or removed until delivery and inspection by Department inspectors at the approved destination in Maine.
9. If shipping seals described above are broken, removed, or show signs of tampering, upon inspection at the delivery site, the Director or his or her designee shall instruct the facility and shipper as to the course of action to be taken. The course of action may involve:
 - A. Retesting and verification of the slot machine or slot machine component, or
 - B. Immediate refusal of the entire shipment and the return of the entire shipment to the originating shipment location.

§2. Receipt of Slot Machines or Table Games

1. The slot machine or casino operator or slot machine or casino distributor who receives a slot machine or table game shall, upon receipt of said slot machine or table game, provide the Board with the following information:
 - A. The full name, address and license number of the person receiving the slot machines or table games;
 - B. The full name, address and license number of the person from whom the slot machines or table games were received;
 - C. The quantity of slot machines or table games received and serial number of each;
 - D. The model number and description of each slot machine or table game received;

- E. The manufacturer of each slot machine or table game received;
 - F. The location where each slot machine or table game will be placed, and the license number of the establishment; and
 - G. The expected date and time of slot machine or table game installation.
2. If the slot machine or table game will not be placed in operation, the slot machine or casino operator or slot machine or table game distributor, as appropriate, shall notify the Board of the address where machine or table is warehoused or otherwise kept. At the time such slot machine or table game is removed from inventory and transported to another location within the State, the slot machine or casino operator or slot machine or table game distributor, as appropriate, shall notify the Department of the transport and provide the information required in §2(1)(A)-(G).
 3. A Department inspector shall verify with use of approved independent laboratory standards and applications, or the verify+ Kobetron verification of game-related storage media and software to obtain confirmation that all games comply with requirements for games in the state of Maine.
 4. If the test results from the verification device reflect that:
 - A. The slot machine or table game and the slot machine or table game in the slot machine or table game is a version the Department has authorized for play in the State of Maine, the slot machine licensee may offer the slot machine or table game to the public for play, or
 - B. If the slot machine or table game is not an authorized version for play in the State of Maine, then the slot machine or table game shall not be offered to the public for play. The slot machine or table game shall not be offered to the public for play until:
 - (1) The slot machine or table game has been certified for use in the State of Maine by an independent test laboratory approved by the Board.
 - (2) The slot machine or table game has been configured with slot machine or table games and slot machine or table game components that have been certified for use in the State of Maine according to Chapter 20 of Board rule, or
 - (3) An investigation into the broken or tampered slot machine or table game locks or evidence tape has been completed,

§3. Transporting Slot Machines or Table Games within Maine

1. Transporting of slot machines or table games within the State of Maine shall be accomplished with the concurrence of the Board by the slot machine or table game distributor or agent or entity approved by the

Board. Slot machine or casino operators are not authorized to transport slot machines or table games at any time without the prior written permission of the Board or designee. Any distributor or entity approved by the Board transporting a slot machine or table game from one location to another within the State shall notify the Board in writing at least two weeks prior to the transportation of said slot machine and shall provide the following information to the Board:

- A. The full name, address and, when applicable, license number of the person transporting the slot machine or table game;
 - B. The reason for transporting the slot machine or table game;
 - C. The method of shipment or movement and the name of the carrier or carriers;
 - D. The full name, address and license number of the person where the slot machine or table game is currently located;
 - E. The full name, and address of the person to whom the slot machine or table game is being sent and the destination of the slot machine or table game, if different from the address;
 - F. The quantity of slot machines or table games received, and the serial number and model numbers of each;
 - G. The slot machine or table game license registration number, if affixed;
 - H. The manufacturer of the slot machine or table game; and
 - I. The expected date and time of slot machine or table game installation or destruction.
2. This requirement does not apply to the movement of slot machines or table games within the same facility, including the transportation of slot machines or table games by a licensed operator within the State of Maine for the purpose of off-site storage. When slot machines or table games are being moved to off-site storage, the operator must provide written notice to the Board or its designee at least 48 hours prior to the transportation and include the following information:
- A. The address of the approved location of storage;
 - B. The quantity of slot machines or table games being transported, and the serial number and model numbers of each;
 - C. The slot machine or table game license registration number, if affixed;
 - D. The manufacturer of the slot machine or table game;

- E. The expected date of transportation, and
- F. The method of shipment or movement and the name of the carrier or carriers.

Following the submission of this information, slot machine operators or casino operators are not authorized to transport the slot machines or table games without written permission of the Board or its designee.

- 3. The slot or casino operator will ensure that all slot machines or table games that are to be destroyed will be rendered unusable for any gambling-related activity.

§4. Transporting Slot Machines or Table Games out of Maine

- 1. Any distributor or entity approved by the Board shipping slot machines or table games out of the State shall notify the Board in writing prior to the shipment and shall provide the following information to the Board:
 - A. The full name, address and license number of the person shipping the slot machines or table games;
 - B. The method of shipment and the name of the carrier;
 - C. The full name and address of the person to whom the slot machines or table games are being sent and the destination of the slot machines or table games if different from the address;
 - D. The number of slot machines or table games in the shipment;
 - E. The serial number of each slot machine or table game being shipped;
 - F. The model number and description of the slot machine or table game being shipped;
 - G. The slot machine or table game registration number, if affixed;
 - H. The name of the manufacturer of the slot machine or table game being shipped; and
 - I. The expected date and time of the removal of the slot machine or table game from any authorized location in this State and the expected date and time of delivery to the new location.
 - J. The reason for transporting the machine.

§5. Registration Decal

- 1. Slot machine or table game distributors must make slot machines or table games and

associated equipment available for inspection by Department inspectors.

2. Each slot machine or table game placed in operation in Maine shall have a registration decal approved by the Board, with the slot machine or table game registration control number placed thereon, affixed to the machine or table prior to the slot machine or table game becoming operational. The placement of the decal represents that the slot machine or table game has been registered, inspected, and approved for operation in Maine. Only authorized Department staff may affix a registration decal. Once a registration decal has been affixed by authorized Department staff, no person other than authorized Department staff may remove a registration decal.

No slot machine or table game may be transported out of the State or transported within the State in order to be destroyed until authorized Department personnel have removed the decal containing the slot machine's or table game's registration control number.

3. When a machine or table game is sent for destruction the EPROM computer chips will be removed and returned to the Gambling Control Board or its designee for destruction.

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