**16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**633 GAMBLING CONTROL UNIT**

**Chapter 55: PHYSICAL PREMISES REQUIREMENTS**

1. A sports wagering facility must submit a design plan including a detailed description and 8

½” x 14” drawing to scale of the proposed sports wagering facility to the Director for approval prior to the initial opening of the sports wagering facility.

1. The design plan must show the proposed placement of the following features, as applicable:
	1. A designated wagering area where the facility operator shall permit authorized persons to conduct or participate in sports wagering.
	2. A counter which shall be located in or immediately adjacent to the designated sports wagering area to house the wagering cashiers and to serve as the central location for the following:
		1. The custody of inventory, forms, tickets, documents, records and the exchange of currency and coin, utilized by wagering cashiers;
		2. The responsibility for the overall reconciliation of all documentation generated by wagering cashiers; and
		3. The receipt of currency, tickets or vouchers from the count room in conformity with these documents.
	3. The counter shall be designed and constructed to provide security for the materials housed therein and the activities performed therein; such design and construction shall provide for the following:
		1. Manually triggered silent alarm systems for the counter, its ancillary office space and any related vault, that are connected directly to local law enforcement or surveillance or security departments that are manned during operating hours;
		2. Any entrance to the counter area, count room, and vault areas (known as “sensitive areas”) that is not a double door entry and exit system shall have badge access controls and/or a single key entry with push bar emergency exit when an access system is malfunctioning or not working.
	4. The operator shall have within its facility a count room used for counting of sports wagering funds which shall be performed at separate times and independent of counts from any other operation or business within the facility.
		1. The count room shall have:
			1. Metal doors equipped with badge access control or single key access:
			2. Tables constructed of clear lexan or similar material to clearly identify currency, coin, tickets or vouchers; and
			3. Video surveillance equipment to capture any and all movement, equipment and documentation used within the room.
	5. The operator shall have within its facility a vault used exclusively for storing currency and coin, accepting funds from the count, deliveries of funds and preparing deposits which shall be separate from any other operation or business within the facility.
		1. Each vault shall include the following:
			1. A metal door with one key or electronic access control that shall be maintained by the operator; and
			2. Surveillance cameras approved by the Director to cover all activity within the vault.
2. All keys shall be secured within the security department that shall be distributed to pre- authorized employees electronically or manually by signing keys out and back in on a bounded book provided by the operator.
3. Any changes to the design plan must be approved by the Director in writing before any changes may be made.
4. If the sports wagering facility is located within a casino operator facility, then the design plan required by this section may use features also used in a casino facility when the sports wagering area is adjacent to the area in the casino where similar features will be utilized as approved by the Director.
5. The location of self-service sports wagering kiosks and cash containers not in use.
6. Access to assets or restricted areas of sports wagering equipment must be restricted to occupational licensed personnel only.
7. All persons licensed as a facility sports wagering operator or management services provider must display their licenses, in a manner plainly visible to the public, on the premises.
8. Every person licensed as a sports wagering occupational employee must wear in plain view identification issued by the Director.
9. A person holding a license under Title 8 M.R.S., chapter 35 shall permit the Director or a designee of the Unit or the Department unrestricted access, during regular business hours, including access to locked or secured areas, to inspect any facility and any equipment, prizes, records or items and materials used or to be used in the operation of any sports wagering or wagering equipment owned, distributed or operated by that person. A person holding a license under these sports wagering rules shall consent in writing to the examination of all the operator's books and records related to licensed operations and shall authorize all 3rd parties in possession or in control of those books and records to allow the Director or the Director's designee to examine such books and records as the Director determines necessary.

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