

Part 11 Chapter 4: VIDEO BINGO AND VIDEO FINITE PULL-TAB MACHINES

Rule 4.3 *Electronic Video Bingo or Video Finite Pull-Tab Machines Hardware*. Prior to approval for use in the state, each electronic video bingo or video finite pull-tab machine must meet the following specifications with respect to its hardware:

- (a) All electrical and mechanical parts and design principles shall follow acceptable codes and standards in both design and manufacture;
- (b) The machine shall be designed to ensure that the player will not be subjected to any unreasonable physical, electrical or mechanical hazard;
- (c) The machine shall be designed to ensure there are no readily accessible game function-related points which would allow any input and that there is no access to input or output circuits unless it is necessary for the proper operation of the game;
- (d) The machine shall be equipped with a surge protector that will feed all AC electrical currents to the machine and a nonvolatile memory to maintain the accuracy of all electronic meters displaying information required by these rules during power fluctuations and loss. Each machine must maintain accuracy of all electronic meters and critical game information for one hundred and eighty (180) days after the power is disconnected from the machine;
- (e) The machine shall not have any switches, jumpers, wire posts, or other means of manipulation that could affect the operation or outcome of a game. The machine may not have any functions or parameters adjustable by and through any separate video display or input codes except for the adjustment of features that are wholly cosmetic or other operational parameters as approved by the division. This is to include devices known as "knockoff switches;"
- (f) Each machine shall have a lock external front door in which the interior of the machine shall not be readily accessible when such door is in the closed, locked position. In addition, each machine shall have a separate internal locked logic compartment which shall be keyed differently than the front door access lock. Each machine shall have one or more locked cash compartments, that is all areas which store either coin or currency prior to collection.
- (g) The ticket printing mechanism shall be located behind the locked front door of the machine to ensure the safekeeping of the audit copy;
- (h) Printing of all totals from the electronic meters shall occur automatically by means of a switch attached to either the door, ~~or the~~ lock of the door, or cash area each time access to either the main door or the cash area occurs;
- (i) The printing mechanism of the electronic device shall have a paper-sensing device that will prevent play if there is no longer any paper in the printer or, in the alternative, if there is insufficient paper to print a ticket voucher, an audit copy, or insufficient space on the electronic file to input data. In the case that the machine senses "paper out," it shall void the previous cash ticket and print another recovery;
- (j) The machine shall print a ticket voucher when requested by the player if there are any remaining credits on the game. The original ticket voucher and the duplicate audit copy must remain legible for three (3) years. The minimum information printed on the ticket voucher shall consist of the following:
 - 1. The name of the licensed establishment;
 - 2. The serial number of the machine;
 - 3. The time of day that the ticket was printed in hours and minutes in a 24 hour format;
 - 4. The date on which the ticket was printed;

5. The sequential number of the ticket voucher; and
 6. The value of the prize.
- (k) The logic board shall have a legible, unique serial number that is stamped in permanent ink or engraved;
- (l) The face of each machine shall be clearly labeled so as to inform the public that no one under age eighteen (18) years is allowed to play;
- (m) The machine shall have a non-removable identification tag affixed by the manufacturer to the machine's exterior side. The tag information must include the following:
1. Manufacturer's name;
 2. Serial number;
 3. Model;
 4. Date of manufacture; and
 5. Any other information required by the Commission.

Source: *Miss. Code Ann.* §§ 97-33-65 and 97-33-77.