

**13:69E-1.39D Wide area progressive standards for a multi-state linked progressive gaming system.**

(a) Wide Area Progressive (WAP) links located in casinos in this state may be connected to WAP links located in casinos licensed by another state of the United States using an approved progressive system to establish a shared Multi-State Progressive System (MSPS). The progressive system includes all hardware and software responsible for the operation of the MSPS including but not limited to the communication and configuration of the system.

(b) All participating state casino regulatory agencies shall establish an agreement which shall address the following:

1. Method to ensure the accurate accounting of all contributions;
2. Method to ensure that each participating state's tax laws are adhered to;
3. Procedures to ensure that the amount required to be wagered in order to qualify for the multi-state progressive jackpot is identical in all participating states;
4. Procedures to ensure equal probability, in all participating states, for winning the multi-state progressive jackpot;
5. Procedures for progressive jackpot adjustments;
6. Procedures to address multi-state jackpots that occur simultaneously;
7. Procedures to address dispute resolution;
8. Procedures regarding the security of the MSPS including the game, communications, and monitoring room requirements;
9. Procedures to accept additional participants once the link is established in casinos of more than one state;
10. Procedures to ensure the MSPS operator is credentialed in all participating states;
11. Method for withdrawal from the MSPS;
12. MSPS parameter requirements including:
  - i. Maximum odds for obtaining the multi-state jackpot;
  - ii. Base amount of the multi-state jackpot award;
  - iii. Reset amount of the multi-state jackpot award;
  - iv. Incrementation rate of the multi-state jackpot award;
  - v. Hidden rate which means the increment rate for a reserved pool(s) used to fund the next reset amount when applicable;
  - vi. Any other parameter as may be required in order to ensure the proper accounting and auditing of the MSPS; and
13. Procedures for the independent reconciliation of the multi-state jackpot amount when won.

(c) Each MSPS shall comply with Division rules for WAP links set forth at N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.39A; -1.40B; -1.40C; -1.40D; and N.J.A.C 13:69E-1.39C except to the extent inconsistent with the MSPS agreement.

(d) The maximum permissible odds for any jackpot awarded as part of an MSPS shall be 150 million to one. For example, a jackpot with odds of 149 million to one would be permitted, while a jackpot with odds of 151 million to one would not be authorized.