

13:69D-1.16 Drop boxes and slot cash storage boxes

(a) Each gaming table in a casino or casino simulcasting facility shall have attached to it a secure tamper-resistant container known as a "drop box" in which shall be deposited all cash, coupons exchanged at the gaming table for gaming chips and plaques, match play coupons, progressive wager coupons, issuance copies of Counter Checks exchanged at the gaming table for gaming chips and plaques, documents that evidence the exchange of gaming chips or plaques as part of credit or debit card chip transactions, duplicate Fill and Credit Slips, Requests for Credit forms, Requests for Fill forms, and Table Inventory forms. In addition, each drop box shall have:

1. A locking system, controlled by the accounting department, designed to secure the contents placed into the drop box;
2. A separate locking system, designed to secure the drop box to the gaming table, which locking system shall be different from the locking system securing the contents of the drop box. The locking system utilized to unlock the drop boxes from the gaming tables shall be maintained and controlled by the security department. Access to the casino security department's locking system shall be limited to supervisors in that department and shall be controlled, at a minimum, by a sign-out and sign-in procedure described in the casino licensee's internal controls;
3. A slot opening through which currency, coins, coupons, forms, records, and documents can be inserted into the drop box;
4. A mechanical device that will automatically close and lock the slot opening upon removal of the drop box from the gaming table;
and
5. Permanently imprinted or impressed thereon, and clearly visible through the CCTV system, a number corresponding to a permanent number on the gaming table to which it is attached and a marking to indicate game and shift, except that emergency drop boxes

may be maintained without such number or marking, provided the word "emergency" is permanently imprinted or impressed thereon and, when put into use, are temporarily marked with the number of the gaming table and identification of the game and shift, and provided further, that the casino licensee notifies the Division and the surveillance department contemporaneously with placing an emergency drop box into use. In addition to bearing a gaming table number, each drop box may also be identified by a bar code label that is securely affixed thereto. Each bar code label affixed to a drop box shall be:

- i. Encoded, at a minimum, with the gaming table number and game type of the gaming table to which drop box is attached; and
- ii. Prepared in accordance with a casino licensee's internal controls, which controls shall require, without limitation, the completion of a Bar Code Label Request Form that is signed by the requester and the preparer; provided, however, that a bar code label prepared by a member of the count team shall be tested and verified by a count room supervisor prior to the label being attached to the drop box.

(b) Each bill changer in a casino shall have contained in it a secure tamper-resistant container known as a "slot cash storage box," in which shall be deposited all cash, gaming vouchers and coupons inserted into the bill changer. In addition, each slot cash storage box shall:

1. Have a locking system, controlled by the accounting department, designed to secure the contents of the slot cash storage box, which shall be different from the locking system controlling access to the compartment in which the slot cash storage box is housed, and shall also comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.36;
2. Have a slot opening through which currency and coupons can be inserted into the slot cash storage box;
3. Have a mechanical arrangement or device that prohibits removal of currency and coupons from the slot opening whenever the slot

cash storage box is removed from the bill changer;

4. Be fully enclosed, except for such openings as may be required for the operation of the bill changer or the slot cash storage box; provided, however, that the location and size of such openings shall not affect the security of the slot cash storage box, its contents or the bill changer; and

5. Have an asset number that is permanently imprinted, affixed or impressed on the outside of the slot cash storage box which corresponds to the asset number of the slot machine to which the bill changer has been attached. In lieu of the asset number, a casino licensee may develop and maintain, in accordance with its internal controls, a system for assigning a unique identification number to its slot cash storage boxes. The asset number or unique identification number must be conspicuous and clearly visible to persons involved in removing or replacing the slot cash storage box in the bill changer and through the casino licensee's closed circuit television system. Notwithstanding the foregoing, emergency slot cash storage boxes may be maintained without such numbers, provided the word "emergency" is permanently imprinted, affixed or impressed thereon, and when put into use, are temporarily marked with the asset number of the slot machine to which the bill changer is attached, and provided further, that the casino notifies the Division and the surveillance department contemporaneously with placing an emergency slot cash storage box into use. In addition to bearing an asset number or unique identification number, each slot cash storage box may also be identified by a bar code label that is securely affixed thereto. Each bar code label affixed to a slot cash storage box shall be:

i. Encoded, at a minimum, with the asset number of the slot machine to which the bill changer is attached; and

ii. Prepared in accordance with a casino licensee's internal controls, which controls shall require, without limitation, the

completion of a Bar Code Label Request Form that is signed by the requester and the preparer; provided, however, that a bar code label prepared by a member of the count team shall be tested and verified by a count room supervisor prior to the label being attached to the slot cash storage box.

(c) The locking system securing the contents of a table drop box shall be maintained and controlled by the accounting department. The locking system securing the contents of a slot cash storage box shall be maintained and controlled by the accounting department.

(d) Notwithstanding (a)5 above, a casino licensee may utilize drop boxes which do not indicate the shift thereon, if the casino licensee does not intend to collect all drop boxes each gaming day and has internal control procedures pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.33(b)2.