

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

61D-14.032 Progressive Slot Machine Requirements.

- (1) All progressive slot machines offered for play by a slot machine licensee shall:
 - (a) Be located within the slot machine licensee's facility;
 - (b) Display the current total of the progressive jackpot to the player and
 - (c) Show the total value of the progressive jackpot amount on the winning slot machine.
- (2) All meters for progressive displays may delay the display of the jackpot amount if:
 - (a) The polling cycle causes a delay in the display; or
 - (b) The device has a feature that multiplies the jackpot amount;
- (3) If the progressive meter achieves its maximum jackpot amount, the meter shall stop further incrementing and remain at the maximum value until the jackpot is awarded to a player.
- (4) A progressive award display may show alternating information.
- (5) All progressive games shall meet the game standard set forth in this rule and Rule 61D-14.022, F.A.C.
 - (6) An independent testing laboratory licensed by the state shall test each progressive slot machine and/or progressive slot machine game pursuant to 61D-14.016 for compliance with Chapter 551, F.S. and Chapter 61D-14, F.A.C.
 - (7) The initial increment rate of the progressive contribution may not be altered until after the winning progressive jackpot has been paid and reset to its initial jackpot amount.
 - (8) The controller for a progressive slot machine game shall continuously monitor each device on the progressive link for credits wagered and shall multiply the credits wagered by the rate of incrementation.
 - (9) A slot machine licensee who offers a progressive game to the public for play must maintain a minimum reserve to ensure the licensee has funds available to pay the progressive jackpots.
 - (10) Each progressive slot machine, adjusted for the denomination played, shall have the same probability of winning the progressive jackpot.
 - (11) Progressive slot machines offering multiple levels of awards shall pay the highest jackpot payable for the amount wagered.
 - (12) A slot machine licensee may limit the maximum jackpot on a progressive slot machine only if:
 - (a) It prominently displays the maximum jackpot amount; and
 - (b) The slot machine's progressive controller is capable of accepting a jackpot limit.
 - (13) A progressive slot machine game shall not be discontinued or withdrawn from play until:
 - (a) Its progressive jackpot amount has been awarded; or
 - (b) The division approves transferring the already paid progressive jackpot contributions, less the initial jackpot amount, to another progressive game within the slot machine licensee's facility.
 - (14) A progressive jackpot amount may be transferred to another progressive slot machine game only if the transfer is immediate.
 - (15) When a progressive slot machine game has been offered for play, the progressive jackpot amount:
 - (a) Shall not be changed until the jackpot has been awarded;
 - (b) Must be reset or cleared prior to any additional play on the winning machine; and
 - (c) May be awarded as a lump sum or annuity, if the terms for award of such annuities are specified in the slot machine licensee's internal controls.
 - (16) All slot machine devices shall be equipped with a device, mechanism, or method for retaining the value of all meter information for at least a minimum of 72 hours in the event of power loss; and
 - (17) Any wins awarded on a progressive slot machine may be added to the credit meter if:
 - (a) The credit meter is maintained in monetary value or credits;
 - (b) The progressive meter is incremented to whole credit amounts; and
 - (c) The prize, in monetary value, is converted to credits on transfer to the player's credit meter in a manner that does not mislead the player and is rounded up to the next higher whole number.
 - (18) When a progressive amount has been awarded, the gaming device shall:
 - (a) Display a message indicating a progressive jackpot is awarded;
 - (b) Lock-up or cease play until the award has been paid by the attendant unless the amount is transferred to the player's credit meter; and
 - (c) Update all meters related to progressive slot machine play after the award has been distributed.
 - (19) When a progressive slot machine must be reset after a progressive award, the machine shall resume normal play.

- (20) If communications with the progressive slot machine controller is lost:
- (a) The progressive slot machine shall immediately disable; and
 - (b) The progressive system control program shall test for possible corruption due to failure of the progressive program storage media, and may use:
 - 1. The preferred Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) of at least 16 bit; or
 - 2. The less preferred checksum routine.
- (21) The progressive controller shall use a two-way secure communication protocol with the progressive slot machine, and shall:
- (a) Electronically send the award amount to the progressive slot machine; and
 - (b) Continuously update the progressive slot machine's display.
- (22) Progressive jackpot records shall:
- (a) Reflect the amount of total progressive liability shown on each progressive jackpot meter; and
 - (b) Be maintained at each slot machine licensee facility;
- (23) All progressive slot machines will record the following information:
- (a) Award amount;
 - (b) Number of times this progressive was won;
 - (c) A history of at least the last 5 progressive awards;
 - (d) The initial progressive jackpot award;
 - (e) The maximum jackpot award, if set;
 - (f) The increment rate at which the progressive award increases;
 - (g) The increment rate for the reserve pool after the maximum jackpot award is reached;
 - (h) The amount the progressive award resets to after a progressive jackpot is won; and
 - (j) The slot machines participating in the progressive jackpot.

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