



Gaming Commission

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Notice of Violation 22-Rivers-05

Sent Via Electronic Mail [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]:

The New York State Gaming Commission, Division of Gaming (NYSGC) has reviewed two separate Card and Dice Bag discrepancies that occurred on 8/24/2022, at Rivers Casino and Resort, operated by Capital Region Gaming, LLC) Rivers, during which the Rivers Table Games Department failed to properly sign the Card and Dice Bag at one table and failed to properly secure the Card and Dice Bag while removing dice at a Carps table.

On August 25, 2022, Senior Inspector [REDACTED] attended the Card and Dice Pick Up Process with Security Officer [REDACTED] Table Games Assistant Shift Manager [REDACTED]. During the pickup, two (2) errors were discovered. A review of the errors showed the following:

First, the Card and Dice Bag from Pit Seven (Spanish 21 (SP) table [REDACTED] was observed not having the closing time AM or PM circled. Table Games Supervisor [REDACTED] was observed Supervisor SP [REDACTED] while this error occurred. Secondly, the Card and Dice Bag from Pit [REDACTED] (Craps (CR) table [REDACTED] was not properly sealed. During the pickup, three (3) dice fell out of the Card and Dice bag while verifying the bags information at the Pit Stand in Pit 8. The bag did not have any adhesive on it and was attempted to be scotch taped closed, leaving an opening at the top of the bag. It was discovered that Table Games Pit Manager [REDACTED] attempted to close the bag with scotch tape. At 0025 hours, Manager [REDACTED] is observed placing the dice in the bag after canceling them and attempting to secure the bag with scotch tape. Pictures of the bags are attached below.

After a review of the facts and circumstances as described above, evidence shows Rivers Table Games Department is in violation of 9 NYCRR § 5322.15 (d) and (g).

Section 5322.15 (d) states All envelopes, bags and containers used to hold or transport cards collected shall be transparent. The envelopes, bags or containers and the method used to seal them shall be designed and constructed so that any tampering shall be evident. The envelopes, bags or containers and seals shall be approved in writing by the commission.

Section 5322.15 (g) states at the end of each gaming day or, in the alternative, at least once each gaming day at the same time each day between 8:00 am – 10:00 am and at such other times as may be necessary or if so directed by the on-site Commission staff, a supervisor will collect all used decks. Such decks are placed in a clear sealed envelope, bag or container. A label will be attached to each envelope, bag or container that will identify the table number, date and time and is signed by the dealer and supervisor assigned to the table. The supervisor maintains the envelopes, bags or containers in a locked compartment within the pit stand until collection by security. Pursuant to 9

NYCRR § 5322.15 (g), the Commission has determined to fine Rivers \$1000. Please note that the Commission may take further action in addition to fines in response to subsequent violations of 5322.15 (d) and (g) with-in a one-year period.

Please remit the total amount of this fine (\$1000) to the New York State Gaming Commission within 30 days of the date of this letter. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. Payments not timely made will be subject to interest and collection fees pursuant to State Finance Law Section 18. This violation has been assigned 22-Rivers-05.

If you wish to contest the violation set forth in this letter, you may request a hearing pursuant to Article 3 of the State Administrative Procedure Act and Article 13 of the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law. Please submit a request for a hearing to Kristen Buckley, Acting Secretary to the Commission, New York State Gaming Commission, One Broadway Center, Schenectady, New York 12305 within 30 days of receipt of this letter. Failure to request a hearing within 30 days of the date of this Notice shall be considered a waiver of any available hearing, and any request for a hearing received after the 30 days will be rejected as untimely.

Sincerely,

Thomas Anapolis
Director, Division of Gaming