

491—13.5(99F) Advance deposit sports wagering.

13.5(1) Authorization to conduct advance deposit sports wagering. A licensee or advance deposit sports wagering operator shall receive specific authorization from the commission to conduct advance deposit sports wagering prior to conducting advance deposit sports wagering. The granting of an advance deposit sports wagering license or approval of any agreements between a licensee and an advance deposit sports wagering operator to conduct advance deposit sports wagering does not constitute authorization. Any entity authorized to conduct advance deposit sports wagering is expected to comply with all requirements of this chapter, except for rule 491—13.4(99F), and all other applicable federal, state, local, and commission requirements.

13.5(2) Account registration. A person must have an established account in order to place advance deposit sports wagers. The process for establishing an account is subject to the administrator's approval. An account may be established through on-site registration under procedures previously approved by the administrator, or through remote registration. To establish an account, an application for an account shall be signed or otherwise authorized in a manner approved by the administrator and shall include the applicant's full legal name, principal residential address, date of birth, and any other information required by the administrator. The account registration process shall also include:

a. Age verification to prevent persons under the legal age for sports wagering from establishing an account.

b. Player verification of legal name, physical address, and age to correctly identify account holders.

c. Verification that the player is not on the statewide self-exclusion list set forth in Iowa Code section 99F.4(22) prior to establishing an account.

d. Availability and acceptance of a set of terms and conditions that is also readily accessible to the player before and after registration and noticed when updated. Notices shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Explanation of rules in which any unrecoverable malfunctions of hardware/software are addressed including, but not limited to, if the unrecoverable malfunction, wagering event cancellation, or other catastrophic malfunction results in the voiding of any wagers.

(2) Procedures to deal with interruptions caused by the suspension of data flow from the network server during an event.

(3) Specifications advising players to keep their account credentials secure.

(4) Statement that no underage individuals are permitted to participate in wagering.

(5) Explanation of conditions under which an account is declared inactive and actions undertaken on the account once this declaration is made.

e. Availability and acceptance of a privacy policy that is also readily accessible to the player before and after registration and noticed when updated and that includes, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Statement of information that is collected, the purpose for information collection, and the conditions under which information may be disclosed.

(2) Statement that any information obtained in respect to player registration or account establishment must be done in compliance with the privacy policy.

(3) Requirement that any information about player accounts which is not subject to disclosure pursuant to the privacy policy must be kept confidential, except where the release of that information is required by law.

(4) Requirement that all player information must be securely erased from hard disks, magnetic tapes, solid state memory, and other devices before the device is properly disposed of by the licensee. If erasure is not possible, the storage device must be destroyed.

f. If an advance deposit sports wagering operator has an agreement with more than one licensee, the advance deposit sports wagering operator shall submit an agreement to the administrator that indicates the manner in which customer net receipts shall be assigned with its licensee partners. The agreement shall include all partnering licensees and their respective qualified sponsoring organizations, and the net receipts shall be allocated using one of the following methods:

(1) Make available an option for new remotely registered customers to select the licensee at which net receipts are assigned.

(2) Allocate new remotely registered customer net receipts to the licensee which is located nearest to the customer's principal residential address.

(3) Distribute all customer receipts evenly between all licensees for which an agreement exists.

(4) An alternative allocation agreement that complies with local, state and federal law.

The agreement shall be made available for public inspection.

13.5(3) Operation of an account. The advance deposit sports wagering operator or a licensee shall submit controls, approved by the commission, that include the following for operating an account:

a. Specific procedures and technology partners to fulfill the requirements set forth in subrule 13.5(2).

b. Location detection procedures to reasonably detect and dynamically monitor the location of a player attempting to place any wager. A player outside the permitted boundary shall be rejected, and the player shall be notified. The confidence radius shall be entirely located within the permitted boundary.

c. Specific controls set forth in subrule 13.2(7).

d. Limitation of one active account, per individually branded website, at a time unless otherwise authorized by the commission.

e. Authentication for log in through a username and password or other secure alternative means as authorized by the commission. Processes for retrieving lost usernames and passwords shall be available, secure, and clearly disclosed to the player. Players shall be allowed to change their passwords.

f. Immediate notification to the player when changes are made to any account used for financial transactions or to registration information or when financial transactions are made unless other notification preferences are established by the player.

g. Process to immediately notify a player following an unusual login attempt. In the event that the unusual login attempt constitutes suspicious activity or if other suspicious activity is detected, an account shall be locked. A multifactor authentication process must be employed for the account to be unlocked.

h. Process for players to easily impose limitations or notifications for wagering parameters including, but not limited to, deposits and wagers. Self-imposed limitations must be applied automatically, take effect immediately, and be implemented as indicated by the player. No changes can be made reducing the severity of the self-imposed limitations for at least 24 hours.

i. Process for players to easily self-exclude from wagering for a specified period of time and indefinitely. Self-exclusions must be applied automatically, take effect immediately, and be implemented as indicated by the player. No changes can be made to reduce the severity of the self-exclusion limitations for at least 24 hours. In the event of indefinite self-exclusion, the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee must ensure that the player is paid in full for the player's account balance within a reasonable time provided that the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee acknowledges that the funds have cleared. Players must be easily and obviously directed via a link to exclude themselves pursuant to Iowa Code section 99F.4(22). This control does not supersede the requirements set forth in Iowa Code section 99F.4(22).

j. Process to review and deactivate accounts of newly enrolled participants of the statewide self-exclusion program set forth in Iowa Code section 99F.4(22). The operator must ensure that players are paid in full for their account balance within a reasonable time provided that the operator acknowledges that the funds have cleared.

k. Provide for an easy and obvious method for a player to make a complaint and to enable the player to notify the commission if such complaint has not been or cannot be addressed by the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee.

13.5(4) Account funds. The following requirements apply to the maintenance of funds associated with a player account:

a. Positive player identification, including any personal identification number (PIN) entry or other approved secure methods, must be completed before the withdrawal of any moneys held by the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee can be made.

b. Payments from an account are to be paid directly to an account with a financial institution in the name of the player or made payable to the player and forwarded to the player's address or through another method that is not prohibited by state or federal law.

c. An advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee must have in place security or authorization procedures to ensure that only authorized adjustments can be made to player accounts and that changes are auditable.

d. It shall not be possible to transfer funds between two player accounts.

e. An advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee shall provide a transaction log or account statement history at no cost to players upon request. Information provided shall include sufficient information to allow players to reconcile the statement or log against their own financial records.

f. Requests for withdrawals shall not be unreasonably withheld and shall be completed in a timely manner.

g. An advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee shall provide a fee-free method for players to deposit or withdraw funds from player accounts.

h. If the method of reserve utilized to comply with subrule 13.2(6) is not in the form of cash or cash equivalents segregated from operational funds, an advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee shall segregate player account funds from operational funds.

13.5(5) Annual audit. An audit of the advance deposit sports wagering operations for the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee or parent company of the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee shall be conducted by certified public accountants authorized to practice in the state of Iowa and provided to the commission within 90 days of the licensee's fiscal year and meet the following conditions:

a. Inclusion of an internal control letter, audited balance sheet, and audited profit-and-loss statement including a breakdown of expenditures and subsidiaries of advance deposit sports wagering activities.

b. Inclusion of a supplement schedule indicating financial activities on a calendar-year basis if the advance deposit sports wagering operator's or licensee's fiscal year does not correspond to the calendar year.

c. Report of any material errors, irregularities that may be discovered during the audit, or notice of any audit adjustments.

d. Availability, upon request, of an engagement letter for the audit between the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee or parent company of the advance deposit sports wagering operator or licensee and the auditing firm.

e. Inclusion of a supplemental schedule for Iowa operations. A supplemental schedule shall include a breakdown of advance deposit sports wagering activities by each Iowa casino in which there is an agreement. The supplemental schedule provided to satisfy this requirement may be unaudited; however, the top financial officer of the company shall provide a statement attesting to the accuracy of the information provided to the commission.

13.5(6) Wagers. An advance deposit sports wagering operator shall display a player's wagers in a readily accessible manner.

13.5(7) Expiration or termination of an Iowa Code section 99F.7A operating agreement. In the event an advance deposit sports wagering operating agreement between a licensee under Iowa Code section 99F.7A and another entity expires, terminates, or is no longer valid, notice of termination must be given to the commission and all customers affiliated with the licensee. A customer shall be given an opportunity to close an account. If the advance deposit sports wagering operator has an operating agreement with other licensees in the state of Iowa, the customer shall have the option to select another partner licensee to which their net receipts shall be assigned, or the customer's net receipts shall be assigned to any remaining partner licensees in accordance with an agreement submitted to the administrator pursuant to paragraph 13.5(2) "f."

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