COVID-19 Industry Guidance: Cardrooms, Racetracks, and Satellite Wagering Facilities

Can racetracks re-open?
- Racetracks are currently allowed to operate without in-person spectators.

What are cardrooms, racetracks, satellite wagering facilities sanitation guidelines?
- Business owners are required to place hand sanitizing stations in all high traffic areas where queueing and handling of chips, cards, money, tickets, the forming of lines, etc. will occur.

Are there proper hygiene guidelines for card, dice, or piece game dealers?
- Business owners are required to provide time between dealer rotations to allow for thorough hand washing.
- Cards should be changed upon every dealer rotation, disposed of by the outgoing dealer, and replaced with new cards.
- All chips should be washed and disinfected prior to circulation.
- Chips should be removed from service and replaced with clean chips upon every dealer rotation.
- Staff should be encouraged using visual and verbal cues to use gloves when appropriate and wash hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Staff should be encouraged using visual and verbal cues to not touch their eyes, nose, or mouth.

Are there proper hygiene guidelines for card, dice, or piece game players?
- Players should be encouraged using visual and verbal cues to wash hands or use hand sanitizer frequently to avoid contamination.
- Players should be encouraged using visual and verbal cues to not touch their eyes, nose, or mouth.

What are the physical distancing guidelines for cardrooms, racetracks, and satellite wagering facilities?
- Reduce the number of occupants at gaming tables so that guests maintain a physical distance of at least six feet from staff and other players. Discontinue non-player game watching or spectators, as this increases the chance of guests congregating.
- For racetracks and satellite wagering facilities with betting windows, closure of windows to allow six feet of separation is highly recommended.
- Racetrack and satellite wagering facilities seating areas should be reconfigured and sectional closures used to maintain physical distancing requirements including the installation of barriers where necessary.
- Remove tables, chairs, machines, gaming tables, etc. from guest areas so that six feet of physical distance can be maintained. If such items cannot be moved, use visual cues to show that they are not available for use or install plexiglass or other types of impermeable physical barriers to minimize exposure.
State-Provided Industry Guidance for Cardrooms, racetracks, and satellite wagering facilities can be found here.