

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Gaming Control Board hereby gives notice that the Board will conduct a public comment hearing on the described rules below.

The public comment hearing will be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Gaming Control Board, 4900 Alameda Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113.

The public comment hearing allows members of the public an opportunity to submit data, testimony, and arguments in person on the proposed rule changes detailed below. All comments will be recorded by a court reporter and/or audio recording.

Subsections D and E of 15.1.5.15 NMAC Compulsive Gambling Assistance Plan:

Purpose: Amend rule to make it more current and applicable.

Summary of Full Text: Changing mandate for board to establish minimum standards for a compulsive gambling assistance plan, because it has already been done, to requiring applicants for gaming operator licenses to comply with those requirements. Also capitalizes "Department of Health"

15.1.5.23 NMAC - Application Fees:

Purpose: Amends rule to update requirements concerning applications and application fees.

Summary of Full Text: Updates application fee amounts that have not been changed since the inception of the agency and removes the requirement that the board must immediately issue an order denying an applicant for a gaming license at any time in the application process should they be deemed not qualified.

Subsection D of 15.1.6.7 NMAC - Definitions

Purpose: Repeal current Rule and replace with corrections of spelling/grammatical errors.

Summary: Changing "building's" to "buildings" in definition of "premises".

Subsection B of 15.1.18.9 NMAC - Minimum Standards for Compulsive Gambling Assistance

Purpose: Repeal and replace current rule to update it.

Summary: Capitalizes "Department of Health" and makes it the responsibility of the Gaming Control Board's Responsible Gaming Coordinator to evaluate and make a recommendation to the Board as to a Compulsive Gambling Assistance Plan.

Authority: Section 60-2E-7 NMSA 1978 and Section 60-2E-8 NMSA 1978.

Details for Obtaining a Copy of Rule and Submitting Oral or Written Comments:

Copies of the proposed rules are available on the Gaming Control Board's website at <https://www.gcb.nm.gov/rulemaking/> or can be obtained by emailing GCB-PIO@gcb.nm.gov. The proposed rules are also available on the New Mexico Sunshine Portal. Interested individuals may provide comments at the public hearing. Before the public hearing, written comments may be sent to GCB-PIO@gcb.nm.gov, or by regular mail at Attn: Michelle Pato - proposed rule, The Gaming Control Board, 4900 Alameda Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113. The deadline to receive written comment is Wednesday, December 4, 2024. All written public comments will be posted on the website throughout the written comment period at: <https://www.gcb.nm.gov/rulemaking/>.

Any person with a disability who needs a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing should contact (505) 841-9700.