



**MEMORANDUM**

08 February 2021

**TO : ALL GAMING SITE OPERATORS (POKER GAMES)**

**FROM : THE ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT, GLDD**

**SUBJECT : HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS FOR OFFSITE POKER GAMES OPERATIONS**

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In its meeting on 03 February 2021, PAGCOR's Board of Directors approved the necessary amendments in the **Poker Table Games** provisions of the *Health and Safety Standards for Resumption of Operations of Gaming Sites*.

Accordingly, please be informed of the following health and safety protocols for Poker Games operations:

1. The increase in the number of seating capacity for poker tables across PAGCOR-licensed poker clubs shall be allowed, subject to the following conditions:
  - i. Strict compliance with the one (1) meter distance between seats;
  - ii. Installation of acrylic walls or barriers in between seats; and,
  - iii. Mandatory wearing of facemask and face shield by all persons inside the poker club.

The Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Department (CMED) and Auxiliary Services Department (ASD) shall inspect and certify the compliance, sufficiency and/or appropriateness of the acrylic barriers installed.

2. Poker Operators shall be allowed to refurbish, widen and/or customize their poker tables accordingly to further increase its seating capacity subject to the same conditions above, including assembling at maximum two (2) existing poker tables into one to form a larger single poker table that shall count as one active table.

For purposes of requests or notification in relation to the above, kindly coordinate directly with CMED.

For your guidance and compliance.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
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