

## **§1719. Assembly and Packaging**

A. Manufacturers of pull tabs shall manufacture, assemble, and package each pull tab series in such a manner that none of the winning pull tabs, nor the location or approximate location of any of the winning pull tabs can be determined, in advance of opening the pull tabs in any manner or by any device, including but not limited to any pattern in manufacture, assembly, packaging, markings, or by the use of a light.

B. Winning pull tabs shall be randomly distributed and mixed among all other pull tabs in the series. The series shall be assembled and packaged with special care so as to eliminate any pattern as between series, or portions of series, from which the location or approximate location of any of the winning tabs may be determined.

C. When the series is packaged in more than one package, box or other container, the entire series of individual pull tabs shall be mixed in such a manner that no person can determine the position or approximate location of any of the winning pull tabs or determine whether any one package or portion of a series contains a larger or smaller percentage of winner pull tabs than the balance of the series. The packages, boxes or other containers shall not be numbered as to distinguish one from the other. Each series of pull tabs shall contain a packing slip placed inside the package containing the name of manufacturer, series number, date the series was packaged, and the name or identification of the person who packaged the series. This information may be printed on the back of the flare or the outside of at least one of the packages, boxes or containers in which the pull tabs are packed.

D. No distributor or manufacturer of pull tabs shall sell or otherwise provide to any person in this state or for use in this state any pull tab series that does not contain a minimum of 70 percent in prizes. For the purpose of determining the percentage of prizes offered in any pull tab series under this Section, total merchandise prizes shall be computed at the amount actually paid therefor by the licensed operator plus 50 percent of actual cost.

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