

Gaming Facilities Standards

CHAPTER 13. GAMING FACILITIES STANDARDS ACT¹

YSMNC 13.1 Title

This Chapter shall be known and cited as the "Gaming Facilities Standards Act" (hereinafter the "Act").

YSMNC 13.2 Policy Statement and Adoption of Act

This Act is adopted in compliance with Sections 12.3(a)-(k) and 12.4 of the Compact, as that term is defined herein. It is the Nation's intent, and this Act shall be so construed, to provide for the adoption and/or compliance by the Nation with certain State and/or federal health and safety standards applicable to the Nation's Gaming Facilities as set forth in the aforementioned sections of the Compact, provided that nothing herein shall be construed as subjecting the Nation to the jurisdiction of the State.

YSMNC 13.3 Definitions

13.3.1 **"Compact"** means the Class III Tribal-State Gaming Compact between the Tribe and the State of California executed on or about August 15, 2016, with an effective date of April 10, 2017, as amended August 8, 2017, with an effective date of January 22, 2018, which supersedes the prior Tribal-State Gaming Compact executed September 10, 1999 as amended on August 28, 2006, further amended by letter of agreement dated September 25, 2007.

13.3.2 **"County"** means the County of San Bernardino, California, a political subdivision of the State of California.

13.3.3 **"Gaming Activities"** means the Class III Gaming activities authorized under the Compact.

13.3.4 **"Gaming Facilities"** means any building in which Gaming Activities or any Gaming Operations occur, or in which business records, receipts, or funds of the Gaming Operation are maintained (excluding offsite facilities primarily dedicated to storage of those records and financial institutions), and all rooms, buildings, and areas, including hotels, parking lots, and walkways, a principal purpose of which is to serve the activities of the Gaming Operation and Facility rather than providing them with an incidental benefit.

13.3.5 **"Gaming Operation"** means the business enterprise that offers and operates Gaming Activities, whether exclusively or otherwise.

13.3.6 **"Governing Council"** means the governing body of the Nation pursuant to the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation Constitution.

13.3.7 **"Nation"** means the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation, a federally recognized Indian tribe.

13.3.8 **"San Manuel Gaming Commission"** means the independent agency established

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by the San Manuel Gaming Act of 1989, as amended, and primarily responsible for carrying out the Nation's regulatory responsibilities under federal or Tribal law and the Compact.

13.3.9 **“Shall”** means mandatory.

13.3.10 **“State”** means the State of California, or an authorized official or agency thereof designated by the Compact or the State's Governor.

13.3.11 **“State Gaming Agency”** means the entities authorized to investigate, approve, regulate and license gaming pursuant to the State's Gambling Control Act, or any successor statutory scheme, and any entity or entities in which that authority may hereafter be vested.

13.3.12 **“Tribal”** when capitalized, means of or belonging to the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation, a federally recognized Indian tribe.

13.3.13 **“Tribal Authorities”** means the Governing Council collectively with a General Assembly pursuant to the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation Constitution.

13.3.14 **“Tribal Council”** means the Yuhaaviatam Tribal Council of San Manuel, the representative body duly elected from the Governing Council established under the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation Constitution.

13.3.15 **“Tribe”** means the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation, a federally recognized Indian tribe.

YSMNC 13.4 Adoption of and Compliance with Public Health Standards

13.4.1 Food and Beverage Handling Standards. The Nation hereby adopts, incorporates by this reference and makes applicable to its Gaming Facilities the State's public health standards for food and beverage handling. The Nation delegates to the Tribal Council and the San Manuel Gaming Commission all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce said standards. The Tribal Council may, by official action, further delegate its authority under this subsection 13.4.1 to any agency, instrumentality, department, or official of the Nation.

13.4.2 Food and Beverage Service Inspections. The Nation shall permit, during normal hours of operation, inspection of food and beverage services in the Gaming Facilities by State or County health inspectors, whichever inspector would have jurisdiction but for the Gaming Facilities being on Indian lands, to assess compliance with the standards adopted pursuant to YSMNC 13.4.1, unless such inspections are routinely made by an agency of the United States government to ensure compliance with equivalent standards of the United States Public Health Service. Any report subsequent to an inspection or visit by the State, County, or federal health inspectors shall be transmitted within seventy-two (72) hours to the State Gaming Agency and the San Manuel Gaming Commission. Nothing herein shall be construed as submission of the Nation to the jurisdiction of State or County health inspectors.

13.4.3 Water Quality and Safe Drinking Water Standards. The Nation hereby adopts, incorporates by this reference and makes applicable to its Gaming Facilities federal water quality and safe drinking water standards applicable in California. The Nation delegates to the Tribal Council all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce those standards. The Tribal Council may, by official action, further delegate its authority under this subsection 13.4.3 to any agency, instrumentality, department, or official of the Nation.

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13.4.4 Water Quality and Safe Drinking Water Inspections. The Nation shall permit, during normal hours of operation, inspection and testing of water quality at the Gaming Facilities by State or County health inspectors, whichever inspector would have jurisdiction but for the Gaming Facility being on Indian lands, to assess compliance with the standards adopted pursuant to subsection 13.4.3, unless such inspections and testing are routinely made by an agency of the United States government pursuant to federal law to ensure compliance with federal water quality and safe drinking water standards. Any report or other writings by the State, County, or federal health inspectors shall be transmitted within seventy-two (72) hours to the State Gaming Agency and the San Manuel Gaming Commission. Nothing herein shall be construed as submission of the Nation to the jurisdiction of State or County health inspectors.

13.4.5 Other Applicable Federal Health & Safety Standards. The Nation shall adopt and comply with standards consistent with applicable federal laws regarding public health and safety. The Nation delegates to the Tribal Council all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce those standards. The Tribal Council may, by official action, further delegate its authority under this subsection 13.4.5 to any agency, instrumentality, department, or official of the Nation.

YSMNC 13.5 Workplace and Occupational Health and Safety Standards

13.5.1 Workplace and Occupational Health and Safety Standards. The Nation hereby adopts, incorporates by this reference and makes applicable to its Gaming Facilities federal workplace and occupational health and safety standards. The Nation delegates to the San Manuel Gaming Commission and the Tribal Council, as appropriate, all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce those standards. The Tribal Council may, by official action, further delegate its authority under this subsection 13.5.1 to any agency, instrumentality, department, or official of the Nation.

13.5.2 Workplace Inspections. The Nation shall permit State inspectors to inspect Gaming Facility workplaces, during normal hours of operation, to assess compliance with such standards; provided that there is no right to inspection by State inspectors where an inspection has been conducted by an agency of the United States pursuant to federal law during the previous calendar quarter and the Nation has provided a copy of the federal agency's report to the State Gaming Agency within ten (10) days of the federal inspection. Nothing herein shall be construed as submission of the Nation to the jurisdiction of such State inspectors.

YSMNC 13.6 Adoption of Other Laws and Standards

13.6.1 The Nation shall comply with § 12.3(f) of the Compact pursuant to the San Manuel Gaming Operation Employment Claims Act, as amended.

13.6.2 The Nation shall adopt and comply with check cashing standards pursuant to the terms of § 12.3(g) of the Compact. The Nation delegates to the Tribal Council and the San Manuel Gaming Commission all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce those standards. The Tribal Council may, by official action, further delegate its authority under this subsection 13.6.2 to any agency, instrumentality, department, or official of the Nation.

13.6.3 The Nation shall adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than State laws, if any, prohibiting a gambling or other gaming enterprise from providing, allowing, contracting to provide, or arranging to provide alcoholic beverages, or food or lodging, for no charge or at reduced prices at a gambling establishment or lodging facility as an incentive or

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enticement. The Nation delegates to the Tribal Council and the San Manuel Gaming Commission all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce those standards. The Tribal Council may by official action further delegate its authority under this subsection 13.6.3 to any agency, instrumentality, department, or official of the Nation.

13.6.4 The Nation shall adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than State laws, if any, prohibiting extensions of credit. The Nation delegates to the Tribal Council and the San Manuel Gaming Commission all necessary authority to adopt appropriate regulations and enforce those standards.

13.6.5 The Nation shall comply with provisions of the Bank Secrecy Act, P.L. 91-508, October 26, 1970, 31 U.S.C. §§ 5311-5314, as amended, and all reporting requirements of the Internal Revenue Service, insofar as such provisions and reporting requirements are applicable to gambling establishments.

13.6.6 In accordance with the Nation's sovereignty and reflecting its commitment to ensuring fair wages for its employees, the Nation agrees to adopt standards no less stringent than the minimum wage, maximum hour, child labor, overtime, and working condition standards set forth in the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq., and the United States Department of Labor regulations implementing the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 C.F.R. § 500 et seq. The Gaming Operation has adopted its own wage scales for the Gaming Facility consistent with the State minimum wage law enacted pursuant to California Labor Code § 1182.12 and the State Department of Industrial Relations regulations implementing the State minimum wage law, title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, § 11000 et seq., and will maintain wage scales consistent with any future wage changes in these State minimum wage laws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, only the federal minimum wage laws set forth in the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq., and its implementing regulations, shall apply to tipped employees. Nothing herein shall make applicable State law concerning overtime or any other wage and hour matters.

13.6.7 The Nation shall comply with the building and safety standards set forth in § 6.4.2 of the Compact pursuant to the Gaming Facility Building and Safety Act, as amended.

YSMNC 13.7 Sovereign Immunity

Nothing contained within this Act shall be deemed to constitute a waiver or diminution of any type whatsoever of the Nation's sovereign immunity from unconsented suit, which sovereign immunity is hereby expressly reaffirmed.