

CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Luis V. Saenz
District Attorney

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Re: Coin Operated Machine Occupation Tax

Dear Sir/Madame:

Thank you for paying the County Coin Operated Machine Occupation Tax due on your coin operated machine(s). Because of this payment, you are being issued a tax stamp. This stamp must be affixed to the coin-operated machine for which the tax was paid. The sole purpose of this tax stamp is to verify you have paid the County Occupation Tax due on the machine for which is affixed. The payment of the Coin Operated Machine Occupation Tax and the affixation of the tax stamp does not authorize any particular conduct on your part and <u>does not authorize you</u>, or any other person, to use the machine for which it will be affixed to violate any laws of the State of Texas or the United States of America.

Be Advised, a multi-agency task force is still investigating illegal gambling establishments in Cameron County. Authorities will continue to conduct regular inspections of all locations displaying coin operated machines to determine if violations of laws are occurring. Pursuant to the Texas Penal Code, it is illegal for a person to own or obtain a gambling device. A gambling device" includes any "electronic, electromechanical, or mechanical contrivance that for a consideration affords the player an opportunity to obtain anything of value, the award of which is determined solely or partially by chance, even though accompanied by some skill, whether or not the prize is automatically paid by the contrivance. A "gambling device" does not include any electronic, electromechanical, or mechanical contrivance designed, made, and adopted solely for bona fide amusement purposes if the contrivance rewards the player exclusively with noncash merchandise prizes, toys, or novelties, or a representation of value redeemable for those items, that have a wholesale value available from a single play of the game or device of not more than 10 times the amount charged to play the game or device once or \$5, whichever is less.

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I acknowledge reading and understanding the above notice.

Owner/Agent: ______Owner/Agent: ______Print

Receipt # ______Date: ______