[0004]

On the other hand, different values are defined for different types of game tokens, and techniques for detecting the values of the game tokens have also been proposed in order to automate the table games. For example, there is known a method of embedding into a game token an RFID tag recorded with information on a type or a value of the game token and reading the information with an RFID reader to detect the value of the game token (for example, see JP 2008-246103 A).

[0005]

Embodiments of the present invention seek to provide a novel game token that may enable determination of authenticity thereof based on an image obtained by shooting by a camera, and an inspection system of inspecting the game token.

[0006]

According to one aspect of the present invention, there is provided an inspection system for game tokens for games using a game table, including: a recording device configured to record types and authenticity of the game tokens using the camera; and an inspection device configured to determine authenticity of the game tokens using a result recorded by the recording device, wherein each of the game tokens is provided with a unique ID for individual identification in appearance, the inspection device reads the unique ID of a target game token for inspection among

the game tokens using the camera, and determines authenticity of the target game token based on the read unique ID, and the unique ID for individual identification or for individual identification in a specific group unit is formed by irradiating an ID mark region that is formed of a UV ink or an infrared absorbing material with laser light to partially denature or remove the UV ink or the infrared absorbing material that forms the ID mark region.

[0007]

With this configuration, the unique ID appears in the ID mark region by irradiating the ID mark region on the game token with ultraviolet light or infrared rays, and thus the authenticity can be determined by reading the unique ID of the game token.

[0008]

In the above inspection system, the unique ID may be associated with any one of a machine used for manufacturing the game tokens, a sequence of manufacture, time of manufacture, and manufacturing information in a database.

[0009]

With this configuration, any one of a machine used for manufacturing the game tokens, a sequence of manufacture, time of manufacture, and manufacturing information can be determined by reading the ID code.

[0010]

In the above inspection system, each of the game

the UV camera.

[0014]

In the above inspection system, the unique ID provided on each of the game tokens may be a code expressed by a character or a mark.

[0015]

With this configuration, the unique ID is expressed by a character or a mark.

[0016]

In the inspection system, the unique ID provided on each of the game tokens may be transparent.

[0017]

This configuration makes it possible to add the unique ID without deteriorating the design of each of the game tokens and also improve security.

[0018]

According to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a game token comprising a unique ID for individual identification provided on an outer layer of the game token, wherein the unique ID is read by a camera and allows determination of authenticity of the game token, and the unique ID for individual identification or for individual identification in a specific group unit is formed by irradiating an ID mark region that is formed of a UV ink or an infrared absorbing material with laser light to partially denature or remove the UV ink or the infrared absorbing material that forms