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## **9s galore on 09/09/09**

*Lottery could reach liability limits on some combination of 9s*

(Madison)— The Wisconsin Lottery says there could be so much interest in today's date among its daily lotto game players that it will likely reach the \$3 million liability cap on wagers that feature some combination of nines in its Pick 3 and Pick 4 games.

"Daily lotto game players really focus in on number combinations, and when combinations emerge in calendar dates, or coincide with other events, interest in them takes off," said Andrew Bohage, Lottery spokesperson.

Bohage said whenever the wagers for a specific set of numbers in the Pick 3 or Pick 4 daily lotto games reach \$3 million in potential prize payout, sales of that number set are suspended. The games themselves continue; they are not shut down and sales of all other number combinations are not affected. Only those specific number combinations that reach \$3 million in possible prize payout due to heavy wagering are made unavailable.

If a specific Pick 3 or Pick 4 number combination does reach the \$3 million liability limit and is suspended the Lottery immediately informs its retailers through their lottery terminals. Players can then be made aware—before they try to purchase their tickets—that no more wagers will be accepted for the suspended number combination.

The best advice for players looking to play 9s on 09/09/09: Buy as early as possible. Otherwise, they might find their lucky combination is no longer available.