

#### **HOW TO PLAY MEGA MILLIONS:**

- 1. Choose five different numbers from 1 to 70 and one Mega Ball number from 1 to 25.
- 2. Place wagers by asking for a QUICK PICK or by using the Mega Millions playslip. Playslips are available at Wisconsin Lottery retailers.
- **3. Choose how many draws to play.** Each ticket costs \$2 per play per draw. Mega Millions can be played up to 8 draws (4 weeks) in advance.
- **4. Select the Megaplier** feature (an additional \$1 per play) for a chance to multiply winnings.
- Check playslip carefully before handing it to the retailer. <u>MEGA MILLIONS TICKETS CANNOT</u> <u>BE CANCELLED.</u>
- 6. Give completed playslip and cash to the retailer.
- Receive, sign, and safeguard ticket. A ticket is needed to claim a prize. Playslips are not valid to claim a prize.
- For each play, all six selected numbers are printed on one line of the ticket with the Mega Ball number printed to the right, under the word "MEGA."

#### HOW TO MULTIPLY WINNINGS WITH MEGAPLIER:

- For an additional \$1 per play per draw (total cost will be \$3), Megaplier will increase NON-jackpot winnings.
- To select Megaplier, mark the Megaplier circle on the playslip, or ask the clerk to add Megaplier when purchasing a ticket.
- For every Mega Millions drawing, a Megaplier of either 2X, 3X, 4X, or 5X will be drawn.
- If your ticket wins a prize from **\$2 to \$1,000,000** and the Megaplier is added, the prize amount will be multiplied by that drawing's Megaplier.
  - Examples: If you added Megaplier and your prize is \$10 and the Megaplier drawn was 3X, you win \$30 (\$10 X 3). If you added Megaplier and your prize is \$1,000,000 and the Megaplier drawn was 5X, you win \$5,000,000 (\$1,000,000 X 5).
- Megaplier does <u>not</u> apply to the JACKPOT.

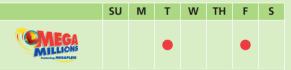
#### HOW TO WIN MEGA MILLIONS:

Match	Win	Odds
5 of 5 + Mega Ball	JACKPOT*	1:302,575,350
5 of 5	\$1,000,000	1:12,607,307
4 of 5 + Mega Ball	\$10,000	1:931,002
4 of 5	\$500	1:38,792
3 of 5 + Mega Ball	\$200	1:14,547
3 of 5	\$10	1:607
2 of 5 + Mega Ball	\$10	1:693
1 of 5 + Mega Ball	\$4	1:90
0 of 5 + Mega Ball	\$2	1:37

#### HOW TO WIN MORE WITH MEGAPLIER:

Multiplier Level	Odds
5 times (5X) the prize won	1:15
4 times (4X) the prize won	1:5
3 times (3X) the prize won	1:2.5
2 times (2X) the prize won	1:3

#### **DRAW DAYS**:



Drawings are Tuesday and Friday at 10 p.m. Tickets must be purchased before 9 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday to be included in that day's drawing.

JACKPOT amount is estimated. Mega Millions odds based on one play for \$2. Prizes are approximately 50.0% of sales. \*The prize money allocated to the JACKPOT shall be equally divided by the number of plays correctly matching all 6 numbers. JACKPOT winner has 60 days from date of ticket validations to select either the annuity payment method of 30 annual installments or the cash option payment method. A cash option JACKPOT prize will be equal to the total cash held for the JACKPOT pool, which will be less than the estimated JACKPOT. JACKPOTS not won will be carried forward to the next drawing. Prizes up to \$599 may be claimed at a Wisconsin Lottery retailer. Prizes \$600 and over must be claimed at a Lottery office or by mail. Prizes \$501,000 and over must be claimed at the Madison Validation office. Tickets, transactions, and winners are subject to state law and Lottery regulations Purchasers must be at least 18 years old. Prizes not claimed within 180 days after drawing are forfeited. For more details regarding features and procedures for Mega Millions and Megaplier, please visit wilottery.com for contact information.

# THINGS TO KNOW

- You must be at least 18 years old to purchase Lottery tickets.
- Credit cards are NOT accepted for Lottery purchases.
- Tickets are void if stolen, mutilated, altered, unreadable, counterfeit, misregistered, defective, or fail to pass the Lottery's confidential validation test.
- Jackpots shall be paid to the recipient, or their estate in the event of death, unless otherwise ordered by a court of law.
- Prizes must be claimed within 180 days from the date of the lotto game draw, or from the declared game end for instant scratch tickets.
- All Lottery winnings are taxable. Prize winnings are subject to both federal and state tax withholding.
- Tickets, transactions, winners, and winnings are subject to state law and Lottery regulations.

Additional details available on Winner Claim Form.

# AVOID A SCAM

- Beware of notices informing you of winning a contest or giveaway you did not enter.
- Never pay upfront fees of any kind to claim a legitimate state lottery prize.
- Reject telephone, mail, email, or internet offers to buy a ticket for a chance into another state's or country's lottery. It is against the law to purchase foreign lottery tickets or lottery tickets sold outside the state of origin. Scam artists use the names of both legitimate and fraudulent lotteries to steal from unsuspecting individuals.
- Always verify phone numbers and mailing addresses by searching official sources.
- Never provide personal information such as bank account numbers, credit card numbers, or Social Security numbers over the phone or online.
- Beware of "urgent" messages that require an immediate response. It's a common tactic used in scams that gives you little time to check out the offer.
- Legal lotteries do not guarantee that you will win a prize and do not require people to join prize pools to play.
- Never agree to cash a lottery ticket for a stranger.

# PLAY IT SAFE — PLAYER SECURITY

- 1. Sign the back of your ticket immediately after purchase. Signing the back of the ticket is the single most important thing you can do to protect yourself from theft, and to prove you own the ticket. Lottery tickets are bearer instruments; whoever signs the back of the ticket is considered the rightful owner.
- 2. Review your ticket to make sure you received what you intended to buy. Players are responsible for checking the accuracy of tickets before leaving the store. Know the game being played. Game details are available at wilottery.com. Game brochures are available at Wisconsin Lottery retailers. If a ticket appears to have been tampered with, contact the Wisconsin Lottery immediately.
- 3. Only purchase Lottery tickets from a licensed Wisconsin Lottery retailer. If you are approached by someone offering a "winning ticket" for cash, refuse the offer and contact the Wisconsin Lottery immediately.
- Keep your Lottery ticket in a safe place. The Lottery is not liable for damaged, lost, or stolen tickets.
- 5. Determine on your own whether your ticket has won a prize before you present it to be checked or cashed. You can verify prize amounts by using our ticket checkers, which can be found at all Wisconsin Lottery retailers.



- 6. Review the prize payout transaction details.
  - Video screens showing Wisconsin Lottery transaction results are available at all Wisconsin Lottery retailers.



- You may ask to see the cash authorization slip which shows the winning amount for a transaction. Note: The retailer retains the redeemed winning ticket(s) and cash authorization slip(s) for their records.
- **7.** If you are told your ticket is not a winner and you think it is: Ask for the ticket back and contact the Wisconsin Lottery.

Wisconsin Lottery Player Hotline: 608-261-4916

# WHERE TO FIND WINNING NUMBERS

- Visit your local Wisconsin Lottery retailer
- Visit our website: wilottery.com
- Call our 24-Hour Player Hotline: 608-266-7777
- Join Players Club for daily emails
- Subscribe for text alerts

# **REDEEMING A WINNING TICKET**

Location	Up to \$599	\$600 to \$500,999	\$501,000 and Over
Retailers	•		
By mail	•	•	
Milwaukee office	•	•	
Madison office	•	•	•
Special note: Retailers may redeem tickets up to \$599 or the amount that is allowed by that retailer's normal cashing practices			

# By law, only the original ticket is valid for a prize claim. For prizes \$600 and up, players are required to:

- 1. Sign the Lottery ticket (one person only).
- Complete the prize claim form. Forms are available at Wisconsin Lottery retailers, Lottery offices, or may be downloaded from wilottery.com.
- 3. Provide a driver's license or state issued picture I.D.
- **4.** Multiple winners on a single ticket are required to get a court order for prize payment (see claim form for details).

# **CONTACT US**

**Call:** 608-261-4916 Jackpot winners, <u>**PLEASE**</u> call ahead of time.

**Claim Prizes by Mail:** 

#### Prizes PO Box 777 Madison, WI 53774

Send the signed ticket and a completed claim form to the above address. Using certified or registered mail is suggested. Retain a personal copy of both sides of the ticket and claim form.

# Visit:

Madison Department of Revenue 2135 Rimrock Road Madison, WI 53713

#### Milwaukee

State Office Building 819 N. 6th Street Milwaukee, WI 53203

#### Office Hours:

Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. (except State holidays)

Note: Prizes of \$50,000 and above, please arrive no later than 2 p.m. at the Lottery office to allow enough time for processing.

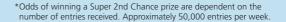


A weekly chance to win \$1,000 with non-winning tickets!

Super 2nd Chance P.O. Box 77006 Madison, WI 53707-1006

# SUPER 2nd CHANCE DRAWING:

- 1. Collect at least \$5 worth of eligible non-winning Wisconsin Lottery scratch and/or lotto tickets for which the prize claim period has not expired.
  - Lotto tickets are valid for 180 days from the draw date.
  - Scratch tickets are valid for 180 days from the game end.
- 2. On at least one ticket, place your full name, address, and phone number. Each entry should clearly state one person's name and address. Mailing labels are acceptable.
- **3.** Put at least \$5 worth of eligible tickets in one envelope <u>no larger</u> than 4.5 inches by 9.5 inches.
- 4. Mail envelope to address above.
- 5. Tickets exceeding \$5 qualify as a single entry.
  - **Example:** One \$10 ticket would be mailed in a single envelope for one entry.
- **6.** One envelope equals one entry and is valid for a single drawing.
- 7. Players may enter as many envelopes containing at least \$5 worth of eligible tickets as they choose, but each envelope must be mailed separately. Players may not win more than once in the same drawing.
- **8.** Every Thursday, 10 eligible winners are drawn. Each of the 10 winners will receive \$1,000.\* Entries not selected are destroyed weekly.
- **9.** Super 2nd Chance Drawing may be cancelled by the Lottery. See Super 2nd Chance Drawing Features and Procedures for details.
- **10.** Winners are posted weekly at **wilottery.com** and notified via the mail.





If you're concerned that gambling is becoming more than a game for you, try using these guidelines to moderate your play.

- Think of the money you may lose as the cost of your entertainment. Consider any money you win as a bonus.
- Set a dollar and time limit, then stick to it.
- Leave when you reach your limit, whether you're winning or losing.
- Understand that financial loss is part of gambling. Don't borrow money to gamble.
- Don't let gambling interfere with, or become a substitute for, family, friends, or work.
- Don't chase losses; chances are you'll lose even more trying to recoup your losses.
- Don't use gambling as a way to cope with emotional or physical pain.
- Know the warning signs of problem gambling.

#### **KNOW THE SIGNS**

Would you know a gambling problem if you saw it in a friend, loved one, coworker, patient, or student?

It's important to know the signs because 3% of the population may have a problem, putting them and their families at financial or emotional risk. Here are some warning signs:

- Preoccupied with gambling and unable to stop
- Bragging about gambling, exaggerating wins, and minimizing losses
- Restless and irritable when not gambling
- Borrowing money for gambling
- Lying about time spent gambling or unpaid debt
- Unexplained absences
- Losing work time because of gambling
- Doing something illegal to get money for gambling
- Jeopardizing a significant relationship or job by gambling

#### **HOW TO HELP**

If someone you know is gambling for more than fun, they may have a problem. Talking to them can seem scary, but they need you for support.

Here are some ways to begin the conversation:

- Find a comfortable place to talk where you won't be disturbed.
- Keep it simple and straightforward.
- Tell the person you care about them and you're concerned about how they are acting.
- Tell the person exactly what they've done that concerns you.
- Tell the person how their behavior is affecting other people—be specific.
- Be clear about what you expect from them. ("I want you to talk to someone about your gambling.")
  Be clear about what they can expect from you. ("I won't cover for you anymore.")
- After you've told the person what you've seen and how you feel, allow them to respond.
- Listen with a nonjudgmental attitude.
- Let the person know you are willing to help, but don't try to counsel them yourself.
- Give the person information, not advice.
- Encourage them to call the Problem Gambling Helpline.

If you are the spouse or family member of a problem gambler, it is important for you to take care of yourself and realize that you are not responsible for the gambler's behavior.

Problem gambling is not a bad habit or a moral weakness, it is a serious condition. With treatment, problem gamblers can put the game in perspective and make decisions to improve their lives.

# If playing isn't fun anymore, call or chat for help:

Problem Gambling Helpline: 1-800-GAMBLE-5 or 1-800-426-2535

Chat: wi-problemgamblers.org

# Free. Confidential. Always there.