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OFFICIAL GAME RULES

“New Year’s Raffle”

The following Official Game Rules have been adopted by the New Jersey State Lottery Commission pursuant to the authorization contained in N.J.S.A. 5:9-7 and shall govern the operation of the New Year’s Raffle Lottery game, herein referred to as “Raffle”. The Official Game Rules are as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

Authorized Claim Center - means any authorized Lottery Retailer or Lottery Headquarters where a winning official Raffle Ticket may be submitted for its Prize award.

Claimant - means any person or Entity submitting a claim form within the Claim Limitation Period to collect a Prize for an official Raffle Ticket. A Claimant may be the Purchaser, the person or Entity named on a signed official Raffle Ticket, the bearer of an unsigned official Raffle Ticket, or any other person or Entity who may seek entitlement to a Raffle Prize payment in accordance with the Raffle Official Game Rules, governing law, policies and rules.

Claim Limitation Period or Expiration Period – means the requirement that a Winning Ticket Prize must be claimed within one (1) year from the date of each applicable Interim Drawing or the date of the Grand Prize Drawing as applicable. One (1) year means the anniversary date of the applicable Interim Drawing(s) or Grand Prize Drawing. For Tickets claimed and scanned at an authorized Lottery Retailer within the Claim Limitation Period and then sent to Lottery Headquarters for validation, said Ticket must be received at the headquarters office by the close of business on the thirtieth (30th) day after the expiration of the Claim Limitation Period to be paid. All claims submitted beyond the one (1) year Claim Limitation Period are not eligible for Prize awards. Prizes that are not claimed within the Claim Limitation Period are known as Unclaimed Prizes or Expired Prizes. The Claims Limitation Period or Expiration Period for Instant Win Prize Vouchers shall be sixty (60) days from the Grand Prize Drawing date.

Director – means the Executive Director of the Lottery.

Drawing – means a formal process of randomly selecting the Winning Number in accordance with the Drawing Procedures for a draw.

Draw Number(s) – means the consecutive number assigned by the Gaming System designating a drawing.

Entity – means any Claimant other than a natural person who claims a Prize.

Exchange Ticket – means a Ticket issued by the Lottery to a Player when a Winning Ticket is claimed for an Interim Drawing for use in any remaining Interim Drawings and the Grand Prize Drawing.

Game – means the game named in the title at the top of page one (1) of these Rules.

Gaming System – means all components used in providing Lottery services. Includes, but is not limited to, central processing system, various back-up processing systems, lottery terminals, and communication network.

Grand Prize Drawing – means the Drawing for the \$2,000,000 Prize to take place in accordance with the Draw Schedule set forth in these Official Game Rules. The Grand Prize Drawing date, time and location is subject to change at the discretion of the Director.

Instant Win Prize Voucher – means a \$50 voucher issued by the Terminal upon purchase of the qualifying Raffle Ticket.

Interim Drawing(s) – means the five (5) weekly Drawings to take place in accordance with the Draw Schedule set forth in these Official Game Rules. The Interim Drawing dates, times and locations are subject to change at the discretion of the Director.

Lottery – means the New Jersey Division of State Lottery.

Lottery Headquarters – means the building where the Lottery operations are conducted. Address is One Lawrence Park Complex, Brunswick Avenue Circle, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648. Mailing address is PO Box 041, Trenton, NJ 08625-0041.

Official Game Rules or Rules – means these Rules for the Raffle.

Play or Wager – means the purchase of a Ticket within New Jersey in accordance with these Official Game Rules and New Jersey laws and regulations.

Player – means a person at least eighteen (18) years of age, who purchases a Raffle Ticket.

Prize or Prizes – means the winnings as defined in these Official Game Rules.

Prize Fund – means the portion of Game gross sales set aside for the payment of the Prizes.

Prize Pool – means the respective number of dollars from the Prize Fund allocated to each of the Prize Levels.

Prizewinner – means a Player who is entitled, as a result of successful Claimant verification and successful Play/Ticket validation, to receive a Prize under the Official Game Rules.

Purchaser or Player – means a Player of Raffle who purchases a Ticket within New Jersey in accordance with these Official Game Rules and New Jersey laws and regulations.

Retailer or Agent – means the person who has been licensed and authorized by the Lottery to sell lottery Tickets pursuant to the State Lottery Law N.J.S.A. 5:9-1 et seq., and the Rules of the New Jersey Lottery Commission.

Terminal – means an electronic device used for entering plays and printing tickets for various lottery games, validating winning tickets and for cashing winning lottery tickets less than \$600.00. Terminals also have administrative features for agents.

Ticket(s) or Game Ticket – means an official Raffle Ticket, produced on official paper stock by a Retailer in an authorized manner, bearing computer selected numbers, clearly identified as a raffle ticket, Draw Number(s), amount of Wager, and validation data.

Unclaimed Prize or Expired Prize – means any Prize for a Winning Ticket that has not been presented for payment within the Claim Limitation Period.

Winning Number(s) – means each six (6) digit number randomly selected during a Raffle Drawing that shall be used to determine the Winning Play.

Winning Play – means the Play(s) that matches the Winning Numbers.

Winning Ticket – means a Ticket that has passed all Lottery validation and security requirements and that contains the Winning Play. Each Winning Ticket must meet Lottery validation requirements.

2. GAME PLAY

- a) The Raffle shall be called “New Year’s Raffle” and all Lottery tickets issued for this game shall be clearly identified as Raffle Tickets.
- b) Raffle Tickets will be sold every day during the sale period during the normal business hours of the agents authorized to sell said Tickets. The sale period for all Raffle Tickets eligible for the Grand Prize Drawing shall run through such date and time as will be determined by the Director.
- c) Raffle Tickets will be issued sequentially by the Gaming System. The first number issued will be “000001” with the final number, “500000”. Should all the available Raffle Tickets not be sold by the designated Grand Prize Drawing date and time, as will be determined by the Director pursuant to paragraph 3(d) of these Official Game Rules, then the top range for winning Raffle selections will be determined by the last Raffle number sequentially sold by the Gaming System.
- d) Raffle Tickets may be available only from certain designated Lottery Agents.

- e) The price of a single Wager shall be \$20.00, except that the Director may establish a discount for multiple purchases or multiple drawing purchases.
- f) Raffle Tickets cannot be cancelled.
- g) There will be a maximum of 38,462 Instant Win Prize Vouchers valued at \$50.00 each available during the sales period of the Raffle. One (1) Instant Win Prize Voucher will be issued for every thirteen (13) Raffle Tickets sold network wide during the sales period.

3. DRAWINGS

- a) There will be five (5) weekly Interim Drawings, each awarding one (1) prize of \$25,000. For each of the weekly Interim Drawings, the Winning Number will be randomly generated by a random number generator that is certified by a third party laboratory. At the designated drawing pool close date and time, the top range for the Winning Number(s) will be determined by the last raffle number sequentially sold by the Gaming System.
- b) When an Interim Drawing takes place, the first randomly selected Winning Number will be assigned to the \$25,000 prize tier. Each Interim Drawing will occur in accordance with the following Draw Schedule:

	Draw Close*		Draw Date*
Interim Draw #1	1:40 AM	Monday, November 29, 2021	Monday, November 29, 2021
Interim Draw #2	1:40 AM	Monday, December 6, 2021	Monday, December 6, 2021
Interim Draw #3	1:40 AM	Monday, December 13, 2021	Monday, December 13, 2021
Interim Draw #4	1:40 AM	Monday, December 20, 2021	Monday, December 20, 2021
Interim Draw #5	1:40 AM	Monday, December 27, 2021	Monday, December 27, 2021
Grand Prize Draw	To be held on/or after:		Saturday, January 1, 2022

**All dates subject to change*

- c) At time of purchase Raffle Tickets are eligible for the next and any subsequent Interim Drawing(s) and the Grand Prize Drawing.
- d) The Grand Prize Drawing will occur in accordance with the Draw Schedule set forth in these Official Game Rules unless otherwise determined by the Director in his discretion.
- e) The Grand Prize Drawing to select one thousand and one, (1,001) Winning Numbers will be randomly generated by computer means. When the random Grand Prize Drawing takes place, the first number selected will be assigned to the \$2,000,000 prize tier, the next one hundred (100) numbers will be assigned to the \$5,000 prize tier and the next nine hundred (900) numbers will be assigned to the \$500 prize tier.

- f) Interim Drawing and Grand Prize Drawing winning numbers will be announced following Lottery regular mid-day drawings. All Interim Drawings and Grand Prize Drawing shall be held at the discretion of the Director and are subject to change
- g) All Interim Drawings and the Grand Prize Drawing will be open to the public and shall be witnessed by an Independent Certified Public Accounting Firm.
- h) Prize Pool:
- i) The total prize pool for the Grand Prize Drawing is \$2,950,000.
 - ii) The total prize pool for the Interim Drawings is \$125,000.
 - iii) The total prize pool available for the Instant Win Prize Vouchers is \$1,923,100.

Total Tickets:	500,000	Overall Odds**:	12.67		
Ticket Price:	\$20	Prize Payout:	49.98%		
	<u>WIN</u>	<u>Maximum Odds**</u>	<u>Total Winners</u>	<u>Prize Cost</u>	<u>%Prize Allocation</u>
Grand Prize Drawing	\$500	555.56	900	\$450,000	9.00%
	\$5,000	5,000.00	100	\$500,000	10.00%
	\$2,000,000	500,000.00	1	\$2,000,000	40.02%
Interim Drawing(s)	\$25,000	**	5	\$125,000	2.50%
Instant Win Prize Vouchers*	\$50	13.00	38,462	\$1,923,100	38%
TOTAL:		12.67	39,468	\$4,998,100	100%

*Instant Win Prize Vouchers shall be issued for every thirteen (13) tickets sold network wide up to a maximum of 38,462 vouchers.

**The odds of a Raffle Ticket being selected in each Interim Drawing and the Grand Prize Drawing depends upon the number of Raffle Tickets sold up to the Draw Close period for each Interim Drawing and the Grand Prize Drawing

4. CLAIMS AND VALIDATIONS

- a) In accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:20-7.12, the Claimant of a Winning Ticket for Raffle may take said Ticket to any Retailer for validation. If said Winning Ticket entitles the holder to a Prize less than \$600.00, that Prize may be paid by the Retailer upon presentation and validation of the Winning Ticket. If the Winning Ticket entitles the holder to a Prize that is \$600.00 or more, then the Retailer shall validate the Winning Ticket, the Claimant and Retailer shall fill out a claim form issued by the Retailer and mail the completed claim form, validated Ticket, and validation receipt to Lottery Headquarters in the claim form mailer envelope. Once a Winning Ticket and claim form are received at Lottery Headquarters and validated, it will be considered “claimed” and will not be returned to the Claimant but will be retained by the Lottery and the payment will be processed. The Claimant should retain a copy of the claim form prior to mailing to Lottery Headquarters. The Claimant should sign the back of the Ticket.

- b) Claimant of a Winning Ticket must provide proof of age and other information consistent with N.J.A.C. 17:20-7.1.
- c) The Winning Ticket must have been issued by an authorized Retailer on official paper stock of the Lottery.
- d) The Winning Ticket must have been recorded on the Gaming System prior to each Interim Drawing or Grand Prize Drawing as applicable and must match exactly with the official file of Winning Tickets and must not have been previously paid. In the event of a contradiction between information as printed on the Ticket and as accepted by the Lottery Gaming System, the Wager accepted by the Lottery Gaming System shall be the valid Wager.
- e) A Claimant in possession of a Winning Ticket from any of the five (5) Interim Drawings may claim that Prize prior to the Grand Prize Drawing. In that event, the Claimant will receive an Exchange Ticket with the original ticket number that is applicable for any remaining Interim Drawings and the Grand Prize Drawing.
- f) Tickets are void if:
 - i) Stolen, unissued, unreadable, mutilated, altered, reconstituted, counterfeit in whole or in part, miscut, multiply printed, defective, tampered with, printed or produced in error, or blank or partially blank.
 - ii) Printing is irregular.
 - iii) Apparent or asserted symbols are not confirmed by validation number.
 - iv) The Ticket fails any of the Lottery's other validation tests.
- g) A Raffle Ticket matching all Game play, serial number, and other validation data recorded in the Lottery's Gaming System shall be the only valid proof of a Wager placed and the only valid receipt for claiming or redeeming any Prize.
- h) All Prizes in excess of \$5,000.00 will be subject to federal withholding tax at the prevailing federal tax rate. All Prizes in excess of \$10,000.00 additionally will be subject to New Jersey gross income tax withholding at the prevailing tax rate. In addition, all Prizes may be subject to garnishment as required by N.J.S.A. 5:9-13.5, 13.14, and 13.17 in accordance with the procedures in N.J.A.C. 17:42-1.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:43-1.1 et seq.
- i) The Claim Limitation period for Raffle Prizes is one (1) year from the date of each applicable Interim Drawing and (1) year from the date of Grand Prize Drawing. All persons holding Winning Tickets must file for a Prize within one (1) year from the date of the applicable Interim Drawing(s) or one (1) year from the date of Grand Prize Drawing. One (1) year means the anniversary of the date of the applicable Interim Drawing or Grand Prize Drawing as applicable. All Winning Tickets submitted beyond the one-year period are not eligible for Prize awards. For Tickets claimed and scanned at an authorized Lottery Retailer within the Claim Limitation period and then sent to Lottery Headquarters for validation, said Ticket must be received at the headquarters' office by the close of business on the thirtieth (30th) day after the expiration of the official claim period in order to be paid.

- j) Instant Win Prize Vouchers shall expire sixty (60) days from the Grand Prize Drawing date.
- k) Pursuant to the New Jersey Lottery Law (N.J.S.A. 5:9-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:20-1 et seq.), holders of winning tickets or shares may remain anonymous indefinitely. The identity of a holder choosing to remain anonymous shall not be included under materials available to public inspection pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:20-7.7). Holders of winning tickets or shares may expressly authorize use by the New Jersey Lottery of his or her name, town and state of residence, prize amount, and photographic or video-graphic likeness, in any medium for the sole purpose of advertising and publicity.

5. LIABILITY OF THE LOTTERY

- a) The liability of the Lottery for Tickets printed or produced in error or for defective Tickets shall be limited to the replacement of the defective Ticket with another un-played Ticket or reimbursement of the holder at the retail sale price of the Ticket.
- b) All winners, Tickets, and transactions are subject to Lottery rules and regulations, and New Jersey State Law. All Prize awards are subject to claim procedures, validation tests, and other applicable requirements of the Lottery.
- c) If the Raffle is no longer offered in New Jersey, any amount remaining in the Prize Pool or any reserve accounts at the end of the Game may be carried forward to a replacement game or used in a manner as permitted by New Jersey law.
- d) Except as herein provided, all rules and regulations of the Lottery shall govern the operation of the Raffle Game. All determinations of Winning Tickets shall be made by the Director whose judgment shall be final.

6. RETAILER REQUIREMENTS, COMMISSIONS AND BONUSES

- a) Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT). As per N.J.A.C. 17:20-6.3, all Retailers are required to have on deposit in their Lottery bank account, no later than the close of their bank business day each Thursday, gross sales receipts less commission and cash Prizes paid out for the previous sales week ending Wednesday. In case of deficiencies in EFT, the Director may debit the Retailer's account \$25.00 per failure.
- b) Commissions. Retailers will receive a commission equal to five percent (5%) of the gross sales dollars. In addition, all Retailers paying out cash Prizes up to \$599.00 shall receive a commission equal to 1.25% of the money paid out in Prizes. On a temporary basis, the Director may from time to time raise the commission rates for promotional purposes.
- c) Bonuses. The Retailer selling a Grand Prize Drawing \$2,000,000 Winning Ticket shall receive a \$5,000 bonus from the Lottery. The Retailer selling an Interim Drawing \$25,000 Winning Ticket shall receive a \$500 bonus from the Lottery. No other selling Bonuses shall be paid.

Bonuses paid shall not be confidential. The Lottery shall be entitled to publicize in a press conference, in printed or electronic form, including all of the Lottery's social media channels, the Lottery's website and on the world wide web, all Retailers receiving bonuses in connection with the Raffle, including bonus amount, name and address of retail location and the owner of the retail location without additional consent or consideration from or to the particular Retailer.

- d) Offsets. Retailer commissions and bonuses may be offset, at the Director's discretion, against monies due from the Retailer to the Lottery. In such cases, if applicable, a net payment will be made to the Retailer. All data regarding Retailers' sales and compensation shall be kept confidential by the Lottery, except for income tax reporting required by law and bonuses pursuant to paragraph 6(c).