

## **PICK-4 GAME**

## **PLAY DIRECTIVE**

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This directive is designed to provide a guideline for the conduct of an on-line game to be designated "Pick-4". In the event of conflict between the provisions of this and any other directive or other publication of the Corporation concerning the conduct of the Pick-4 game, the provisions of this directive shall govern.

### **Definitions**

- **Lottery or Louisiana Lottery** -  
The lottery or lotteries established and operated pursuant to the Louisiana Lottery Corporation Law.
- **Corporation** -  
The Louisiana Lottery Corporation.
- **President** -  
President of the Louisiana Lottery Corporation, or any other person to whom the President's authority is lawfully delegated.
- **On-Line Retailer** -  
A Louisiana retailer who has entered into a licensing agreement with the Corporation whereby the retailer is authorized to sell on-line game tickets.
- **Pick-4 Game Ticket** -  
An official ticket for the Pick-4 game, issued by the Corporation, produced on official paper stock by an on-line retailer in an authorized manner, bearing player or computer selected numbers, figures and/or characters representing the type of wager, drawing date, amount of wager, and validation data.
- **Authorized Claim Center** -  
Any on-line retailer, Corporation Regional Office or Corporation Headquarters.
- **Quick-Pick** -  
A player option by which Pick-4 number selections are determined, at random, by computer software.
- **Pick-4** -  
A game in which four (4) single-digit numbers, one from each of four separate sets numbered zero (0) through nine (9), are randomly selected at each Pick-4 drawing, which selection process shall determine the winning Pick-4 plays for each such drawing.
- **Pick-4 Game Panel** -

That area of an official Pick-4 game ticket identified by a four-digit player or computer selected number, reflected on the Corporation's computer records.

### **Ticket Sales**

The sale of official Pick-4 game tickets may be conducted only by such retailers as the President shall license pursuant to Corporation regulations, rules, policies and directives for on-line retailer licensing.

### **Ticket Price**

Official Pick-4 game tickets may be purchased at the base price of \$.50 or \$1.00 for a one panel, one play, one draw, straight wager; a 4-way box, a 6-way box, a 12-way box, or a 24-way box; and may also be purchased at the base price of \$1.00 for a 4-way straight/box or a 6-way straight/box or a 12-way straight/box or a 24-way straight/box; and may also be purchased at the base price of \$2.00 or \$4.00 for a 4-way combo, one panel, one play, one draw; \$3.00 or \$6.00 for a 6-way combo, one panel, one play, one draw; \$6.00 or \$12.00 for a 12-way combo, one panel, one play, one draw; \$12.00 or \$24.00 for a 24-way combo, one panel, one play, one draw; and any wager may be purchased in multiple plays and multiple draws, in accordance with system parameters.

The President may authorize the sale of any official Pick-4 ticket at a discount for promotional purposes. The President may also authorize the production and distribution of tickets at no cost to the recipients, for promotional purposes.

### **Play Characteristics and Restrictions**

Pick-4 tickets may only be sold to persons 21 years of age or older, who are not otherwise specifically disqualified as players or prize recipients by statute or Corporation regulation, policy, rule or directive.

An official Pick-4 ticket shall be the only valid proof of the wager placed, and the only valid receipt for claiming or redeeming any prize.

Official Pick-4 tickets may be canceled on the calendar day purchased at the same retailer terminal from which the ticket was issued. If the ticket is purchased before the 9:30 p.m. drawbreak, it may only be canceled prior to the 9:30 p.m. drawbreak. Tickets purchased after the 9:30 p.m. drawbreak must be canceled before 12:00 midnight the same calendar day.

A player may orally convey his or her number selections to an on-line retailer when requesting an official Pick-4 ticket, and such selections may be manually entered into the computer terminal by the retailer, or the player may request a computer-generated random number selection.

It shall be the sole responsibility of the ticket purchaser to verify the accuracy and condition of the data printed on the official Pick-4 ticket at the time of purchase.

Official Pick-4 game tickets may, at the player's discretion, be purchased for one (1) through seven (7) consecutive drawings or one (1) through fourteen (14) consecutive drawings commencing with the next scheduled drawing. Tickets may also be purchased for future drawings within the next seven (7) days of the next scheduled drawing, in accordance with system parameters.

### **Time, Place and Manner of Conducting Drawings**

Pick-4 drawings shall be conducted at such times and locations as may be determined by the President, and shall be publicly announced by the Corporation.

The objective of Pick-4 drawings shall be to select, at random, with the aid of computerized or mechanical drawing equipment, winning numbers, pursuant to the controls and methods specified by the Corporation.

### **Prize Payouts and Odds**

The prize payment structure and probabilities of winning (probabilities being expressed as "odds" of winning, as that term is applied in common usage in the lottery industry) are as specified on Schedule "A" to this Directive.

The winnings pool consists of 50% of net Pick 4 sales. Winnings pool excess prize money shall be allocated to a prize reserve pool. Winnings pool shortfalls shall be funded from the prize reserve pool or any other reserve funds made available at the discretion of the President.

### **Prize Liability Limit**

The Corporation may from time to time establish a prize liability limit for sales of tickets for any given drawing without public notice, thereby restricting sales of tickets for such drawing if the liability limit would be exceeded by the drawing of any particular numbers.

### **Interest**

No interest shall be paid with respect to any Pick-4 prize claim.

### **Ticket Responsibility**

An official Pick-4 winning ticket is deemed to be owned by the person, partnership or association named on the ticket or, in the case of a ticket not completed with name and address, by the ticket bearer.

The Corporation shall not be responsible for lost or stolen official Pick-4 tickets.

The purchaser of an official Pick-4 ticket has the sole responsibility for verifying the accuracy and condition of the data printed on the ticket at the time of purchase.

The Corporation shall **not** be responsible to the player for on-line retailer errors in redemption or on-line retailer representations as to the validity or status of a ticket.

### **Ticket Validation Requirements**

In order to be deemed a valid official Pick-4 winning ticket, all of the following conditions must be met:

- (a) The validation data must be present in its entirety and the play number selection printed on the ticket and the corresponding drawing date(s) printed on the ticket, must correspond with the data reflected in the Corporation's computer records relating to production of the ticket. The ticket must have been produced prior to the drawing;
- (b) the ticket must be intact;
- (c) the ticket must not be mutilated, altered, reconstituted, or tampered with in any manner;
- (d) the ticket must neither be counterfeit nor an exact duplicate of another winning ticket;
- (e) the ticket must have been issued by an on-line retailer in an authorized manner on official paper stock;
- (f) the ticket must not have been stolen or canceled;
- (g) the ticket must be submitted for payment in accordance with the provisions of "Procedures For Claiming and Payment of Prizes", hereinafter set forth;
- (h) the ticket data must have been recorded on the central computer system prior to the drawing, and the ticket data must match the computer record data in every respect;

- (i) the player or computer number selections, validation data and drawing date(s) of an apparent winning ticket must appear on the Corporation's computer records and a ticket with that exact data must not have been previously paid;
- (j) the ticket must not be misregistered, defectively printed, or printed or produced in error to an extent that it cannot be validated by the Corporation;
- (k) the ticket must pass all other confidential security checks of the Corporation;
- (l) in submitting an official Pick-4 ticket for validation, the player agrees to abide by applicable laws, all Corporation rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions and final decisions of the President of the Corporation.

A Pick-4 ticket submitted for validation which fails any of the preceding validation conditions shall be considered void. In the event a defective ticket, or a ticket of disputed validity is presented for payment, the President may, at his or her sole discretion, elect to replace such a ticket with a ticket of equivalent sales price from any current lottery game, and such replacement shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the player with respect to any claim arising with respect to such a ticket.

#### **Procedure For Claiming and Payment of Prizes**

Holders of winning tickets for prizes up to and including \$50.00 may claim their prizes at any on-line retailer location. Prizes of \$51.00 up to and including \$600.00 may be redeemed at on-line retailer locations, subject to the discretion of the retailer. Holders of winning tickets for prizes for any amount may claim their prizes at the Corporation's Regional Offices or Headquarters.

A Pick-4 prize must be claimed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the drawing in which the prize was won. In the event that a single official Pick-4 ticket contains a winning game panel for two or more winning games, if the cumulative prize amount does not exceed \$600.00, the ticket may be claimed through an on-line retailer. If the cumulative prize amount exceeds \$600.00, the ticket must be presented to the Corporation for payment.

The payment of prizes to persons under 21 years of age, and payments made with respect to persons who may die before receiving any or all of a particular prize shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 47:9025. The Corporation shall be discharged of any and all liability after payment of prizes as provided by said statutory provision.

Louisiana and federal income taxes shall be withheld by the Corporation for prize payments in such amounts as may be required in accordance with applicable provisions of federal and state law.

Pick-4 prizes shall not be paid to any of the following persons:

- (a) To any assignee of the right to receive a prize, or any portion thereof;
- (b) any member of the Board of Directors, officer, or employee of the Corporation or to any spouse, child, brother, sister, or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principle place of abode of any such person;
- (c) any member of the Board of Directors, officer, or employee assigned to perform services for the Corporation (including corporate software services) of an on-line computer systems vendor under contract with the Corporation, or to any spouse, child, brother, sister, or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principle place of abode of any such person;
- (d) any member of the Board of Directors, officer, or employee assigned to perform services for the Corporation (including corporate software services) of a vendor under sub-contract with the on-line computer systems vendor under contract with the Corporation, or to any spouse, child, brother, sister, or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principle place of abode of any such person;
- (e) those employees of audit firms or entities actually performing on-site contractual audit services with respect to the Corporation's operations;
- (f) employees of any vendor of goods or services to the Corporation barred from game play or prize payment by contractual provision, or as a result of a written determination by the President of the Corporation that game play participation by such vendor, or certain of its employees, may jeopardize the security and integrity of lottery gaming;
- (g) any employees of any advertising agency, public relations agency, or gaming consultant currently under contract with the Corporation and engaged in activities in direct support of the Corporation's advertising and promotional functions, as account managers or representatives.

### **Unclaimed Prize Money**

Prize monies allocated for the payment of Pick-4 winning tickets shall be retained by the Corporation for payment to the ticket holder or holders entitled thereto. Any prize monies remaining unclaimed at the conclusion of the statutory claim period shall be added to the unclaimed prize funds for future prize award, as provided by law.

### **Governing Law**

In purchasing a ticket, the purchaser agrees to comply with, and abide by, Louisiana State Law and all rules, regulations, policies, directives and final decisions of the lottery, and all procedures established by the President for the conduct to the game.

**Effective Date**

This Pick-4 Game Play Directive shall become effective at 12:00 a.m., Sunday, June 27, 2010.

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Date

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Rose J. Hudson, President

## SCHEDULE A

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### PRIZE PAYMENT STRUCTURE AND ODDS OF WINNING:

#### PAYOUTS

<u>PLAY TYPE</u>	<u>ODDS</u>	<u>\$0.50 PLAY</u>	<u>\$1.00 PLAY</u>
Straight	1:10,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
4-Way Box	1:2,500	\$600	\$1,200
6-Way Box	1:1,667	\$400	\$800
12-Way Box	1:833	\$200	\$400
24-Way Box	1:417	\$100	\$200
4-Way Straight/Box	1:10,000 1:2,500	N/A	\$3,100 (Straight/Box) or \$600(Box Only)
6-Way Straight/Box	1:10,000 1:1,667	N/A	\$2,900(Straight/Box) or \$400 (Box Only)
12-Way Straight/Box	1:10,000 1:833	N/A	\$2,700 (Straight/Box) or \$200(Box Only)
24-Way Straight/Box	1:10,000 1:417	N/A	\$2,600 (Straight/Box) or \$100(Box Only)
4-Way Combo	1:2,500	<u>\$2.00 PLAY</u> \$2,500	<u>\$4.00 PLAY</u> \$5,000
6-Way Combo	1:1,667	<u>\$3.00 PLAY</u> \$2,500	<u>\$6.00 PLAY</u> \$5,000
12-Way Combo	1:833	<u>\$6.00 PLAY</u> \$2,500	<u>\$12.00 PLAY</u> \$5,000
24-Way Combo	1:417	<u>\$12.00 PLAY</u> \$2,500	<u>\$24.00 PLAY</u> \$5,000

*Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information provided in this directive.*

*However, in the event of an error, the directive in the official files of the Louisiana Lottery shall be controlling.*