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"CODE WORD CROSSWORD" tickets shall be made available for sale at the discretion of the President of the Louisiana Lottery Corporation and shall continue until the President publicly announces the termination date. This Directive shall govern play of the game, except to the extent that it may be amended or superseded by subsequent directive(s). The price of each ticket shall be three dollars (\$3.00) unless authorized by the President at a discount for promotional purposes.

Each ticket has one (1) game that consists of eighteen (18) YOUR 18 LETTERS play symbols and GRID LETTERS symbols. The ticket purchaser will remove the scratch-off material to reveal eighteen (18) YOUR 18 LETTERS play symbols and GRID LETTERS play symbols.

1. Scratch the YOUR 18 LETTERS box to reveal 18 letters.
2. Scratch every letter in the crossword puzzle grid that matches each of YOUR 18 LETTERS.
3. Scratch every "STAR" symbol in the crossword grid.
4. Uncover 3 or more complete CROSSWORDS in the CROSSWORD puzzle and win the corresponding prize in the PRIZE LEGEND.
5. If your win includes a complete crossword with the "STAR" symbol, DOUBLE the prize shown in the PRIZE LEGEND.

The game consists of approximately 1,680,000 tickets printed for distribution. The anticipated number of winners and the value of these prizes, along with the approximate odds of winning are shown on the following page.

PRIZE STRUCTURE

LOUISIANA LOTTERY CORPORATION
 GAME NO.1561 "CODE WORD CROSSWORD"
 February 5, 2024 - VERSION B

Order Quantity: 1,680,000 tickets
Price Point: \$3.00
Revenue: \$4,569,600.00

Pack Size: 75 tickets
Packs/Game: 22,400
Packs/Pool: 1,600

Pool Size: 120,000 tickets
Number of Pools: 14.00

Winners: 439,506
Non-winners: 1,240,494
Overall Odds: 1:3.82

Cash (Instant)
Prize Fund: \$2,969,700.00
Payout: 64.99%

Kind	Tiers	Paid By	Wins	Get	Win	Value	Odds	Winners			Total Prize Cost	% Prize Fund	
								Pack	Pool	Total			
Low Tiers													
01	001	Retailer	1	3 WORDS	TICKET	\$0.00	1:10.71	7.00	11,200.00	156,800	\$0.00	0.00%	
02	002	Retailer	1	4 WORDS	\$5	\$5.00	1:9.38	8.00	12,800.00	179,200	\$896,000.00	30.17%	
03	003	Retailer	1	5 WORDS	\$10	\$10.00	1:75.00	1.00	1,600.00	22,400	\$224,000.00	7.54%	
04	003	Retailer	1	4 WORDS w/ STAR	\$10	\$10.00	1:37.50	2.00	3,200.00	44,800	\$448,000.00	15.09%	
Total (\$10.00):								1:25.00	3.00	4,800.00	67,200	\$672,000.00	22.63%
05	004	Retailer	1	6 WORDS	\$20	\$20.00	1:150.00	0.50	800.00	11,200	\$224,000.00	7.54%	
06	004	Retailer	1	5 WORDS w/ STAR	\$20	\$20.00	1:150.00	0.50	800.00	11,200	\$224,000.00	7.54%	
Total (\$20.00):								1:75.00	1.00	1,600.00	22,400	\$448,000.00	15.09%
Mid Tiers													
07	005	Retailer	1	6 WORDS w/ STAR	\$40	\$40.00	1:230.77	0.33	520.00	7,280	\$291,200.00	9.81%	
08	006	Retailer	1	7 WORDS	\$50	\$50.00	1:533.33	0.14	225.00	3,150	\$157,500.00	5.30%	
09	007	Retailer	1	8 WORDS	\$100	\$100.00	1:2,181.82	0.03	55.00	770	\$77,000.00	2.59%	
10	007	Retailer	1	7 WORDS w/ STAR	\$100	\$100.00	1:631.58	0.12	190.00	2,660	\$266,000.00	8.96%	
Total (\$100.00):								1:489.80	0.15	245.00	3,430	\$343,000.00	11.55%
High Tiers													
11	008	Claim	1	9 WORDS	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	1:40,000.00	0.00	3.00	42*	\$42,000.00	1.41%	
12	009	Claim	1	10 WORDS	\$30,000	\$30,000.00	1:420,000.00	0.00	0.29	4*	\$120,000.00	4.04%	
Total :								1:3.82	19.62	31,393.29	439,506	\$2,969,700.00	100.00%

* Exact Quantity by Kind Level

STAR symbol = Double the prize

DEFINITIONS

- a) **Lottery** means The Louisiana Lottery Corporation.
- b) **President** means the President of the Louisiana Lottery Corporation or any other person to whom the President's authority is lawfully delegated.
- c) A **Pack** shall consist of 75 fanfolded tickets bearing a common pack number.
- d) **Pack-Ticket Number** means the thirteen (13) digit code printed in black standard pack-ticket number font located on the back of the ticket in the format of GGGG-PPPPPP-TTT. The first four (4) digits are the Game Identifier, the fifth through tenth digits are the Pack Number, and the eleventh through thirteenth digits are the Ticket Number.
- e) **Validation Number** means the ten (10) digit number imaged on the face of every ticket and covered with scratch-off material. The Validation Number shall be printed in standard Validation Number font.
- f) **PDF417 Bar Code** means the bar code printed on the front of the ticket and covered with scratch-off material. This bar code will identify it as a winner or non-winner.
- g) **Play Symbols:**

YOUR 18 LETTERS PLAY SYMBOLS

A B C D E F G H I J
K L M N O P Q R S T
U V W X Y Z

GRID PLAY SYMBOLS

A B C D E F G H I J
K L M N O P Q R S T
U V W X Y Z ☆

REDEMPTION

Tickets winning a cash prize may be redeemed at any lottery office or retailer sales location during the official sales period for this game, but no later than ninety (90) days after the announced end of sales for this game. Tickets winning a low or mid-tier cash prize may be redeemed at any participating lottery retail location. Any cash prize may be redeemed at any lottery regional office or at lottery headquarters in Baton Rouge, within the claim period noted above. Tickets winning a FREE TICKET may be redeemed only at a participating lottery retail location and may be redeemed for a free scratch-off ticket of equivalent sales price from any current active scratch-off game within the claim period noted above. Free tickets will not be awarded as a prize by any lottery regional office or by lottery headquarters in Baton Rouge. Any mail-in claims received by the lottery involving a FREE TICKET prize will result in the issuance of the cash equivalent of a free ticket; i.e., \$3.00 check.

DETERMINATION OF INSTANT PRIZE WINNERS

The determination of instant prize winners is subject to validation pursuant to the paragraphs below entitled Claim Period and Ticket Validation Requirements.

- (a) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of a FREE \$3 TICKET if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover three (3) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (b) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$5.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover four (4) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (c) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$10.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover five (5) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (d) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$10.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover four (4) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS **and** a “STAR” symbol is exposed within a completed CROSSWORD in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (e) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$20.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover six (6) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (f) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$20.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover five (5) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS **and** a “STAR” symbol is exposed within a completed CROSSWORD in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (g) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$40.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover six (6) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS **and** a “STAR” symbol is exposed within a completed CROSSWORD in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (h) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$50.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover seven (7) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (i) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$100.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover eight (8) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (j) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$100.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover seven (7) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS **and** a “STAR” symbol is exposed within a completed CROSSWORD in the exposed puzzle play area.

- (k) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$1,000.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover nine (9) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.
- (l) The holder of a ticket shall be entitled to a prize of \$30,000.00 if any of the YOUR 18 LETTERS match letters in the GRID LETTERS puzzle to uncover ten (10) complete horizontal or vertical CROSSWORDS in the exposed puzzle play area.

TICKET RESPONSIBILITY

- (a) A Scratch-off Game ticket is payable to the person presenting the ticket for payment.
- (b) The Lottery shall not be responsible for lost or stolen Scratch-off Game ticket(s).
- (c) The Lottery shall not be responsible for tickets claimed in error or redeemed in error at a sales agent location.

CLAIM PERIOD

All prizes for this Scratch-off Game must be claimed no later than ninety (90) days from and after the announced end of sales date for this game. Any prize not claimed in the manner described in the Directive and on the back of each ticket shall be forfeited.

TICKET VALIDATION REQUIREMENTS

To be a valid "**CODE WORD CROSSWORD**" Scratch-off Game ticket, all of the following requirements must be met:

- (1) Exactly eighteen (18) YOUR 18 LETTERS, one (1) Puzzle/Grid, one (1) Validation Number and one (1) PDF-417 Bar Code must appear beneath the scratch-off material in the rub-off area covered with security coating on the face of the ticket;
- (2) The eighteen (18) YOUR 18 LETTERS, one (1) Puzzle/Grid, one (1) Validation Number, one (1) PDF 417 Bar Code and one (1) Pack-Ticket Number must meet all of the following criteria:
 - (a) be printed in black ink in its entirety and be fully legible;
 - (b) be right-side-up and not reversed in any manner;
 - (c) be exactly one (1) of those described in the previous paragraphs entitled DEFINITIONS;
 - (d) be printed in the specified font size and correspond precisely to the artwork for this Scratch-off Game on file at the Lottery;

Any deviation thereof must be submitted for claim to a Louisiana Lottery Corporation Office;

- (3) Exactly eighteen (18) YOUR 18 LETTERS and one (1) Puzzle/Grid must appear in the play areas and the number of words revealed must correspond to the Prize Legend;
- (4) The ticket must be intact; any deviation thereof must be submitted for claim to a Louisiana Lottery Corporation Office;
- (5) The ticket must not be mutilated, altered, unreadable, reconstructed or tampered with in any manner;
- (6) The ticket must not be counterfeit;
- (7) The ticket must have been issued by the Lottery in an authorized manner and must not be stolen nor appear on any list of voided tickets on file at the Lottery;
- (8) The ticket must be complete and have exactly: one (1) ten-digit Validation Number, eighteen (18) YOUR 18 LETTERS Play Symbols, one (1) Puzzle/Grid, one (1) PDF 417 Bar Code and one (1) Pack-Ticket Number printed on the back of the ticket. Any deviation thereof must be submitted for claim to a Louisiana Lottery Corporation Office;
- (9) The Validation Number and Pack-Ticket Number of an apparent winning ticket must be confirmed by the Lottery as that of a winning ticket and shall not have previously been paid;
- (10) The ticket must not be blank or partially blank, misregistered, defective, printed or produced in error;

- (11) The display printing must be regular in every respect and correspond precisely with the artwork for this game on file at the Lottery;
- (12) The ticket must pass all validation tests of the Lottery;

Any ticket not passing all the validation tests in this section may be decreed void and ineligible for any prize. In the event a defective ticket is purchased, the sole responsibility and/or liability of the Lottery shall be the replacement of the defective ticket with an unplayed ticket(s) of equivalent sales price from any current lottery game.

CHILD SUPPORT ARREARAGE

According to Louisiana Revised Statutes 47:9026, the Louisiana Lottery is required to withhold outstanding child support arrearage from lottery winners. If the information submitted by the Department of Child and Family Services indicates that a prize winner owes child support, the amount due will be deducted from the winnings and the remainder, if any, will be remitted to the winner. Refer to the LLC's Special Rules and Regulations on Payment of Prizes for additional information regarding this matter.

DISPUTES

In the event a dispute between the Lottery and the ticket holder occurs as to whether the ticket is a winning ticket and the ticket prize is not paid, the President may, solely at his/her option, replace the disputed ticket with an unplayed ticket (or tickets of equivalent sales price from another current Lottery game). This shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the holder of the ticket in the event of such disputes.

GOVERNING LAW

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

PURCHASE and PRIZE RESTRICTIONS

No Scratch-off Game ticket shall be purchased by and no prize paid to any member of the Board of Directors, officer or employee of the Lottery or to any spouse, child, brother, sister or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principal place of abode of any such person.

TERMINATION OF THE GAME

The President at any time may announce an end of sales date for the game. No tickets for this game shall be distributed to retailer locations following that date.

RETAILER CONDUCT

Retailers shall sell their tickets in sequential order within a Pack.

Retailers are prohibited from exchanging Packs with other Retailers.

Retailers are prohibited from playing Scratch-off Game tickets using any method other than fair chance or contrary to the principle that every ticket has an equal and random chance of winning a prize.

Retailers and retailers' employees are prohibited from placing their own or any other name on any ticket not purchased and redeemed by said retailer or employee.

Rose J. Hudson

Rose J. Hudson, President

May 1, 2024

Date