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Welcome Mega Millions to Lotto Game Mix



Mega Millions® Basics

- Iowa sales begin January 31; first drawing is February 2
- Cost: \$1 per play; \$1 per play to add the Megaplier[®] feature
- Numbers: Choose five numbers from 1 to 56 and one Mega Ball[®] number from 1 to 46
- Drawings: Tuesday and Friday at 10 p.m. (Central time)
- Sales Cutoff Time: 8:59 p.m. day of drawing

Beginning January 31, Iowa Lottery players will be able to buy tickets in both of the country's premier big-jackpot games when Mega Millions[®] joins Powerball[®] in the line-up of lotto games sold in Iowa.

"Players have been asking for the chance to play both Powerball and Mega Millions," said Iowa Lottery CEO Terry Rich. "We're excited that Iowa players will now have the chance to play for even more big lotto prizes. We think the change will be popular."

Powerball and Mega Millions are both lotto games with jackpot prizes that have climbed into the hundreds of millions of dollars.

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Some Draw and Sales Cutoff Times Changing

As of January 31, the drawing time for Iowa's \$100,000 Cash Game will change and sales cutoff times for Powerball, Hot Lotto, and Pick 3 and Pick 4 evening drawings also will change.

The drawing time for Iowa's Cash Game will change to 8:28 p.m., the sales cutoff time will be 8:18 p.m. and the approximate allowed cashing time will be 8:40 p.m. Sales cutoff times for Hot Lotto and Pick 3 and Pick 4 evening drawings will change to 8:18 p.m. The sales cutoff time for Powerball will change to 8:59 p.m.

The chart on Page 4 of this issue has been changed to reflect these changes. Please consider cutting it out and posting it on your lotto terminal for reference.

Action Briefs

Raffle Sales Continue As Long As Tickets Remain

Tickets in the Pot O' Gold Raffle are scheduled to be on sale through March 13, but if all 120,000 tickets sell out before then, sales would end early.

Remind players to get their tickets now to avoid being shut out!

Clerks should remember that to sell a Pot O' Gold Raffle ticket, all they have to do is choose the "Raffle" icon on their lotto terminal.

The drawing is scheduled for March 17.

Please direct any questions to your lottery representative or to the hot line at 1-800-858-4744.

NEW Game End and

Valida	ation End Dates	Official Game End	Valid Period Ends
590	Pinball	11/16/09	2/15/10
596	Sudoku	11/16/09	2/15/10
604	Extreme Green	11/16/09	2/15/10
622	Snow Birds	11/16/09	2/15/10
603	Stars & Stripes	1/4/10	4/5/10
605	Twister™	1/4/10	4/5/10
621	Double Or Nothing	1/4/10	4/5/10
627	Cherry Twist	1/4/10	4/5/10

Other important dates are listed on the back of this issue.

Results from your state agencies: www.resultsiowa.org



Silver & Gold Will Be Shining Addition to Line-up

Silver & Gold (pull-tab)

Cost: 25 cents Top Prize: \$25 Odds: 1 in 9.15 Begin Ordering: Now

Play by peeling apart the five tabs located on the back of the ticket. Three symbols are printed under each tab. Check all five tab areas. If three consecutive symbols printed vertically or diagonally under any of the tabs match identically any of the winning combinations shown on the ticket front, the player wins the corresponding prize. The arrow connecting the symbols indicates you are a winner.



Check Web for Tech The Halls Winners

The Lottery received more than 405,000 entries for the Tech the Halls promotion!

Winning ticket numbers drawn for this promotion are listed on the Iowa Lottery Web site at ialottery.com.



Players who entered should check the list and get instruc-

tions there on how to claim their prize. If their ticket is not listed, they should **keep their ticket**. If any winner is unable to produce their winning ticket, the Lottery will move on to the next alternate number drawn.

Winners selected must present the signed entry ticket with a completed claim form. Claim forms must be received by mail or at a Lottery regional office by 4 p.m. on Feb. 4, 2010.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		25 SUPER 7'S (\$2)/ VETERANS CASH (\$1) BEGIN LOTTERY ACTION DEL	26	27	28	29	30
20	31 MEGA MILLIONS SALES BEGIN		2 FIRST MEGA MILLIONS DRAWING FOR IOWA	3	4	5	6
JAN./FEB.	7	8 LOTTERY ACTION DEL	9	10	11	12	13
JA		15 TROPICAL TREASURES (\$3) BEGINS	16	17	18	19	20
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
AL		TROPICAL TREASURES (\$3) BEGINS	23				

Mega Millions to Be Available in Iowa Beginning January 31

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But to date, the games have been sold in separate jurisdictions. Powerball is currently sold in 30 states including Iowa, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands; while Mega Millions is sold in 12 other states, including Illinois.

An agreement among U.S. lottery directors to allow cross-selling of the games was reached in October after several studies and feedback from lottery players across the United States. The agreement also called for the development and implementation of a national lotto game for all U.S. lotteries.

Allowing lotteries to sell both Powerball and Mega Millions and implement a national lotto game should create more winners and result in increased proceeds for the good causes benefitted by lotteries, Rich said.

"We've listened to our players and we think we're delivering what they want," Rich said. "We believe these new games can offer entertainment for Iowa players and help for the state of Iowa during these tough economic times."

Iowa and many other U.S. lotteries will begin selling Powerball and Mega Millions on January 31, but others will not take that step until later. The February 2 Mega Millions drawing is the first that will include tickets purchased in Iowa. Details of the national lotto game are still being developed.

COMPARISON OF POWERBALL AND MEGA MILLIONS

POWERBALL: The jackpot starts at \$20 million and grows until it's won. Players in the game choose five numbers from a pool of 59 and another number – the Powerball – from a separate pool of 39. If you match all six numbers, you win the jackpot. Tickets in the game cost \$1 and drawings are at 9:59 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

For an extra \$1 per play, Powerball players can add the Power Play* option to their tickets, which can multiply their prizes (except the jackpot) by up to five times. And, for those players who choose the Power Play and match the five white balls (regularly a \$200,000 prize), the multiplier will always be 5, so those players win an instant \$1 million. **MEGA MILLIONS**: The jackpot starts at \$12 million and grows until it's won. Players in the game choose five numbers from a pool of 56 and another number — the Mega Ball^{*} — from a separate pool of 46 numbers. If you match all six numbers, you win the jackpot. Tickets in the game cost \$1 and drawings are at 10 p.m. (Central time) on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Mega Millions also has a multiplier feature called the Megaplier[®]. For an extra \$1 per play, Mega Millions players can add the Megaplier option to their tickets, which can multiply their prizes (except the jackpot) by up to four times.

JACKPOTS: Jackpot winners in both games can choose to receive their prize in a one-time, lump-sum payment or in annuitized payments over time. Powerball jackpot winners who choose the annuity option receive their prize in payments over 29 years. Mega Millions jackpot winners who choose the annuity option receive their prize in payments over 25 years.

The largest Powerball jackpot to date was a \$365 million prize won in February 2006. It was split by a group of eight co-workers at a Nebraska meat-packing plant. The largest Mega Millions jackpot thus far was a \$390 million prize split in March 2007 by two tickets purchased in Georgia and New Jersey.

The Iowa Lottery has had six Powerball jackpot winners. The largest Powerball jackpot won in Iowa was a \$200.8 million prize claimed in October 2006 by Tim and Kellie Guderian, a Fort Dodge couple.

College Student Wins \$100,000 Prize Over Holidays



A Des Moines man had a very happy holiday when he discovered he had won a \$100,000 lottery prize!

Kevin Kodjo Abathan, 23, was shocked and thankful when he discovered he'd won the top prize on his "Nutcracker Cash" scratch ticket.

Abathan currently works at the Tyson processing plant in Perry. He and his family emigrated to the United States from Africa 10 years ago.

Abathan is preparing to begin school at Kaplan University and said his winnings will definitely help with that. After using the winnings to pay for school, he plans to save the rest.

Abathan claimed his prize at the Iowa Lottery's headquarters in Des Moines. He bought his winning ticket at H & A Mini Mart, 5901 Fleur Dr. in Des Moines.

IOWA LOTTERY GAME INFORMATION As of Jan. 25, 2010

	Game	Start Date
498	\$35 MIL. CASH SPECTACULAR	01/09/06
570	SET FOR LIFE	06/25/07
580	CROSSWORD-Purple/Pink	12/26/07
593	7'S BINGO-Red/Blue	03/10/08
592	BINGO TIMES 10-Orange/Green	03/31/08
610	HOT HAND	09/15/08
613	FAST JACKS	10/06/08
614	WINNER WONDERLAND	10/27/08
618	CANDY CANE CROSSWORD	10/27/08
619	STOCKING STUFFER	11/17/08
620	HEADS OR TAILS	12/15/08
612	CROSSWORD-Orange/Yellow	12/22/08
623	ANTE-UP	01/05/09
624	4 WAY CASH	01/05/09
632	WILD BINGO	01/05/09
625 635	FREEDOM RINGS DOUBLE PAYDAY	01/26/09 01/26/09
626	DOUBLE WILD 7'S	02/16/09
633	EZ GRAND	02/16/09
628	ACES & 8'S	03/09/09
629	GOIN' GREEN	03/09/09
630	REEL IN THE MONEY	03/30/09
631	LUCKY DIAMONDS	03/30/09
637	KING OF CASH	04/13/09
636	CASH COW	04/20/09
638	TREASURE HUNTER	04/20/09
639	MADE IN THE SHADE	05/11/09
640	10X THE MONEY	05/11/09
641	COUNTY FAIR	06/01/09
642	WIN BIG OR GO HOME	06/01/09
643	LINE 'EM UP	06/22/09
634	FUNKY 5'S	06/22/09
644	THE FREEDOM ROCK™ HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS	07/13/09
645 646	SUPERSTAR CASH	07/13/09 07/13/09
640 647	CASH SPLASH	08/03/09
648	10K PAYDAY	08/03/09
649	BLACKJACK	08/24/09
650	FLYING ACES	08/24/09
651	MIDWEST MILLIONS	09/14/09
652	HARVEST MOON	09/14/09
653	ROLL 'EM	09/14/09
657	JINGLE BELL CROSSWORD	10/05/09
658	SNOWMAN BINGO	10/05/09
661	NUTCRACKER CASH	10/26/09
662	HOLLY JOLLY JACKPOT	10/26/09
663	OH, DEER!	10/26/09
664	SEASON'S DELIGHT	10/26/09
668	SHERLOCK HOLMES	11/16/09
656	CROSSWORD-Blue/Green	12/10/09
660	BINGO NIGHT-Purple/Green	12/18/09
669 670	DOUBLE CHERRY TWIST INSTANT CASH KENO	01/04/10 01/04/10
670 671	BLACK PEARLS	01/04/10
665	DOUGH PLOW	01/04/10
672	VETERANS CASH	01/25/10
673	SUPER 7'S	01/25/10
5.0		01/20/10

ENDING SCRATCH GAMES

Game	Start Date	Last Date to Pay Prizes
PINBALL - Yellow/Red	04/21/08	02/15/10
SUDOKU	07/14/08	02/15/10
EXTREME GREEN	07/14/08	02/15/10
SNOW BIRDS	12/29/08	02/15/10
STARS & STRIPES	07/10/08	04/05/10
TWISTER™	05/12/08	04/05/10
DOUBLE OR NOTHING	01/05/09	04/05/10
CHERRY TWIST	01/26/09	04/05/10
	PINBALL - Yellow/Red SUDOKU EXTREME GREEN SNOW BIRDS STARS & STRIPES TWISTER [™] DOUBLE OR NOTHING	PINBALL - Yellow/Red 04/21/08 SUDOKU 07/14/08 EXTREME GREEN 07/14/08 SNOW BIRDS 12/29/08 STARS & STRIPES 07/10/08 TWISTER [™] 05/12/08 DOUBLE OR NOTHING 01/05/09



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	Lotto Game Information			
Game	Drawing Days	Sales Cutoff Time	Approx. Drawing Time	Approx. Allowed Cashing Time
Hot Lotto	Wednesday and Saturday	8:18 p.m.	9:40 p.m.	11:45 p.m.
\$100,000 Cash Game	Monday through Saturday	8:18 p.m.	8:28 p.m.	8:40 p.m.
Mega Millions	Tuesday and Friday	8:59 p.m.	10 p.m.	To be determined
Pick 3 and Pick 4 Midday	Monday through Saturday	12:30 p.m.	12:40 p.m.	1:00 p.m.
Pick 3 and Pick 4 Evening	Sunday through Saturday	8:18 p.m.	9:20 p.m.	9:40 p.m.
Powerball	Wednesday and Saturday	8:59 p.m.	9:59 p.m.	11:40 p.m.

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, call 1-800-BETS OFF. You must be at least 21 years old to purchase lottery tickets.