

CHAPTER 10-16-08 MEGA MILLIONS GAME

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10-16-08-01. Game description.

To play MEGA MILLIONS®, a player selects five different white numbers, between one and seventy, and one additional gold number (Mega Ball®) between one and twenty-five. The additional number may be the same as one of the first five numbers selected. The price of a play is two dollars. A grand prize is paid, at the election of a winning player or by a default election made according to these rules, either on an annuitized pari-mutuel basis or as a cash lump sum payment of the total cash held for the prize pool on a pari-mutuel basis. A set prize (cash prize of one million dollars or less) is paid on a single-payment cash basis. Draws are held every Tuesday and Friday.

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10-16-08-02. Expected prize pool percentages and odds.

The grand prize will be determined and announced by the game group. The grand prize is paid on a pari-mutuel basis. Except as provided by rule, a set prize must be paid according to these matches per play and prize amounts with these expected prize payout percentages:

<u>Matches Per Play</u>	<u>Prize</u>	<u>Prize Pool Percentage</u>	
		<u>Allocated to Prize</u>	<u>Odds**</u>
5 white + 1 gold	Grand prize*	75.30%	1:302,575,350
5 white + 0 gold	\$1,000,000	7.93%	1:12,607,306
4 white + 1 gold	\$10,000	1.07%	1:931,001
4 white + 0 gold	\$500	1.29%	1:38,792
3 white + 1 gold	\$200	1.37%	1:14,547
3 white + 0 gold	\$10	1.65%	1:606
2 white + 1 gold	\$10	1.44%	1:693
1 white + 1 gold	\$4	4.48%	1:89
0 white + 1 gold	\$2	5.46%	1:37

Overall odds of winning a prize on a two dollar play are 1:24.

* The grand prize is pari-mutuel and will be divided equally by the number of plays winning the grand prize.

** Reflects the odds of winning and probable distribution of winning tickets in and among each prize tier, based on the total number of possible combinations.

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10-16-08-03. Prize pool and payment.

1. The prize pool for all prize categories must consist of up to fifty-five percent of each draw period's sales after the prize reserve account is funded.
2. The prize money allocated to the grand prize pool must be divided equally by the number of plays that win the grand prize. If the grand prize is not won in a draw, subject to any restrictions by the game group, the prize money allocated for the grand prize must roll over and be added to the grand prize pool for the next draw.
3. If there are multiple grand prize winning plays during a draw, each player selecting the annuitized option prize, then a winning play's share of the annuitized grand prize must be determined by dividing the annuitized grand prize by the number of winning plays.
4. A grand prize must be paid, at the election of the winning player made within sixty days after the player becomes entitled to the prize, with either a per winning player annuity or cash payment. If the payment election is not made by the player within sixty days after the player becomes entitled to the prize, then the prize must be paid as an annuity prize. An election for an annuity payment made by a player may be changed to a cash payment at the election of the player until the expiration of sixty days after the player becomes entitled to the prize. Otherwise, the payment election is final. Shares of the grand prize must be determined by dividing the cash available in the grand prize pool equally among all winning plays of the grand prize. A player who elects a cash payment must be paid the share in a single cash payment. A player who elects an annuitized prize must be paid annually in thirty graduated annual payments with the initial payment being made in cash, followed by twenty-nine payments by the best available rate obtained through a competitive bid of qualified bidders. Annual payments after the initial payment must be made by the lottery within seven days of the anniversary date on which the bonds were purchased to fund the annuity.
5. The lottery may not pay a grand or set cash prize until after it receives authorization from the MUSL. The lottery may pay the prize before it receives the funds from the MUSL.
6. The prize pool percentage allocated to set prizes must be carried forward to a subsequent draw if all or a portion of it is not needed to pay the set prizes awarded in the current draw.

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10-16-08-04. Megaplier option.

1. The Megaplier® option is a limited extension of the MEGA MILLIONS® game and is conducted according to the game group's game rules. The option offers the owner of a qualifying play a chance to multiply or increase the amount of a set prize.
2. A qualifying play is a single MEGA MILLIONS® play for which the player pays an extra one dollar for the Megaplier® option. Megaplier® does not apply to the grand prize.
3. A qualifying play which wins one of the set prizes will be multiplied by the number selected, two through five, in a separate random Megaplier® drawing.
4. A single number from a series of fifteen numbers is selected according to the following frequency: five number 2s, six number 3s, three number 4s, and one number 5. The game group may change one or more of the multiplier numbers for a special promotion.

5. A prize awarded must be paid as a lump sum set prize. Instead of the normal set prize amount, a qualifying Megaplier® will pay the amounts shown below when matched with the Megaplier® number drawn:

MEGA MILLIONS® Pays Instead

Prize Amounts With Megaplier® Purchase and Multiplier

<u>Matches Per Play</u>	<u>Set Prize Amount</u>	<u>5X</u>	<u>4X</u>	<u>3X</u>	<u>2X</u>
5 white + 0 gold	\$1,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$2,000,000
4 white + 1 gold	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$30,000	\$20,000
4 white + 0 gold	\$500	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,000
3 white + 1 gold	\$200	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$400
3 white + 0 gold	\$10	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
2 white + 1 gold	\$10	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
1 white + 1 gold	\$4	\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8
0 white + 1 gold	\$2	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4

Multiplier numbers do not apply to the grand prize.

Rarely, under the game group's limitation of liability rules, a set prize amount may be less than the amount shown. In that case, a Megaplier® prize will be a multiple of two through five for the new set prize amount. For example, if the match 4+1 set prize amount of ten thousand dollars becomes two thousand dollars under the game group's rules, a Megaplier® player winning that prize amount when a "4" has been drawn would win eight thousand dollars (\$2,000 x 4).

6. The following table reflects the probability of the Megaplier® numbers being drawn:

<u>Megaplier®</u>	<u>Probability of Prize Increase</u>
5X - Prize won times 5	1 in 15
4X - Prize won times 4	3 in 15
3X - Prize won times 3	6 in 15
2X - Prize won times 2	5 in 15

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