



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3770:1-9-760 Game rule seven hundred sixty.

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(A) Title and term. Ohio Lottery Commission game rule number seven hundred sixty, "Emerald 7's," shall be conducted at such times and for such periods as the commission may determine. For the purpose of this rule, "sales cycle" shall mean any such period, including reprints, beginning on the date when ticket sales are commenced and continuing through the date established by the director as the date on which sales agents are to make their final settlement with respect to tickets allocated to them during the period in game rule number seven hundred sixty.

(B) General design.

(1) Game rule number seven hundred sixty is a key number match game and is generally known as an "instant lottery."

(2) Holders of valid tickets will remove the covering off the entire play area to reveal one "\$25 Bonus" spot, one "\$50 Bonus" spot, and one "\$100 Bonus" spot four "Winning Numbers," fifteen "Your Numbers" and fifteen corresponding prize amounts. If the player reveals a "Ring" symbol in the "\$25, \$50, or \$100 Bonus" spots, the player wins the prize(s) shown automatically. If a player matches one or more of the "Winning Numbers" to one or more of "Your Numbers," the player wins the corresponding prize value(s). If the player reveals a "7" symbol, the player wins the prize shown automatically. If the player reveals a "77" symbol, the player wins ten times prize shown. If the player reveals a "777" symbol, the player wins twenty-five times the prize shown. If the player reveals a "Emerald 7" symbol, the player wins all fifteen prizes shown. There are eighteen chances to win on each ticket, and a player may win up to eighteen times on one ticket.

(3) The only "prize values," which shall appear on a ticket in game rule number seven hundred sixty are: one dollar, two dollars, five dollars, ten dollars, twenty dollars, twenty-five dollars, fifty dollars, one hundred dollars, five hundred dollars, one thousand dollars, ten thousand dollars, and one hundred thousand dollars. Numbers, prize values and play symbols appearing on any ticket in game rule number seven hundred sixty shall be concealed by an opaque covering, which may be scratched



off by the holder of the ticket to reveal the underlying numbers, prize values and play symbols.

(C) Price of tickets. The price of a ticket issued by the commission in game rule number seven hundred sixty shall be five dollars.

(D) Structure, nature and value of prize awards.

(1) There shall be one type of prize in game rule number seven hundred sixty called a "prize award."

(2) As used in this rule, "prize award" shall mean one of the following monetary figures, which is the total of all winning prize values appearing on the ticket: five dollars, ten dollars, twenty dollars, twenty-five dollars, fifty dollars, one hundred dollars, five hundred dollars, one thousand dollars, ten thousand, and one hundred thousand dollars. Each ticket in game rule number seven hundred sixty shall be imprinted in such a way that prize awards from the set listed above may be won.

(E) Number of prize awards. The number of prize awards in any sales cycle of game rule number seven hundred sixty will depend upon the number of tickets sold during that cycle. However, distribution and availability for public purchase may be affected by, but not limited to, circumstances such as stolen, defective, missing, damaged, promotional, returned or reordered tickets. Tickets shall be printed in accordance with this rule using random techniques in order that the following occur:

(1) Combinations winning each prize award are randomly distributed throughout all tickets printed in any given ticket issuance; and

(2) For each line in column one of the appendix to this rule, the player having the prize value and multiplier, if any, on that same line in column three shall win the prize award on the same line in column four; and in a pool of six million tickets sold, mathematical reasoning suggests that the number of tickets having the prize value and multiplier, if any, on a given line in column three and four should be as set forth on that same line in column five.

(F) Tickets sold. Chances of winning and the number of winning tickets are established at the time of printing and will change as prizes are won.



(G) Frequency of prize drawings.

(1) Random imprinting of prize awards on all tickets issued in game rule number seven hundred sixty shall be accomplished in a manner that complies with the commission's rules and procedures.

(2) When a ticket issued in game rule number seven hundred sixty is sold or deemed sold in accordance with this rule, and the covering material over any of the numbers, prize values and play symbols has been removed, the holder shall be deemed to have drawn the numbers, prize values and play symbols on that ticket, which determine whether the holder is entitled to a prize award. All prize awards shall be deemed announced no later than the last day of the sales cycle of game rule number seven hundred sixty in which the ticket was sold.

(H) Special claim, entry, receipt and validation procedures. The director shall establish special claim, entry, receipt and validation procedures, including procedures for validation by sales agents of tickets winning prize awards, which are to be paid by sales agents in accordance with commission rules. Prize awards shall be claimed within the time limits set forth by commission rules.

(I) Validity of tickets.

(1) A mechanical error in printing prize awards, symbols, words or other numbers on a ticket shall not automatically invalidate that ticket. To the extent feasible, the director shall establish procedures by which the holder of any ticket on which information is incorrectly printed due to mechanical malfunction may be advised of correct information for the ticket. If it is not technically feasible to recover the information from a mechanically misprinted ticket, the director may declare the ticket void and the holder shall be entitled to a return of the ticket price or a replacement ticket of comparable price.

(2) In addition to, but not in limitation of, all other power and authority conferred on the director by the commission's rules, the director may declare a ticket in game rule number seven hundred sixty void if it is stolen, deactivated, not sold or deemed not sold in accordance with commission rules; if it is illegible, mutilated, altered, counterfeit, misregistered, reconstituted, miscut, defective, printed or produced in error or incomplete; if the ticket fails any of the validation tests or procedures



established by the director; or if the ticket is obtained in violation of commission rules, including, but not limited to, by way of prize discounting prohibited under rule 3770-3-01 of the Administrative Code. The commission's liability and responsibility for a ticket declared void, if any, is limited to refund of the retail sales price of the ticket or issuance of a replacement ticket of comparable price.

(J) Director's conduct of game rule number seven hundred sixty.

(1) The director shall conduct game rule number seven hundred sixty, and any promotions associated therewith, in a manner consistent with the Lottery Act and the rules of the commission including, without limitation, this rule. The director shall inform the public of the provisions of this rule, and the procedures established pursuant hereto, which affect the play of game rule number seven hundred sixty. The director reserves the right to declare any instant game as unavailable for sale at any time to maintain game integrity and accountability.

(2) Names and definitions of elements of game rule number seven hundred sixty used in this rule are to be considered generic terms used solely for purposes of this rule. In actual operation, game rule number seven hundred sixty and these elements may be given names or titles chosen by the commission.