



Big Wednesday Amendment Rules 2008

Pursuant to section 243 of the Gambling Act 2003, the Minister of Internal Affairs approves the following rules, which were made by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission on 19 March 2008.

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Rules

1 Title

These rules are the Big Wednesday Amendment Rules 2008.

2 Commencement

These rules come into force on 28 March 2008.

3 Principal rules amended

These rules amend the Big Wednesday Rules 2005.

4 New rule 2A inserted

The following rule is inserted after rule 2:

“2A Application

- “(1) These rules apply to Big Wednesday tickets, whether they are issued in printed form by a terminal or purchased electronically.
- “(2) For the purpose of enabling Big Wednesday tickets to be purchased electronically, these rules apply subject to all necessary modifications.
- “(3) Despite subclause (2),—
- “(a) a reference in these rules to any act done electronically or anything in an electronic form must be read only as a reference to Big Wednesday tickets being purchased electronically; and
- “(b) an act that is described in these rules as being done electronically must be done in accordance with any additional instructions provided by the Commission, including any terms and conditions governing the use of the Commission’s Internet site for the purchase of those tickets electronically.”

5 Interpretation

- (1) Rule 3 is amended by revoking the definition of **coupon** and substituting the following definition:
“**coupon**, in relation to Big Wednesday, means a coupon provided by the Commission in printed form or by electronic means that contains at least 1 board for use in making a player selection”.
- (2) Rule 3 is amended by inserting the following definitions in their appropriate alphabetical order:
“**electronic** includes electrical, digital, magnetic, optical, electromagnetic, biometric, and photonic
“**purchased electronically**, in relation to a ticket,—
“(a) means purchased from the Commission by electronic means; but
“(b) does not include a purchase made from any other retailer or a purchase made by post or other delivery service”.
- (3) Rule 3 is amended by revoking the definition of **ticket** and substituting the following definition:
“**ticket** means a ticket that—
“(a) records selections, the game number or numbers, cost, and other information as determined by the Commission; and
“(b) is either issued in printed form by a terminal or purchased electronically”.

6 General selection requirements

- (1) The heading to rule 7 is amended by adding “**for tickets issued in printed form by terminal**”.
- (2) Rule 7 is amended by revoking subclause (1) and substituting the following subclause:
“(1) For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, a selection is made by a player marking, by hand, boxes on a board on a coupon constituting the player’s—
“(a) numbers selection; and
“(b) letter selection.”
- (3) Rule 7(3) is amended by inserting “in accordance with subclause (1)” after “hand”.

7 New rule 7A inserted

The following rule is inserted after rule 7:

“7A General selection requirements for tickets purchased electronically

- “(1) For a ticket purchased electronically, a selection is made by a player making a selection electronically on a coupon.
- “(2) A player may electronically submit a coupon completed in accordance with this rule to electronically purchase a ticket recording the player selections made on the coupon.”

8 New rule 8 substituted

Rule 8 is revoked and the following rule substituted:

“8 Making selection

A player makes a selection by—

- “(a) marking or selecting electronically 6 boxes that constitute the player’s numbers selection; and
- “(b) marking or selecting electronically a letter selection on the same board on which the numbers selection has been made.”

9 Combo selection

- (1) Rule 9 is amended by revoking subclause (1) and substituting the following subclause:
- “(1) The Commission is not required to, but may, in the case of a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal or a ticket purchased electronically, or in both cases, permit players to make their selections by means of 1 or more systems for a combo selection.”
- (2) Rule 9(2) is amended by inserting “, or selecting electronically,” after “marking”.
- (3) Rule 9(3) is amended by inserting “or select electronically,” after “line,”.

10 Dip selection

- (1) Rule 10 is amended by revoking subclauses (1) and (2) and substituting the following subclauses:
- “(1) If a player requests or selects a dip selection,—

- “(a) the retailer (without requiring a coupon) may, through the terminal, issue a ticket that has recorded on it the dip selection; or
 - “(b) a ticket may be issued electronically that has recorded on it the dip selection.
- “(2) For the purposes of this rule, a player may make a letter selection in conjunction with a numbers selection (made in accordance with subclause (1)) by—
- “(a) advising the retailer, when making a dip selection,—
 - “(i) of the player’s letter selection; or
 - “(ii) that the player wants the Commission’s computer system to randomly choose the player’s letter selection; or
 - “(b) doing either of the following:
 - “(i) selecting electronically a letter selection; or
 - “(ii) indicating electronically that the player wants the Commission’s computer system to randomly choose the player’s letter selection.”
- (2) Rule 10(3) is amended—
- (a) by omitting “subclause (2)(a)” and substituting “subclause (2)(a)(i) or selects electronically his or her letter selection in accordance with subclause (2)(b)(i)”; and
 - (b) by omitting “subclause (2)(b)” and substituting “subclause (2)(a)(ii) or (b)(ii)”.

11 Player may select cover option for each numbers selection

- (1) Rule 11(1) is amended—
 - (a) by omitting “marking” and substituting “making”; and
 - (b) by omitting “marked” and substituting “made”.
- (2) Rule 11(2)(a) is amended by inserting “, or selecting electronically,” after “marking”.
- (3) Rule 11(2)(b) is amended by inserting “, or indicating electronically,” after “retailer”.

12 New rule 11A inserted

The following rule is inserted before rule 12:

“11A Application of rules 12 to 18

- “(1) Rules 12 to 18 apply to a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, but only rules 12, 14(1) and (3), and 16 apply to a ticket purchased electronically.
- “(2) To avoid doubt and for the purposes of rule 13, a ticket purchased electronically cannot be cancelled.”

13 Player responsibility

- (1) Rule 14 is amended by revoking subclause (1) and substituting the following subclause:
 - “(1) It is the sole responsibility of a player to verify that the selections recorded or displayed on the player’s ticket correspond with those that the player made or requested and that the game number and date of drawing are correct, either, as the case may be,—
 - “(a) by checking the ticket issued in printed form by a terminal; or
 - “(b) before confirming the purchase of the ticket electronically.”
- (2) Rule 14(2) is amended by inserting “issued in printed form” after “a ticket”.

14 Multi-draw selections

- (1) Rule 16(2)(a) is amended by omitting “have printed on them” and substituting “show”.
- (2) Rule 16(3) is amended by—
 - (a) inserting “, or indicating electronically,” after “marking”; and
 - (b) inserting “, or indicate electronically,” after “mark”.
- (3) Rule 16(4) is amended by inserting “, or, as the case may be, indicate electronically,” after “retailer of”.
- (4) Rule 16(6) is amended by omitting “issued for a multi-draw selection” and substituting “for a multi-draw selection that is issued in printed form by a terminal”.

15 Payment of prizes

- (1) Rule 35(2) is amended by inserting “that is won through a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal and is” after “A prize”.
- (2) Rule 35(3) is amended by omitting “A prize” and substituting “That prize”.

16 Determination of prize claims

- (1) Rule 36(2) is amended by inserting “issued in printed form by a terminal” after “A ticket”.
- (2) Rule 36(3) is amended by omitting “ticket accompanying” and substituting “ticket issued in printed form by a terminal that accompanies”.

17 New rule 38 substituted

Rule 38 is revoked and the following rule substituted:

“38 Ticket validation requirements

- “(1) In addition to any other requirements in these rules, the requirements in subclause (2) or, as the case may be, subclause (3) apply before a ticket is regarded as a valid prize winning ticket.
- “(2) For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal,—
 - “(a) the ticket must include 1 or more selections that are winning selections:
 - “(b) the ticket must have been issued on behalf of the Commission by a retailer through a terminal in the authorised manner:
 - “(c) the ticket must be intact and must not be mutilated, altered, unreadable, reconstituted, or tampered with in any manner:
 - “(d) the information recorded on the ticket must correspond with the Commission’s computer record of prize winning tickets:
 - “(e) each number and letter on the ticket, whether a numbers selection or a letter selection, game number, or otherwise must be fully legible:

- “(f) the ticket must not be defectively printed or produced in error to an extent that it cannot be processed by the Commission or any other retailer:
 - “(g) the ticket must not be false, counterfeit, or cancelled:
 - “(h) the ticket must not appear on the Commission’s computer record of cancelled tickets:
 - “(i) all information appearing on the ticket must appear in the Commission’s official computer record of winning tickets, and a prize must not have already been paid in relation to another ticket with identical data:
 - “(j) the ticket must pass all additional confidential validation tests and security criteria established by the Commission:
 - “(k) the ticket must not have been issued in return for a machine-completed coupon.
- “(3) For a ticket purchased electronically,—
- “(a) the ticket must include 1 or more selections that are winning selections:
 - “(b) the information recorded on the ticket must correspond with the Commission’s computer record of prize winning tickets:
 - “(c) the ticket must not be false or counterfeit:
 - “(d) the ticket must not appear on the Commission’s computer record of cancelled tickets:
 - “(e) all information appearing on the ticket must appear in the Commission’s official computer record of winning tickets, and a prize must not have already been paid in relation to another ticket with identical data:
 - “(f) the ticket must pass all additional confidential validation tests and security criteria established by the Commission.”

18 New rule 40A inserted

The following rule is inserted after the heading to Part 4:

“40A Prizes won through tickets purchased electronically

- “(1) Despite anything in this Part, the following provisions apply to all prizes won through tickets purchased electronically:
 - “(a) prizes cannot be claimed from a retailer:
 - “(b) monetary prizes will be credited to the purchaser:

- “(c) the purchaser must comply with the Commission’s terms and conditions for prizes:
 - “(d) non-monetary prizes will be delivered to the purchaser’s nominated address.
- “(2) Rule 43 does not apply to prizes won through tickets purchased electronically, but the rest of the rules in this Part apply to those prizes.”

19 Division 5 bonus ticket

- (1) Rule 45(1) is amended—
 - (a) by omitting “in cash” and substituting “monetarily”; and
 - (b) by inserting “or, in the case of a ticket purchased electronically, to the purchaser of the ticket” after “bearer of the ticket”.
- (2) Rule 45(3) is amended by inserting “(or, in the case of a ticket purchased electronically, the purchaser is eligible for a division 5 prize and there is no game on sale)” after “sale”.
- (3) Rule 45(3)(a) is amended by omitting “cash value” and substituting “monetary value”.
- (4) Rule 45(3)(b) is amended by omitting “cash value” and substituting “monetary value (which, in the case of a ticket purchased electronically, will be credited to the purchaser)”.
- (5) Rule 45(4) is amended by omitting “cash” and substituting “monetary”.
- (6) Rule 45(5) is amended by inserting “in printed form by a terminal” after “issued”.

20 Effect on advance game entries and multi-draw selections

- (1) Rule 48(1) is amended by omitting “If” and substituting “For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, if”.
- (2) Rule 48(2) is amended by omitting “If” and substituting “For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, if”.
- (3) Rule 48 is amended by adding the following subclause:
 - “(4) For a ticket purchased electronically, if, for any reason, a drawing for Big Wednesday to which a multi-draw selection relates is not held, the player is entitled to a refund equal to the cost

of his or her selections for each game for which a drawing was not held.”

Dated at Wellington this 19th day of March 2008.

The Common Seal of the New Zealand Lotteries Commission was, pursuant to a resolution of the Commission, affixed in the presence of:

[Seal]

John Goulter,
Presiding Member.

Paddy Austin,
Member.

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of March 2008.

Rick Barker,
Minister of Internal Affairs.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the rules, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These rules, which come into force on 28 March 2008, amend the Big Wednesday Rules 2005 by making a number of technical and

drafting changes to enable tickets for Big Wednesday to be purchased electronically on the Lotteries Commission's Internet site.

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