

**IOWA LOTTERY**  
**GAME SPECIFIC RULES**  
**PICK 3**

The following are the game specific rules for the Iowa Lottery’s implementation of the Pick 3 Iowa state game. These game-specific rules are generated consistent with the authority in Iowa Code § 99G.9(4) (2023) and Iowa Code § 99G.31(2)–(3) (2023). The game-specific rules are generated in compliance with the Computerized Lottery Games General Rules in 531 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 20, and incorporate the rules in Chapter 20. In the event of inconsistencies, these game-specific rules control any contrary provisions of the Computerized Lottery Games General Rules in 531 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 20. In purchasing a ticket for or otherwise participating in the Iowa Pick 3 lottery game, the player agrees to comply with and abide by the Iowa Lottery’s statutes, administrative rules, and these Iowa-specific game rules.

**SECTION 1 – GAME DESCRIPTION AND PLAY**

A. General Play. The Iowa Pick 3 lottery game is an online game where the player makes elections both on the numbers to play and the amount of money to wager.

For Pick 3, players must select three (3) numbers from a matrix of 10 numbers (0 through 9) for each play. Tickets can be purchased from a terminal operated by a retailer. The player may select numbers by marking the numbered squares in any one (1) game panel on an Iowa Lottery approved play slip and submitting the play slip to a licensed retailer, by requesting an “easy pick” from a licensed retailer, or by entering the numbers or an easy pick request into an Iowa Lottery self-service kiosk.

B. Types of Play. There are multiple ways to play Pick 3. For each play, players must choose the method or methods in which they seek to win. Players can select and attempt to win using the following methods:

- (i) straight, or three (3) matching numbers drawn by the Lottery in the exact order picked by the player;
- (ii) box, or matching the three (3) numbers drawn by the Lottery in any order;
- (iii) straight/box, or a combination play where the player wins the box prize if the numbers picked match those drawn by the Lottery in any order, and the player wins both the designated straight and box prizes if the numbers picked by the player match those drawn by the Lottery in exact order;
- (iv) front pair, where the player’s selected number matches the first two (2) digits drawn by the Lottery in the exact order; or
- (v) back pair, where the player’s selected number matches the last two (2) digits drawn by the Lottery in the exact order.

C. Easy Pick Elections. If a player elects to use an “easy pick” for Pick 3, the player will receive a straight/box play with numbers selected by the retailer’s terminal.

D. Sell-out. At the Lottery's sole discretion, the Lottery may impose a liability limit or "sell-out" for combinations of Pick 3 numbers at a given draw. When the liability limit established by the Lottery is met for a given draw, the play combination for which the liability limit has been reached will be deemed "sold-out" and unavailable for player purchase until the next available draw.

**SECTION 2 – GAME TICKETS AND COST.** For self-selected numbers, players may choose to wager fifty cents (\$0.50), one dollar (\$1), two dollars (\$2), three dollars (\$3), four dollars (\$4), or five dollars (\$5). If the player fails to select an amount to wager at the time of purchase, the retailer terminal or self-service kiosk will default to a one-dollar (\$1) wager. For an "easy pick" play, the player will pay the one dollar (\$1) cost of the automatically selected straight/box play.

Game tickets shall be printed on ticket stock that meets all specifications and requirements of the Iowa Lottery, including but not limited to confidential specifications. Valid game ticket shall include, but not be limited to, the following content: the player's number selections, the game logo or name, the ticket cost, the applicable terminal number, a barcode, a drawing date, and designations for quick picks (if selected) and advance draws (if selected).

The following tickets are considered invalid and do not in any way entitle the bearer thereof to any prize:

- (i) Tickets that do not contain the content or comply with the specifications set forth in these rules.
- (ii) Tickets purchased from non-licensed Iowa Lottery retailers; or
- (iii) Tickets purchased, possessed, or presented in violation of any provision of Iowa Code Chapter 99G or Title 531 of the Iowa Administrative Code.

**SECTION 3 – CANCELLATIONS LIMITED.** A ticket purchased from a retailer may be canceled by returning the ticket to the selling retailer. The ticket must be returned to the selling retailer on the same day it was purchased. The ticket must also be canceled prior to the time for that respective drawing. In the event that a ticket is canceled, the player will be entitled to a refund equal to the purchase price of the ticket. A cancelled ticket is not eligible for any prize.

**SECTION 4– DRAWINGS.** Fourteen drawings will be held each week. Drawings will be held daily, with midday ("day") drawings occurring at approximately 12:20 PM, Central Time, and evening drawings occurring at approximately 10:00 PM, Central Time.

For each manual play purchase, the player must select the number of draws the player chooses to play and whether the purchase will be for day draws, evening draws, or both. When permitted by the Lottery, players may purchase numbers for up to eight (8) manual play day or evening draws, or up to sixteen (16) manual play day and evening draws. Tickets are only valid for only the draws of the selected day(s) and/or evening(s) as reflected in the Lottery's central computer system.

The drawing will be held in accordance with the schedule posted to the Lottery's website ([www.ialottery.com](http://www.ialottery.com)). The drawings will be conducted by the Iowa Lottery or the Multi-State Lottery Association, under the supervision of a drawing officer, an independent auditor and lottery security. All drawings are video recorded. All drawings of the Lottery are public events.

Persons interested in attending drawings are invited to receive detailed information by contacting Iowa Lottery Security in Des Moines at (515) 725-7900, TTY Relay Iowa (800) 735-2942, by writing Iowa Lottery Security Division, Iowa Lottery, 13001 University Avenue, Clive, Iowa 50325, or by

email directed to Wmaster@ialottery.com. Persons who attend drawings must show a valid photo ID and be supervised by a member of Lottery staff during the drawing. A request to attend a drawing must be received by the Lottery no later than 48 hours prior to the drawing. Drawings will be held at the location designated by the Iowa Lottery. Persons are responsible for their own transportation to attend the drawings.

**SECTION 5- PRIZES**

A. Prizes & Odds of Winning. The prizes and odds are determined by the amount of money the player wagers and the type of play selected. The play amounts and payouts are:

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>Odds</b>	<b>\$.50</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>	<b>\$4.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
Straight	1:1000	\$300	\$600	\$1,200	\$1,800	\$2,400	\$3,000
Box (6-way)	1:167	\$50	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400	\$500
Box (3-way)	1:333	\$100	\$200	\$400	\$600	\$800	\$1,000
Straight/Box (6-way exact)	1:1000	N/A	\$350	\$700	\$1,050	\$1,400	\$1,750
Straight/Box (6-way any)	1:167	N/A	\$50	\$100	\$150	\$200	\$250
Straight/Box (3-way exact)	1:1000	N/A	\$400	\$800	\$1,200	\$1,600	\$2,000
Straight/Box (3-way any)	1:333	N/A	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400	\$500
Front Pair	1:100	\$30	\$60	\$120	\$180	\$240	\$300
Back Pair	1:100	\$30	\$60	\$120	\$180	\$240	\$300

B. Prize Pools and Distribution. If all of the prize fund is not distributed on the last draw of Pick 3, the prize fund will be transferred to a new game. In the absence of a new game, the distribution of the prize fund will be determined by the lottery. The lottery may at its discretion transfer a percentage of sales less awarded prizes to a prize insurance fund, which may be used to pay prizes if the amount available to fund any Pick 3 prize is insufficient, for special promotions related to any lottery game, for prizes in any lottery game if the amount available in that game is not sufficient to pay a minimum or guaranteed prize. The prize insurance fund may also be transferred to a new online game. The prize insurance funds may be transferred as proceeds provided that the overall lottery prize payout is in excess of 50 percent of sales.

**SECTION 6- CLAIMS.** A valid Game Ticket shall be the only proof of a game play. A play slip has no pecuniary or prize value and shall not constitute evidence of ticket purchase or of numbers selected. A terminal-produced paper receipt has no pecuniary or prize value and shall not constitute evidence of a ticket purchase or of numbers selected. In order to receive a Pick 3 prize, any winning play must pass all Iowa Lottery security and validation requirements, and a successful claimant must provide all information required by Lottery security.

The submission of a valid winning Game Ticket to the Lottery or its authorized agent shall be the sole method of claiming a prize or prizes. All prize claims shall be made within ninety (90) calendar days of the drawing date in which the prize is won. For purposes of determining the claim period, the first (draw) day shall be excluded, and the last day included. In the event the last day falls on a Saturday, a Sunday, or a legal holiday, the time to claim shall be extended to close of business on the next day thereafter when Lottery offices are open for business. Any prize not claimed within the specified period shall be forfeited.

## **SECTION 7- PAYMENT**

The Iowa Lottery may pay prizes pursuant to this game by cash, check, warrant, or electronic transfer, following the Iowa Lottery's validation of the winning ticket and receipt of any necessary information from the player.

The Lottery may delay payment of any prize pending a final determination by the CEO, and without accrual or payment of any interest or penalty, under any of the following circumstances:

- (i) If a dispute occurs or appears to the Iowa Lottery to be likely to occur regarding the prize;
- (ii) If there are questions regarding the identity or eligibility of the claimant;
- (iii) If there are any questions or concerns about whether the ticket was legally purchased, legally possessed, or legally presented;
- (iv) If there are concerns regarding the validity of the ticket or share presented;
- (v) If the claim is subject to offset for debts owed by the claimant under Iowa law;
- (vi) For any reason permitted in these rules; or
- (vii) For any reason permitted in the Iowa Lottery's Code, administrative rules, or policies.

**SECTION 8- PROHIBITED PLAYERS.** A ticket or share for this game shall not be purchased by, and a prize won by any such ticket or share shall not be paid to, any of the following:

- (i) A contractor, consultant, or other party under agreement with the Iowa Lottery to perform draw, audit and security functions for Pick 3, and any officers, employees, or agents of those contractors, consultants or other parties;
- (ii) An employee of the Iowa Lottery's on-line gaming system vendor;
- (iii) Members of the Iowa Lottery Board of Directors, and Iowa Lottery officers, employees, or agents;
- (iv) Officers, employees, and agents of the subcontractors and vendors of the Iowa Lottery, if the CEO of the Iowa Lottery determines in his sole discretion that the officer, employee, or agent of the subcontractor or vendor has access to confidential information which may compromise the integrity of the Lottery;
- (v) Players that sign up for the Iowa Lottery's self-exclusion program, including but not limited to players who may have lawfully requested removal from the self-exclusion program who have not yet received confirmation of their reinstated ability to play from the Lottery;
- (vi) Any person under the age of 21. However, the recipient of a lawfully purchased and transferred ticket permitted by Title 531 of the Iowa Administrative Code may receive a Pick 3 prize.
- (vii) An employee of the independent certified public accounting firm under contract to oversee drawings for the Pick 3 game.

## **SECTION 9- DISPUTES AND APPLICABLE LAW**

A. Player Responsibility. The Player has sole responsibility for ensuring the accuracy of the game play and the other data on the game ticket. Players make game play selections and play Pick 3 at their own risk. Retailers and other Lottery-approved distributors act solely on behalf of the player in entering the game plays. The Iowa Lottery is not responsible for lost, altered, or stolen tickets.

B. Compliance with Law. By purchasing a ticket or making a claim relating to the Pick 3 game, each purchaser and/or claimant agrees to abide by all applicable statutes, rules, and regulations of the Iowa Lottery.

C. Disputes. Any claims or litigation relating to game tickets and/or prizes for a Pick 3 ticket sold in Iowa shall apply Iowa law and shall solely be brought against the Iowa Lottery in the Iowa District Court for Polk County or the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa, Central Division, wherever jurisdiction is appropriate.

D. Final Determinations. Consistent with Iowa Code Chapter 99G, decisions made by the CEO of the Iowa Lottery, including but not limited to those relating to the declaration of prizes, the payment or transfer of prizes, the eligibility of players, and/or the interpretation of these rules, shall be final and binding on all purchasers and any person making a claim relating in any way to this Pick 3 game.

E. Exclusive Remedy. In the event a dispute between a Iowa Lottery and any game ticket player, bearer, or claimant occurs relating to the game ticket, game play, or prize claim, the Iowa Lottery may solely at its own discretion reimburse the purchase price of the game ticket. This shall be the sole and exclusive remedy.