



Big Wednesday Amendment Rules 2014

Pursuant to section 243 of the Gambling Act 2003, the New Zealand Lotteries Commission (Lotto New Zealand) makes the following rules after approval by the Minister of Internal Affairs.

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Rules

- 1 Title**
These rules are the Big Wednesday Amendment Rules 2014.

- 2 Commencement**
These rules come into force on 5 February 2015.

3 Principal rules

These rules amend the Big Wednesday Rules 2005 (the **principal rules**).

4 Rule 3 amended (Interpretation)

(1) In rule 3, replace the definition of **advance game entry** with:

“**advance selection**—

“(a) means a selection in relation to a game or games that follow the game that is current at the time of selection; but

“(b) does not include a multi-draw selection”.

(2) In rule 3, revoke the definition of **mail order retailer**.

(3) In rule 3, insert in their appropriate alphabetical order:

“**play it again selection** means a selection made using a play it again ticket in accordance with these rules

“**play it again ticket** means a ticket that—

“(a) has been issued in printed form by a terminal; and

“(b) the Commission has determined as being valid for the purpose of processing a new ticket”.

(4) In rule 3, definition of **purchased electronically**, paragraph (b), delete “or a purchase made by post or other delivery service”.

(5) In rule 3, definition of **terminal**, after “installed”, insert “or approved”.

5 Rules 7 to 11 replaced

Replace rules 7 to 11 with:

“7 Making selections

“(1) The Commission may permit a player to make a selection by any 1 or more of the following means:

“(a) for a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal,—

“(i) by marking a coupon by hand, submitting that coupon to a retailer for processing, and requesting that the retailer—

“(A) issue a ticket recording the selection marked on the coupon; or

“(B) modify the selection recorded on the coupon in a manner permitted by the Com-

- mission's computer system and issue a ticket that records the modified selection:
- “(ii) by requesting from a retailer a dip selection or combo dip selection:
 - “(iii) by submitting a play it again ticket to a retailer for processing and requesting that the retailer—
 - “(A) issue a ticket that records a selection that is identical to the selection recorded on the play it again ticket; or
 - “(B) modify the selection that is recorded on the play it again ticket in a manner permitted by the Commission's computer system and issue a ticket that records the modified selection:
- “(b) for a ticket purchased electronically,—
- “(i) by making the selection electronically on a coupon and electronically submitting the coupon:
 - “(ii) by making the selection electronically in any other manner permitted by the Commission:
 - “(iii) by indicating electronically, in a manner permitted by the Commission, that the player wants a dip selection or a combo dip selection.
- “(2) If a player—
- “(a) makes or requests a letter selection when requesting a dip selection, the player's letter selection applies in conjunction with each numbers selection made by the Commission's computer system:
 - “(b) requests that the Commission's computer system choose on a random basis the player's letter selection, the selection made by the Commission's computer system applies in conjunction with each numbers selection made or requested by the player:
 - “(c) requests or selects a cover option, the cover option applies in conjunction with each numbers selection made or requested by the player.

“8 Requirements for marking coupon by hand

- “(1) A player who marks a coupon must mark, by hand, 1 or more boxes on a board on the coupon with a line that does not extend beyond the outline of the box of the number marked.
- “(2) A board on a coupon that is not marked by hand in accordance with subclause (1), but is marked by a machine or some other means, is invalid and must not be processed by the retailer.”

6 Rule 13 amended (Cancellation of ticket)

In rule 13(5), delete “17(6),”.

7 Rules 15 to 17 replaced

Replace rules 15 to 17 with:

“15 Advance selections

- “(1) The Commission may, but is not required to, permit a player to make an advance selection by advising a retailer, or indicating electronically, that the player wishes to make an advance selection.
- “(2) In all other respects, the selection must be made in accordance with these rules.

“16 Multi-draw selections

- “(1) The Commission may, but is not required to, permit a player to make a multi-draw selection for 2 or more consecutive games by—
- “(a) marking by hand, or indicating electronically, the appropriate multi-draw box on a coupon to indicate the number of consecutive games for which the player’s selections have been made; or
 - “(b) advising the retailer of, or indicating electronically, the number of consecutive games for which the player wishes the player’s selections to apply.
- “(2) In all other respects, the selections must be made in accordance with these rules.
- “(3) If a ticket for a multi-draw selection that is issued in printed form by a terminal entitles the bearer of the ticket to be paid a prize, the bearer of the ticket must, on surrender of the ticket,

be issued with a substitute ticket for any games entered that have not been drawn at the time the ticket is surrendered.”

8 Rule 48 replaced (Effect on advance game entries and multi-draw selections)

Replace rule 48 with:

“48 Effect on advance selections and multi-draw selections

- “(1) For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, if a player has made an advance selection or a multi-draw selection for a game of Big Wednesday that is withdrawn, the player may—
- “(a) retain the player’s ticket in relation to the game or games that will be held before the withdrawal; or
 - “(b) obtain a refund for the selections the player made in relation to the game or games for which a drawing will be held before the withdrawal.
- “(2) For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, if, for any reason, a drawing for Big Wednesday to which an advance selection or a multi-draw selection relates is not held, the player, despite rule 18(7), is entitled,—
- “(a) within 12 months, to return for cancellation any ticket on which any multi-draw selections or advance selections are recorded; and
 - “(b) on the cancellation of that ticket, to a refund equal to the cost of his or her selections for each game for which a drawing was not held.
- “(3) If a ticket is not cancelled under subclause (2) within 12 months, the money paid to the Commission for the purchase of the ticket must be transferred into the prize reserve fund.
- “(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 Auckland this 22nd day of December 2014.

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

[Seal]

Judy Kirk,
Presiding Member.

Wayne Pickup,
Chief Executive, New Zealand Lotteries Commission.

Approved by the Minister of Internal Affairs on the 15th day of December 2014.

Hon Peter Dunne,
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 5 February 2015, amend the Big Wednesday Rules 2005 to—

- include express reference to the play it again ticket option; and
- remove a player's ability to make selections by post or other delivery service; and
- improve consistency with rules for other similar games.

The rules are a legislative instrument and a disallowable instrument for the purposes of the Legislation Act 2012 and must be presented to the House of Representatives under section 41 of that Act.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.

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These rules are administered by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission.
