

Summary of Operator's Rules for Mega Millions

Players may select 5 unique numbers from a pool of 1 to 70 numbers, and also one number from a separate pool of 1 to 24 numbers. Alternatively, they may select the Quick Play option, which will result in all numbers being selected for the player at random. To win the jackpot, all 6 drawn winning numbers must be matched in a single drawing.

The jackpot is estimated to start at \$50 million USD. If this amount changes, we will provide an update.

In total, there are 9 different ways to win a prize in each Mega Millions draw. Base prizes start at USD\$5 for a division 9 win, and reach as high as the jackpot prize for a division 1 win:

Match Field 1	Match Field 2	Odds	Prize Category	Base Prize	% of Sales	% of Payout
5	1	290,472,336.0000	Jackpot	Jackpot	27.6305%	55.2610%
5	0	12,629,232.0000	Second	\$1,000,000	4.7509%	9.5018%
4	1	893,761.0338	Third	\$10,000	0.6713%	1.3426%
4	0	38,859.1754	Fourth	\$500	0.7720%	1.5440%
3	1	13,965.0162	Fifth	\$200	0.8593%	1.7186%
3	0	607.1746	Sixth	\$10	0.9882%	1.9764%
2	1	665.0008	Seventh	\$10	0.9023%	1.8046%
1	1	85.8066	Eighth	\$7	4.8947%	9.7894%
0	1	35.1666	Ninth	\$5	8.5308%	17.0616%
TOTAL		1:23.0737			50.0000%	100.0000%

All prize amounts above are quoted in USD

What if you win the jackpot?

Annuity Option: A Mega Millions jackpot winner may choose to receive their prize as an annuity, paid in 30 consecutive annual instalments, with gradual annual instalments as defined by the Mega Millions Lottery in the Mega Millions Finance Operations Procedures. The initial payment shall be paid upon completion of internal validation procedures. The subsequent 29 payments shall be paid annually to coincide with the month of the federal auction date at which the bonds were purchased for annuity. All such payments shall be made within 7 days of the anniversary of the annual auction date. The cash value option, in general, is the amount of money required to be in the jackpot prize pool, on the day of the drawing, to fund the estimated jackpot annuity prize. As the jackpot prizes depend on the number of entries sold, the advertised jackpot annuity and cash value are estimates until ticket sales are final, and for the annuity, until the Multi-State Lottery Association takes bids on the purchase of the required securities.

Cash Option: The option of a lump sum payment for a jackpot prize option rather than a long term annuity payment as described in the rules for the matching lottery will always result in a lump sum payment of a lesser amount than the advertised annuity prize. This is because the lump sum paid will be the actual amount that the matching lottery would have to pay to buy the annuity plan that generates the annual payments. The purchase cost of the annuity (the lump sum) will always be lower than the total instalment paid out under the plan because part of those payouts are generated from interest or profits earned from the investment of that purchase price. The matching lotteries will not commit to a fixed lump sum payout amount for any particular draw, as the cost of an annuity plan fluctuates due to changes in prevailing interest rates. On average the percentage deduction for the cash lump sum has been as low as 28% and as high as 58%. The prevailing interest rates are the biggest factor because the higher the rates the greater the value of the 30 year annuity plan. This deduction occurs before tax is calculated (in the US). A lump sum payment shall be paid in a single payment upon completion of internal validation procedures. The cash value option shall be determined by the Mega Millions lottery.

Taxes to be paid: There are federal and State US taxes payable on larger US lottery winnings. The Federal Tax rate that is paid as a non-resident winner is 30% on payouts above \$600 USD. The State tax can vary slightly as they are set locally. Players please note the State where in which we purchase our matched US lottery tickets taxes 8% on winnings of \$1500 USD and above. All US taxes are deducted from the prize amounts before payout by the State Lottery Office who then transfer those taxes to the relevant revenue authorities.

Annuity prizes are taxed annually on the amount of that year's annuity payment.

Multiplier

The multiplier shall apply to all prize levels except the Jackpot prize.

The previous Megaplier was determined at the time of drawing and applied at the same rate to the winnings of all players who paid the additional fee for the multiplier. There is now a random computer-generated multiplier for every game purchased and the cost is included in the overall ticket price.

The multiplier is placed directly on the ticket for each game play and is applied to each play on a ticket.

It increases the value of non-jackpot prizes by two, three, four, five or ten times the prize won.

The multiplier odds are as follows:

Multiplier	Odds
10X	1 in 32.0000
5x	1 in 16.0000
4x	1 in 8.0000
3x	1 in 3.2000
2x	1 in 2.1333

Looking at the odds stated above, the Mega Millions Lottery have worked out that the average multiplier value overall will be 3. The multiplier randomly selected for each entry will always multiply non jackpot wins by that number to determine your prize.

The table below shows the effect of the various Multiplier values on the lower division winnings:

Prize Category	Base Prize Value	Actual Prize Paid with Relevant Multiplier Amount				
		X 2	X 3	X 4	X 5	X 10
Second	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000
Third	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$100,000
Fourth	\$500	\$1000	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
Fifth	\$200	\$400	\$600	\$800	\$1,000	\$2,000
Sixth	\$10	\$20	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$100
Seventh	\$10	\$20	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$100
Eighth	\$7	\$14	\$21	\$28	\$35	\$70
Ninth	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25	\$50

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As stated above, the multiplier number will appear next to each entry at the time it is purchased in the US Mega Millions. When you purchase an entry in our matching lottery, your order confirmation will not display the multiplier number(s) until we have purchased the matching ticket and can determine the correct number(s) in your ticket confirmation. However, please be assured that the correct multiplier will be applied to any winning non jackpot entry, and we will pay you the exact same prize amount that we collect.

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