

ADMINISTRATIVE BULLETIN NO. 479QQ  
FIND THE GOLDEN TICKET FACEBOOK PROMOTION


The purpose of this Administrative Bulletin is to outline the rules and regulations for the Lottery "Find the Golden Ticket" Facebook Promotion. The manner in which the promotion is conducted shall be consistent with the Official Rules attached to this Administrative Bulletin.

The Executive Director reserves the right to amend this Administrative Bulletin if he deems it is in the best interest of the Lottery to do so.

The effective date of the Administrative Bulletin shall be January 22, 2018.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Massachusetts State Lottery Commission's  
"Find the Golden Ticket" Facebook Promotion**

***Official Rules***

**NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR  
CHANCES OF WINNING. VOID WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW.**

**1. GENERAL:** By participating in the Massachusetts State Lottery "Find the Golden Ticket" Facebook Promotion ("the Promotion"), sponsored by the Massachusetts State Lottery Commission ("the Lottery"), located at 60 Columbian Street, Braintree, MA 02184, the entrant acknowledges and agrees to all of these Official Rules. The Promotion Period begins Monday, January 22, 2018 at approximately 9 a.m. and ends on Friday, January 26, 2018 at 11:59 p.m. ("the Promotion Period"). There are a total of five (5) Entry Periods (individually referred to as an "Entry Period") within the Promotion Period, one on each of the five (5) dates of the Promotion Period. Each Entry Period will begin at approximately 9 a.m. and conclude at 11:59 p.m. All times in the Promotion refer to Eastern Time. By participating in the Promotion, entrants agree to be bound by the Official Rules and by all decisions of the Executive Director of the Lottery, whose decisions are in his sole discretion and are binding and final. Failure to comply with the Official Rules will result in disqualification from the Promotion.

**2. ELIGIBILITY:** The Promotion is open to all persons who are 18 years of age or older. Employees of the Lottery and family members of employees of the Lottery, including any spouse, child, brother, sister or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principal place of abode of any employee of the Lottery, and employees of the Lottery's advertising agency, are not eligible to enter or win.

**3. HOW TO ENTER:** There is one (1) method of entry ("Entry") for the Promotion, as follows: For each Entry Period of the Promotion Period, at approximately 9 a.m., the Lottery shall create a post on its Facebook page about the Promotion with location clues on where to find Lottery's Promotional Golden Ticket ("the Golden Ticket"), which will be at a licensed Lottery Sales Agent location, and a call to action to enter the Promotion. To enter the Promotion, entrants must find the Golden Ticket at the Agent location for that day, take a picture of themselves with the Golden Ticket from 9:00 a.m. until the time specified in the daily post (end time may vary from day to day), post the photo within the comment section of the Lottery's promotional post for that day, and include the Lottery-designated hashtag in the comment. Entries for each Entry Period shall be an eligible entry only if posted on Facebook within the corresponding Entry Period and on the post made by the Lottery with regards to the Promotion on the specific day. **LIMIT ONE ENTRY PER PERSON PER ENTRY PERIOD.**

The Lottery reserves the right to disqualify entries that, to a reasonable person: (a) are sexually explicit, unnecessarily violent or derogatory of any ethnic, racial, gender, religious, professional or age group; (b) are obscene or offensive, or may create public disrepute, contempt, scandal or ridicule; (c) defame or invade publicity rights or privacy of any person, living or deceased, or otherwise infringe upon any third party's or prize provider's personal or intellectual property rights or contain disparaging remarks about other people or companies; (d) are inconsistent with the positive images and/or goodwill to which the Lottery wishes to associate (which may be determined by the Lottery, at its sole and absolute discretion); and/or (e) otherwise violate the terms of any of the agreements by which the entrant has agreed to abide as an entrant of the Promotion.

**4. SELECTION OF WINNERS:** For each Entry Period of the Promotion, a total of two (2) winners shall be randomly selected by the Lottery from all eligible entries received during the Entry Period. The

selections shall be made using the Woobox application, which aggregates all of the comments on a specific Facebook post, and has a tool for randomly selecting winners from those comments, posts. Winners shall be selected the first business day following each Entry Period of the Promotion Period. Winners' names shall be announced on the Lottery's Facebook page and shall also be posted on [www.masslottery.com](http://www.masslottery.com). Winners shall be notified via Facebook message by the Lottery's Facebook account within 48 hours of each winner selection. If any prize notification is undeliverable, or in the event of non-compliance with any of the Promotion rules, the prize shall be forfeited. The Lottery reserves the right to select or not select an alternative winner. It shall be the sole responsibility of each entrant to notify the Lottery if his or her contact information changes. The Lottery shall not be responsible for false, incorrect, changed, incomplete or illegible contact information. Each entrant may win only one prize during the Promotion Period.

**5. PRIZES:** The total number of prizes available to be awarded for the Massachusetts State Lottery's "Find the Golden Ticket" Facebook Promotion shall be ten (10). Each prize shall be a cash prize of \$500. There shall be no substitutions. Transfer of the prize is prohibited. To claim a prize, the winner must go to the Lottery headquarters in Braintree or to a regional office (Boston, New Bedford, Springfield, Woburn and Worcester), present a photo identification and complete a claim form. All prizes must be claimed within thirty (30) days from the date won or the prize shall be forfeited. Prize checks shall be mailed to each winner after the claim form has been submitted. All applicable federal, state and local taxes, and expenses, costs or fees associated with the acceptance and/or use of the prize shall be the sole responsibility of the winner

The Lottery shall not be responsible for awarding any un-awarded portion of a prize to a prize winner if the prize winner undertakes activities or communicates messages or images or engages in speech publicly or made known publicly that, to a reasonable person: (a) are sexually explicit, unnecessarily violent or derogatory of any ethnic, racial, gender, religious, professional or age group; (b) are obscene or offensive, or may create public disrepute, contempt, scandal or ridicule; (c) defame or invade publicity rights or privacy of any person, living or deceased, or otherwise infringe upon any third party's or prize provider's personal or intellectual property rights or contain disparaging remarks about other people or companies; (d) are inconsistent with the positive images and/or goodwill to which the Lottery wishes to associate (which may be determined by the Lottery, at its sole and absolute discretion); and/or (e) otherwise violate the terms of any of the agreements by which the winner has agreed to abide as an entrant of this Promotion.

**6. DISCLAIMER:** By entering the Promotion, the entrant assumes all risk and liability for any personal injury or damages caused or claimed to be caused by, arising out of or in connection with his or her participation in the Promotion and/or the acceptance and/or use of any prize, and hereby indemnifies, holds harmless and releases the Lottery, its respective constitutional office, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, agents, and employees from any and all such liability. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Treasurer and Receiver General, the Lottery, its Commissioners, directors, agents and employees of any of the foregoing are not responsible for technical, hardware, software, or telephone malfunctions of any kind, lost or unavailable network connections, or failed, incorrect, incomplete, inaccurate, garbled or delayed electronic communications caused by the user or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Promotion. Except where prohibited by law, participation in the Promotion constitutes permission to the Lottery to use the winner's name, city, state, likeness and/or voice, biographical information and Promotion photo submissions for purposes of advertising, promotion and publicity, including social media, without compensation of any kind.

**7. INTERNET/FACEBOOK:** If the Promotion is not capable of running as planned for any reason, including infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, and unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes beyond the control of the Lottery which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity of the game or Promotion, the Lottery reserves the right in its sole discretion to disqualify any individual it believes has tampered with the Promotion process, and/or cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Promotion. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Treasurer and Receiver

General, the Lottery, its Commissioners, directors, agents and employees of any of the foregoing (i) assume no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction or unauthorized access to, or alternation of, entries, (ii) are not responsible for any problems or technical malfunction of Facebook, any mobile networks, any telephone network or lines, computer on-line systems, servers, or provider, computer equipment, software, failure of any email to be received by the Lottery on account of technical problems, human error or traffic congestion, or any combination thereof, including any injury or damage to the entrant or any other person's mobile phone or device related to or resulting from participation in the Promotion. The Promotion is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with Facebook.

**8. DISPUTES/CHOICE OF LAW:** Except where prohibited, each entrant agrees that: (1) any and all disputes, claims and causes of action arising out of or connected with the Promotion or any prize awarded shall be brought and are subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state or federal court situated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, (2) any and all claims, judgments and awards shall be limited to actual out-of-pocket costs incurred, but in no event attorneys' fees; and (3) no punitive, incidental, special, consequential or other damages, including without limitation lost profits may be awarded (collectively, "Special Damages"), and (4) entrant hereby waives all rights to claim Special Damages and all rights to have such damages multiplied or increased. Massachusetts law, without reference to Massachusetts' choice of law rules, governs the Promotion and all aspects related thereto.

**9. WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT/OFFICIAL RULES:** For the names of the winners, available after the conclusion of the Promotion, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Massachusetts State Lottery, "Find the Golden Ticket" Facebook Promotion, 60 Columbian Street, Braintree, MA 02184. For a copy of the Official Rules, please go to the Lottery's website or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Massachusetts State Lottery, "Find the Golden Ticket" Facebook Promotion, 60 Columbian Street, Braintree, MA 02184. Please indicate that you are requesting a copy of the Official Rules.

**10. ODDS OF WINNING:** Odds of becoming a winner of the Promotion are dependent on the total number of eligible entries received on Facebook. There shall be up to ten (10) winners, (two winners per day).

**11. PRIVACY:** Personally identifiable information that is submitted by an entrant as part of the Promotion shall be used to administer the Promotion, select the prize winners and fulfill the prizes, and will be treated in accordance with the Lottery's privacy policy, accessible at: <http://www.masslottery.com/privacy.html>.

**12. SPONSOR:** The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission, 60 Columbian Street, Braintree, Massachusetts 02184.

**12. MISCELLANEOUS:** The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of these Official Rules or the Required Documentation will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision. In the event that any provision of the Official Rules or the Required Documentation is determined to be invalid or otherwise unenforceable or illegal, the other provisions will remain in effect and will be construed in accordance with their terms as if the invalid or illegal provision were not contained therein. Entrants agree to waive any rights to claim ambiguity of these Official Rules. Headings are solely for convenience of reference and will not be deemed to affect in any manner the meaning or intent of the documents or any provision hereof. In the event there is a discrepancy or inconsistency between disclosures or other statements contained in any Promotion-related materials, privacy policy, and/or the terms and conditions of the Official Rules, the Official Rules shall prevail, govern, and control, and the discrepancy will be resolved in the Lottery's sole and absolute discretion.