

## MUSL MEGA MILLIONS® (M2G2) PRODUCT GROUP RULES

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### PART I — ADMINISTRATION

#### MM RULE 1—LICENSE ENTERED; DISPUTES, VOTING, ELECTIONS.

**1.0 Cross-Selling Agreement; Terms Incorporated.** The MUSL Board and the Powerball Product Group has entered into an Agreement with the U.S. lotteries operating under an agreement to sell a game known as Mega Millions® (the Mega Millions Lotteries) to permit the Party Lotteries of this Mega Millions Product Group (hereinafter “Product Group”) to sell the Mega Millions lottery game. All provisions and requirements of that Cross-Selling Agreement, as it may be amended, are incorporated herein. Any conflict between the terms of these Rules and that Cross-Selling Agreement shall be interpreted in favor of that Cross-Selling Agreement. The Mega Millions Lotteries shall determine the Mega Millions Grand Prize amount (cash value option and annuity) prior to each drawing with the participation of the Product Group. The Game Rules and Finance and Operations Procedures of the Mega Millions Lottery Game, and the Game Rules and Finance and Operations Procedures of the Double Play add-on Game, as adopted and amended by the Mega Millions Lotteries are also incorporated herein. Any conflict between those Rules and Procedures and these Rules shall be interpreted in favor of the Mega Millions Lottery Game Rules and Operations Procedures.

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective September 14, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014. October 28, 2019*

**1.1 First Review.** The Product Group shall have the first opportunity to informally resolve any disputes arising between or among Party Lotteries regarding the Product Group, rules, policies, or guidelines. The Party Lottery seeking resolution of a dispute shall seek a remedy from the Product Group by filing a notice of dispute with the Product Group. Filing shall be done by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the MUSL Executive Director. If the Product Group fails to resolve the dispute to the satisfaction of any party to the dispute within sixty (60) days after receiving notice of the dispute, the aggrieved Party Lottery may seek any other remedy authorized by the Multi-State Lottery Agreement (the MUSL Agreement), or the Cross-Selling Agreement with the Mega Millions Lotteries.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**1.2 Voting.** The Product Group shall use a dual system of voting. One (1) vote will be taken in which each Party Lottery has one (1) vote (member vote). A second vote will be taken in which each Party Lottery has a number of votes equivalent to its proportionate percentage of the total game's sales for the one-year period immediately previous to the vote (sales vote). If a Party Lottery has less than a one-year history of sales, then that Party Lottery's vote for the period without sales will be calculated using average per capita sales applied to its total population (as per the most recent U.S. Census). In no case, however, shall a Party Lottery's sales vote exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the total sales vote. Unless a different percentage is provided in these rules, the percentage of votes necessary to allow action by the Product Group shall be more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes cast pursuant to both methods of voting. All sales voting percentages shall be calculated exclusive of Mega Millions Agreement Member Lottery sales.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**1.3 Amendment of Rules.** These Product Group Rules may be amended upon a vote of more than two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast pursuant to both methods of voting.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**1.4 Quorum.** The quorum necessary to hold an official meeting of the Product Group shall be representation in person or by proxy from more than fifty percent (50%) of all members. If neither the Chair nor Vice-Chair can attend a scheduled meeting in person, then the meeting shall be rescheduled.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**1.5 Elections.** A Product Group Chair and Product Group Vice-Chair shall be elected for one-year terms starting July 1. The Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee to recommend candidates to the Product Group. Nominations may also be made by motion and properly seconded.

## **MM RULE 2 RESERVED.**

## **MM RULE 3—BUDGET.**

**3.1 Duties of Executive Director.** Annually or on a more frequent basis, the Executive Director shall prepare and submit to the Product Group Chair a proposed budget and fees for the Party Lotteries to pay the Product Group for the services it renders to them and shall be paid as a fee for services by each of the Party Lotteries in accordance with estimated sales. An acceptable method of payment shall be determined by the Product Group, subject to approval by the Board.

If a lottery withdraws from participation in the product group without giving proper notice of such withdrawal before approval of the group's budget, then that Participating Lottery shall not be entitled to a refund of its contributions to the budget.

If the Product Group terminates before the end of a fiscal year, all unspent funds shall be returned to the lotteries which contributed to the Group's budget, however Group contributions to MUSL overhead expenses shall not be refunded.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE 4—DRAWINGS.**

The Executive Director shall establish, with Product Group approval, the minimum drawing procedures to be established for the drawing of winning numbers and shall work with the lottery conducting the drawing to implement the procedures. The Drawing Procedures shall include procedures for randomly selecting the Mega Millions game Winning Numbers, the Megaplier® multiplier, and the Double Play Winning Numbers.

Drawings shall be held at the times and places established by the Product Group and the results shall be subsequently announced to the public. All drawings shall be open to the public and shall be witnessed by an independent certified public accounting firm and other Selling Lottery officials as may be required by jurisdiction statute.

The Party Lottery Director shall determine the time for the end of sales prior to the drawings, which shall not be less than a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes between the close of the game Play sales and the time of the drawing for those Plays sold. Lotteries shall not process plays for that drawing after the time established by the Party Lottery Director.

The Product Group shall designate or delegate the type of drawing equipment to be used and any equipment used in a drawing shall be inspected and tested by the draw officials in the presence of an independent certified public accounting firm before the drawing. All drawings, inspections, and tests shall be recorded.

*Amended June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020; June 16, 2022.*

**MM RULE 5 RESERVED.**

**MM RULE 6—RECORDS MANAGEMENT.**

**6.1 Records Defined.** "Records" shall mean any document, paper, photograph, or recording made or received, in whatever form, in connection with the official business of the Product Group. Records do not include materials made or acquired for reference or exhibition purposes, or miscellaneous papers or correspondence without official significance.

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017*

**6.2 Duties of Executive Director.** The Executive Director shall maintain Product Group records in a secure and orderly manner.

**6.3 Confidentiality.** To the maximum extent practical, Product Group records shall be made available for inspection by Party Lotteries in a reasonable and responsible manner.

*Amended June 14, 2016.*

**6.4 Records Retention.** The Executive Director shall establish the minimum retention period for each record or class of record with Product Group approval. The Executive Director shall establish the criteria for the disposal of Product Group records.

**MM RULE 7 RESERVED.**

**MM RULE 8—PETITION FOR ADMISSION.**

**8.1 Minimum ICS Standards.** A Lottery seeking admission to the Product Group shall have a fully tested internal control system that meets or exceeds the minimum standards set forth in MUSL Rule 2 (Minimum ICS Standards) before sales of Plays commence. The Security and Integrity Committee shall review the internal control systems of each lottery seeking admission to the Product Group for compliance with Rule 2 (Minimum ICS Standards) and shall issue a written report summarizing its findings.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017*

**8.2 Other Admission Requirements.** The Product Group shall determine other admission requirements as allowed by the MUSL Agreement and in the Cross-Selling Agreement.

*Comment. At its first meeting on December 9, 2009, it was decided that all members agreeing to sell before June 30 will have a vote for the development of these rules; once Plays go on sale anywhere, only selling lotteries will have a vote.*

*Comment Amended June 14, 2016.*

**MM RULE 9—EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION OF A PARTY LOTTERY.**

**9.1** The Product Group can expel or suspend a Party Lottery of the Product Group for cause as determined in the sole discretion of the Product Group with the consent of more than two-thirds (2/3) of the members pursuant to both methods of voting in conformance with the MUSL Agreement. If the Product Group votes to expel or suspend a Party Lottery as provided in the MUSL Agreement, the Party Lottery being considered for expulsion shall be excluded from voting on that matter, and shall also be excluded from any subsequent vote by the Product Group to reinstate that Party Lottery, and in the voting calculations outlined in these Product Group Rules.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013, October 25, 2017.*

**9.2** The Product Group can reinstate a Party Lottery of the Product Group with the consent of more than two-thirds (2/3) of the Members pursuant to both methods of voting in conformance with the MUSL Agreement. Requests for reinstatement shall be considered by the Product Group at its earliest convenience, following submission of support sufficient for such reinstatement from the requesting lottery.

*Adopted: October 25, 2017.*

**9.3** Any Party Lottery, which fails, is unwilling, or loses the ability to transfer prize contributions as required under these Rules shall suspend its sales of Mega Millions within seven (7) days of such failure or loss of ability. The Party Lottery may request reinstatement as provided for under these Rules. Failure to notify the Product Group of such circumstances, or of the suspension of sales, or the failure to suspend sales as required, shall be grounds for suspension or expulsion.

*Adopted: October 25, 2017.*

**9.4** Any Party Lottery that fails, is unwilling, or loses the ability to pay all prize levels in the game(s) after prize claimants have met all prize claim procedures of the Party Lottery, the Group and the MUSL Board, shall immediately suspend its sales of Mega Millions upon such failure, unwillingness or loss of ability. The Party Lottery may request reinstatement as provided for under these Rules. Failure to notify the Product Group of such circumstances, or of the suspension of sales, or the failure to suspend sales as required, shall be grounds for suspension or termination.

*Adopted: October 25, 2017.*

#### **MM RULE 10—ADVERTISING.**

**10.1 Unfair Advertising.** No Party Lottery may advertise, either directly or indirectly, that Plays sold in its jurisdiction offer better odds, better chances of winning, or better payoffs than Plays sold in other jurisdictions. This rule does not prohibit a Party Lottery from offering retailer promotions or other creative promotions designed to increase the sale of Plays.

*Amended June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**10.2 Mega Millions Grand Prize Estimate.** No Party Lottery may publicize an advertised Mega Millions Grand Prize amount or guaranteed Mega Millions Grand Prize amount that is different than the estimated Mega Millions Grand Prize amount provided to the Party Lotteries by the Product Group.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; October 28, 2019.*

#### **MM RULE 11—TICKET PRICE**

**11.1 Uniform Price.** Each Play shall be sold at retail for the price set by the Product Group.

*Amended June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**11.2 Taxes.** The Play price set by the Product Group shall include all the applicable taxes that a Party Lottery may be required to collect.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**11.3 Discounts, Rebates, and Promotions.** A Party Lottery may offer Plays through discounts, rebates, or promotions, without Product Group approval for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days in any six-month period, as long as the full prize share is paid to the Product Group, without discount, and after a notice advising all Group members of the terms and dates of the offering.

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective September 14, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**11.4 Plays as Prizes.** Nothing in this rule shall prohibit a Party Lottery from offering Plays as a prize in any other non-MUSL game or promotion operated by the Party Lottery after advising all Group members of the terms and dates of the offering. A Selling Lottery may offer other discounts, rebates, or promotions as may be approved by the Product Group.

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective September 14, 2010; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**11.5 Contribution to Prize Pool.** Party Lotteries that offer Plays as a prize or as part of an authorized discount, promotion, or rebate shall contribute to the prize pool the full amount assessed for a Play sold at the uniform price.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. Rules 11.3 and 11.4 are intended to require reporting only where the price of the Play is reduced by a promotion or is given away for free. A Party Lottery need not report promotions that do not change the price of a Play. Promotions that increase the “value” of a Play or that offer other lottery games free or at a reduced price with the purchase of a Play do not need to be reported. The intent of the rule is to advise contiguous lotteries when their players might find that they can get the same Play at a reduced price from another lottery – not that they can get that other lottery’s games at a reduced price.*

*Comment last amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

## **MM RULE 12—SALE OF PLAYS**

**12.1 Authorized Agents.** Plays shall be sold only through agents and means authorized by a Party Lottery.

*Amended June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**12.2 Printed Plays.** Plays sold through the Product Group shall be sold through a Party Lottery and, other than ticketless transaction Plays, shall be printed on paper that meets the security requirements for paper used in the Party Lottery's other games and other requirements adopted by the MUSL Board and the Product Group.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**12.3 MUSL Markings.** All Play Slips used in the game shall contain registered game trademarks and shall communicate other information as may be required by the MUSL Board and the Product Group.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**12.4 Game Sell Out Prohibited.** No Party Lottery shall directly and knowingly sell a Play or combination of Plays to any person or entity that would guarantee such purchaser a Mega Millions Grand Prize or Double Play First Prize win.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**12.5 Location and Method of Sales.** An offer to buy and an offer to sell a Play sold through the Product Group shall be made only at a location or only by a method that is licensed, certified, authorized, or contracted by the Party Lottery.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE 13—PRIZE PAYMENTS.**

No Party Lottery may pay prizes that are less than or more than the prize amounts established by the Mega Millions Lotteries and the Product Group. The prize won cannot be indirectly increased by Party Lottery promotions or agent promotions that have the effect of increasing the designated prize.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. The MUSL Party Lotteries and the Mega Millions Lotteries have agreed that if either group needs to pay pari-mutuel low-tier prizes under that games rules, then both sides will pay pari-mutuel low-tier prizes.*

**MM RULE 14—MEGA MILLIONS, JUST THE JACKPOT, AND DOUBLE PLAY PRIZE POOL TRANSFERS.**

**14.1 Prize Funds Transferred to MUSL.** Each Party Lottery shall transfer to the MUSL in trust an amount as determined by the MUSL and the Product Group to be its total proportionate share of the Mega Millions Prize Pool less actual Mega Millions low-tier prize liability, its total proportionate share of the Just the Jackpot™ Prize Pool, and its total proportionate share of the Double Play Prize Pool, less actual Double Play low-tier prize liability. If this results in a negative amount, the MUSL central office shall transfer funds from the appropriate prize pool to the Party Lottery.

In the event of a Mega Millions Grand Prize win at a MUSL Lottery, the Mega Millions Clearinghouse shall collect the total proportionate share of the Grand Prize pool from the Mega Millions Lotteries and shall transfer that amount to MUSL within 14 calendar days from the date of the winning draw.

In the event of a Double Play First Prize win at a MUSL Lottery, the Mega Millions Clearinghouse shall collect the total proportionate share of the First Prize Pool from the Mega Millions Lotteries and shall transfer that amount to MUSL within 14 calendar days from the date of the winning draw.

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the draw on April 21, 2020.*

*Comment. The Mega Millions Lottery's Mega Millions Clearinghouse is currently the Virginia Lottery. Comment last amended June 14, 2016.*

**14.2 Mega Millions Grand Prize and Double Play First Prize Funds Transferred to Lottery.** Mega Millions Grand Prize or Double Play First Prize amounts held by MUSL shall be transferred to a Party Lottery having a winner in the Mega Millions game, or the Double Play Promotion on a schedule approved by the Product Group and after MUSL has collected the prize pool shares from all Participating Lotteries selling the Mega Millions lottery game.

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

*Comment. See Rule 19 for the approved schedule.*

**14.3 Unclaimed Prizes.**

**(a)** All funds to pay a Mega Millions Grand Prize that went unclaimed shall be returned to Selling Lotteries in proportion to sales by Selling Lotteries for the Mega Millions Grand Prize in question after the claiming period set by the Selling Lottery selling the winning Play expires.

All funds to pay a Double Play First Prize that went unclaimed shall be returned to Selling Lotteries in proportion to sales by Selling Lotteries for the Double Play First Prize in question after the claiming period set by the Selling Lottery selling the winning Play expires.

If after a winning Play has not been claimed or redeemed and the corresponding prize monies have been returned to Party Lotteries pursuant to this Rule, a claim is made or redemption sought which a Party Lottery pays (i) as a result of the provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. §3901 et seq as amended) (SCRA); (ii) as a result of jurisdictional legislation adopted to satisfy the requirements of the SCRA; or (iii) as a result of jurisdictional legislation requiring such payment to a member of the armed forces who was engaged in active military service outside the paying Party Lottery jurisdiction when the usual permitted time period to make a claim or seek redemption expired, each other Party Lottery, that was a Party Lottery at the time of the drawing, shall reimburse the paying Party Lottery in an amount equal to the amount such other Party Lottery would have contributed to the prize had the claim been made or redemption sought within the usual permitted time period for that claim or redemption. The provisions of this rule shall remain in force and effect and be binding upon the Party Lotteries without regard to whether the Mega Millions game remains in existence and/or whether the Party Lottery seeking reimbursement has withdrawn from the game at the time a Party Lottery seeks reimbursement pursuant to this rule.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(b)** The return of unclaimed Mega Millions Grand Prize or Double Play First Prize funds shall occur promptly upon the termination of the relevant claim period for the Participating Lottery in which the unclaimed Grand Prize Play or Double Play First Prize Play was purchased. Interest accretion on any securities purchased to fund an unclaimed Mega Millions Grand Prize will be reflected in market rates at the time of liquidation by the Purchaser of the securities. The Purchaser shall return interest earned on unclaimed cash value option Mega Millions Grand Prizes based on the interest yields realized on such funds during the claim period.



Any interest earned on unclaimed Mega Millions Grand Prizes and Double Play First Prizes held by Mega Millions Consortium Lotteries shall be returned on a proportional basis to MUSL. Any interest earned on unclaimed Mega Millions Grand Prizes and Double Play First Prizes held by MUSL shall be returned on a proportional basis to the Mega Millions Consortium Lotteries.

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

(c) By agreement with the Mega Millions Lotteries, the Product Group will not participate in the sharing of liabilities at the low-tier prize level (all prizes below the Mega Millions Grand Prize or Double Play First Prize) and shall not reconcile unclaimed low-tier prizes with the Mega Millions Lotteries.

*Amended October 28, 2019.*

**MM RULES 15 through 18 RESERVED.**

**MM RULE 19—FUNDS TRANSFER.**

Funds shall be collected from each Party Lottery by wire transfer, electronic funds transfer, or by other means acceptable to the Product Group. The amount to be transferred shall be calculated in accordance with Product Group rules. The Product Group shall determine collection days. If MUSL is unable to collect all funds in a timely manner for the transfer to the winning lottery(ies), the MUSL may borrow the funds from other appropriate Mega Millions Product Group cash reserves, or from the MUSL Operations Account, following notice to the Product Group Officers, the Finance & Audit Committee, and the Executive Committee. The borrowed funds shall be immediately replenished upon collection of prize funds from the party lotteries.

*Amended March 29, 2013; May 13, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. At its meeting on December 23, 2009, the Product Group determined that funds shall be collected weekly from the Party Lotteries on the Monday, or the first banking day, that is thirteen (13) days from the applicable Tuesday drawing and ten (10) days from the applicable Friday drawing. By agreement with the Mega Millions Lotteries, MUSL will transfer the funds to the Mega Millions Lottery's Mega Millions Clearinghouse (currently the Virginia Lottery) within thirteen (13) calendar days from the date of the winning draw at a Mega Millions Lottery. The Mega Millions Lottery's Mega Millions Clearinghouse shall collect the funds from the Mega Millions Lotteries and shall transfer their Mega Millions Grand Prize prize share to MUSL within fourteen (14) calendar days of a winning draw at a MUSL Lottery. If funds are needed to pay a prize when due the MUSL may borrow the funds from other accounts of this Product Group, or the MUSL Operations Account, after notice to the Product Group Officers, the Finance & Audit Committee, and the Executive Committee. Funds to pay a Mega Millions prize may not be borrowed from Double Play cash reserves; and, funds to pay a Double Play prize may not be borrowed from Mega Millions cash reserves. The borrowed funds shall be immediately replenished upon collection of prize funds from the party lotteries.*

*Comment last updated June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**MM Rule 20 RESERVED.**

**MM RULE 21—ADVANCE SALES.**

Proceeds from advance sales may be held by the Party Lottery until the draw date for which the Play applies.

*Amended June 14, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULES 22 – 25 RESERVED.**

**PART II GENERAL RULES FOR MEGA MILLIONS AND ADD-ON GAME  
PROMOTIONS**

*Amended June 16, 2022.*

*Comments revised April 9, 2020*

**MM RULE 26—DEFINITIONS.**

The following definitions apply unless the context requires a different meaning or is otherwise inconsistent with the intention of the rules adopted by the Product Group. Capitalized terms used but not defined in these rules shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the MUSL Agreement.

**26.1** “Advertised Grand Prize”. “Advertised Grand Prize” shall mean the estimated annuitized Mega Millions Grand Prize amount as determined by the Mega Millions Finance Committee and communicated through the Selling Lotteries prior to the Mega Millions Grand Prize drawing. The “Advertised Grand Prize” is not a guaranteed prize amount and the actual Mega Millions Grand Prize amount may vary from the advertised amount, except in circumstances where there is a guaranteed Mega Millions Grand Prize amount as described in Rule 30.1(a).

*Adopted June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.2** "Agent" or "retailer" means a person or entity authorized by a Party Lottery to sell lottery Plays.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**26.3** "Computer pick" means the random selection of game play number indicia by the authorized retailer computer that appear on a ticket or ticketless transaction and are played by a player in the game.

*Adopted October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2010*

**26.4** “Double Play Promotion” means an add-on game to the Mega Millions game as defined in Part VI of these Rules.

*Adopted October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.5** “Double Play Drawing” refers collectively to the formal draw event performed by the Mega Millions Consortium for the selection of the game results that determine the number of winners for each prize level of the Double Play Promotion.

*Adopted October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.6** “Double Play Plays” or “DP Plays” shall refer to a purchased wager for one dollar (\$1.00) that must be made at the same time a Mega Millions Play is purchased as defined in Part VI of these Rules. Double Play Plays do not include Mega Millions Plays, Just the Jackpot Plays or Megaplier Plays.

*Adopted October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.7**“Finance & Audit Committee” shall mean the committee established by the Multi-State Lottery Association Agreement.

**26.8** "Game ticket" or "Ticket" means the physical evidence of a Play, printed on paper that meets the play and security data required by the Selling Lottery, these Game Rules, and the MUSL Rules that allow redemption of a prize. Tickets may be printed by terminals or Retailer

Controlled Selling Devices as permitted by these Rules and the Selling Lottery. Affected MUSL Rules include, but are not limited to MUSL Rules 2.14, 2.20, and 2.21.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**26.9** “Jackpot” or “Grand Prize” shall refer to the top prize in the Mega Millions game.

*Amended June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**26.10** “Just the Jackpot™ Plays” or “JJ Plays” shall refer to a purchased wager which includes two (2) JJ Plays as part of the Just the Jackpot promotion as described in Part V of these Rules, but shall not include Mega Millions Plays, Double Play Plays or Megaplier Plays.

*Adopted June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; Amended October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.11** “Mega Millions Finance Committee” means a Committee of the Mega Millions Lotteries that determines the Mega Millions Grand Prize amount (cash value option and annuity).

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective September 14, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**26.12** “Mega Millions Game Drawing” refers collectively to the formal draw event performed by the Mega Millions Consortium for the selection of the game results that determine the number of winners for each prize level of the Mega Millions game.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**26.13** “Mega Millions Lottery or Lotteries” means those lotteries that have joined under the Mega Millions Lottery Agreement; the group of lotteries that has reached a Cross-Selling Agreement with this MUSL Product Group for the selling of the Mega Millions Game.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**26.14** “Mega Millions Plays” or “MM Plays” shall refer to Plays purchased for the Mega Millions game, but shall not include Just the Jackpot Plays, Double Play Plays or Megaplier Plays.

*Adopted June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.15** “Megaplier” shall refer to the Megaplier Promotion described in Part IV of these Rules.

*Adopted June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**26.16** “Megaplier Plays” shall refer to Plays purchased as part of the Megaplier Promotion described in Part IV of these Rules, but shall not include Just the Jackpot Plays or Double Play Plays.

*Adopted June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.17** “MUSL” means the Multi-State Lottery Association, a government-benefit association wholly owned and operated by the Party Lotteries.

**26.18** “MUSL Board” means the governing body of the MUSL that is comprised of the chief executive officer of each Party Lottery.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**26.19** “Participating Lottery” or “Selling Lottery” means a state lottery or lottery of a political subdivision or entity that is participating in selling the Mega Millions game and that may be a member of either MUSL or the Mega Millions Lotteries. In context, “Selling Lottery” may refer to the Participating Lottery which sold a particular Play.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.20** "Party lottery" means a state lottery or lottery of a political subdivision or entity which has joined MUSL and, in the context of these Product Group Rules that has joined in selling the games offered by the MUSL Mega Millions Product Group.

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**26.21** "Play" or "Bet" means a physical or electronic means by which a player communicates their intended Play selection to the retailer as defined and approved by the Selling Lottery. A Play Slip or Bet Slip is not a ticket or ticketless transaction.

As used in these Rules, unless otherwise specifically indicated, “Play” or “Bet” includes Mega Millions Plays, Just the Jackpot Plays, and Double Play Plays.

“Mega Millions Plays” are more fully described in Part III of these Rules.

“Megaplier Plays” are more fully described in Part IV of these Rules.

“Just the Jackpot Plays” are more fully described in Part V of these Rules.

“Double Play Plays” are more fully described in Part VI of these Rules.

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**26.22** "Play Slip" or "Bet Slip" means a physical or electronic means by which a player communicates their intended play selection to the retailer as defined and approved by the Selling Lottery.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**26.23** “Product Group” or “the Group” means the group of lotteries that has joined together to offer the Mega Millions lottery game product pursuant to the terms of its Cross-Selling Agreement with the Mega Millions Lotteries, the Multi-State Lottery Agreement and the Product Group’s own rules.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014.*

**26.24** “Registered Play” means a wager where the play is owned by a specifically identified player through a means acceptable by the Selling Lottery, and which is recorded on the Selling Lottery’s computer gaming system and internal control system.

*Adopted June 16, 2022.*

**26.25** “Retailer Controlled Selling Device” means a device that is not a Terminal and which is controlled by a retailer for the purpose of issuing lottery tickets and entering, receiving, and processing lottery transactions, including making purchases, validating tickets, and transmitting reports. Examples of Retailer Controlled Selling Devices include cash registers. Retailer Controlled Selling Devices must meet all security requirements of the Selling Lottery, these Rules, and the MUSL Rules. Retailer Controlled Selling Devices do not include player provided point of sale devices such as smartphones.

*Adopted June 16, 2022.*

**26.26** "Set Prize", also referred to as “low-tier prize”, means all other prizes except the Mega Millions Grand Prize and Double Play First Prize and, except in instances outlined in these rules, will be equal to the prize amount established by the MUSL Board for the prize level.

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.27** "Terminal" means a device that meets all security and definitional requirements of these Rules, the MUSL Rules, and the Selling Lottery, and which is authorized by a Party Lottery to function in an on-line, interactive mode with the lottery's computer gaming system for the purpose of issuing lottery tickets and entering, receiving, and processing lottery transactions, including purchases, validating tickets, and transmitting reports. The term Terminal does not include a Retailer Controlled Selling Device such as a cash register or player provided point of sale device such as a smartphone.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**26.28** “Ticketless Transaction” means any Play that is not printed on paper that meets the anti-counterfeiting requirements described in the MUSL Rules. Examples of Ticketless Transactions include internet, subscription, and other types of Registered Plays. All Ticketless Transactions must be Registered Plays. Any Play sold through a Terminal or Retailer Controlled Selling Device, but which is a Registered Play requiring confirmation of the player’s identity upon prize redemption shall be considered a Ticketless Transaction even when a receipt, summation, or recognition of purchase is printed by or through the device.

*Adopted June 25, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**26.29** "Winning numbers" means the game results selected during a Drawing event. which shall be used to determine winning Plays contained on a game ticket or ticketless transaction.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**26.30 Proof of Play.** Unless otherwise permitted by the selling lottery, a ticket (subject to the validation requirements set forth in Rule 31 - Play Validation) or properly registered ticketless transaction, shall be the only proof of a game Play or Plays and the submission of a winning ticket to the issuing Party Lottery or its authorized agent shall be the sole method of claiming a prize or prizes. A Play Slip, paper receipt, or printed summation of a Play printed by a Terminal which is not a ticket has no pecuniary or prize value and shall not constitute evidence

of a Play purchase or numbers selected.

*Amended June 5 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**26.31 Cancellations Prohibited; Request for Plays, Returned Plays, Incomplete Transaction Plays, Stolen Plays and Refunds for Game Cancellations.**

(a) **Plays Non-Cancellable.** In all instances, a Play recorded on the CGS may not be voided or cancelled by returning the ticket or ticketless transaction to the Retailer or to the Selling Lottery, including tickets that are misprinted, illegible, printed in error, or for any reason not successfully transferred to an authorized selling entity or Player.

(b) **Request for Plays.** A lottery may conduct future sales through a subscription or other system that does not immediately record such sales on the CGS. A “Request for Play” is a sale that is not immediately recorded on the CGS, but is instead recorded onto the CGS at some future time prior to a draw event. At the sole discretion of the lottery, authorized sales through a subscription or other system which have not been recorded on the CGS (instead recorded as “Request for Plays”), may be cancelled at any time prior to the time the Request for Play is recorded as a Play on the CGS. If a Request for Play is cancelled, it shall not be recorded on the CGS.

Per 26.31(a) above, once a Play is recorded on the CGS, it may not be cancelled at any time. Any cancelled “Request for Play” shall not be included in sales data report to MUSL.

*Comment: Examples of instances when Selling Lotteries may desire to permit cancellation of subscription “Request for Plays” include game matrix changes, price changes, modifications of game features, players who enroll in self-exclusion programs, and other circumstances as may be determined by the Selling Lottery.*

(c) **Returned Plays.** To promote good Player or Retailer relations, a Selling Lottery, at its sole discretion, may develop a method of compensating Players or Retailers for Plays accepted by the Selling Lottery as returned to the Selling Lottery (“Returned Plays”) that are misprinted, illegible, printed in error, future Plays affected by changes in game features by the Selling Lottery or due to game cancellations.

Returned Plays may not be cancelled or voided. Returned Plays are not reported to MUSL.

The Selling Lottery Must remit its required prize pool contributions on all Plays accepted as returned Plays by the Selling Lottery.

Returned Plays may not be claimed for a prize by any person or entity, including the Selling Lottery. Any prizes which would have been won on a Returned Play shall become an unclaimed prize at the end of the prize claim period.

(d) **Incomplete Transaction Plays.** Incomplete Transaction Plays occur when a Retailer begins a Play transaction as requested by a Player, and the Play is registered on the CGS, but the transaction is terminated prior to transferring Play confirmation to the Player, there is no attempt to print the Play on a ticket, and the Player has not paid for the Play. Transaction terminations may be due to time sensitivities, communications loss or other issues as accepted by the Selling Lottery.

A Selling Lottery, at its sole discretion, may develop an approved method of managing Incomplete Transaction Plays, subject to these provisions.

Incomplete Transaction Plays may not be cancelled or voided.

The Selling Lottery must remit its required prize pool contributions on any Incomplete Transaction Plays. At its sole discretion, the Selling Lottery may develop a method of compensation Retailers for Incomplete Transaction Plays if Retailers are required to reimburse Selling Lotteries for prize pool contributions.

Incomplete Transaction Plays may not be claimed for a prize by any person or entity including the Retailer. Any prize which cannot be claimed as a prize under this Rule but would otherwise have been won on an Incomplete Transaction Play shall become an unclaimed prize at the end of the prize claim period of the drawing for which the Incomplete Transaction Play was recorded. Incomplete Transaction Plays are not reported to MUSL.

**(e) Stolen Plays.** Plays reported as stolen from a Retailer that have been recovered cannot be accepted by the Selling Lottery as Returned Plays.

Selling Lotteries may compensate a Retailer for the loss from theft if a Selling Lottery, solely at its discretion, determines to assume such a loss, but Stolen Plays cannot be cancelled or voided.

Ownership of Stolen Plays, and whether any party has a right to claim prizes on Stolen Plays, shall be determined by the rules of the Selling Lottery.

**(f) Game Cancellation.** In the event of cancellation of the Game by the Product Group prior to the occurrence of all drawings for which Plays have been sold and recorded on the CGS, the Selling Lottery may provide a refund mechanism for such Plays to the Players, and the Selling Lottery shall not be required to remit its prize pool contributions for any such refunded Plays.

**(g) Selling Lotteries Prohibited from Claiming Prizes.** Selling Lotteries and lottery officials are prohibited from claiming any prizes on Plays that are owned by the Selling Lottery through “Returned Plays” or otherwise acquired and held by the Selling Lottery. Any prizes that would otherwise be won on Plays owned or acquired by Selling Lotteries shall become unclaimed prizes at the end of the prize claim period.

**26.32 Player Responsibility.** It shall be the sole responsibility of the player to verify the accuracy of the game Play or Plays and other data printed on the ticket or contained in a ticketless transaction. The placing of Plays is done at the player's own risk through the agent that is acting on behalf of the player in entering the Play or Plays. The purchaser of a Play or Plays through a ticketless transaction has the sole responsibility for verifying the accuracy and condition of the data at the time of purchase.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**26.33 Entry of Plays.** Plays may only be entered as approved by the Party Lottery by such means as approved by the Party Lottery. Retailers shall not permit the use of Play Slips that are not allowed by the Party Lottery. Retailers shall not permit any device to enter Plays, except as allowed by the Party Lottery.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*



**26.34 Registration of Plays.** Ticketless transaction Plays may be registered with the Party Lottery in a manner that meets the requirements established by the Product Group, the Party Lottery, and the MUSL Rules.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**26.35 Maximum Purchase.** Except for a ticketless transaction Play purchase when the Party Lottery has a process in place to allow players to make changes to their Play purchases in the event of a game change, the maximum number of consecutive drawings on a single Play purchase is twenty-six (26). The maximum number of consecutive drawings encompassed by a ticketless transaction Play purchase when the Party Lottery has a process in place to allow players to make changes to their Play purchases in the event of a game change is one hundred four (104).

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**26.36** In the event of a matrix change, the Party Lottery that issued the ticketless transaction will determine the option(s) available to ticketless transaction purchasers from that Party Lottery for the balance of Plays remaining on their ticketless transactions effective as of the date of the matrix change.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULES 27 – 29 RESERVED.**

**MM RULE 30 PRIZE PAYMENTS.**

**30.1 Grand Prize for Mega Millions Game and Just the Jackpot**

(a) The prize money allocated from the current Mega Millions prize pool for the Mega Millions Grand Prize, plus any previous portions of prize money allocated to the Mega Millions Grand Prize category in which no matching MM Plays or JJ Plays were sold will be divided equally among all Mega Millions Grand Prize winning MM Plays and JJ Plays in all Participating Lotteries. The annuity Mega Millions Grand Prize amount will be paid in thirty (30) graduated annual installments. Mega Millions Grand Prizes won shall be funded by the Selling Lotteries in accordance with the formula set by the Mega Millions lotteries. The Mega Millions lotteries may set a minimum guaranteed annuity Mega Millions Grand Prize amount that shall be advertised by the selling lotteries as the starting guaranteed annuity Mega Millions Grand Prize amount.

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; June 3, 2010 to be effective September 14, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

*Comment. The Mega Millions Lotteries shall determine and announce the Annuitized Grand prize amount and cash value Grand Prize amount, and any increases for each successive Grand Prize. Comment last updated April 9, 2020.*

*The prize amount of a Mega Millions Grand Prize winner electing the annuitized payout shall be the Annuitized Mega Millions Grand Prize amount, as determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries, divided by the number of total Mega Millions Grand Prize winning MM Plays and JJ Plays. Comment last updated June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

(b) **Rollover.** If, in any Mega Millions drawing there are no MM Plays or JJ Plays that qualify for the Mega Millions Grand Prize category, the portion of the prize fund allocated to such Mega Millions Grand Prize category shall remain in the Mega Millions Grand Prize category and be added to the amount allocated for the Mega Millions Grand Prize category in the next consecutive Mega Millions drawing

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

(c) Unless there is a different Party Lottery rule, Mega Millions Grand Prizes shall be paid, at the election of the player made no later than sixty (60) days after the player becomes entitled to the prize, with either a per winner annuity or cash payment. If the payment election is not made by the player within sixty (60) days after the player becomes entitled to the prize, then the prize shall be paid as an annuity prize. The election to take the cash value option may be made within sixty (60) days after the player becomes entitled to the prize. An election made after the winner becomes entitled to the prize is final and cannot be revoked, withdrawn or otherwise changed.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

(d) In the event of a prize winner who selects the cash value option, the prize winner's share shall be paid in a single payment upon completion of internal validation procedures. The cash value option shall be determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries.

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; June 5 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. The prize amount of a Mega Millions Grand Prize winner electing the cash value payout shall be the Mega Millions Grand Prize annuity amount, as determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries, divided by a rate established by the Mega Millions Finance Committee prior to each drawing, divided by the number of total Mega Millions Grand Prize winning MM Plays and JJ Plays.*

*Comment last updated June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

(e) Graduated annual payment option Mega Millions Grand Prizes shall be paid in thirty (30) graduated annual installments upon completion of internal validation procedures. The initial payment shall be paid upon completion of internal validation procedures. The subsequent twenty-nine (29) payments shall be paid graduated annually to coincide with the month of the Federal auction on date at which the bonds were purchased to fund the annuity, with graduated annual installments defined in the Mega Millions Lotteries' applicable Finance and Operations Procedures. Payments shall escalate by a factor of five percent (5%) annually, and annual payments shall be rounded down to the nearest even one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) increment. All such payments shall be made within seven (7) days of the anniversary of the annual auction date.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

(f) If individual shares of the Mega Millions Grand Prize Pool funds held to fund an annuity is less than two hundred fifty-thousand dollars (\$250,000.00), the Product Group, in its sole discretion, may elect to pay the winners their share of the cash held in the Mega Millions Grand Prize pool.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**(g)** Funds for the initial payment of an annuitized prize or the cash value option prize shall be made available by MUSL for payment by the Party Lottery on a schedule approved by the Product Group. If necessary, when the due date for the payment of a prize occurs before the receipt of funds in the prize pool trust sufficient to pay the prize, the transfer of funds for the payment of the full cash value option amount may be delayed pending receipt of funds from the Party Lotteries or other lotteries participating in the Mega Millions Game. A Party Lottery may elect to make the initial payment from its own funds after validation, with notice to MUSL.

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; June 5, 2014.*

*Comment. On December 23, 2009, the Product Group approved a schedule to immediately transfer funds to a Party Lottery reporting a winner after the Party Lottery validates the prize claim, subject to the approved collection schedule for a transfer within fifteen (15) calendar days and the availability of funds to make the transfer. Mega Millions Grand Prize amounts held by MUSL shall be transferred to the Mega Millions Lottery's Mega Millions Clearinghouse, (currently the Virginia Lottery) within fifteen (15) calendar days after a Mega Millions Lottery reports a winner.*

**(h)** In the event of the death of a lottery winner sold by a Party Lottery during the annuity payment period, unless prohibited by jurisdictional law, the MUSL Finance & Audit Committee, in its sole discretion excepting a discretionary review by the Product Group, upon the petition of the estate of the lottery winner (the "Estate") to the lottery of the jurisdiction in which the deceased lottery winner purchased the winning Play, and subject to federal, state, district or territorial applicable laws, may accelerate the payment of all of the remaining lottery proceeds to the Estate. If such a determination is made, then securities and/or cash held to fund the deceased lottery winner's annuitized prize may be distributed to the Estate. The identification of the securities to fund the annuitized prize shall be at the sole discretion of the Finance & Audit Committee or the Product Group.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. This Rule is intended to provide players with the advantages offered by the changes made to 26 U.S.C. §451. These rules should be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with the purposes, requirements, and restrictions of that code section. A Party Lottery's share of MUSL non-game earnings may be used to fund annuity payments, as may be needed, in a manner other than provided for in this rule, due to mandates of local laws.*

**(i)** If a Party Lottery purchases or holds the prize payment annuity for a prize won in that jurisdiction, that Party Lottery's game rules, and any prize payment agreement with the prize winner, shall indicate that the prize winner has no recourse on the MUSL or any other Party Lottery for payment of that prize.

**30.2 First Prize for Double Play.**

(a) The Double Play First Prize is a fixed, non-annuitized value of \$10 million for each Double Play Drawing.

(b) If, in any Double Play drawing there are no DP Plays that qualify for the First Prize category, the portion of the prize fund allocated to such First Prize category shall remain in the First Prize pool for the next Double Play drawing.

(c) Funds for the payment of a First Prize shall be made available by MUSL for payment by the Party Lottery on a schedule approved by the Product Group. If necessary, when the due date for the payment of a prize occurs before the receipt of funds in the FPP trust sufficient to pay the prize, the transfer of funds for the payment of the First Prize may be delayed pending receipt of funds from the Party Lotteries or other lotteries participating in the Double Play Promotion. A Party Lottery may elect to make the First Prize payment from its own funds after validation, with notice to MUSL.

**30.3 Set Prizes.** A Party Lottery may begin paying set or low-tier prizes after receiving authorization to pay from the MUSL central office.

**30.4 Process for Prize Payments.** All prizes shall be paid through the Selling Lottery that sold the winning Plays, and at the discretion of the Selling Lottery may be paid by cash, checks, warrants or electronic transfers.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**30.5 Prizes Rounded.** Annuitized payments of the Mega Millions Grand Prize or a share of the Mega Millions Grand Prize may be rounded to facilitate the purchase of an appropriate funding mechanism. Breakage on an annuitized Mega Millions Grand Prize win shall be added to the first payment to the winner or winners.

Prizes other than the Mega Millions Grand Prize that, under these rules, may become single-payment, pari-mutuel prizes, may be rounded down so that prizes can be paid in multiples of whole dollars. Breakage resulting from rounding these prizes shall be carried forward to the prize pool(s) for the next drawing.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5, 2014.*

**30.6 Limited to Highest Prize Won.**

(a) The holder of a winning MM Play may win only one (1) prize per Play in connection with the winning numbers drawn for the Mega Millions game, and shall be entitled only to the prize won by those numbers in the highest matching prize category.

(b) The holder of a winning DP Play may win only one (1) prize per Play in connection with the winning numbers drawn for the Double Play game, and shall be entitled only to the prize won by those numbers in the highest matching prize category.

(c) A player may win both a MM prize and also a DP prize if the player purchased the DP add-on option to the Mega Millions Play, and if the MM Play and the DP Play match the winning numbers drawn for both the Mega Millions game and the Double Play game.

(d) A JJ Play is not eligible to win non-Grand Prizes / non-Jackpot prizes.

(e) All liability for a Mega Millions prize, a Megaplier prize, a Just the Jackpot prize and a Double Play prize are discharged upon payment of a prize claim.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; XXX.*

**30.7 Prize Claim Period.** Prize claims shall be submitted within the period set by the Party Lottery selling the Play. If no such claim period is established, all prize claims shall be made within one hundred eighty (180) days after the drawing date.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

### **MM RULE 31—PLAY VALIDATION FOR MEGA MILLIONS, JUST THE JACKPOT, AND DOUBLE PLAY.**

**31.1** To be a valid Play and eligible to receive a prize, a Play’s ticket or ticketless transaction shall satisfy all the requirements established by a Party Lottery for validation of winning Plays sold through its computer gaming system and any other validation requirements adopted by the Product Group, the MUSL Board and published as the Confidential MUSL Minimum Game Security Standards. The MUSL and the Party Lotteries shall not be responsible for Plays that are altered in any manner.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 5 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**31.2** Under no circumstances will a claim be paid for a prize without an official Mega Millions or Double Play ticket (or validly registered ticketless transaction) matching all game Play, serial number and other validation data residing in the selling Party Lottery’s computer gaming system and such ticket (or validly registered ticketless transaction) shall be the only valid proof of the wager placed and the only valid receipt for claiming or redeeming such prize. Prize payment(s) will be made only after completion of the internal validation procedures and administrative processes as required by these Rules and the requirements of the Party Lottery that sold the winning Play.

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**31.3** In addition to the above, in order to be deemed a valid, winning Play, unless the Play is a validly registered ticketless transaction, all of the following conditions must be met:

(a) The validation data must be present in its entirety and must correspond, using the computer validation file, to the number selections printed on the ticket for the drawing date(s) printed on the ticket;

(b) The ticket must be intact;

(c) The ticket must not be mutilated, altered, reconstituted, or tampered with in any manner;

(d) The ticket must not be counterfeit or an exact duplicate of another winning ticket;

(e) The ticket must have been issued by an authorized Mega Millions sales agent, or retailer of the selling Party Lottery and printed on paper in compliance with MUSL Rule 2;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

(f) The ticket must not have been stolen, to the knowledge of the Party Lottery;

**(g)** The ticket must be submitted for payment in accordance with Section 10 of the Mega Millions Lotteries Game Rules (Procedures for Claiming and Payment of Prizes);

**(h)** The Play data must have been recorded on the computer gaming system prior to the drawing and the Play data must match this computer record in every respect. In the event of a contradiction between information as printed on the ticket and as accepted by the Party Lottery's computer gaming system, the wager accepted by the Party Lottery's computer gaming system shall be the valid wager;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(i)** The player or computer pick number selections, validation data and the drawing date(s) of an apparent winning Play must appear on the official file of winning Plays, and a Play with that exact data must not have been previously paid;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(j)** The play must not be mis-registered, and the Play's ticket must not be defectively printed or printed or produced in error to an extent that it cannot be processed by the Party Lottery that issued the Play;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(k)** The Play must pass validation tests using a minimum of three (3) of the five (5) validation methods as defined in the Mega Millions Finance and Operations Procedures, Section 14. In addition, the Play must pass all other confidential security checks of the Party Lottery that issued the Play;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(l)** In submitting a Play for validation, the claimant agrees to abide by applicable laws, all rules and regulations, instructions, conditions and final decisions of the Director of the Party Lottery that issued the Play;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(m)** There must not be any other breach of these Mega Millions Rules in relation to the Play that, in the opinion of the Director of the Party Lottery that issued the Play, justifies invalidation.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(n)** The Play must be submitted to the Party Lottery that issued it.

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(o)** Ticketless transaction Plays must meet the validation requirements of the Party Lottery that issued the Play.

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**31.4** A Play submitted for validation that fails any of the preceding validation conditions shall be considered void, subject to the following determinations:

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(a)** In all cases of doubt, the determination of the Party Lottery that sold the Play, shall be final and binding; however, the Party Lottery may, at its option, replace an invalid Play with a Play of equivalent sales price;

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(b)** In the event a defective ticket is purchased or in the event the Party Lottery determines to adjust an error, the Claimant's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the replacement of such defective or erroneous ticket(s) with a Play of equivalent sales price;

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(c)** In the event a Play is not paid by a Party Lottery and a dispute occurs as to whether the Play is a winning Play, the Party Lottery may, at its option, replace the Play as provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection. This shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the Claimant unless the laws or regulations governing the Party Lottery provide for further administrative review.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

## **MM RULE 32—PLAY RESPONSIBILITY.**

**32.1 Prize Claims.** Prize claim procedures shall be governed by the rules of the Selling Lottery. MUSL and the Selling Lotteries shall not be responsible for prizes that are not claimed following the proper procedures as determined by the Selling Lottery.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

### **32.2 Reserved.**

**32.3 Stolen Plays.** The Product Group, MUSL and the Party Lotteries shall not be responsible for lost or stolen Plays.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**32.4 Ticketless Transactions.** A Ticketless Transaction Play is only valid when registered with the lottery in accordance with lottery rules, these Rules, and the MUSL Rules. The person or, if permitted by the lottery rules, the persons registering the Play shall be the owner of the Ticketless Transaction play. A receipt for a Ticketless Transaction Play has no value and is not evidence of a Play.

*Amended June 25, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; June 16, 2022.*

**32.5** The Party Lotteries shall not be responsible to a prize claimant for Plays redeemed in error by a selling agent or retailer.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**32.6** Winners are determined by the numbers drawn and certified by the independent auditor responsible for auditing the Mega Millions and Double Play draws. MUSL and the Party Lotteries are not responsible for Mega Millions or Double Play winning numbers reported in error.



*Amended October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**MM RULE 33—INELIGIBLE PLAYERS.**

**33.1** A Play or share for a MUSL game issued by MUSL or any of its Party Lotteries shall not be purchased by, and a prize won by any such Play or share shall not be paid to:

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(a)** a MUSL employee, officer, or director;

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**(b)** a contractor or consultant under agreement with the MUSL to review the MUSL audit and security procedures;

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**(c)** an employee of an independent accounting firm under contract with MUSL to observe drawings or site operations and actually assigned to the MUSL account and all partners, shareholders, or owners in the local office of the firm; or

*Amended March 29, 2013.*

**(d)** an immediate family member (parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, spouse, or sibling) of an individual described in subsections (a), (b), and (c) and residing in the same household.

**33.2** Those persons designated by a Party Lottery's law as ineligible to play its games shall also be ineligible to play the MUSL game in that Party Lottery's jurisdiction.

**33.3** A Play or share of the Mega Millions game may not be purchased in any lottery jurisdiction by any Party Lottery board member, commissioner, officer, or employee; or a spouse, child, brother, sister or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principle place of residence of any such person. Prizes shall not be paid to any persons prohibited from playing Mega Millions in a particular jurisdiction by rules, governing law, or any contract executed by the Selling Lottery.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE 34—APPLICABLE LAW.**

In purchasing a Play, or attempting to claim a prize, purchasers and prize claimants agree to comply with and abide by all applicable laws, rules, regulations, procedures, and decisions of the Party Lottery where the Play was purchased, and by directives and determinations of the director of that Party Lottery.

Additionally, the player shall be bound to all applicable provisions in the Mega Millions Finance and Operations Procedures for Mega Millions, Megaplier, and Double Play.

A prize claimant agrees, as its sole and exclusive remedy that claims arising out of a Play can only be pursued against the Party Lottery which issued the Play. Litigation, if any, shall only be maintained within the jurisdiction in which the Play was purchased and only against the Party Lottery that issued the Play. No claim shall be made against any other Party Lottery or against the MUSL.

Nothing in these Rules shall be construed as a waiver of any defense or claim the Party Lottery which issued the Play, any other Party Lottery, or MUSL may have in any litigation, including in the event a player or prize claimant pursues litigation against a Party Lottery or

MUSL, or their respective officers, directors or employees.

All decisions made by a Party Lottery, including the declaration of prizes and the payment thereof and the interpretation of Mega Millions Rules, shall be final and binding on all Play purchasers and on every person making a prize claim in respect thereof, but only in the jurisdiction where the Play was issued.

Unless the laws, rules, regulations, procedures, and decisions of the Party Lottery which issued the Play provide otherwise, no prize shall be paid upon a Play purchased, claimed or sold in violation of these Rules or the laws, rules, regulations, procedures, and decisions of that Party Lottery; any such prize claimed but unpaid shall constitute an unclaimed prize under these Rules and the laws, rules, regulations, procedures, and decisions of that Party Lottery.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

### PART III – MEGA MILLIONS GAME

#### MM RULE 35 - MEGA MILLIONS GAME DESCRIPTION

**35.1 Mega Millions Game.** Mega Millions is a five (5) out of seventy (70) plus one (1) out of twenty-five (25) lottery game, drawn on the day(s), time(s) and location(s) as determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries, and which pays the Mega Millions Grand Prize, at the election of the player made in accordance with these rules or by a default election made in accordance with these rules, either on a graduated annuitized annual pari-mutuel basis or as a cash value option using a rate determined by the Mega Millions Finance Committee on a pari-mutuel basis. Except as provided in these rules, all other prizes are paid on a single payment basis.

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**35.2** Mega Millions winning numbers applicable to determine Mega Millions prizes will be determined on the day(s), time(s) and location(s) as determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries. During the drawing event, five (5) numbers shall be drawn from the first set of seventy (70) numbers, and one (1) number shall be drawn from the second set of twenty-five (25) numbers, which shall constitute the Winning Numbers. Mega Millions winning numbers shall not be used to determine Double Play prizes. Double Play winning numbers shall not be used to determine Mega Million prizes.

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**35.3** To play Mega Millions, a player shall select (or computer pick) five (5) different numbers, from one (1) through seventy (70) and one (1) additional number from one (1) through twenty-five (25). The additional number may be the same as one of the first five numbers selected by the player.

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**35.4** MM Plays can be purchased for two dollars (U.S. \$2.00), including any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery Play.

*Amended June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**35.5** Plays may be purchased from a Party Lottery approved sales outlet in a manner as approved by the Party Lottery and in accordance with MUSL Rules.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE 36—MEGA MILLIONS PRIZE POOL.**

**36.1 Mega Millions Prize Pool.** The prize pool for all prize categories offered by the Party Lotteries shall consist of up to fifty-five percent (55%) of each drawing period's sales, inclusive of any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery MM Play, and inclusive of contributions to the prize pool accounts and prize reserve accounts, but may be higher or lower based upon the number of winners at each prize level, as well as the funding required to meet a guaranteed Annuity Mega Millions Grand Prize as may be required by Rule 30.1(a).

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**36.2 Mega Millions Prize Pool Accounts and Prize Reserve Accounts.** The Product Group shall set the contribution rates to the prize pool and prize reserve accounts established by this rule.

(a) The following prize reserve accounts for the Mega Millions game are hereby established:

(i) The Prize Reserve Account (PRA) which is used to guarantee the payment of valid, but unanticipated, Mega Millions Grand Prize claims that may result from a system error or other reason, to fund deficiencies in the Set Aside Pool, and to fund pari-mutuel prize deficiencies as defined and limited in Rules 36.3(c)(1)(a) and G(2)(a)(1).

(b) The following prize pool accounts for the Mega Millions game are hereby established:

(i) The Mega Millions Grand Prize Pool (GPP), which is used to fund the current Mega Millions Grand Prize;

(ii) The Set Prize Pool (SPP), which is used to fund the Set or Lower Tier Prizes. The SPP shall hold the temporary balances that may result from having fewer than expected winners in the Set Prize categories. The Source of the SPP is the Party Lottery's weekly prize contributions less actual Set Prize liability; and,

(iii) The Set-Aside Pool (SAP) which is used to fund the payment of the awarded minimum starting annuity Mega Millions Grand Prizes and the minimum annuity Mega Millions Grand Prize increase, if necessary (subject to the limitations in these rules), as may be set by the Product Group. The source of the SAP funding shall accumulate from the difference between the amount in the Mega Millions Grand Prize Pool at the time of a Mega Millions Grand Prize win and the amount needed to fund Mega Millions Grand Prize payments as determined by the Mega Millions lotteries.

(c) The above prize reserve accounts shall have maximum balance amounts or balance limit triggers that are set by the Product Group and are detailed in the Comments to this Rule.

The maximum balance amounts and balance limit triggers are subject to review by the MUSL Board Finance and Audit Committee. The Finance and Audit Committee shall have two weeks to state objections, if any, to the approved maximum balance amounts or balance limiter triggers. Approved maximum balance amounts or balance limiter triggers shall become effective no sooner than two weeks after notice is given to the Finance and Audit Committee and no objection is stated or sooner if the Committee affirmatively approves the maximum balance amounts or balance limiter triggers. The Group may appeal the Committee's objections to the full Board. Group approved changes in the maximum balance amounts or balance limiter triggers set by the Product Group shall be effective only after the next Mega Millions Grand Prize win.

(d) The contribution rate to the GPP from MM Plays shall be 37.6509% of sales. An amount up to five percent (5%) of a Party Lottery's sales, including any specific statutorily mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery play, shall be added to a Party Lottery's Mega Millions Prize Pool contribution and placed in trust in one or more prize pool and prize reserve accounts held by the Product Group at any time that the Party Lottery's share of the PRA is below the amounts designated by the Product Group. Details shall be noted in the Comments to this Rule.

(e) The Product Group may determine to expend all or a portion of the funds in the prize pools (except the GPP) and the prize reserve accounts:

(i) for the purpose of indemnifying the Party Lotteries in the payment of prizes to be made by the Selling Lotteries; and

(ii) for the payment of prizes or special prizes in the game, limited to prize pool and prize reserve contributions from lotteries participating in the special prize promotion, subject to the approval of the Board's Finance & Audit Committee or that Committee's failure to object after given two weeks' notice of the planned action, which actions may be appealed to the full Board by the Product Group.

(f) The prize reserve shares of a Party Lottery may be adjusted with refunds to the Party Lottery from the prize reserve account(s) as may be needed to maintain the approved maximum balance and sales percentage shares of the Party Lotteries.

**(g)** A Party Lottery may contribute to its sales percentage share of prize reserve accounts over time, but in the event of a draw down from a reserve account, a Party Lottery is responsible for its full sales percentage share of the prize reserve account, whether or not it has been paid in full.

**(h)** Any amount remaining in the Mega Millions prize pool accounts or prize reserve account when the Product Group declares the end of the game shall be returned to the lotteries participating in the prize pool and prize reserve accounts after the end of all claim periods of all Selling Lotteries, carried forward to a replacement game, or otherwise expended in a manner at the election of the individual Members of the Product Group in accordance with jurisdiction statute.

*Amended September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. The Mega Millions reserve accounts and any Mega Millions rollover monies, to the extent they exist, may be used to fund a deficiency in Megaplier prizes.*

*As required by Rule 36.2(a), on March 22, 2013, the Product Group set the maximum PRA balance amount at forty-five million dollars (\$45,000,000.00). On October 25, 2017, the Product Group set the maximum PRA balance at one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000.00).*

*On September 21, 2010, the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve contribution for MM Plays at two and five-tenths percent (2.5%), effective December 1, 2010. On June 16, 2011, the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve account contribution for MM Plays at one and five-tenths percent (1.5%) effective beginning with the drawing of July 1, 2011. On January 31, 2013 the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve contribution for MM Plays at one percent (1%) effective beginning with the drawing of April 2, 2013 (for a total prize pool of 51%). On October 25, 2017, the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve contribution for MM Plays at two percent (two percent) effective beginning with the drawing of October 31, 2017 (for a total prize pool of fifty-two percent (52%). On November 1, 2018, the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve contribution for MM Plays at one percent (1%) effective beginning with the drawing of December 28, 2018 (for a total prize pool of fifty-one percent (51%)). The prize reserve contribution shall be used to fund the prize reserve account until it reaches its maximum balance amounts. Once prize reserve account shares reach the Party Lottery's maximum balance amounts, prize reserve contributions will not be collected from those Party Lotteries.*

*Approval of the Group is required to change the prize pool and prize reserve deduction percentages, maximum balances and balance limit trigger levels.*

*Comment last Amended October 25, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**36.3 Expected Prize Payout Percentages.** The Mega Millions Grand Prize payout shall be determined on a pari-mutuel basis. Except as otherwise provided in these rules all other prizes awarded by Party Lotteries shall be paid as single payment prizes. All prize payouts are made with the following expected prize payout percentages, which does not include any additional amount contributed to or held in prize reserves, although the prize payout percentages per draw may vary:

Number of Matches Per MM Play	Prize Payment	MM Prize Pool Percentage	MM Sales Percentage
		Allocated to Prize	Allocated to Prize
All five (5) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	Grand Prize	75.3018%*	37.6509%
All five (5) of first set and none of second set.	\$1,000,000.00	7.9319%	3.9659%
Any four (4) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$10,000.00	1.0742%	0.5371%
Any four (4) of first set and none of second set.	\$500.00	1.2889%	0.6445%
Any three (3) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$200.00	1.3749%	0.6875%
Any three (3) of first set and none of second set.	\$10.00	1.6498%	0.8249%
Any two (2) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$10.00	1.4436%	0.7218%
Any one (1) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$4.00	4.4752%	2.2376%
None of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$2.00	5.4597%	2.7298%

*\* The Mega Millions Grand Prize shall include the MM Prize Pool percentage allocated to the Mega Millions Grand Prize combined with JJ Prize Pool percentage allocated to the Mega Millions Grand Prize.*

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017; October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**(a)** The Mega Millions Grand Prize amount shall be divided equally by the number of MM Plays and JJ Plays winning the Mega Millions Grand Prize.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(b)** The SPP (for payment of single payment prizes of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) or less) shall be carried forward to subsequent draws if all or a portion of it is not needed to pay the set prizes awarded in the current draw.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**(c) Pari-mutuel Prize Determinations.**

**(c)(1)** Except as otherwise provided for in 36.3(c)(2):

**(c)(1)(a)** If the total of the Mega Millions Set Prizes (as multiplied by the respective Megaplier multiplier if applicable) awarded in a drawing exceeds the percentage of the prize pool allocated to the Mega Millions Set Prizes, then the amount needed to fund the Mega Millions Set Prizes, including Megaplier prizes, awarded shall be drawn from the following sources, in the following order:

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**(i)** the amount available in the SPP and the Megaplier Prize Pool, if any;

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**(ii)** an amount from the PRA, if available, not to exceed forty million dollars (\$40,000,000.00) per drawing.

**(c)(1)(b)** If, after these sources are depleted, there are not sufficient funds to pay the Set Prizes, including Megaplier prizes, then the highest Set Prize shall become a pari-mutuel prize. If the amount of the highest Set Prize, including Megaplier prizes, when paid on a pari-mutuel basis, drops to or below the next highest Set Prize and there are still not sufficient funds to pay the remaining Set Prizes awarded, then the next highest Set Prize shall become a pari-mutuel prize. This procedure shall continue down through all Set Prize levels, if necessary, until all Set Prize levels become pari-mutuel prize levels. In that instance, the money available from the funding sources listed in this Rule shall be divided among the winning MM Plays in proportion to their respective prize percentages. Mega Millions and Megaplier prizes will be reduced by the same percentage.

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**(c)(2)** By agreement with the Mega Millions Lotteries, the Mega Millions Lotteries shall independently calculate their set pari-mutuel prize amounts. The Party Lotteries and the Mega Millions Lotteries shall then agree to set the pari-mutuel prize amount for all lotteries selling the game at the lesser of the independently-calculated prize amounts.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013.*

*Comment. The California Lottery is excluded from the Party Lotteries and other Licensee Lotteries pari-mutuel prize calculations. Double Play Prize Pool and Prize Reserve Accounts may not be used to pay underfunded Mega Millions prizes.*

**(d)** Except as may be required by Rule 30.1(a), the official advertised Mega Millions Grand Prize annuity amount is subject to change based on sales forecasts and/or actual sales.

*Amended Dec 31, 2009; June 3, 2010 to be effective September 14, 2010.*

**(e)** Subject to the laws and rules governing each Party Lottery, the number of prize categories and the allocation of the prize fund among the prize categories may be changed at the discretion of the Mega Millions Lotteries, for promotional purposes. Such change shall be announced by Mega Millions Lotteries.

**MULTI STATE LOTTERY ASSOCIATION – MEGA MILLIONS GROUP (M2G2) RULES**

**MM RULE 37 PROBABILITY OF WINNING MEGA MILLIONS PRIZES.** The following table sets forth the probability of winning and the probable distribution of winners in and among each prize category for MM Plays sold by Party Lotteries, based upon the total number of possible combinations in Mega Millions.

Number of Matches Per MM Play	Probability Distribution		Probable/Set Prize Amount
	Winners	Probability	
All five (5) of first set plus one (1) of second set	1	1:302,575,350	Grand Prize
All five (5) of first set and none of second set	24	1:12,607,306	\$1,000,000.00
Any four (4) of first set plus one (1) of second set	325	1:931,001	\$10,000.00
Any four (4) of first set and none of second set	7,800	1:38,792	\$500.00
Any three (3) of first set plus one (1) of second set	20,800	1:14,547	\$200.00
Any three (3) of first set and none of second set	499,200	1:606	\$10.00
Any two (2) of first set plus one (1) of second set	436,800	1:693	\$10.00
Any one (1) of first set plus one (1) of second set	3,385,200	1:89	\$4.00
None of first set plus one (1) of second set	8,259,888	1:37	\$2.00
Overall	12,610,038	1:24	

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**PART IV – SPECIAL GAME RULES: MEGA MILLIONS® MEGAPLIER®  
PROMOTION**

*Last amended October 25, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017. Comment last updated November 1, 2018 to be effective with the drawing on December 28, 2018.*

**MM RULE A — PROMOTION DESCRIPTION.**

The Mega Millions Megaplier Promotion is a limited extension of the Mega Millions game and is conducted in accordance with the Mega Millions game rules and other lottery rules applicable to the Mega Millions game except as may be amended herein. The promotion will begin at a time announced by the Party Lottery and will continue until discontinued by the lottery. The Promotion will offer to the owners of a qualifying Megaplier Play a chance to multiply or increase the amount of any of the Set Prizes (the prizes normally paying two dollars (\$2.00) to one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) won in a drawing held during the Promotion. The Mega Millions Grand Prize is not a Set Prize and will not be multiplied or increased by means of the Megaplier Promotion or the Just the Jackpot promotion.

*Amended September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE B — QUALIFYING PLAY.**

A qualifying Megaplier Play is any single Mega Millions Play for which the player pays an extra one dollar (\$1.00) for the Megaplier option and that is recorded on the Party Lottery's computer gaming system as a qualifying Megaplier Play. The purchase of Just the Jackpot Plays do not qualify to purchase a Megaplier Play.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE C — PRIZES TO BE INCREASED.**

Except as provided in these rules, a qualifying Megaplier Play that wins one of the Set Prizes will be multiplied by the number drawn, either two, three, four, or five (2, 3, 4, or 5), in a separate random Megaplier drawing announced in a manner approved by the Product Group.

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective when promulgated by the lottery and September 21, 2010 to be effective to be effective December 1, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE D — MEGAPLIER DRAWS.**

MUSL will either itself conduct, or authorize a U.S. Lottery to conduct on its behalf, a separate random "Megaplier" drawing. Before each Mega Millions drawing a single number (2, 3, 4 or 5) shall be drawn. The Product Group may change one or more of the multiplier features for special promotions from time to time. In the event the multiplier drawing does not occur prior to the Mega Millions drawing, the multiplier number will be a 5 (five), which shall solely be determined by the lottery authorized to conduct the "Megaplier" drawing.

*Amended September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; October 25, 2011; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014.*

**MM RULE E — PRIZE POOL.**

**E(1) Megaplier Prize Pool.**

(a) The Megaplier Prize Pool (MPP) is hereby created, and shall be used to fund Megaplier prizes. The MPP shall hold the temporary balances that may result from having fewer than expected winning Megaplier Plays. The source of the MPP is the Party Lottery's weekly prize contributions less actual Megaplier Prize liability.

(b) Up to fifty-five percent (55%) of each drawing period's sales, as determined by the Game Group, including any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery ticket, shall be collected for the payment of Megaplier prizes.

(c) Prize payout percentages per draw may vary. The MPP shall be carried forward to subsequent draws if all or a portion of it is not needed to pay the Megaplier prizes awarded in the current draw and held in the MPP.

*Amended September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment: On September 21, 2010, the Product Group determined to set the Megaplier Prize Pool at fifty-two and five-tenths percent (52.5%), effective December 1, 2010. On June 16, 2011, the Product Group determined to set the Megaplier Prize Pool at fifty-one and five-tenths percent (51.5%) effective beginning with the drawing of July 1, 2011. On January 31, 2013 the Product Group determined to set the Megaplier Prize Pool at fifty percent (50%) effective beginning with the drawing on April 2, 2013. On October 25, 2017, the Product Group determined to set the Megaplier Prize Pool at fifty-two percent (52%), effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017, with two percent (2%) of the prize pool funding to be directed to the PRA. On November 1, 2018, the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve contribution for Megaplier Plays at one percent (1%) effective beginning with the drawing of December 28, 2018 (for a total MPP of fifty-one percent (51%)).*

**E(2) End of Game.** Any amount remaining in the MPP when the Product Group declares the end of this game shall be returned to the lotteries participating in the account after the end of all claim periods of all Selling Lotteries, carried forward to a replacement game or otherwise expended in a manner at the election of the individual Members of the Product Group in accordance with jurisdiction law.

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**MULTI STATE LOTTERY ASSOCIATION – MEGA MILLIONS GROUP (M2G2) RULES**

**E(3) Expected Prize Payout.** Except as provided in these rules, all prizes awarded shall be paid as single payment set prizes. Instead of the Mega Millions set prize amounts, qualifying Megaplier Plays will pay the amounts shown below when matched with the Megaplier number drawn:

Prize Levels	Standard	With Megaplier Purchase and Applicable Multiplier			
		2X	3X	4X	5X
Match 5+0	\$1,000,000.00	\$2,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00	\$4,000,000.00	\$5,000,000.00
Match 4+1	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$50,000.00
Match 4+0	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
Match 3+1	\$200.00	\$400.00	\$600.00	\$800.00	\$1,000.00
Match 3+0	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
Match 2+1	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
Match 1+1	\$4.00	\$8.00	\$12.00	\$16.00	\$20.00
Match 0+1	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$10.00

**The Megaplier Promotion and multiplier numbers do not apply to the Mega Millions Grand Prize.**

*Amended March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 5, 2014; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

In certain rare instances, the Mega Millions set prize amount may be less than the amount shown. In such case, the Megaplier prizes will be a multiple of the changed Mega Millions prize amount announced after the draw. For example, if the Match 4+1 Mega Millions set prize amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) becomes two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) under the rules of the Mega Millions game, then a Megaplier player winning that prize amount with a 4X multiplier would win eight thousand dollars (\$8,000): two thousand dollars multiplied by four (\$2,000.00 x 4).

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective when promulgated by the lottery and September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; October 25, 2011; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE F — PROBABILITY OF WINNING.**

The following table sets forth the probability of the various Megaplier numbers being drawn during a single Mega Millions drawing. The Product Group may elect to run limited promotions that may modify the multiplier features.

<b>Megaplier</b>	<b>Probability of Prize Increase</b>
5X - Prize Won multiplied by 5	1 in 15
4X - Prize Won multiplied by 4	3 in 15
3X - Prize Won multiplied by 3	6 in 15
2X - Prize Won multiplied by 2	5 in 15

The Megaplier Promotion and multiplier numbers do not apply to the Mega Millions Grand Prize.

*Amended June 3, 2010 to be effective when promulgated by the lotteries and September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; October 25, 2011; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**MM RULE G – LIMITATION ON PAYMENT OF MEGAPLIER PRIZES.**

**G(1) Prize Pool Carried Forward.** The prize pool percentage allocated to the Megaplier set prizes shall be carried forward to subsequent draws if all or a portion of it is not needed to pay the set prizes awarded in the current draw or may be held in a prize reserve account.

**G(2)(a) Pari-Mutuel Prizes—All Prize Amounts.** Except as otherwise provided for in G(2)(b):

**G(2)(a)(1)** If the total of the original Mega Millions set prizes and the Megaplier prize amounts awarded in a drawing exceeds the percentage of the prize pools allocated to the set prizes, then the amount needed to fund the Set Prizes (including the Megaplier prize amounts) awarded shall be drawn from the following sources, in the following order:

- (i) the amount available in the SPP and the MPP , if any;
- (ii) an amount from the PRA, if available in the account, not to exceed forty million dollars (\$40,000,000.00) per drawing.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**G(2)(a)(2)** If, after these sources are depleted, there are not sufficient funds to pay the Set Prizes awarded (including Megaplier prize amounts), then the highest Set Prize (including the Megaplier prize amounts) shall become a pari-mutuel prize. If the amount of the highest Set Prize, when paid on a pari-mutuel basis, drops to or below the next highest Set Prize and there are still not sufficient funds to pay the remaining Set Prizes awarded, then the next highest Set Prize (including the Megaplier prize amount) shall become a pari-mutuel prize. This procedure shall continue down through all Set Prizes levels, if necessary, until all Set Prize levels become pari-mutuel prize levels. In that instance, the money available from the funding sources listed in this rule shall be divided among the winning MM Plays in proportion to their respective prize percentages. Mega Millions and Megaplier prizes will be reduced by the same percentage.

*Amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Comment. By action on June 25 effective with the October 22, 2013 drawing, the Product Group agreed to combine the Mega Millions and Megaplier prize pools in the rare instance when the set prizes, including the Megaplier prizes, pursuant to the rules, are paid on a pari-mutuel basis. Monies from the GPP may not be used to fund Mega Millions Set Prizes or Megaplier prize payments.*

*Comment amended June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**G(2)(b)** By agreement with the Mega Millions Lotteries, the Mega Millions Lotteries shall independently calculate their set pari-mutuel prize amounts, including the Megaplier prize amounts. The Party Lotteries and the Mega Millions Lotteries shall then agree to set the pari-mutuel prize amounts for all lotteries selling the game at the lesser of the independently-calculated prize amounts.

*Amended September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 25, 2013 to be effective with the drawing on October 22, 2013.*

*Comment. The California Lottery is excluded from the Party Lotteries and other Licensee Lotteries pari-mutuel prize calculations.*

## **MM RULE H – PRIZE PAYMENT.**

**H(1) Prize Payments.** All Megaplier prizes shall be paid in one single payment through the Party Lottery that sold the winning Megaplier Play(s). A Party Lottery may begin paying Megaplier prizes after receiving authorization to pay from the MUSL central office.

*Amended June 5, 2014; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016; June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

**H(2) Prizes Rounded.** Prizes that, under these rules, may become pari-mutuel prizes, may be rounded down so that prizes can be paid in whole dollars. Breakage resulting from rounding these prizes shall be carried forward to the MPP for the next drawing.

*Amended September 21, 2010 to be effective December 1, 2010; March 29, 2013; June 14, 2016 to be effective with the drawing on October 18, 2016.*

**PART V–SPECIAL GAME RULES: MEGA MILLIONS® JUST THE JACKPOT™  
PROMOTION**

*Adopted June 15, 2017 to be effective with the drawing on October 31, 2017.*

*Party Lotteries have the individual discretion whether to offer the Just the Jackpot Promotion. Party Lotteries offering the Just the Jackpot promotion agree to adhere to the following Rules.*

*If a Party Lottery elects not to offer the Promotion, it is recommended that they adopt the following language into their jurisdictional rules or regulations:*

*The Mega Millions Just the Jackpot Promotion is a limited extension of the Mega Millions game and is conducted in accordance with the MUSL Mega Millions Product Group game rules. The [redacted] Lottery has elected not to offer the Just the Jackpot Promotion at this time. Just the Jackpot will impact the amount of the Mega Millions Grand Prize in the Mega Millions game, and participants in the Just the Jackpot Promotion in other lottery jurisdictions may win the Mega Millions Grand Prize.*

**MM RULE JJ 1 — PROMOTION DESCRIPTION.**

**JJ1.1 Just the Jackpot.** The Mega Millions Just the Jackpot Promotion is a limited extension of the Mega Millions game and is conducted in accordance with the Mega Millions game rules and other lottery rules applicable to the Mega Millions game except as may be amended herein, and any other lottery rules applicable to this Promotion. All rules applicable to the Mega Millions Game in Parts I and II of these rules are applicable to the Just the Jackpot Promotion unless otherwise indicated.

**JJ1.2** The Promotion will begin at a time announced by the Party Lottery and will continue until discontinued by the lottery.

The Promotion will offer to players a chance to purchase two (2) Just the Jackpot Plays (JJ Plays) for three dollars (\$3.00); each JJ Play purchased will qualify the player for a chance to win the Mega Millions Grand Prize, and no other prize levels.

A JJ Play must match exactly all of the Mega Millions Grand Prize winning numbers in order to win the Mega Millions Grand Prize. A JJ Play is not eligible to win non-Mega Millions Grand Prizes / non-Jackpot prizes in the Just the Jackpot Promotion or any prizes in the Double Play Promotion.

*Amended October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

**JJ1.3** Just the Jackpot winning Plays will be paid the Mega Millions Grand Prize, at the election of the player made in accordance with these rules or by a default election made in accordance with these rules, either on a graduated annuitized annual pari-mutuel basis or as a cash value option using a rate determined by the Mega Millions Finance Committee on a pari-mutuel basis. All provisions in Parts (I) and (II) of these Rules regarding payment of the Mega Millions Grand Prize are applicable to Just the Jackpot winning Play(s). The Mega Millions Grand Prize amount shall be divided equally by the number of MM Plays and JJ Plays winning the Mega Millions Grand Prize.

**JJ1.4** The winning numbers for Just the Jackpot Promotion shall be the winning numbers for the Mega Millions Grand Prize drawn in the Mega Millions drawing. Mega Millions winning numbers applicable to determine Just the Jackpot prizes will be drawn on the day(s), time(s) and location(s) as determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries.

**JJ1.5** To play Just the Jackpot, a player shall select (or computer pick) two (2) sets of five (5) different numbers, from one (1) through seventy (70) and one (1) additional number from one (1) through twenty-five (25). The additional number may be the same as one of the first five numbers selected by the player. Each set of numbers shall constitute a single lettered selection, or single “Play” as that term is defined in Rule 26.15. The two (2) sets of numbers selected in each three dollar (\$3.00) JJ Plays purchase may be the same between the Plays. The two (2) Plays for each three dollar (\$3.00) JJ Plays purchase shall be for the same drawing, although a lottery may sell multi-draw JJ Plays as well.

**JJ1.6** The purchase price of JJ Plays shall be three dollars (US \$3.00) for two (2) single lettered selection of JJ Plays, including any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of lottery JJ Plays. JJ Plays may be purchased from a Party Lottery approved sales outlet in a manner as approved by the Party Lottery and in accordance with MUSL Rules. Except for ticketless transactions, JJ Plays must be printed on separate tickets from MM Plays and must clearly indicate the Plays are for the Just the Jackpot Promotion. Each JJ Play is played separately in determining matches to winning numbers and prize amounts.

**JJ1.7** The Grand Prize will not be multiplied or increased by means of the Megaplier Promotion.

**MM RULE JJ 2 — RESERVED.**

**MM RULE JJ 3 — RESERVED.**

**MM RULE JJ4 — RESERVED.**

**MM RULE JJ 5 — PRIZE POOL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

**JJ5.1 Mega Millions Just the Jackpot Prize Pool.** The prize pool for JJ Plays shall consist of up to fifty-five percent (55%) of each drawing period's sales, inclusive of any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery's JJ Play, and inclusive of contributions to the prize pool accounts and prize reserve accounts, but may be higher or lower based on the funding required to meet a guaranteed annuity Mega Millions Grand Prize as may be required by Rule 30.1(a).

**JJ5.2 Mega Millions Grand Prize Pool Account (GPP) and Prize Reserve Account (PRA) contributions for Just the Jackpot.** The Product Group shall set the contribution rates to the Just the Jackpot prize pool and prize reserve accounts established by this rule.

(i) The contribution rate for JJ Plays to the GPP shall be 50.2012% of JJ Play sales.

An amount up to five percent (5%) of a Party Lottery's JJ Play sales, including any specific statutorily mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery's JJ Play, shall be added to a Party Lottery's Just the Jackpot Prize Pool contribution and placed in trust in one (1) or more prize pool and prize reserve accounts held by the Product Group at any time that the Party Lottery's share of the PRA is below the amounts designated by the Product Group. Details shall be noted in the Comments to this Rule.

All provisions regarding the GPP and PRA as described in Rule 36 and otherwise in Part II of these Rules are applicable to JJ Play contributions to the GPP and PRA.

*Comment: On October 25, 2017, the Product Group determined to set the additional prize reserve contribution for JJ Plays at two percent (2 %) effective beginning with the drawing of October 31, 2107 (for a total prize pool of fifty-two and two ten thousandths and twelve percent (52.2012 %)).*

*The prize reserve contribution shall be used to fund the PRA until it reaches its maximum balance amounts. Once PRA shares reach the Party Lottery's maximum balance amounts, prize reserve contributions will not be collected from those Party Lotteries.*

*Approval of the Product Group is required to change the prize pool and prize reserve deduction percentages, maximum balances and balance limit trigger levels.*



**MM RULE JJ5.3 — Expected Prize Payout Percentage.** The Mega Millions Grand Prize payout shall be determined on a pari-mutuel basis. All prize payouts are made with the following expected prize payout percentages, which does not include any additional amount contributed to or held in prize reserves:

Number of Matches Per JJ Play	Prize Payment	JJ Prize Pool Percentage Allocated to Prize	JJ Sales Percentage Allocated to Prize
All five (5) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	Grand Prize	100%*	50.2012%
All other matching combinations	No Prize	0%	0%

*\* JJ Prize Pool percentage allocated to the Mega Millions Grand Prize shall be combined with MM Prize Pool percentage allocated to the Mega Millions Grand Prize.*

**(a)** The Mega Millions Grand Prize amount shall be divided equally by the number of MM Plays and JJ Plays winning the Mega Millions Grand Prize.

**PART VI–SPECIAL GAME RULES: MEGA MILLIONS® DOUBLE PLAY™  
PROMOTION**

*Adopted October 28, 2019 to be effective with the drawing on April 21, 2020.*

*Party Lotteries offering the Double Play promotion agree to adhere to the following Rules.*

*If a Party Lottery elects not to offer the Promotion, it is recommended that it adopt the following language into their jurisdictional rules or regulations:*

*The Mega Millions Double Play Promotion is a limited promotion of the Mega Millions game and is conducted in accordance with the MUSL Mega Millions Product Group game rules. The \_\_\_\_\_ Lottery has elected not to offer the Double Play Promotion at this time.*

**MM RULE DP 1 — DOUBLE PLAY PROMOTION DESCRIPTION.**

**DP 1.1 - DP Overview.** The Mega Millions Double Play Promotion (“DP” or “Promotion”) is an add-on to the Mega Millions game, and participation by a lottery is optional. Players must purchase an official Mega Millions ticket(s) to participate in DP.

DP offers players a second chance to win a new set of prizes, using the same numbers the player selected (manually or computer pick) for their Mega Millions Play. The Double Play Drawing is a separate drawing which takes place after the official Mega Millions Drawing, conducted by and in accordance with the Mega Millions Consortium draw procedures.

Party Lotteries may choose when to start, and end the Double Play Promotion. DP is an additional add-on to the Mega Millions game, and does not replace or alter Just the Jackpot or Megaplier.

DP is conducted in accordance with the Mega Millions Consortium game rules, these Rules, and Party Lottery rules. All rules applicable to the Mega Millions Game in Parts I and II of these rules are applicable to the DP promotion unless otherwise indicated.

DP Prizes will not be multiplied or increased by the Megaplier Promotion.

Mega Millions prizes and Double Play prizes are determined separately; for example, a Mega Millions player who chooses to participate in Double Play may win both a Double Play prize and a Mega Millions prize, if their Play numbers match the Mega Millions winning numbers and also the Double Play winning numbers.

**DP 1.2 - How DP Works.** Double Play is a five (5) out of seventy (70) plus one (1) out of twenty-five (25) lottery game, drawn on the day(s), time(s) and location(s) as determined by the Mega Millions Consortium Lotteries, and which pays a First Prize. Except as provided in these rules, all other prizes are paid on a single payment basis.

**DP 1.3 - DP Winning Numbers.** Double Play winning numbers applicable to determine Double Play prizes will be determined on the day(s), time(s) and location(s) as determined by the Mega Millions Lotteries. During the drawing event, five (5) numbers shall be drawn from the first set of seventy (70) numbers, and one (1) number shall be drawn from the second set of twenty-five (25) numbers, which shall constitute the Double Play Winning Numbers.

Mega Millions winning numbers shall not be used to determine Double Play prizes. Double Play winning numbers shall not be used to determine Mega Million prizes.

**DP 1.4 - DP Requirements.** To play Double Play, Players must purchase an official Mega Millions ticket. For an additional one dollar (\$1.00) players may purchase a Double Play at the same time the Mega Millions ticket is purchased. Double Play Play numbers shall be the same as the numbers the player selected (manually or computer pick) for their Mega Millions Play. The one dollar (\$1.00) purchase price for Double Play shall include any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery Play.

**DP 1.5 - Purchases.** Plays may be purchased from a Party Lottery approved sales outlet in a manner as approved by the Party Lottery and in accordance with MUSL Rules.

**DP 1.6 - Tickets and Ticketless Transactions.** Party Lotteries may determine whether the DP Plays are printed on the same ticket as a Mega Millions ticket, or on a separate ticket from the Mega Millions ticket.

If a Party Lottery determines that the DP Play may be on a separate ticket than the Mega Millions ticket, under no circumstances will a claim be paid for a DP prize without having first purchased an official Mega Millions ticket for the same drawing.

If the DP is on a separate ticket, then that ticket must match all of the game play, serial number and other validation data residing in the selling Party Lottery's computer gaming system (CGS) and such ticket shall be the only valid proof of the wager placed and the only valid receipt for claiming or redeeming such prize.

If the DP Play is purchased as a ticketless transaction, the Party Lottery's electronic record of purchase shall be the only valid proof of the wager placed and the only valid receipt for claiming or redeeming such prize. See also Rules 31.3(o) and 32.4.

**MM RULE DP 2 - PRIZE POOL.**

**DP RULE 2.1 - Double Play Prize Pool.** The prize pool for all prize categories offered by the Party Lotteries shall consist of up to fifty-five percent (55%) of each drawing period's sales, inclusive of any specific statutorily-mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery MM Play, and inclusive of contributions to the prize pool accounts and prize reserve accounts, but may be higher or lower based upon the number of winners at each prize level.

**DP RULE 2.2 - Double Play Prize Pool Accounts and Prize Reserve Account.** The Product Group shall set the contribution rates to the prize pool and prize reserve accounts established by this rule.

(a) The following prize reserve accounts for the Double Play game are hereby established:

(i) The Double Play Prize Reserve Account (DPPRA) which is used to:

- (1) Fund payment of First Prizes won in the Game if the FPP is not fully funded;
- (2) Guarantee the payment of valid, but unanticipated, First Prize claims that may result from a system error or other reason; and
- (3) to fund the Lower tier/ set prize deficiencies as defined and limited in DP RULE\_3(c)(1)(a) below.

(b) The following prize pool accounts for the Double Play game are hereby established:

(i) The First Prize Pool (FPP), which is used to fund the First Prize. Any monies not used to pay a First Prize shall accumulate in this pool until such time as funds are needed to pay a First Prize; and

(ii) The Double Play Set Prize Pool (DPSPP), which is used to fund the Double Play Set or Lower Tier Prizes. The DPSPP shall hold the temporary balances that may result from having fewer than expected winners in the Double Play Set Prize categories. The Source of the DPSPP is the Party Lottery's weekly prize contributions less actual Double Play Set Prize liability.

(c) The Product Group may establish a maximum balance amount for the DPPRA and is detailed in the Comments to this Rule. The maximum balance amount is subject to review by the MUSL Board Finance and Audit Committee. The Finance and Audit Committee shall have two weeks to state objections, if any, to the approved maximum balance amount. Approved maximum balance amount shall become effective no sooner than two weeks after notice is given to the Finance and Audit Committee and no objection is stated or sooner if the Committee affirmatively approves the maximum balance amount. The Group may appeal the Committee's objection to the full Board.

(d) The contribution rate to the FPP from DP Plays shall be 3.3050% of sales.

(e) An amount up to seven and three thousand, six hundred and seventeen percent (7.3617%) of a Party Lottery's sales, including any specific statutorily mandated tax of a Party Lottery to be included in the price of a lottery play, shall be added to a Party Lottery's Double Play Prize Pool contribution and placed in trust in one or more prize pool accounts and the DPPRA held by the Product Group at any time that the Party Lottery's share of the DPPRA is below the amounts designated by the Product Group. Details shall be noted in the Comments to this Rule.

**(f)** The Product Group may determine to expend all or a portion of the funds in the DPSPP and the DPPRA:

**(i)** for the purpose of indemnifying the Party Lotteries in the payment of prizes to be made by the Selling Lotteries; and

**(ii)** for the payment of prizes or special prizes in the game, limited to prize pool and prize reserve contributions from lotteries participating in the special prize promotion, subject to the approval of the Board’s Finance & Audit Committee or that Committee’s failure to object after given two weeks’ notice of the planned action, which actions may be appealed to the full Board by the Product Group.

**(g)** The DPPRA shares of a Party Lottery may be adjusted with refunds to the Party Lottery from the DPPRA as may be needed to maintain the approved maximum balance and sales percentage shares of the Party Lotteries.

**(h)** A Party Lottery may contribute to its sales percentage share of the DPPRA over time, but in the event of a draw down from the DPPRA, a Party Lottery is responsible for its full sales percentage share of the DPPRA, whether or not it has been paid in full.

**(i)** Any amount remaining in the Double Play prize pool accounts or DPPRA when the Product Group declares the end of the game shall be returned to the lotteries participating in the prize pool and DPPRA after the end of all claim periods of all Selling Lotteries, carried forward to a replacement game, or otherwise expended in a manner at the election of the individual Members of the Product Group in accordance with jurisdiction statute.

*Comment. The Double Play prize pools and DPPRA may not be used to pay Mega Millions prizes.*

*The Product Group has not set a maximum balance for the DPPRA.*

*On October 28, 2019, the Product Group set the additional prize reserve account contribution for DP Plays at two and three thousand, six hundred and seventeen percent (2.3617%), bringing total prize pool and reserve contributions for Double Play to fifty percent (50.0%) of sales.*

*Approval of the Group is required to change the prize pool contributions, DPPRA deduction percentages and to set or change the maximum DPPRA balance.*

*Comment added October 28, 2019.*

**MM RULE DP 3 - EXPECTED PRIZE PAYOUT PERCENTAGES.** The First Prize payout shall be determined on a pari-mutuel basis. Except as otherwise provided in these rules all other prizes awarded by Party Lotteries shall be paid as single payment prizes. All prize payouts are made with the following expected prize payout percentages, which does not include any additional amount contributed to or held in prize reserves, although the prize payout percentages per draw may vary:

Number of Matches Per MM Play	Prize Payment	DP Prize Pool Percentage	DP Sales Percentage
		Allocated to Prize	Allocated to Prize
All five (5) of first set plus one (1) of second set. First Prize - \$10,000,000.00		%	3.3050%
All five (5) of first set and none of second set.	\$500,000.00	%	3.9660%
Any four (4) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$30,000.00	%	3.2223%
Any four (4) of first set and none of second set.	\$1,500.00	%	3.8668%
Any three (3) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$500.00	%	3.4372%
Any three (3) of first set and none of second set.	\$25.00	%	4.1246%
Any two (2) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$25.00	%	3.6090%
Any one (1) of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$10.00	%	11.1880%
None of first set plus one (1) of second set.	\$4.00	%	10.9194%

**(a)** The First Prize amount shall be divided equally by the number of DP Plays winning the First Prize. If no Plays match the DP winning numbers as described above, the DP First Prize will not be awarded, and remains at ten million dollars (\$10,000,000).

**(b)** The DPSPP (for payment of single payment prizes of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) or less) shall be carried forward to subsequent draws if all or a portion of it is not needed to pay the set prizes awarded in the current draw.

**(c) Pari-mutuel Prize Determinations Applicable to MUSL Party Lotteries (not Mega Millions Lotteries Selling Double Play).**

**(c)(1)** Except as otherwise provided for in MM RULE DP 3 (c)(2):

**(c)(1)(a)** If the total of the Double Play Set Prizes awarded in a drawing exceeds the percentage of the prize pool allocated to the Double Play Set Prizes, then the amount needed to fund the Double Play Set Prizes awarded shall be drawn from the following sources, in the following order:

**(i)** the amount available in the DPSPP if any;

**(ii)** an amount from the DPPRA, if available.

**(c)(1)(b)** If, after these sources are depleted, there are not sufficient funds to pay the Double Play Set Prizes, then the highest Double Play Set Prize shall become a pari-mutuel prize. If the amount of the highest Double Play Set Prize, when paid on a pari-mutuel basis, drops to or below the next highest Double Play Set Prize and there are still not sufficient funds to pay the remaining Double Play Set Prizes awarded, then the next highest Double Play Set Prize shall become a pari-mutuel prize. This procedure shall continue down through all Double Play Set Prize levels, if necessary, until all Double Play Set Prize levels become pari-mutuel prize levels. In that instance, the money available from the funding sources listed in this Rule shall be divided among the winning DP Plays in proportion to their respective prize percentages.

**(c)(2)** The MUSL Party Lotteries shall make their pari-mutuel prize determinations and calculations independently of any similar determinations made by Mega Millions Consortium Lotteries, which shall not contribute to or participate in these calculations or prize payments.

**(d)** Subject to the laws and rules governing each Party Lottery, the number of prize categories and the allocation of the prize fund among the prize categories may be changed at the discretion of the Mega Millions Consortium Lotteries, for promotional purposes. Such change shall be announced by Mega Millions Consortium Lotteries.

**MM RULE DP 4 PROBABILITY OF WINNING DOUBLE PLAY PRIZES.** The following table sets forth the probability of winning and the probable distribution of winners in and among each prize category for DP Plays sold by Party Lotteries, based upon the total number of possible combinations in Double Play.

Probability Distribution	Probable/Set
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Number of Matches per DP Play	Winners	Probability	Prize Amount
All five (5) of first set plus one (1) of second set	1	1:302,575,350	First Prize
All five (5) of first set and none of second set	24	1:12,607,306	\$500,000.00
Any four (4) of first set plus one (1) of second set	325	1:931,001	\$30,000.00
Any four (4) of first set and none of second set	7,800	1:38,792	\$1,500.00
Any three (3) of first set plus one (1) of second set	20,800	1:14,547	\$500.00
Any three (3) of first set and none of second set	499,200	1:606	\$25.00
Any two (2) of first set plus one (1) of second set	436,800	1:693	\$25.00
Any one (1) of first set plus one (1) of second set	3,385,200	1:89	\$10.00
None of first set plus one (1) of second set	8,259,888	1:37	\$4.00
<b>Overall</b>	<b>12,610,038</b>	<b>1:24.</b>	