



CHANGE TO LOTTO JACKPOT INCREMENTS

FAQs

Adjusted Lotto Jackpot Increments

- Following July 13, 2020, Lotto drawing, the Lotto jackpot will increase in increments of \$150,000 between drawings instead of the previous \$250,000.
- The Lotto starting jackpot will remain at \$2 million.
- Players who bought advance play tickets are entitled to a refund for all drawings beyond the July 13 drawing. The refund process is detailed below.

What changes are being made to the Lotto jackpot?

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Why is this change being made?

This change will help to ensure that ticket sales will continue to support the jackpot being offered. This change is intended to support continued growth in essential education funding to the State of Illinois.

Does this change apply to any other lottery game?

This change only applies to Lotto.

In March, the starting jackpots for Powerball and Mega Millions changed to \$20 million. To learn more about those changes, please visit: <https://www.illinoislottery.com>

What should I do if a customer complains?

Please direct the player to call the Player Hotline at 1-800-252-1775.

What if a player asks for a refund?

If a player has bought an advance play Lotto ticket for draws beyond July 13, 2020 they may request a refund for those advanced plays.

To apply for a refund, instruct players to contact the Player Hotline at 1-800-252-1775.

Will this change affect prize payout?

A change has also been made to the Lotto game rules so that the Lotto grand prize will now be paid at a fixed rate (0.65) of the annuity when claimed as a lump sum payment. This change provides winners with certainty in regard to the prize value in real-time