

TIPS FOR GROUP LOTTERY PLAY

- Distribute an accounting of all monies collected and all tickets purchased for each jackpot drawing before the drawing.
- Make and distribute copies of all tickets purchased for your lottery pool for each jackpot drawing. Make copies of both the front and back of each ticket. Check the ticket numbers after the drawing to determine if your lottery group won.
- Look into lottery pool apps or software to help your lottery group manage group members, ticket numbers and winnings.
- Create rules for your lottery group and do not allow anyone to participate if they can't abide by and sign acceptance of the rules.
- Develop a lottery contract for the pool to ensure that everyone agrees to the rules and all winnings are properly split. Require that every member of the group sign the contract prior to collecting their funds and adding them to your group.
- Only participate in a lottery group with people you know and trust.
- If you are considering an office lottery pool, check with your human resources department to make sure you are not violating a company policy (e.g. no gambling policy) by organizing and participating in the lottery group.
- If you are participating in an office lottery pool, print a copy of the Lottery Pool Sign-Up Sheet and post it in your workplace. Consider several high-traffic locations for posting like a break or copy room. Make sure to get Human Resources approval before posting.
- Have all group members sign the Lottery Pool Sign-Up Sheet indicating their level of investment for each jackpot drawing. This sheet will serve as a list of who is participating in each drawing.
- For small wins, consider re-investing the funds for future jackpot drawings or buy something that the entire team can enjoy (e.g. a celebration cake). Make sure to track these funds and communicate with the group.
- Set a jackpot target for your on-going lottery group. Once the jackpot target is hit, your lottery group will activate and money collection will begin for the next jackpot drawing.
- Find a fun name for your lottery group and have fun!



Be Smart, Play Smart® Must be 18 or older to play. If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, crisis counseling and referral services can be accessed by calling 1-800-GAMBLER (1-800-426-2537). For additional info or to exclude yourself, call 1-800-252-1775 or visit illinoislottery.com.

