

# ∷: Play. Smart

AT PLAYSMART, WE LOVE ANSWERING QUESTIONS ABOUT LOTTERY GAMES.

We want you to know how to play and be familiar with randomness, odds and other concepts that help you play smart.



To learn more about your favourite game, take a break from playing or get support should you need it, visit our on-site PlaySmart centres, PlaySmart.ca or call the Virtual PlaySmart Centre at 1-833-888-2306.

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**LOTTERIES 101** 



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# KNOW MORE, PLAY SMARTER ••••••

#### LOTTERY GAMES

From scratching an INSTANT ticket to cheering on your favourite sports team, lottery games are a thrilling entertainment option!



# KNOW YOUR GAME BEFORE YOU PLAY AT PLAYSMART.CA



#### **LOTTERY GAMES**

Everyone dreams about winning a big jackpot. It's why lottery games are one of the most popular forms of gambling in Ontario. Before you jump into the excitement offered by these games, it's best to understand how they work and how the odds change depending on the prize.

GAME	ODDS* OF WINNING ANY PRIZE**	ODDS* OF WINNING A top prize
<b>SAX</b>	1 in 7	1 in 33,294,800
649	CLASSIC GAME 1 in 6.6  GOLD BALL DRAW 1 in # of Gold Ball Numbers issued for that draw	CLASSIC GAME 1 in 13,983,816  GOLD BALL JACKPOT DRAW Based on # of Gold Ball Numbers issued for that draw and number of prize balls in Gold Ball Jackpot Draw
49	1 in 6.6	1 in 13,983,816
	1 in 6.8	1 in 13,348,188
LOTTARIO	1 in 5.8	1 in 4,072,530
ENCORE ENCORE ENCORE	1 in 9.17	1 in 10,000,000

\*approximate \*\* includes free tickets

Visit olg.ca for complete odds and payout information.

# WATCH 'N WIN GAMES



Want the excitement of watching an instant result revealed in-store? Watch 'N Win games provide a more immediate thrill than traditional weekly draw games. They do share a common feature however: their odds and outcomes can't be influenced by employees, retailers or players.









Daily games double your excitement with two daily draws: one at mid-day, and the other in the evening. From DAILY KENO to PICK-4, you can play Daily Games with your own numbers, or ones selected for you. Regardless how you pick your numbers, know that each one has an equal chance of winning!

## INSTANT SCRATCH TICKETS







INSTANT scratch tickets give you the fun of scratching for a chance to reveal matching symbols and win! Whether you're playing or buying as a gift, equip yourself with as much product knowledge before vou do.

### PROLINE IN-STORE AND POOLS

Sports betting gives fans a way to bet on football, basketball, hockey and more.

PROLINE offerings at retail lets you get way into the game by betting on a number of different markets, including, MONEYLINE, POINT SPREAD and OVER/UNDER. PROLINE In-Store odds are set using algorithms that are based on a range of factors including industry odds and overall betting action, and they're monitored by a team of sports analysts. Odds may change after an event is listed, but once you've made a bet, it's locked into what the odds were at the time of purchase. No matter the odds, there are no guaranteed outcomes when it comes to sports betting. Anything can happen!

POOLS is a great way to ease into the world of sport betting, with a simple choice of who will win across 8-16 matchups on the bet slip.

Ask your retailer, visit PROLINE.ca, or download the PROLINE App to build a bet slip and get started.

# IF THE ODDS ARE 1 IN 3. SHOULD I EXPECT TO WIN AT LEAST ONCE IF I BUY THREE TICKETS? Nope, that's not how it works. Your odds are

calculated across all tickets of a particular game, not per ticket. In this example, your odds of winning on your first ticket are 1 in 3. When you play your second ticket, the odds have not changed to 1 in 2; they are still 1 in 3 for that ticket. Same when you play your third ticket: the odds have not changed to 1 in 1, they are still 1 in 3. Put it this way: you could buy 3 tickets and win on all 3, win on none, or win on some. It's all up to chance.

#### WHICH NUMBERS ARE MOST LIKELY TO WIN?

Playing the lottery is exciting because you never know which numbers could win. There is no system or level of skill that can beat the odds - numbers are chosen randomly and odds are based on how many number combinations are possible in the game.

#### WILL BUYING MORE TICKETS INCREASE MY ODDS OF WINNING?

While buying one more ticket will give you another chance at winning, the odds of winning on each ticket will remain the same. For example, the overall odds of winning the top prize in LOTTO MAX are approximately 1 in 33 million. Whether you have 1 ticket or you have 10 tickets, the odds of each individual ticket winning the top prize are still 1 in 33 million.

#### **HOW SECURE ARE LOTTERY DRAWS?**

Lottery numbers are determined by using Random Number Generator technology. Every draw is overseen and audited both by OLG and independent third-party experts to ensure its integrity.

#### **LOTTERY 101**

#### PLAY YOUR FAVOURITE GAMES, SMARTER.

Whether you like dreaming of winning a huge jackpot with LOTTO MAX or LOTTO 6/49, scratching away at some INSTANT tickets, or wagering on your favourite teams with PROLINE, get the PlaySmart edge by knowing these key concepts about how lottery games work.

#### RANDOMNESS - LOTTERY IS UNPREDICTABLE

Games of chance – like lotteries – have random outcomes, meaning they can't be predicted. Lottery tickets and numbers are randomly distributed across the province by unpredictable player behaviour, and the numbers are drawn using a random number generator. In other words, there is no way to predict winning locations or numbers.

#### INDEPENDENCE OF EVENTS — LOTTERY IS IN THE MOMENT

This means that what happened in the past doesn't determine what will happen in the future. Each draw is a unique event, and the next one is a new start. Winning or losing in the current draw doesn't determine whether you will win or lose in the next (and that's part of the excitement!).

#### **PLAYING SMART MADE EASY**

We've developed some great PlaySmart Tools and Resources to make understanding and playing games as simple as a roll of the dice.

#### PLAYSMART.CA

The PlavSmart website is home to videos. guizzes, and other resources that make it easy to understand games, concepts, and your style of play.

#### PLAYSMART CENTRES

The go-to place for facts, tools and advice about gambling. Located at the Prize Centre and every slots, casino and charitable bingo and gaming site in Ontario.



### WHY DOES IT SEEM LIKE SOME LOCATIONS HAVE MORE WINNERS THAN OTHERS?

Winning is completely random – each ticket has an equal chance of winning or losing, and there are winners across Ontario every year. But the more people who live and buy lottery tickets in an area, the more chances are going to occur in that area. It's as simple as that!