

Official Drawing Rules
Minnesota State Lottery
2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance
August 27, 2026 – Sept. 7, 2026

1.1. Definitions

- A. **“2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance”** means an additional opportunity to win through a drawing conducted by the Minnesota Lottery in conjunction with the purchase of any Eligible scratch tickets for sale at the 2026 Minnesota State Fair.
- B. **“2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance Promotion”** or **“Second Chance”** means the drawings conducted by the Lottery in conjunction with the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance Promotion.
- C. **“Eligible Scratch Game Ticket”** or **“Eligible Scratch Ticket”** or **“Scratch Ticket”** or **“Ticket”** means a Ticket from any of the Minnesota Lottery scratch games for sale at the 2026 Minnesota State Fair. Tickets not purchased at the Minnesota State Fair are not eligible for Minnesota State Fair Second Chance Drawings.
- D. **“The Lottery”** means the Minnesota State Lottery.

2.1. Duration

The 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance will begin at 9:00:00 a.m. Central Time (“CT”) on August 27, 2026, and conclude at approximately 9:00:00 p.m. CT on September 7, 2026.

3.1. Eligibility

- A. A player who submits an entry must be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- B. A player may enter the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance by entering their non-winning Minnesota Lottery scratch tickets purchased at the 2026 Minnesota State Fair. To enter, a player must fill out the back of the Eligible Scratch Ticket entry in its entirety, including full name (printed and signed), address, and phone number (including area code) and deposit their entry into the official drawing kiosk located at the Lottery booth at the Minnesota State Fair. Entries will be void if mutilated or illegible.
- C. Each non-winning Ticket entered will receive one (1) entry in the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance.
- D. The submission of a winning Ticket invalidates that entry.

- E. Employees (including immediate family residing in the same household) of the Lottery, employees (including immediate family residing in the same household) of any company that is not eligible to receive a prize from the Lottery pursuant to law or a contract with the Lottery, and all other persons prohibited by law are ineligible to participate or receive a prize from the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance.
- F. Entries deposited at the Minnesota Lottery booth at the 2026 Minnesota State Fair that have also been entered via the internet or Minnesota Lottery Mobile App into any Minnesota Lottery promotion or contest are invalid.
- G. A player who submits an entry is responsible for providing their correct contact information and U.S. Postal Service mailing address. Failure to report a prize not received within one (1) year will result in forfeiture of any prize won.
- H. A player may enter more than once; however, a player may use only one (1) unique Ticket number or barcode per entry. Multiple entries using the same non-winning Ticket number or barcode and entries made via automated computer scripts or other programming techniques will be disqualified.
- I. An entry will be considered invalid if it does not meet all requirements for eligibility stated in this section.

4.1. 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance Drawings

- A. To enter the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance, a player must enter a non-winning Ticket via the process described above. The Lottery will conduct three (3) 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance drawings. The eligibility and schedule for each drawing are listed in the table below.

Drawing number	Receipt of drawing entries start date	To be eligible, entry must be received by date	Drawing will occur on or about date	Total number of prize winners	Number of winners and prizes
Drawing #1	9:00:00 a.m. CT Aug. 27, 2026	9:00:00 p.m. CT Aug. 30, 2026	Sept. 1, 2026	4	4 – \$1,000 cash + prize pack (as defined below)
Drawing #2	9:00:00 a.m. CT Aug. 31, 2026	9:00:00 p.m. CT Sept. 3, 2026	Sept. 8, 2026	4	4 – \$1,000 cash + prize pack (as defined below)

Drawing #3	9:00:00 a.m. CT Sept. 4, 2026	9:00:00 p.m. CT Sept. 7, 2026	Sept. 15, 2026	4	4 – \$1,000 cash + prize pack (as defined below)
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- B. The Lottery will, by use of mechanical or other devices, randomly determine which of the entries submitted are selected.
- C. The Lottery will conduct three (3) drawings. A Lottery representative will draw twelve (12) total winners for the following prizes:
- Twelve (12) prizes of \$1,000 cash and a prize pack with an estimated taxable value of \$1,000 (Lottery-branded merchandise is valued at \$0).

The Lottery reserves the right to substitute prizes for any reason, including availability. The Lottery offers no express or implied warranty or guarantee of merchandise prizes.

Entrants are responsible for checking their email spam folders or adjusting their email settings to accommodate emails from the Lottery.

- D. The Lottery, The Minnesota State Fair, and/or any of their affiliated entities are not responsible, in any way, for any personal injuries, death, property damage, or other damages or expenses resulting from or arising out of any acceptance, fulfillment (including shipping and handling), installation, operation, loss, or misuse of the prize and/or any element thereof. All other costs and expenses related to acceptance and use of any element of the prize not specified herein as being provided may be the sole responsibility of prizewinner, including, without limitation, any fees, costs, and/or taxes related to the prizes or transportation to and from The Minnesota State Fair.
- E. The first four (4) entries drawn in Drawing #1 will each receive \$1,000 cash, one (1) Lottery-branded duffle bag, one (1) Lottery-branded hat, one (1) Lottery-branded tumbler, one (1) Lottery-branded keychain, one (1) Lottery-branded shirt, and one (1) Lottery-branded blanket. The first four (4) entries drawn in Drawing #2 will each receive \$1,000 cash, one (1) Lottery-branded duffle bag, one (1) Lottery-branded hat, one (1) Lottery-branded tumbler, one (1) Lottery-branded keychain, one (1) Lottery-branded shirt, and one (1) Lottery-branded blanket. The first four (4) entries drawn in Drawing #3 will each receive \$1,000 cash, one (1) Lottery-branded duffle bag, one (1) Lottery-branded hat, one (1) Lottery-branded tumbler, one (1) Lottery-branded keychain, one (1) Lottery-branded shirt, and one (1) Lottery-branded blanket.

- F. A player may win only once in each 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance drawing. One (1) prizewinner per household throughout the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance Promotion.
- G. By entering this Second Chance, players understand that if they win a prize their name will be listed on the [Second Chance winners page](#) unless their prize includes a cash payment greater than \$10,000. A list of all prizewinners will be posted on the [mnlottery.com winners page](#) following the drawing and after prizewinners have been verified. The list will remain on the winners page for the duration of the Claim Period (as defined below).
- H. By entering the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance, prizewinners of prizes valued at \$599 or less consent to full use of any and all information they provide on their entry form for publicity, public relations, and content creation purposes, including on Lottery social media channels and [mnlottery.com](#), by the Lottery.
- I. The name and city of prizewinners of prizes that include a cash payment of \$10,000 or less are public data. The Lottery will publish the name and city of prizewinners of prizes that include a cash payment of \$10,000 or less on [mnlottery.com](#).
- J. Questions may be referred to the Lottery at (651) 635-8273 or cs.support@mnlottery.com.

5.1. **Claiming Prizes**

- A. A prize won in a Second Chance may not be assigned or transferred to another person. A Second Chance prize containing merchandise, scratch tickets, or experiences may not be claimed with another person under a prize-sharing agreement. A cash prize of \$600 or more may be claimed with another person under a pre-existing prize-sharing agreement. Federal, state, or local taxes on any prize are the sole responsibility of the claimant. All applicable federal, state, or local laws apply.
- B. The prizewinner is responsible for providing their correct contact information and U.S. Postal Service mailing address.
- C. Each player whose entry was selected in a Second Chance drawing to win a prize valued at \$600 or more must fill out and submit a Winner Affidavit form to the Lottery to claim the prize. If the claim is not validated by the Lottery, the claim will be denied, and the player will be notified immediately.
 - 1. For the \$1,000 cash + prize pack, if the prizewinner is delinquent in the payment of Minnesota state taxes or owes a debt as defined in [Minn. Stat.](#)

[§ 270A.03, subd. 5](#), any Lottery-branded merchandise will be forfeited, the amount due will be deducted from the value of the prize, and the Lottery will satisfy or partially satisfy the debt on the prizewinner's behalf. If any cash (or cash equivalents) remains after the Lottery has forwarded the proceeds of a cash prize to the [Minnesota Department of Revenue](#), the prizewinner will be awarded the remaining cash.

6.1. Claim Period

All prizes in the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance must be claimed within one (1) year of the date of the drawing from which the prize was awarded. For prizes of \$600 or more or inquiries regarding lost, stolen, or misdirected prizes, the claim period ends at the close of business on the last day of the claim period that Lottery offices are open. Lottery offices are closed for the holidays and events listed on [mnlottery.com](#), and one (1) or more Lottery offices may close unexpectedly due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. The Lottery reserves the right to substitute prizes based on when the prize is claimed during the claim period. The Lottery will post the end of the claim period on [mnlottery.com](#). Questions may be referred to the Lottery at (651) 635-8273, option 1, or cs.support@mnlottery.com. Prizewinners must contact the Lottery within one (1) year of the drawing date regarding a lost, stolen, or misdirected prize. Failure to report a prize not received within one (1) year will result in forfeiture of any prize won.

7.1. Allowance for Delay of Payment

The Lottery may delay payment pending a final determination by the Lottery under any of the following circumstances.

- A. if a dispute occurs or it appears likely that a dispute may occur regarding the prize;
- B. if a dispute occurs or it appears likely that a dispute may occur regarding the ownership of the entry;
- C. if there is any question regarding the identity of the claimant;
- D. if there is any question regarding the validity of the entry or the claim presented for payment; or
- E. if the claim is subject to any reduction for delinquent debts owed by the claimant under [Minn. Stat. § 349A.08, subd. 8](#). No liability for interest for any delay will accrue to the benefit of the claimant pending payment of the claim.

8.1. Emergency Termination

If, for any reason, it is not possible to run all or any part of the 2026 Minnesota State Fair Second Chance as planned due to, without limitation, errors in these official rules or advertising for this promotion, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical

failures, human error, or any other cause beyond the control of the Lottery that, in the sole judgment of the Lottery, could corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of this Second Chance, the Lottery reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify, or suspend the promotion.

9.1. Governing Law

By submitting an entry to a Second Chance, a player agrees to comply with and abide by these game procedures: [Minn. Stat. § 349A](#) (State Lottery); [Minn. R. 7857](#) (Lottery Prize Payments); and all final decisions of the Director of the Lottery. All applicable federal, state, or local laws apply. Second Chance offer void where prohibited by law.