

FAQ for eXtremelotto

Version 1.0

What is eXtremelotto?

eXtremelotto is your daily chance to give up your day-glow job. It works like those state lotteries which cost you money to enter, except that eXtremelotto is completely free. We don't even charge you any icoins to enter!

It works like this. Every day at noon (Pacific Time) we draw the winning numbers to three separate Sweepstakes lotteries. Every day you are entitled to submit one free entry to each of our three drawings. The winner of the first lottery gets \$1,000,000; the winner of the second lottery gets \$10,000,000; the winner of the third lottery gets \$20,000,000.

An eXtremelotto day begins at midnight (Pacific Time), and it ends at 11:59 PM (Pacific Time). The winning numbers for all entries submitted during any eXtremelotto day will be randomly selected at noon on the following day.

The Grand Prize winner for the First Sweepstakes lottery, which is worth \$1,000,000, must match the 6 winning numbers between 1 and 64.

The Grand Prize winner of the Second Sweepstakes lottery, which is worth \$10,000,000, must match 7 winning numbers between 1 and 64.

The Grand Prize winner of the Third Sweepstakes lottery, which is worth \$20,000,000, must match 7 winning numbers between 1 and 64.

If more than one entry contains the winning numbers to a Grand Prize, the Grand Prize award will be split evenly among all winners.

Second, Third, and Fourth Prizes will be awarded only in the First Sweepstakes lottery. To win Second Prize, you must correctly match 5 of the 6 winning numbers for \$500 for each winner. To win Third Prize, you must pick 4 winning numbers for \$5 for each winner. To win Fourth Prize, you must pick 3 winning numbers for 1,000 icoins for each winner.

Oh, and did we mention that we do this every single day! And, just in case you tend to forget that eXtremelotto could be your ticket out of the rat race, we'll even send you a daily e-mail reminder to get your entry in on time.

Of course, you could elect not to be reminded. Then again, you could even keep your day job if you win. Nah! We didn't think so.

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How do I play eXtremelotto?

Simple. Just peer into the future and visualize what the winning numbers of the next day's drawing will be. Then come out your dream state, and select those numbers on our game board. If your crystal ball is a bit hazy, and you don't even have any "significant" numbers you like to play on a regular basis, you could always choose the "Quick Pick" option, and we'll fill in the board with a random selection of numbers.

There are links to the eXtremelotto game board from all over our site, but you can always get to it if you click on the Lottery tab at the top of your screen, and follow the animated "Play Now/Click Here" link you'll see there.

[Insert screen capture of the Lottery page, featuring the "Play Now/Click Here" link.]

The game board consists of 64 numbers. To select a number, just click on it.

[Insert screen capture of the game board page.]

To enter the First Sweepstakes lottery of the day, select 6 numbers, then click the "GO" button. A window will appear, featuring three banner ads from our sponsors. These are the people offering to give you the really big bucks if you win, so, as a condition of playing this free lottery, all you need to do is click on one of their banner ads in order for your numbers to be entered in the drawing. Clever, huh? We think so, too. It's a heck of a way to run a free lottery.

After you click on one of the banner ads, the sponsor's web page will appear, alongside a window confirming your entry.

[Insert screen capture of a "Numbers Confirmed" window of the First Sweepstakes.]

At that point, you can explore the sponsor's offer, bookmark their page for later, or return to the pick your numbers for the Second Sweepstakes, by clicking on the "Go Play" link in the confirmation window.

The procedure for entering into the Second and Third Sweepstakes of the day is exactly the same, except that, since the Grand Prize is much bigger, you have

to pick 7 winning numbers, not merely 6. Of course, the odds of winning are astronomical, but you never know. Magic can happen. Get lucky!

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Do people really win?

You betcha! And it ain't just icoins this time. We're talking real money. Lots of it. The kind that pays off credit cards, puts filet mignon on the table, and unfortunately invites the IRS to your home for dinner.

Ask Donald Reighard, from Crystal River, Florida! Do you think this guy would wear our eXtremelotto T-shirt and look like he'd been attacked by a giant check if he didn't win?

[insert photo of eXtremelotto winner Donald Reighard]

Or does he just look surprised because the IRS arrived for dinner sooner than he expected?

Mr. Reighard is the second person to win the \$1 million prize in our daily eXtremelotto game. Reighard, who was laid off from his job only a week prior to his big win, said: "This couldn't have come at a better time." He plans to use the money to travel and pay some bills --including the mortgage on his mother's house.

Check out some of our other winners here. [insert a link to the Winners page, but if these additional winners are not related to eXtremelotto, the impression you give to users could be misleading. Ideally, the link goes to a page filled with eXtremelotto winners; not a mixture of lotto winners and contest winners.]

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How do I find out if I won?

If you're lucky enough to win the Grand Prize in any of our three daily eXtremelotto sweepstakes, we'll be so excited that we'll try every means humanly possible to contact you immediately to share the good news, possibly even including hot air ballooning, snowshoeing, and kayaking, if anybody in our office feels capable of going on a trek to Alaska.

In addition to our heroic efforts to inform you of your good fortune, we'll send you an email within two (2) days of your winning the Grand Prize. (We'll also contact winners of the second, third, and fourth prizes by email.)

We'll give you 30 days to respond by email or by certified snail mail to our notification that you're one lucky dude (or dudette), else we'll spend the dough ourselves on a really big party.

To claim your prize, you'll have to provide your real name, and it must accurately match the name in our database at the time that you initially registered with us. We're not going to hand out your prize to just anyone, you understand. We'll need picture proof of identification that you are who you say you are, that you live at the address you gave us for our records, and that you're the joker eligible to use the email account registered with us.

Naturally, we'll want to tell the world about your good fortune, so we expect that you'll give us permission to use your name and mug shot for advertising and promotional purposes without having to shell out any more money to you than the moolah you already won from us. We figure that's plenty.

By the way, since registering more than one account per person on iwin.com is a big no-no, we won't give any prizes to people who cheat. So, play nice and abide by our rules. Otherwise, to be fair to everyone else, we'll have to disqualify you. Gabish?

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I've been notified, but I haven't received my check.

Be cool! Your check's in the e-mail!

Not!

We know you're eager to get your prize, but please relax, because it's on the way. We usually take from 4 to 6 weeks to drink our coffee, take our daily nap, and process all the prizes we hand out. It's a tough job, but somebody's gotta do it.

Besides our normal bureaucratic routines, like verifying the authenticity of each claim, delivery times may vary, depending on your location. For instance, if you live in West Juhunga, Upper Slobovia, or the San Fernando Valley, you may never get your prize.

However, if 6 weeks go by and you're about to be evicted but you still haven't received your prize, do contact us immediately by email or by regular mail. Include your prize's confirmation number. We'll wake up the guys in the back room and convince them to make sending your check a higher priority than taking a long lunch.

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Am I eligible to play eXtremelotto?

Sure, if you're at least eighteen (18) years of age, you reside in the United States or Canada where this Sweepstakes is not prohibited. (Unlike our other games and contest drawings, which are open to residents of the United States and Canada who are over thirteen [13] years of age, to play eXtremelotto, you must be at least 18 years of age.)

For legal reasons beyond our control, the First Sweepstakes (with the \$1,000,000 Grand Prize) is void in the Province of Quebec, Puerto Rico, Florida, and where prohibited.

The Second and the Third Sweepstakes are void in the Province of Quebec, Puerto Rico, Florida, New York, and where prohibited.

To be very fair --and to make sure that we brilliant types who make this eXtremelotto happen every day don't get a chance to quit our day jobs-- all employees, officers, and directors who work for iwin.com and our sponsors don't have a snowball's chance in the Sahara Desert of even entering this promotion, let alone winning anything. That ban includes the members of our immediate families, as well as unrelated people unfortunate enough to live with us.

If you're lucky enough to win, though, you can always buy us dinner. Or maybe send us a pizza. We're not eligible to play eXtremelotto, but we are eligible to eat.

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How do I stop the daily reminders?

You have the option to have an email sent to you every day to remind you to enter the eXtremelotto sweepstakes, or you can tie a string around your finger. We won't provide the string, but we will gladly send you the email reminder.

However, if you think you're so on top of things that you don't need to be bothered with a daily reminder that you have yet another chance to become a millionaire merely by clicking on a few numbers on a computer screen, then you can tell us to stop reminding you to pick your lucky numbers. You won't hurt our feelings one bit.

To start (or stop) the eXtremelotto daily reminders:

- 1 Click on the Lottery tab.

[Insert screen capture of the Lottery button, circled, in context with the adjoining tabs.]

- 2) Click on the link saying "remind me" or "unremind me," depending on whether you're currently subscribed to the daily email reminder service or not.

[Insert screen capture of the "remind me" link, circled, in context with the adjoining tabs and links.]

- 3) Click on the link for "play eXtremelotto" to activate the daily email reminders. (Or: click on the link for "removed from the list" to stop the daily email reminders.

Neither choice you make is permanent. If you change your mind, you can always select the other option.

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eXtremelotto login, password, and registration issues.

To play eXtremelotto, you must first register with iwin.com, giving us your real name, your real address, your email address, your gender, your date of birth, and your shoe size.

Why? Duh, because just in case you get lucky and we need to deliver a prize to you we need to know who you are and where you hang out. Don't worry, we promise not to share this information with anyone, except maybe your truant officer and the local shoe store.

Occasionally, you might be pressed for time and try to pick your numbers quickly without logging in. Uh-uhh! That won't work, and we'll promptly present you with a message telling you that you must log-in first.

But, in the immortal words of Douglas Adams (who wrote that great BBC radio drama, "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy"), Don't Panic! Just type in your email address and your password, and you're cleared for action.

To ensure a smooth, painless, and automatic log-in every time you visit iwin.com, however, you should check that your browser's cookies are enabled. We're not talking about smashing some chocolate chip on your computer screen, either. For more information on what cookies are and how they make the log-in procedure easy, take a peek here.

If you forget your password --or even if you enter what you are absolutely sure is password but it doesn't work-- then click here {insert link}, enter your email address and we'll send you the password we currently have on file for you. Won't you be embarrassed if it's not the same thing you spent a fruitless hour typing over and over again trying to login? It's OK, though. We've been there. Done that.

If you've already completed the registration form, but you left something out -- like your shoe size-- we're going to ask you to complete your profile before we let you play. So, don't hold back on us. Click here {insert link} to edit your profile and fill in the blanks. Then, go pick your luckiest numbers.

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I don't see any banners!

Oops! If there's one thing our advertising sponsors do not want to hear, it's that you don't see no stinking banners. 'Cause, if you don't see any banners or advertising graphics, that complicates the whole process of having us confirming your entries into our drawings, as well as messing up the possibility that we will continue to get a steady paycheck for playing computer games all day and night. So, we both have an interest in fixing this problem real quick.

Whether or not banners are showing up in your browser --especially if you're using Microsoft Internet Explorer for Windows-- is usually connected with having the ActiveX controls and plug-ins turned on. So, let's make sure you've got them switched on.

1) In Microsoft Internet Explorer, select "Internet Options" from the Toolbox pull down menu.

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You'll get a window that looks like this:

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2) From among the tabs shown in the window, click on "Security."

Clicking on the Security tab will give you the "Security Settings" window, which looks like this:

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3) In the "Security Settings" window, click on the button at the near the bottom of the window which says "Custom Level."

You'll get a window that features a list of ActiveX Controls and a set of radio buttons next to each one to indicate their status, whether they are enabled or not.

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4) Make sure that all of the ActiveX controls are enabled by clicking in the radio button marked "Enable."

You will probably have to scroll down to see all of the ActiveX controls, including the plug-ins and the script ActiveX controls.

5) Click on the OK button to save your changes.

6) Exit your browser; close it down completely. Then then restart it.

When you make the kind of changes you just did, you need to restart the program for them to be put into effect, because they only load into memory at the time the program starts up.

This time you should be able to see the banners.

If you have the ActiveX controls installed correctly, but still don't see the banners, sometimes all you need to do is "refresh" your browser window by Selecting "Refresh" from the View menu, or by pressing the F5 key.

"Refresh" is just a fancy computer term for whacking the darn thing on the side of the head to wake it up and make it work properly. Saying "Hey, wake up!" while you whack it might help, too.

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[Derrick: the copy for this next section, "**How do I check the winning numbers?**", is the same as that which I submitted to you in the My iwin file, where you had included the same question, but phrased it as: "How do I check eXtremelotto winning numbers? You may want to consider eliminating the redundancy of having the same question appear in two places, but whether you keep the question in two places or not, the answer is the same, so I copied and pasted the text I wrote for the My iwin section here. You can link to it from both places, if you prefer. It should do double duty all right.]
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How do I check the winning numbers?

eXtremelotto numbers are drawn at noon, Pacific Time. But if you're really antsy about finding out your lotto numbers, or if you're just feeling lucky today ("This being a 357 Magnum, the most powerful handgun in the world, you gotta ask yourself: 'Do I feel lucky today?' Well, do you, punk?"), there are two pages on which you check out the results and match them against your numbers. They both work fundamentally the same way.

Method 1: From the My iwin page.

- 1) Go to your My iwin page by clicking on the My iwin tab that looks like this:

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- 2) On your My iwin page, you'll see the eXtremelotto winning numbers for the current drawing, together with your numbers, if you entered for that day's lottery.

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Hey, according to this, I should be a Millionaire! And I did it without having to give anyone my final answer. Well, now you know why our sponsors don't let the employees at iwin.com and all our relatives and our pets enter into these darn lotteries.

Method 2: From the eXtremelotto page.

- 1) Go to the eXtremelotto page by clicking on the Lottery tab that looks like this:

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- 2) At the eXtremelotto page, click on the link to "xlotto results."

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3) At the xlotto results page, you'll see the eXtremelotto winning numbers for the current drawing, together with your numbers, if you entered for that day's lottery.

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By using the pull down menu for the month, day, and year, you can even check out the results of lotteries held on previous days. [Link to the topic called "Checking out previous eXtremelotto results."]

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Checking out previous eXtremelotto results

If you're a historical freak, or an expert in statistics smitten with the mistaken belief that you can analyze past performance in a lottery to predict future results, you can search previous results by using the pull down menu to select other months and days.

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We don't recommend doing this on a regular basis, though. Discovering how rarely any of your numbers show up may only get you depressed. That shouldn't stop you from trying, however. After all, if it's going to take dumb luck to win, who's better qualified?

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When are the numbers drawn?

High noon, Pacific Time, every day.

We run a clip from the Gary Cooper movie, and when the big show-down between the heroic lawman and the bad guys takes place, we draw the winning numbers for the entries made on the previous day.

The time frame for each eXtremelotto day begins at midnight (Pacific Time) and it ends at 11:59 PM (Pacific Time). That ought to be plenty of time to get your entries in, don't ya think?

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On some days eXtremelotto seems slow.

Why should that surprise you? It doesn't surprise us. We're a pretty popular site on the Internet, you know! Besides, do you know how many people out there want to become an instant millionaire? (Go ahead, give us your final answer.)

Fact is, slow-downs usually occur due to heavy Internet traffic.

A lot of people surfing the Net and sending jokes to each other during peak hours; a lot of people playing games and entering our contests; a lot more people trying to pick the eXtremelotto winning numbers on our site. With all that traffic, our servers can end up looking like a congested freeway during rush hour. And we know all about congested traffic patterns: we live in Los Angeles, the land of gridlock.

That's the problem from our side of the fence. On your side, you have to consider that albatross of a computer you're using. Is it really up to snuff, or is it a hand-me-down from your teen-age son? Consider up-grading if your equipment doesn't meet our minimum requirements to play games on our site:

For Windows:

- 1) Windows 95/98/NT/2000
- 2) Pentium 166 (not Celeron)
- 3) At least 64 megabytes of RAM
- 4) Internet Explorer 5.5 or Netscape Navigator 4.73

For Macintosh:

- 1) PowerPC processor
- 2) At least 200 MHz
- 3)Internet Explorer 4.5 with current MRJ (Macintosh Runtime for Java)
- 4) 64 megabytes of RAM

Lastly, access speed counts, so if you have the opportunity to connect to the Internet by means of a cable modem or a DSL (Direct Subscriber Line) modem, go for it. Sure, you'll pay a little more per month, but, take our word for it, it'll be worth it.

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[Derrick: I'm curious as to why you don't include Netscape Navigator along with Internet Explorer for the Mac, even though you do for Windows. By not mentioning Netscape, you are "recommending" Internet Explorer over Netscape Navigator for the Mac. Is that really your intention? I don't need to know right now, but I'll want to discuss it more when I attack those sections.]