

**Version
as at 29 September 2025**

**Keno Rules 1994, Amendment No 1
(SR 1997/4)**

Keno Rules 1994, Amendment No 1: revoked, on 29 September 2025, pursuant to rule 47 of the Keno Rules 2025 (SL 2025/175).

Pursuant to section 90 of the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1977 (as substituted by section 3(1) of the Gaming and Lotteries Amendment Act 1987), the Minister of Internal Affairs hereby approves the Keno Rules 1994, Amendment No 1, which were made by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission on the 27th day of November 1996, and of which a copy is set out in the Schedule hereto.

**Schedule
Keno Rules 1994, Amendment No 1**

Pursuant to section 90 of the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1977 (as substituted by section 3(1) of the Gaming and Lotteries Amendment Act 1987), the New Zealand Lotteries Commission hereby makes the following rules.

Rules

1 Title and commencement

- (1) These rules may be cited as the Keno Rules 1994, Amendment No 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Keno Rules 1994 (SR 1994/205) (in these rules referred to as “the principal rules”).
- (2) These rules shall take effect on and from the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2 Interpretation

Rule 2 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the term **Prize Reserve Fund**, and substituting the following definition:

Note

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 3 of the Legislation Act 2019 have been made in this consolidation. See the notes at the end of this consolidation for further details.

These rules are administered by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission.

Prize Reserve Fund means the fund of that name established by the Commission pursuant to rule 20 of the Lotto Rules 1996 (SR 1996/8)

3 Prize Reserve Fund

- (1) Rule 20(1) of the principal rules is hereby amended by omitting the words “establish a Prize Reserve Fund, into which shall be paid”, and substituting the words “pay into the Prize Reserve Fund”.
- (2) Rule 20(2) of the principal rules is hereby amended by omitting the words “out of the Prize Reserve Fund such sums”, and substituting the words “the Prize Reserve Fund such sum or sums of money”.
- (3) Rule 20 of the principal rules is hereby amended by adding the following subclause:
 - (3) These rules allow the payment into the Prize Reserve Fund of sums of money and the allocation from the Prize Reserve Fund of sums of money, but do not otherwise affect the provisions of the Lotto Rules 1996.

4 Results

Rule 22 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking subclause (4), and substituting the following subclause:

- (4) The Commission may publish the name of any prize winner who, on the keno prize claim form, authorises the publication of his or her name as a prize winner.

5 Prizes of more than \$1,000

Rule 32 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking subclause (6), and substituting the following subclause:

- (6) If a ticket is validated by the Commission, a cheque payable to the order of the claimant or a direct credit to the claimant, for the amount of the prize due, shall be—
 - (a) in the case of a cheque, either posted to the claimant or, for a claim made in person, handed to the claimant; or
 - (b) in the case of a direct credit, transferred to the bank account nominated by the claimant.

6 Decisions of Commission

Rule 34 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

- (1) All decisions of the Commission on questions of fact concerning keno, including decisions as to the validity of tickets, the identity of the bearer of any ticket, the determination of prize winners, and the amount and division of prize money shall be final and binding on all players and any other person or persons concerned for any reason with these matters.

Dated at Wellington this 27th day of November 1996.

The Common Seal of the New Zealand Lotteries Commission was, pursuant to a resolution of the Commission, hereunto affixed in the presence of:

[Seal]

G W F Thompson,
Presiding Member.

D W Bale,
Chief Executive, New Zealand Lotteries Commission.

Dated at Wellington this 20th day of December 1996.

J A Elder,
Minister of Internal Affairs.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the rules, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These rules, which take effect on and from the date of their notification in the *Gazette*, amend the Keno Rules 1994 in 4 ways.

First, they replace the Prize Reserve Fund established pursuant to the Keno Rules 1994 with the Prize Reserve Fund established pursuant to the Lotto Rules 1996. The fund established pursuant to the Lotto Rules 1996 relates to all games administered by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission.

Second, they allow the New Zealand Lotteries Commission to publish the name of any prize winner in keno who authorises publication of his or her name as a prize winner. This reverses the previous approach to the publication of prize winners' names, which was to allow publication unless the prize winner requested anonymity.

Third, they align the provision on the payment of prizes of more than \$1,000 with the provision in the Bingo Rules 1996.

Fourth, they align the provision on decisions of the Commission with provisions in the rules of other games administered by the Commission. The new rule makes it clear that, while decisions of the Commission in relation to questions of fact concerning keno are binding, the jurisdiction of the courts in relation to questions of law is not affected by the rule.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2019.
Date of notification in *Gazette*: 9 January 1997.

Consolidation notes

1 *General*

This is a consolidation of the Keno Rules 1994, Amendment No 1 that incorporates all the amendments to those rules as at the date of the last amendment to them.

2 *About this consolidation*

This consolidation is not an official version of the legislation under section 78 of the Legislation Act 2019.

3 *Amendments incorporated in this consolidation*

Keno Rules 2025 (SL 2025/175): rule 47