

**Version  
as at 29 September 2025**



## **Keno Amendment Rules 2008**

(SR 2008/80)

Keno Amendment Rules 2008: revoked, on 29 September 2025, pursuant to rule 47 of the Keno Rules 2025 (SL 2025/175).

Pursuant to section 243 of the Gambling Act 2003, the Minister of Internal Affairs approves the following rules, which were made by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission on 19 March 2008.

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#### **Note**

The Parliamentary Counsel Office has made editorial and format changes to this version using the powers under subpart 2 of Part 3 of the Legislation Act 2019.

Note 4 at the end of this version provides a list of the amendments included in it.

**These rules are administered by the New Zealand Lotteries Commission.**

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## Rules

### 1 Title

These rules are the Keno Amendment Rules 2008.

### 2 Commencement

These rules come into force on 28 March 2008.

### 3 Principal rules amended

These rules amend the Keno Rules 1994.

### 4 New rule 1A inserted

The following rule is inserted after rule 1:

#### 1A Application

- (1) These rules apply to Keno tickets, whether they are issued in printed form by a terminal or purchased electronically.
- (2) For the purpose of enabling Keno tickets to be purchased electronically, these rules apply subject to all necessary modifications.
- (3) Despite subclause (2),—
  - (a) a reference in these rules to any act done electronically or anything in an electronic form must be read only as a reference to Keno tickets being purchased electronically; and
  - (b) an act that is described in these rules as being done electronically must be done in accordance with any additional instructions provided by the Commission, including any terms and conditions governing the use of the Commission's Internet site for the purchase of those tickets electronically.

### 5 Interpretation

- (1) Rule 2 is amended by revoking the definition of **coupon** and substituting the following definition:

**coupon**, in relation to Keno, means a coupon provided by the Commission in printed form or by electronic means for use in making a player's selection or for use in making a player's systems selection or for indicating that the player wishes to make a computer generated selection or a computer generated systems selection, as the case may be

- (2) Rule 2 is amended by inserting the following definitions in their appropriate alphabetical order:

**electronic** includes electrical, digital, magnetic, optical, electromagnetic, biometric, and photonic

**purchased electronically**, in relation to a ticket,—

- (a) means purchased from the Commission by electronic means; but
- (b) does not include a purchase made from any other retailer or a purchase made by post or other delivery service

- (3) Rule 2 is amended by revoking the definition of **ticket** and substituting the following definition:

**ticket** means a ticket that—

- (a) records selections, the game number or numbers, cost, and other information as determined by the Commission; and
- (b) is either issued in printed form by a terminal or purchased electronically

## 6 New rule 5 substituted

Rule 5 is revoked and the following rule substituted:

### 5 Making selection for game: tickets issued in printed form by terminal

- (1) For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal,—
- (a) each player selection is made by a player marking, by hand on a coupon, the quantity of numbers selected and the actual numbers (corresponding with that quantity) selected from the range; and
  - (b) each systems selection is made by a player marking on the coupon for a systems selection the sets of numbers on a board to be combined with any other set of numbers within the board or between or among boards on the coupon.
- (2) The marking for a player selection must be a vertical line that does not extend beyond the outline of the box.
- (3) The marking for a systems selection must be made in accordance with the instructions for the making of a systems selection that are printed on the coupon or issued by the Commission.
- (4) The completed coupon must then be submitted to the retailer for processing through the terminal that will issue the ticket recording the selections marked on the coupon.
- (5) Any machine-completed coupons must not be processed by the retailer.
- (6) At the request of a player wanting computer generated selections, the retailer must, through the terminal, issue a ticket that has recorded on it the quantity of numbers selected and numbers allocated by the computer for the game for which the ticket has been issued.

- (7) The Commission may, from time to time, specify the number of computer generated selections for which a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal may be issued in any game.

## **7 New rules 5A and 5B inserted**

The following rules are inserted after rule 5:

### **5A Making selection for game: tickets purchased electronically**

- (1) For a ticket purchased electronically,—
- (a) each player selection is made by a player selecting electronically on a coupon the quantity of numbers selected and the actual numbers (corresponding with that quantity) selected from the range; and
  - (b) each systems selection is made by a player selecting electronically on the coupon for a systems selection the sets of numbers on a board to be combined with any other set of numbers within the board or between or among boards on the coupon.
- (2) A player may electronically submit a coupon completed in accordance with this rule to electronically purchase a ticket that records the selections made on the coupon.
- (3) The Commission may, from time to time, specify the number of computer generated selections for which a ticket purchased electronically may be issued in any game.

### **5B Application of rules 6 to 11**

- (1) Rules 6 to 11 apply to a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal, but only rules 6, 8(1) and (3), and 9 apply to a ticket purchased electronically.
- (2) To avoid doubt and for the purposes of rule 7, a ticket purchased electronically cannot be cancelled.

## **8 Player responsibility**

- (1) Rule 8 is amended by revoking subclause (1) and substituting the following subclause:
- (1) It is the sole responsibility of a player to verify that the player selections or system selections recorded or displayed on the player's ticket correspond with those that the player made or requested and that the game number and date of drawing are correct, either, as the case may be,—
- (a) by checking the ticket issued in printed form by a terminal; or
  - (b) before confirming the purchase of the ticket electronically.
- (2) Rule 8(2) is amended by inserting “issued in printed form by a terminal,” after “a ticket”.

**9 Multi draw tickets**

- (1) Rule 9(1) is amended by—
  - (a) inserting “, or selected electronically,” after “marked”; and
  - (b) omitting “have printed on them” and substituting “show”.
- (2) Rule 9(3) is amended by—
  - (a) inserting “, or selecting electronically,” after “marking”; and
  - (b) inserting “, or select electronically,” after “mark”; and
  - (c) inserting “, or, as the case may be, selecting electronically,” after “retailer of”.

**10 Payment of prizes**

Rule 23 is amended by inserting “that are won through tickets issued in printed form by a terminal” after “Prizes”.

**11 New rule 25 substituted**

Rule 25 is revoked and the following rule substituted:

**25 Ticket validation requirements**

- (1) In addition to any other requirements in these rules, the requirements in subclause (2) or, as the case may be, subclause (3) apply before a ticket is regarded as a valid prize winning ticket.
- (2) For a ticket issued in printed form by a terminal,—
  - (a) the ticket must have been issued on behalf of the Commission by a retailer through a terminal in the authorised manner:
  - (b) the ticket must be intact and must not be mutilated, altered, unreadable, reconstituted, or tampered with in any manner:
  - (c) the information recorded on the ticket must correspond with the Commission’s computer record of prize winning tickets:
  - (d) each number and letter on the ticket, whether a selection number, game number, or other number must be fully legible:
  - (e) the ticket must not be defectively printed or produced in error to an extent that it cannot be processed by the Commission or any other retailer:
  - (f) the ticket must not be false, counterfeit, or cancelled:
  - (g) the ticket must not appear on the Commission’s computer record of cancelled tickets:
  - (h) all information appearing on the ticket must appear in the Commission’s official computer record of winning tickets, and another ticket with identical data must not have already been paid:

- (i) the ticket must pass all additional confidential validation tests and security criteria established by the Commission:
- (j) the ticket must not have been issued for a machine-completed coupon.
- (3) For a ticket purchased electronically,—
  - (a) the information recorded on the ticket must correspond with the Commission's computer record of prize winning tickets:
  - (b) the ticket must not be false or counterfeit:
  - (c) the ticket must not appear on the Commission's computer record of cancelled tickets:
  - (d) all information appearing on the ticket must appear in the Commission's official computer record of winning tickets, and another ticket with identical data must not have already been paid:
  - (e) the ticket must pass all additional confidential validation tests and security criteria established by the Commission.

## 12 New rule 29A inserted

The following rule is inserted after the heading to Part 6:

### 29A Prizes won through tickets purchased electronically

- (1) Despite anything in this Part, the following provisions apply to all prizes won through tickets purchased electronically:
  - (a) prizes cannot be claimed from a retailer:
  - (b) monetary prizes will be credited to the purchaser:
  - (c) the purchaser must comply with the Commission's terms and conditions for prizes:
  - (d) non-monetary prizes will be delivered to the purchaser's nominated address.
- (2) Rule 32 does not apply to prizes won through tickets purchased electronically, but the rest of the rules in this Part apply to those prizes.

Dated at Wellington this 19th day of March 2008.

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

[Seal]

John Goulter,  
Presiding Member.

Paddy Austin,  
Member.

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of March 2008.

Rick Barker,  
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 come into force on 28 March 2008, amend the Keno Rules 1994 by making a number of technical and drafting changes to enable tickets for Keno to be purchased electronically on the Lotteries Commission's Internet site.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2019.  
Date of notification in *Gazette*: 27 March 2008.

**Notes****1    *General***

This is a consolidation of the Keno Amendment Rules 2008 that incorporates the amendments made to the legislation so that it shows the law as at its stated date.

**2    *Legal status***

A consolidation is taken to correctly state, as at its stated date, the law enacted or made by the legislation consolidated and by the amendments. This presumption applies unless the contrary is shown.

Section 78 of the Legislation Act 2019 provides that this consolidation, published as an electronic version, is an official version. A printed version of legislation that is produced directly from this official electronic version is also an official version.

**3    *Editorial and format changes***

The Parliamentary Counsel Office makes editorial and format changes to consolidations using the powers under subpart 2 of Part 3 of the Legislation Act 2019. See also PCO editorial conventions for consolidations.

**4    *Amendments incorporated in this consolidation***

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