



# Massachusetts State Lottery Commission

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby provided that in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, §2, the Massachusetts State Lottery Commission will hold a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments relative to proposed amendments to 961 CMR 2.00: Rules and Regulations. The amendments are authorized by M.G.L. c. 10, §24.

The amendments allow digitally created barcodes to be used to place bets and remove antiquated aspects of the bet slip-marking process. The amendments also update language to include mobile claims for cashing tickets valued over \$600. These regulations are governed by M.G.L. c. 10, §24 and M.G.L. c. 30A.

The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission will hold this public hearing remotely on **Thursday, July 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** To participate in the remote public hearing by telephone, call 1-(972) 301-8269 and enter conference ID number 513957961# when prompted.

A copy of the proposed amendments referenced above may be downloaded by visiting [www.masslottery.com](http://www.masslottery.com). Anyone wishing to offer comments may participate in the remote public hearing at the designated date and time above or submit written comments. Those who wish to receive a written copy of the proposed amendments, or to submit written comments, may do so by sending an email to [cporche@masslottery.com](mailto:cporche@masslottery.com), or by mail to Cecelia Porche, Massachusetts State Lottery Commission, 150 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02125. Written comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. on July 21, 2023.

Additionally, attached please find the accompanying Small Business Impact Statement in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, §2.



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## **SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission (“Commission”) hereby files this small business impact statement in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §2 relative to the proposed amendments in 961 CMR 2.00: Rules and Regulations; notice of which was filed this day with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The amendments allow digitally created barcodes to be used to place bets and remove antiquated aspects of the bet slip-marking process. The amendments also update language to include mobile claims for cashing tickets valued over \$600, which apply to Lottery prize winners and accordingly are unlikely to have an impact on small businesses. These regulations are governed by M.G.L. c. 10, §24.

In accordance with G.L. c.30A, §2, the Commission offers the following responses:

1. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation:

There are approximately 7000 licensed Lottery agents, approximately 5750 of whom would be considered a small business. These amendments allow an automated option for the bet slip-marking process. There is minimal impact caused by these regulations as agents will conduct ongoing Lottery business.

2. State the projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation:

There are no projected additional reporting, recordkeeping or administrative costs created by these regulations that would affect small businesses. Lottery agents will conduct ongoing Lottery business.

3. State the appropriateness of performance standards versus design standards:

These regulations do not implicate a design or performance standard that would affect small businesses. Lottery agents will conduct ongoing Lottery business.



4. Identify regulations of the promulgating agency, or of another agency or department of the commonwealth, which may duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation:

The Commission is not aware of duplicate or conflicting regulations.

5. State whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the commonwealth:

These regulations are not likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION,

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