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3770:1-9-947 Game rule number nine hundred forty-seven.

- (A) Title and term. Ohio lottery commission game rule number nine hundred forty-seven, "General EZPLAY® tap game rule," and the individual EZPLAY® tap games offered and operated pursuant to the authority of this general EZPLAY® tap game rule ~~shall~~will be conducted at such times and for such periods as the commission may determine.
- (B) General design.
- (1) Game rule number nine hundred forty-seven is an EZPLAY® tap game known as an "online game," offered and operated pursuant to the authority of this general EZPLAY® tap game rule and ~~shall~~will only be played on a multi-purpose terminal manufactured in accordance with lottery approved specifications, owned and tested by the lottery and connected to a lottery ~~gaming central~~ system.
 - (2) Each EZPLAY® tap game ~~shall~~will have an individual game name, a summary of how the game ~~shall~~will be played, specified wager amounts and a prize structure detailing winning prizes at each wager amount selected by the player.
 - (3) Each EZPLAY® tap game ~~shall~~will provide for announcement of immediate EZPLAY® tap game prize winnings as determined by a random number generator within the lottery central system which prize winnings ~~shall~~will be communicated from the central system to each terminal.
 - (4) The amount of the prize pool for each EZPLAY® tap game ~~shall~~will be replenished after each winning prize and ~~in no way will shall not~~ diminish as prizes are won.
 - (5) Each EZPLAY® tap game ~~shall~~will be displayed on a single screen. A game may allow for the screen to be tapped to reveal game results, or allow for game results to be revealed automatically, or both.
- (C) Price of EZPLAY® tap game tickets. The wager amount for an EZPLAY® tap game ticket ~~shall~~will be in the minimum amount of twenty-five cents. Other wager amounts and the maximum wager amount ~~shall~~will be established for each EZPLAY® tap game by the director and ~~shall~~will be subject to approval through a resolution of five commissioners present at a meeting of the commission.
- (D) Number nature and value of prize awards. Game design features as set forth in paragraph (B)(2) of this rule, including the value of EZPLAY® tap game prize winnings and the number and nature of different EZPLAY® tap game prize winning combinations available for each EZPLAY® tap game, and any bonus features or progressive jackpot features in the game ~~shall~~will be established by the director and ~~shall~~will be subject to approval through a resolution of five commissioners present at a meeting of the commission prior to the EZPLAY® tap game being available to a lottery sales agent for sale to players.
- (1) The value of the EZPLAY® tap game prize winnings, and any cash balance, ~~shall~~will be displayed on the terminal.
 - (2) The EZPLAY® tap game result, whether winning or non-winning, for a valid wager, ~~shall~~will be displayed on the terminal.

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- (E) Payment of EZPLAY® tap game prize winnings. Notwithstanding the information displayed on a terminal screen, EZPLAY® tap game prize winnings ~~shall~~will not be due and payable to a player until a pay voucher has been generated by the terminal, the pay voucher is presented by the player for payment and the pay voucher is determined by the lottery or an authorized lottery agent to be valid, all in accordance with applicable provisions of law. EZPLAY® tap game prize winnings are subject to all applicable tax and other ~~required~~mandated withholdings.
- (F) Frequency and period of EZPLAY® tap games. EZPLAY® tap games may only be played during the established hours of operation of lottery sales agents locations authorized by the lottery to use the terminal.
- (G) Validity of EZPLAY® tap game play.
- (1) It ~~shall~~will be the sole responsibility of the player to verify the accuracy of the EZPLAY® tap game play. Once a player has initiated game play on a terminal, the wager is final and in no way may ~~not~~ be canceled.
 - (2) All EZPLAY® tap game play is subject to validation requirements, test and/or procedures established by the lottery, including but not limited to validation by the lottery gaming ~~central~~ system.
 - (3) In addition to, but not in limitation of, all other power or authority conferred on the director or the commission by commission rules, the director may declare the play of an EZPLAY® tap game, a pay voucher, or any other aspect of EZPLAY® tap gaming void if stolen, not played or issued in accordance with commission rules; if it is illegible, altered, mutilated, or counterfeit; or if the terminal on which a game was played or a pay voucher fails any validation tests or procedures established by the director. The lottery ~~shall~~will have no liability for EZPLAY® tap game play, pay voucher or any other aspect of EZPLAY® tap gaming declared by the director to be void.
- (H) Director's conduct of EZPLAY® tap games under game rule nine hundred forty-seven.
- (1) The director ~~shall~~will offer and operate EZPLAY® tap games and promotions associated therewith under the authority of this general EZPLAY® tap game rule in a manner consistent with the Lottery Act, the rules of the commission, including without limitation this rule and any resolution of the commissioners adopted under this rule. As deemed necessary or advisable, the director ~~shall~~will adopt management regulations, orders or directives to implement and operate these lottery games and any promotions associated therewith. The director ~~shall~~will inform the public of the provisions of this rule and the procedures established pursuant hereto which affect the play of EZPLAY® tap games. The director reserves the right to declare any game as unavailable for sale at any time to maintain game integrity and accountability.
 - (2) More than one EZPLAY® tap game may be offered by the commission, if authorized by the director or commission, under the authority of this rule. In actual operation, EZPLAY® tap games offered under the authority of this rule may be given names or titles chosen by the director or commission.