

The Children's Place - The Holiday Countdown

Official Rules

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING.

1. Eligibility: The Children's Place - The Holiday Countdown (the "Instant Win Game") is open only to legal residents of the fifty (50) United States and the District of Columbia who are at least eighteen (18) years old at the time of entry. Employees, officers, and representatives of The Children's Place Inc., Merkle Inc., as well as the immediate family (spouse, parents, siblings, and children and their respective spouses, regardless of where they reside) and household members of each such individual, whether or not related, are not eligible. The Instant Win Game is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations and is void where prohibited. Participation in the Instant Win Game constitutes entrant's full and unconditional agreement to these Official Rules and Sponsor's and Administrator's decisions, which are final and binding in all matters related to the Instant Win Game. Winning a prize is contingent upon fulfilling all requirements set forth herein.

2. Sponsor: The Children's Place Inc., 500 Plaza Dr., Secaucus, NJ 07094 ("Sponsor"). **Administrator:** Merkle Inc., 3000 Town Center, Suite 2100, Southfield, MI 48075 ("Administrator").

3. Timing: The Instant Win Game begins on December 7, 2023 at 12:00 a.m. Eastern Time ("ET") and ends on December 24, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. ET (the "Promotion Period").

For purposes of this Instant Win Game, a "day" begins at 12:00 a.m. ET and ends the same day at 11:59 p.m. ET.

Administrator's computer is the official time-keeping device for the Instant Win Game.

4. How to Enter: There are two (2) ways to enter:

- a. App:** During the Promotion Period, using your smartphone, download The Children's Place Official Mobile App (the "App"), which is free (though data rates may apply to download and use of the App), to your phone from Google Play or the App Store. Open and register for the App. Locate the virtual tile advertising this Instant Win Game and click on the tile. Then, follow the links and instructions to complete and submit the registration form, including a valid email address. Once you submit the form, you will automatically receive one (1) Instant Win Game play for that day and proceed to the Instant Win Game page. Follow the links and instructions to play the Instant Win Game. The Instant Win Game results will be instantly displayed. Potential winners of the Instant Win Game will be provided directions for validation. All potential winners are subject to verification of eligibility and compliance with these Official Rules before any prize will be awarded. Administrator is responsible for the functionality of the Instant Win Game.
- b. Website:** During the Promotion Period, visit www.tcpholidaycountdown.com and follow the links and instructions to complete and submit the registration form, including a valid email address. Once you submit the form, you will automatically receive one (1) Instant Win Game play for that day and proceed to the Instant Win Game page. Follow the links and instructions to play the Instant Win Game. The Instant Win Game results will be instantly displayed. Potential winners of the Instant Win Game will be provided directions for validation. All potential winners are subject to verification of eligibility and compliance with these Official Rules before any prize will be awarded. Administrator is responsible for the functionality of the Instant Win Game.

Limit: Each entrant may play one (1) time per day during the Promotion Period, regardless of method or combination of methods of entry. Multiple entrants are not permitted to share the same email address.

Any attempt by any entrant to obtain more than the stated number of plays by using multiple/different email addresses, identities, registrations and logins, or any other methods will void that entrant's plays and that entrant may be disqualified. Use of any automated system to participate is prohibited and will result in disqualification. In the event of a dispute as to any registration or play, the authorized account holder of the email address used to register will be deemed to be the entrant or player and such individual must comply with these Official Rules. The "authorized account holder" is the natural person assigned an

email address by an Internet access provider, online service provider, Internet service provider, or other organization responsible for assigning email addresses for the domain associated with the submitted address. Each potential winner may be required to show proof of being the authorized account holder.

5. ALL POTENTIAL WINNING PLAYS ARE SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION BY SPONSOR OR ADMINISTRATOR, WHOSE DECISIONS ARE FINAL AND BINDING. AN ENTRANT IS NOT A WINNER OF ANY PRIZE, EVEN IF THE INSTANT WIN GAME SHOULD SO INDICATE, UNLESS AND UNTIL ENTRANT'S ELIGIBILITY AND THE POTENTIAL WINNING PLAY HAVE BEEN VERIFIED AND ENTRANT HAS BEEN NOTIFIED THAT VERIFICATION IS COMPLETE. SPONSOR WILL NOT ACCEPT SCREEN SHOTS OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF WINNING IN LIEU OF ITS VALIDATION PROCESS. ANY PLAY THAT OCCURS AFTER THE SYSTEM HAS FAILED FOR ANY REASON IS DEEMED A DEFECTIVE PLAY, IS VOID, AND WILL NOT BE HONORED.

6. Instant Win Game Prize Selection and Verification of Potential Winners: Receiving a prize is contingent upon compliance with these Official Rules. Administrator is an independent judging organization whose decisions as to the administration and operation of the Instant Win Game and the selection of potential winners are final and binding in all matters related to the Instant Win Game. There will be one hundred and eighty (180) random, computer-generated winning times during the Promotion Period, ten (10) per day. If fewer than ten (10) Instant Win Game random, computer-generated winning times occur during any particular day of the Instant Win Game, fewer than the stated number of Instant Win Game prizes will be awarded during the applicable day and winning times will not carryover into subsequent days. If you are the first player to play the Instant Win Game at or after one of the randomly-generated times, you will be a potential instant winner of the prize indicated. Each potential winner (parent/legal guardian if winner is a minor in his/her state of residence) *of more than one (1) prize* will be required to sign and return a Declaration of Compliance, Liability and Publicity Release, which must be received by Administrator/Sponsor within five (5) days of the date notice or attempted notice is sent, in order to claim his/her/the prize. If any potential winner cannot be contacted or fails to sign and return the Declaration of Compliance, Liability and Publicity Release (when applicable) or if prize is returned as undeliverable, potential winner forfeits prize. In the event that a potential winner of any prize is disqualified for any reason, Sponsor will award the applicable prize to an alternate winner by random drawing from among all non-winning, eligible game plays received for the day at issue. There will be up to three (3) alternate winners selected after which the applicable prize will remain un-awarded. Prizes will be fulfilled approximately 8-10 weeks after the conclusion of the Instant Win Game.

7. Prizes: ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY (180) INSTANT WIN GAME PRIZES (ten (10) available per day): A \$500 prepaid card. Please note that prepaid cards are subject to expiration, so pay close attention to the expiration date of the card. Approximate Retail Value ("ARV"): \$500 each.

Odds of winning an Instant Win Game prize depend on the number of prizes available divided by the number of eligible Instant Win Game plays. The number of prizes available to be won will diminish as they are awarded. All prepaid cards are governed by the Cardholder Agreement, and some fees may apply. This is not a gift card. Please note that prepaid cards are subject to expiration, so pay close attention to the expiration date of the card. Prizes are awarded "as is" with no warranty or guarantee, either express or implied. Prizes cannot be redeemed for cash. Winners are responsible for all taxes and fees associated with prize receipt and/or use. Winners of prizes equal to or greater than \$600 will receive an IRS Form 1099 MISC reporting the actual value of the prize received. No cash or other substitution, assignment or transfer of any prizes permitted, except by Sponsor, who reserves the right to substitute a prize or prize component with cash or another prize of comparable or greater value. Winners are responsible for all federal, state, and local taxes and fees associated with prize receipt and/or use. Prizes will be awarded "as is" with no warranty or guarantee, either express or implied offered by Sponsor. All prize details are at Sponsor's sole discretion. TOTAL ARV OF ALL PRIZES PER DAY: \$5,000. Limit: One (1) Instant Win Game prize per person per day.

8. Publicity: Except where prohibited, participation in the Instant Win Game constitutes winner's consent to Sponsor's use of winner's name, likeness, photograph, voice, opinions, biographical information, hometown, and state for promotional purposes in any and all media, now known or hereafter devised, worldwide in perpetuity without further payment or consideration, notification or permission.

9. General Conditions: Sponsor reserves the right to cancel or modify the Instant Win Game (or any portion thereof) if fraud, technical failures, human error or any other factor impairs the integrity of the Instant Win Game, as determined by Sponsor in its sole discretion. In such event, Sponsor reserves the right to award the prizes for the day(s) at issue at random from among the non-winning, non-suspect, eligible game plays received for such day(s) up to the time of the impairment. Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual it finds to be tampering with the entry process or the operation of the Instant Win Game, or to be acting in violation of the Official Rules of this or any other promotion, or in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner and void all associated game plays/prize claims. Any attempt by any person to deliberately damage any website or undermine the legitimate operation of the Instant Win Game is a violation of criminal and civil law, and, should such an attempt be made, Sponsor reserves the right to seek damages from any such person to the fullest extent permitted by law. Sponsor's failure to enforce any term of these Official Rules shall not constitute a waiver of that provision.

10. Release: By entering, entrant agrees to release and hold harmless Sponsor, Administrator, and any promotional partners, each of their parent, subsidiary, affiliate, and related companies, and each of its and their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents (collectively the "Released Parties") from and against any losses, damages, rights, claim, or cause of action of any kind arising, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, out of participation in the Instant Win Game or resulting directly or indirectly, from acceptance, possession, use, or misuse of any prize awarded in connection with the Instant Win Game, including without limitation personal injury, death, and/or property damage, as well as claims based on publicity rights, defamation, and/or invasion of privacy.

11. Limitations of Liability: The Released Parties are not responsible for: (1) late, lost, stolen, misdirected, delayed or garbled game plays, registrations, prize claims, emails or other communications of any kind; (2) any incorrect or inaccurate information, whether caused by entrants, printing errors or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Instant Win Game; (3) technical failures of any kind, including, but not limited to malfunctions, interruptions, or disconnections in phone lines, or network hardware, or software; (4) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the entry process or the Instant Win Game; (5) technical, mechanical, network, typographical, human or other error which may occur in the administration of the Instant Win Game, the processing of registrations, game plays and/or prize claims, the announcement of the prizes or in any Instant Win Game-related materials; or (6) any injury or damage to persons or property which may be caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from entrant's participation in the Instant Win Game, or receipt, or use of any prize or while traveling to or from any prize-related activity. If for any reason an entrant's entry is confirmed to have been erroneously deleted, lost, or otherwise destroyed or corrupted, entrant's sole remedy is another entry in the Instant Win Game, if it is possible. No more than the stated number of prizes will be awarded. In the event that production, technical, seeding, programming, or any other reasons cause more than the stated number of prizes as set forth in these Official Rules to be available and/or claimed, Sponsor reserves the right to award only the stated number of prizes by a random drawing among all legitimate, un-awarded, eligible prize claims.

12. Disputes: Entrant agrees that: (i) any and all disputes, claims, and causes of action arising out of or connected with this Instant Win Game or any prizes awarded shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, and exclusively by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (Southern Division) or the appropriate Michigan State Court located in Oakland County, Michigan; (ii) any and all claims, judgments, and awards shall be limited to actual out-of-pocket costs incurred, including costs associated with entering this Instant Win Game but in no event attorneys' fees; and (iii) under no circumstances will entrant be permitted to obtain awards for and entrant hereby waives all rights to claim punitive, incidental, and consequential damages and any other damages, other than for actual out-of-pocket expenses, and any and all rights to have damages multiplied or otherwise increased. SOME JURISDICTIONS DO NOT ALLOW THE LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation, and enforceability of these Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of the entrant and Sponsor in connection with the Instant Win Game, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Michigan, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules (whether of the State of Michigan or any other

jurisdiction), which would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Michigan.

13. Personal Information: Information collected in connection with this Promotion is subject to Sponsor's [Privacy Policy](#)

14. Winner For a winners list, please [click here](#). The winners list will be posted after winner confirmation is complete.

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