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Slow payout OK by kicker

Gets \$25Gs a year over 40 years

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First he made the million-dollar kick, now he can't kick the bucket for 40 years to collect it all.

But Brian Diesbourg said the slow payout will just keep him from blowing his dough.

"If I had \$1 million, I would just spend it. I have no clue about money," said Diesbourg, who won the cash after nailing a 50-yard field goal Thursday in a Wendy's restaurant and TSN contest at the Rogers Centre.

He'll get the cash at a rate of \$25,000 over the next 40 years. Diesbourg agreed to the payment terms when he signed up for the contest, Desmond Edwards, Wendy's spokesman, said.

"He knew all of the aspects of the contest from A to Z and he was very fine with them," Edwards said.

The cash is tax-free. If Diesbourg doesn't live to collect it all, he can leave the money to someone through a will.

But even if the terms of the payout were no surprise to Diesbourg, they was not made public during the Argos-TiCats game.

"It's no big deal for me. I knew about it. I've got a pretty happy, simple life already. This is just a crazy bonus for me," said Diesbourg, 25, who spent the day being interviewed on his win.

The Belle River native said he's already dreaming about where his winnings will go.

"Buy a house, go on a cruise vacation," he said. "This hasn't really set in yet."

And he isn't planning to quit his job as a mechanical engineer.

Diesbourg barely remembers making the kick.

He missed his first three chances, from shorter distances for smaller prizes.



Brian Diesbourg and his girlfriend, Brigitte Potvin, have a ball outside TSN studios yesterday. Diesbourg kicked a 50-yard field goal at the Argos' halftime show Thursday to win \$1 million, which will be paid out at \$25,000 a year over the next 40 years. (Fred Thornhill, Sun)

"I had a lot of doubt in my mind but I knew I had to try."

He saved it for when it counted, kicking as hard as he could. "I couldn't believe it. It was awesome."

And it was rare. According to Edwards, there have only been 11 such kicks in the CFL this season.

An insurance policy will cover the prize, Edwards said, adding the insurance company suggested the long payout.