# Horseshoe Cincinnati

# Section G – Appendix A – Blackjack

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BLACKJACK

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II. Blackjack – An ace and any card having a point value of 10 dealt as the initial two cards to a player or a dealer.

III. Card reader device – A device which permits the dealer to determine if the dealer has a Blackjack.

IV. Cutting card – A card which is opaque and in a solid color, readily distinguishable from the color of the backs and edges of the playing cards in use at a Blackjack table.

V. Hard total – The total point count of a hand which contains no aces or which contains aces that are each counted as 1 in value.

VI. Soft total – The total point count of a hand containing an ace when the ace is counted as 11 in value.

**2. Blackjack table; card reader device; physical characteristics; inspections**

I. Blackjack shall be played at a table having on one side places for the players and on the opposite side a place for the dealer may have the following information on it:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. No more than seven specific areas designated for the placement of wagers.

C. Blackjack pays 3 to 2 or 6 to 5.

D. Dealer shall draw to all soft 17's, stand on all hard 17's and soft 18's. Any exceptions will be clearly marked on the gaming table in question.

E. Insurance pays 2 to 1.

II. Each Blackjack table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it.

III. A Blackjack table may have attached to it a card reader device, which permits the dealer to determine if the dealer has a Blackjack in accordance with section 7 Procedure for dealing cards.

IV. To collect the cards at the conclusion of a round of play as required under section 7.VIII, each Blackjack table will have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table where the height of each discard rack must either be equal to or taller than the height of the cards, stacked one on top of the other, contained in the total number of decks that are to be used in the dealing shoe at that table.

**3. Cards; number of decks; value of cards**

I. Blackjack shall be played with at least one deck of cards. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3.III and 3.IV, all decks of cards used for the play of Blackjack shall be identical in appearance. Blackjack shall also be played with at least one cutting card.

II. The value of the cards contained in each deck shall be as follows:

A. Any card from 2 to 10 shall have its face value.

B. Any jack, queen or king shall have a value of ten.

C. An ace shall have a value of eleven, unless that value would give a player or the dealer a score in excess of 21, in which case, the ace shall have a value of one.

III. If an automated card shuffling device is utilized, Blackjack shall be played with at least one deck of cards in accordance with the following requirements:

A. The cards shall be separated into two batches, with an equal number of decks included in each batch.

B. The cards in each batch must be of the same design, but the backs of the cards in one batch must be of a different color than the cards included in the other batch.

C. One batch of cards shall be shuffled and stored in the automated card shuffling device while the other batch is being dealt or used to play the game.

D. Both batches of cards shall be continuously alternated in and out of play, with each batch being used for every other dealing shoe.

E. The cards from only one batch shall be placed in the discard rack at any given time.

F. If the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, manual shuffle procedures will be followed.

IV. The decks of cards opened for use at a Blackjack table shall be changed at least once every 24 hours.

**4. Wagers**

I. Prior to the first card being dealt for each round of play, each player may make a wager against the dealer.

II. A player shall win if:

A. The total value of the player's hand is 21 or less and the total value of the dealer's hand is in excess of 21.

B. The total value of the player's hand exceeds the total value of the dealer's hand without exceeding 21.

C. The player has a blackjack and the dealer's hand has a total value of 21 in more than two cards.

III. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4.II.C, a wager made in accordance with this section shall be void and returned to the player when the total value of the player's hand is the same as the dealer's provided, however, that a player's wager shall be lost when the dealer has a Blackjack and the player's hand has a total value of 21 which is not a Blackjack.

IV. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, no wager shall be made, increased or withdrawn after the first card of the respective round has been dealt.

V. After each round of play is complete, the dealer shall collect all losing wagers and pay off all winning wagers beginning with the player farthest to the right of the dealer and continuing counterclockwise around the table.

VI. Winning wagers made in accordance with subsection 4.II shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1 with the exception of Blackjack, which shall be paid at odds of 3 to 2 or 6 to 5.

VII. Once the first card of any hand has been removed from the shoe by the dealer, a player may not handle, remove or alter any wagers that have been made until a decision has been rendered and implemented with respect to that wager.

VIII. Once an Insurance Wager under section 9 Insurance Wager, a Double Down Wager under section 10 Double Down Wager or a wager on split pairs has been made and confirmed by the dealer under section 11 Splitting pairs, a player may not handle, remove or alter the wagers until a decision has been rendered and implemented with respect to that wager.

IX. After the cards have been shuffled as required under section 5 Opening of table for gaming, the casino may prohibit any person, whether seated at the gaming table or not, who does not make a wager on a given round of play from placing a wager on the next round of play and any subsequent round of play at that gaming table until either:

   A. The casino chooses to permit the player to begin wagering again.

   B. A reshuffle of the cards has occurred.

X. Horseshoe Cincinnati may add additional side wagers to the game of Blackjack. An addendum containing rules, payouts and procedures for the side wagers shall be submitted for approval to the Ohio Casino Control Commission, prior to the addition of the side wagers.

**5. Opening of table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face downward on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked.

III. If an automated shuffling device is utilized, all the decks in one batch of cards shall be spread for inspection on the table separate from the decks in the other batch of cards. Each batch of cards shall separately be turned face downward on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked.

**6. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to commencement of play, after any round of play as may be determined by a floor person and after each shoe of cards is dealt, the dealer shall shuffle the cards so that they are randomly intermixed.

II. After the cards have been shuffled, the dealer shall offer the stack of cards, with backs facing upward to the players to be cut.

III. If a player refuses to cut the cards, the cut will be offered to other players at the table. If no player accepts the cut, the dealer shall cut the cards.

IV. The player shall cut the cards by placing the cutting card in the stack at least 10 cards in from the top or bottom of the stack.

V. Once the cutting card has been inserted by the player, the dealer shall take all cards above the cutting card and place them on the bottom of the stack. The dealer shall then take the entire stack of cards that was just cut and align them along the side of the dealing shoe. The cut card will be placed in the stack to indicate the last hand of the shoe. The stack of cards shall then be inserted into the dealing shoe for commencement of play.

VI. After the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VII. A reshuffle of the cards in the shoe shall take place after the cutting card is reached in the shoe as provided for in section 7.IX, except that a floor person may determine after each round of play that the cards should be reshuffled.

VIII. If there is no gaming activity at a Blackjack table which is open for gaming, the cards may be removed from the dealing shoe and the discard rack, at the casino's discretion, and spread out on the table for inspection, either face up or face down.

A. If there is no automated shuffling device in use, the cards shall be stacked, then shuffled and cut in accordance with this section.

B. If an automated shuffling device is in use, the cards shall be stacked and placed into the automated shuffling device to be shuffled. The batch of cards already in the shuffler shall then be removed unless a player requests the cards that are out are the first cards that are used.

(1) The automated card shuffling device stores a single batch of shuffled cards inside the shuffler in a secure manner.

(2) The shuffled cards have been secured, released and prepared for play.

**7. Procedure for dealing cards**

I. All cards used to play Blackjack shall be dealt from a dealing shoe specifically designed for that purpose.

II. After each full batch of cards is placed in the shoe, the dealer shall remove the first card and place it in the discard rack. Each new dealer who comes to the table shall also remove one card and place it in the discard rack before dealing any cards to the players.

III. At the commencement of each round of play, the dealer shall, starting on his left and continuing around the table, deal the cards in the following order:

A. One card face upwards to each box on the layout in which a wager is contained.

B. One card face downwards to the dealer.

C. A second card face upwards to each box in which a wager is contained.

D. A second card face down to himself, at which time his first card is exposed.

IV. If the dealer's first card is an ace, king, queen, jack or 10 of any suit, the dealer shall determine whether the hole card will give the dealer a Blackjack prior to dealing any additional cards to the players at the table. The dealer shall insert the hole card into the card reader device by moving the card face down on the layout without exposing it to anyone, including the dealer, at the table.

V. After the cards have been dealt, and if necessary, the procedure in subsection 7.IV has been executed, the dealer shall, beginning from his left, ask each player whether he wishes to double down as permitted under section 10 Double Down Wager, split pairs as permitted under section 11 Splitting pairs, stand or draw as permitted under section 12 Drawing of additional cards by players and the dealer.

VI. As each player indicates his decision(s), the dealer shall deal face upwards whatever additional cards are necessary to effectuate the player's decision consistent with this chapter and shall announce the new point total of the player after each additional card is dealt. Player may request for a card to be dealt face down in instances of "doubling down". The dealer will deal the card face down during these instances.

VII. After the decisions of each player have been implemented and all additional cards have been dealt, the dealer shall turn the second card that was dealt to the dealer face up. Any additional cards required to be dealt to the hand of the dealer under section 12II shall be dealt face upwards at this time.

VIII. At the conclusion of a round of play, all cards still remaining on the layout shall be picked up by the dealer in order and in a way that the cards can be readily arranged to indicate each player's hand in case of question or dispute. The dealer shall pick up the cards beginning with those of the player to his far right and moving counterclockwise around the table. After all the players' cards have been collected the dealer shall pick up his cards and place them in the discard.

IX. Whenever the cutting card is the first card in the dealing shoe at the beginning of a round of play or is reached in the deal of the cards, the dealer may continue dealing the cards until that round of play is completed after which the dealer shall:

A. Collect the cards as provided in subsection VIII.

B. Remove the cards remaining in the shoe and place them in the discard rack.

C. Shuffle the cards so that they are randomly intermixed.

X. Players and spectators may not handle, remove or alter any cards used to play Blackjack.

XI. Each player at the table shall be responsible for correctly computing the point count of his hand and no player shall rely on the point counts announced by the dealer.

**8. Payment of Blackjack**

I. If the first face up card dealt to the dealer is a 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9 and a player has Blackjack, the dealer shall announce and pay the Blackjack at odds of 3 to 2 or 6 to 5.

II. If the first face up card dealt to the dealer is an ace, king, queen, jack or 10 and a player has a Blackjack, the dealer shall announce the player's Blackjack but shall make no payment nor remove any cards until the dealer has verified that the dealer's hand is not a Blackjack, through the use of a card reader device. If the dealer's second card does not give the dealer Blackjack, the player having Blackjack shall be paid at odds of 3 to 2 or 6 to 5 and shall remove the player's cards before any player receives a third card. If, however, the dealer's second card gives him Blackjack, the wager of the player having Blackjack shall be void and returned to the player.

**9. Insurance Wager**

I. Whenever the first card dealt to the dealer is an ace, each player (unless they have blackjack; see section II.) shall have the option to make an Insurance Wager which shall win if the dealer's second card is a king, queen, jack or 10 and shall lose if the dealer's second card is an ace, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9.

II. If a player has Blackjack, and the dealer has an ace up, the player may not take insurance but may elect to receive Even Money and be paid 1 to 1 for the blackjack before the dealer checks the hole card. After paying Even Money, the dealer will place the cards into the discard rack and the players hand will be over at the time.

III. An Insurance Wager may be made by placing on the insurance line of the layout an amount not more than half the amount staked on the player's initial wager. A player may wager an amount in excess of half of the initial wager to the next unit that can be wagered in chips, when because of the limitation of the value of chip denominations; half the initial wager cannot be bet.

Insurance Wagers shall be placed prior to the dealer inserting his hole card into the card reader device.

IV. Winning Insurance Wagers shall be paid at odds of 2 to 1.

V. Losing Insurance Wagers shall be collected by the dealer immediately after the dealer inserts his hole card into the card reader device and determines that he does not have a Blackjack and before he draws any additional cards.

**10. Double Down Wager**

I. Except for when a player has a Blackjack, a player may elect to make a Double Down Wager, which may not exceed the amount of his original wager on the first two cards dealt to him or the first two cards of any split pair, on the condition that one and only one additional card shall be dealt to the hand on which the player has elected to double down.

II. If a dealer obtains Blackjack after a player makes a Double Down Wager, the dealer shall only collect the amount of the original wager of the player and shall not collect the additional Double Down Wager.

III. Upon a player's election to make a Double Down Wager, the dealer shall deal the one additional card face upwards, and placed sideways on the layout. Players may request the double down card to be dealt face down. When the hand is over the dealer will turn-over the card dealt face down revealing the value and pay and take according to round of play rules.

IV. The casino may elect to offer different double down rules on double deck and single deck Blackjack games. These rules will be clearly posted at each double deck and/or single deck Blackjack game.

**11. Splitting pairs**

I. Whenever the initial two cards dealt to a player are identical in value, the player may elect to split the hand into two separate hands provided that he makes a wager on the second hand so formed in an amount equal to his original wager. For example, if a player has two 7's or a king and a 10, the player may elect to split the hand.

II. When a player splits pairs, the dealer shall deal a card to and complete the player's decisions with respect to the first incomplete hand on the dealer's left before proceeding to deal any cards to the second hand.

III. After a second card is dealt to each split pair hand, the player shall indicate his decision to stand, draw or double down with respect that hand except that:

   A. A player may split two more pair if the second card dealt is identical in value to a card of the split pair, for a total of four hands.

   B. A player splitting aces may only have one card dealt to each ace.

IV. If the dealer obtains Blackjack after a player splits pairs, the dealer shall only collect the amount of the original wager of the player and may not collect the additional amount wagered in splitting pairs.

V. The casino may elect to offer different split rules on double deck and single deck Blackjack games. These rules will be clearly posted at each double deck and/or single deck Blackjack game.

**12. Drawing of additional cards by players and the dealer**

I. A player may elect to draw additional cards whenever his point count total is less than 21, except that:

   A. A player having Blackjack or a hard or soft total of 21 may not draw additional cards.

   B. A player electing to make a Double Down Wager may draw only one additional card.

   C. A player splitting aces may only have one card dealt to each ace.

II. Except as provided in subsection III, the dealer shall draw additional cards until he has a hard total of 17 or above or soft total of 18 or above, unless specified on the layout that the dealer will stand on any 17.

III. A dealer shall draw no additional cards to his hand, regardless of the point count, if decisions have been made on all players' hands and the point count of the dealer's hand will have no effect on the outcome of the round of play.

**13. Player wagering on more than one box**

I. The casino has the option to allow a single patron to play a multiple number of adjacent boxes during one round of play.

II. The casino may require a specific minimum wage for multiple bets, which may be different from the posted minimum.

**14. Single Deck, Double Deck Blackjack**

I. The casino may offer a version of blackjack where one or two decks of cards are used for gaming purposes. Should the casino elect to do so, the casino may allow the following forms of blackjack to be played:

A. Dealer deals out of hand in a pitching motion, allowing players to touch cards.

B. Dealer deals from a dealing shoe.

II. After shuffling the cards, the dealer shall place the deck or decks of cards in the left hand. The cards held by the dealer shall be kept over the table inventory container and in front of the dealer at all times.

III. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in one hand and use the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and pitch or place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout.

IV. Prior to the commencement of each round of play, the dealer shall remove the top card and place it in the discard rack. The dealer shall then, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's left and continuing around the table in a clockwise direction, deal the cards as follows:

A. First card face down to each box on the layout in which a Blackjack Wager is contained.

B. First card face up to the dealer.

C. A second card face down to each box in which a Blackjack Wager is contained.

D. A second card face down to the dealer, tucked under the dealer's first card.

V. After two cards have been dealt to each player, the dealer, shall, with one hand, examine his cards. All players shall keep their cards in full view of the dealer at all times.

A. Each player, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's left and continuing around the table in a clockwise direction, shall then indicate whether he wishes to double down, split pairs, stand or draw additional cards; in accordance to the posted game rules.

(1) If a player indicates that he wishes to double down or split his pair, the player will turn over the player's two cards and place the appropriate wager.

(2) If a player draws additional cards which cause the point total to exceed 21, the player shall immediately discard his first two cards.

(3) If a player indicates his decision to draw additional cards, the dealer shall deal face up additional cards as necessary to effectuate the player's decision.

VI. Once all decisions of each player have been implemented and all have been dealt, the dealer shall turn over the hole card and follow dealing procedures outlined in section 12II or III.

VII. After the dealer concludes their hand, the dealer shall turn over both guest's cards and settle all remaining wagers as outlined above.

**15. Irregularities**

I. A card found turned face upwards in the shoe may not be used in the game and shall be placed in the discard rack.

II. A card drawn in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it were the next card from the shoe.

III. After the initial two cards have been dealt to each player and a card is drawn in error and exposed to the players, the card shall be dealt to the players or dealer as though it were the next card from the shoe. Any player refusing to accept the card shall not have any additional

cards dealt to him during the round. If the card is refused by the players and the dealer cannot use the card, the card shall be placed in the discard rack.

IV. If the dealer has seventeen and accidentally draws a card for himself, the card shall be placed in the discard rack.

V. If the dealer misses dealing his first or second card to himself, the dealer shall continue dealing the first two cards to each player, and then deal the appropriate number of cards to himself.

VI. If there are insufficient cards remaining in the shoe to complete a round of play, all of the cards in the discard rack shall be shuffled and cut according to the procedures outlined in section 6 Shuffle and cut of the cards, the first card shall be drawn face down and placed in the discard rack, and the dealer shall complete the round of play and reshuffle.

VII. If no cards are dealt to a player's hand, the hand is dead and the player shall be included in the next deal. If only one card is dealt to a player's hand, at the player's option, the dealer shall deal the second card to the player after all other players have received a second card.

VIII. If after receiving the first two cards, the dealer fails to deal an additional card to a player who has requested a card, then, at the player's option, the dealer shall either deal the additional card after all other players have received their additional cards but prior to the dealer revealing his hole card, or call the player's hand dead and return the player's original wager.

IX. If the dealer inserts his hole card into a card reader device when the value of his first card is an ace, king, queen, jack or 10, and:

A. Incorrectly reveals his second card when he does not have a Blackjack; the hand shall proceed as normal with both dealer’s cards exposed, after notification to a floor supervisor.

B. Fails to reveal a Blackjack and proceeds with the hand as if he did not have a Blackjack; the dealer will collect all losing bets, leaving on the table all double down and split bets, after notification to a floor supervisor.

## 16. HOUSE MONEY SIDE BET

### I. Definition

A. House Money is an optional side bet for blackjack. Players win if their first two cards make any of the following hands:

(1) Ace-King Suited

(2) Straight Flush

(3) Pair

(4) Straight

B. Players may immediately collect their winnings or they may apply them to their standard blackjack bet, giving them the chance to play with “house money”.

## II. Rules and Dealing Procedures

A. Players must make their standard blackjack wagers, and they may also make the optional House Money side bet within the posted minimum/maximum The dealer then follows procedures for blackjack as stated in Section G - Appendix A.

B. The House Money wager is based on the player’s first two cards.

C. The following pay tables will be used to pay House Money side wagers:

(1) On games where two (2) or more decks of cards are in use,

| | |
|---|---|
| Ace-King Suited | 9 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 4 to 1 |
| Pair | 3 to 1 |
| Straight | 1 to 1 |

(2) On games where one (1) deck is being used.

| | |
|---|---|
| Ace-King Suited | 9 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 5 to 1 |
| Pair | 3 to 1 |
| Straight | 1 to 1 |

D. If players don't have one of the hands listed on the pay table, the dealer will collect the House Money wagers.

E. If the dealer has an Ace or a 10 value showing, the dealer will check for blackjack before paying winning House Money wagers.

(1) If the dealer has blackjack, the dealer will pay the winning House Money bets, but the players will not have the option of adding their House Money side bet winnings to their standard blackjack wagers.

(2) If the dealer does not have blackjack, the dealer will pay the House Money wagers and then ask players if they want the proceeds (the win plus the original House Money wager) given to them or added to their standard blackjack wagers. Players may elect to add none or any percentage up to 100% of the House Money proceeds. Once all House Money wagers have been resolved the dealer will follow the standard blackjack rules as stated in Section G - Appendix A.

F. If the dealer does not have an Ace or a 10 value card up, the dealer will follow the standard blackjack rules as stated in Section G - Appendix A.

G. If the player receives one of the winning House Money payouts, the player may choose to "cap" their base blackjack wager by adding up to the entire amount paid (including the original side bet wager) to their base blackjack wager. The entire wager will be considered their blackjack wager. Thus, if the player eventually splits, the player must match the entire wager as required in Section G – Appendix A. If the player doubles down, the player may match the entire wager or may choose to double down for less as allowed in Section G – Appendix A. The player may also cap their wager if winning hand was a Blackjack (Ace-King).

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1. **Definitions**
   I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

   II. Blackjack – An ace and any card having a point value of 10 dealt as the initial two cards to a player or a dealer.

   III. Card reader device – A device which permits the dealer to determine if the dealer has a Blackjack.

   IV. Cutting card – A card which is opaque and in a solid color, readily distinguishable from the color of the backs and edges of the playing cards in use at a Blackjack table.

   V. Hard total – The total point count of a hand which contains no aces or which contains aces that are each counted as 1 in value.

   VI. Soft total – The total point count of a hand containing an ace when the ace is counted as 11 in value.

2. **Free Blackjack table; card reader device; physical characteristics; inspections**
   I. Free Bet Blackjack shall be played at a table having on one side places for the players and on the opposite side a place for the dealer may have the following information on it:

      A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

      B. No more than seven specific areas designated for the placement of wagers.

      C. Blackjack pays 3 to 2 or 6 to 5.

      D. Dealer shall draw to all soft 17's, stand on all hard 17's and soft 18's. Any exceptions will be clearly marked on the gaming table in question.

      E. Insurance pays 2 to 1.

   II. Each Free Bet Blackjack table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it.

   III. A Free Bet Blackjack table may have attached to it a card reader device, which permits the dealer to determine if the dealer has a Blackjack in accordance with section 7 Procedure for

dealing cards.

IV. To collect the cards at the conclusion of a round of play as required under section 7.VIII, each

Free Bet Blackjack table will have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table where the height of each discard rack must either be equal to or taller than the height of the cards, stacked one on top of the other, contained in the total number of decks that are to be used in the dealing shoe at that table.

**3. Cards; number of decks; value of cards**

I. Free Bet Blackjack shall be played with at least one deck of cards. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3.III and 3.IV, all decks of cards used for the play of Free Bet Blackjack shall be identical in appearance. Free Bet Blackjack shall also be played with at least one cutting card.

II. The value of the cards contained in each deck shall be as follows:

A. Any card from 2 to 10 shall have its face value.

B. Any jack, queen or king shall have a value of ten.

C. An ace shall have a value of eleven, unless that value would give a player or the dealer a score in excess of 21, in which case, the ace shall have a value of one.

III. If an automated card shuffling device is utilized, Free Bet Blackjack shall be played with at least one deck of cards in accordance with the following requirements:

A. The cards shall be separated into two batches, with an equal number of decks included in each batch.

B. The cards in each batch must be of the same design, but the backs of the cards in one batch must be of a different color than the cards included in the other batch.

**C.** One batch of cards shall be shuffled and stored in the automated card shuffling device while the other batch is being dealt or used to play the game.

D. Both batches of cards shall be continuously alternated in and out of play, with each batch being used for every other dealing shoe.

E. The cards from only one batch shall be placed in the discard rack at any given time.

F. If the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, manual shuffle procedures will be followed.

IV. The decks of cards opened for use at a Free Bet Blackjack table shall be changed at least once every 24 hours.

**4. Wagers**

I. Prior to the first card being dealt for each round of play, each player may make a wager against the dealer.

II. A player shall win under the following conditions unless the conditions under Section 4. III. are met:

A. The total value of the player's hand is 21 or less and the total value of the dealer's hand is in excess of 22.

B. The total value of the player's hand exceeds the total value of the dealer's hand without exceeding 21.

C. The player has a blackjack and the dealer's hand has a total value of 21 in more than two cards.

III. A player shall push if:

A. The total value of the hand is the same as of the dealers.

B. If both the patron and the dealer have blackjack.

C. If the dealer draws to a total of 22.

IV. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4.II.C, a wager made in accordance with this section shall be void and returned to the player when the total value of the player's hand is the same as the dealer's provided, however, that a player's wager shall be lost when the dealer has a Blackjack and the player's hand has a total value of 21 which is not a Blackjack.

V. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, no wager shall be made, increased or withdrawn after the first card of the respective round has been dealt.

VI. After each round of play is complete, the dealer shall collect all losing wagers and pay off all winning wagers beginning with the player farthest to the right of the dealer and continuing counterclockwise around the table.

VII. Winning wagers made in accordance with subsection 4.II shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1 with the exception of Blackjack, which shall be paid at odds of 3 to 2 or 6 to 5.

VIII. Once the first card of any hand has been removed from the shoe by the dealer, a player may not handle, remove or alter any wagers that have been made until a decision has been rendered and implemented with respect to that wager.

IX. Once an Insurance Wager under section 9 Insurance Wager, a Double Down Wager or Free Double Down under section 10 or a wager on split pairs has been made and confirmed by the dealer under section 11 Splitting pairs, a player may not handle, remove or alter the wagers until a decision has been rendered and implemented with respect to that wager.

X. After the cards have been shuffled as required under section 5 Opening of table for gaming, the casino may prohibit any person, whether seated at the gaming table or not, who does not make a wager on a given round of play from placing a wager on the next round of play and any subsequent round of play at that gaming table until either:

A. The casino chooses to permit the player to begin wagering again.

B. A reshuffle of the cards has occurred.

XI. Horseshoe Cincinnati may add additional side wagers to the game of Free Bet Blackjack. An addendum containing rules, payouts and procedures for the side wagers shall be submitted for approval to the Ohio Casino Control Commission, prior to the addition of the side wagers.

**5. Opening of table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face downward on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked.

III. If an automated shuffling device is utilized, all the decks in one batch of cards shall be spread for

inspection on the table separate from the decks in the other batch of cards. Each batch of cards shall separately be turned face downward on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked.

**6. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to commencement of play, after any round of play as may be determined by a floor person and after each shoe of cards is dealt, the dealer shall shuffle the cards so that they are randomly intermixed.

II. After the cards have been shuffled, the dealer shall offer the stack of cards, with backs facing upward to the players to be cut.

III. If a player refuses to cut the cards, the cut will be offered to other players at the table. If no player accepts the cut, the dealer shall cut the cards.

IV. The player shall cut the cards by placing the cutting card in the stack at least 10 cards in from the top or bottom of the stack.

V. Once the cutting card has been inserted by the player, the dealer shall take all cards above the cutting card and place them on the bottom of the stack. The dealer shall then take the entire stack of cards that was just cut and align them along the side of the dealing shoe. The cut card will be placed in the stack to indicate the last hand of the shoe. The stack of cards shall then be inserted into the dealing shoe for commencement of play.

VI. After the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VII. A reshuffle of the cards in the shoe shall take place after the cutting card is reached in the shoe as provided for in section 7.IX, except that a floor person may determine after each round of play that the cards should be reshuffled.

VIII. If there is no gaming activity at a Free Bet Blackjack table which is open for gaming, the cards may be removed from the dealing shoe and the discard rack, at the casino's discretion, and spread out on the table for inspection, either face up or face down.

A. If there is no automated shuffling device in use, the cards shall be stacked, then shuffled and cut in accordance with this section.

B. If an automated shuffling device is in use, the cards shall be stacked and placed into the automated shuffling device to be shuffled. The batch of cards already in the shuffler shall then be removed unless a player requests the cards that are out are the first cards that are used.

(1) The automated card shuffling device stores a single batch of shuffled cards inside the shuffler in a secure manner.

(2) The shuffled cards have been secured, released and prepared for play.

**7. Procedure for dealing cards**

I. All cards used to play Free Bet Blackjack shall be dealt from a dealing shoe specifically designed for that purpose.

II. After each full batch of cards is placed in the shoe, the dealer shall remove the first card and place it in the discard rack. Each new dealer who comes to the table shall also remove one card and place it in the discard rack before dealing any cards to the players.

III. At the commencement of each round of play, the dealer shall, starting on his left and continuing around the table, deal the cards in the following order:

A. One card face upwards to each box on the layout in which a wager is contained.

B. One card face downwards to the dealer.

C. A second card face upwards to each box in which a wager is contained.

D. A second card face down to himself, at which time his first card is exposed.

IV. If the dealer's first card is an ace, king, queen, jack or 10 of any suit, the dealer shall determine whether the hole card will give the dealer a Blackjack prior to dealing any additional cards to the players at the table. The dealer shall insert the hole card into the card reader device by moving the card face down on the layout without exposing it to anyone, including the dealer, at the table.

V. After the cards have been dealt, and if necessary, the procedure in subsection 7.IV has been executed, the dealer shall, beginning from his left, ask each player whether he wishes to double

down as permitted under section 10 Double Down Wager or section 11 Free Double Down, split pairs as permitted under section 11 Splitting pairs, stand or draw as permitted under section 12 Drawing of additional cards by players and the dealer.

VI. As each player indicates his decision(s), the dealer shall deal face upwards whatever additional cards are necessary to effectuate the player's decision consistent with this chapter and shall announce the new point total of the player after each additional card is dealt. Player may request for a card to be dealt face down in instances of "doubling down". The dealer will deal the card face down during these instances.

VII. After the decisions of each player have been implemented and all additional cards have been dealt, the dealer shall turn the second card that was dealt to the dealer face up. Any additional cards required to be dealt to the hand of the dealer under section 12II shall be dealt face upwards at this time.

VIII. At the conclusion of a round of play, all cards still remaining on the layout shall be picked up by the dealer in order and in a way that the cards can be readily arranged to indicate each player's hand in case of question or dispute. The dealer shall pick up the cards beginning with those of the player to his far right and moving counterclockwise around the table. After all the players' cards have been collected the dealer shall pick up his cards and place them in the discard.

IX. Whenever the cutting card is the first card in the dealing shoe at the beginning of a round of play or is reached in the deal of the cards, the dealer may continue dealing the cards until that round of play is completed after which the dealer shall:

A. Collect the cards as provided in subsection VIII.

B. Remove the cards remaining in the shoe and place them in the discard rack.

C. Shuffle the cards so that they are randomly intermixed.

X. Players and spectators may not handle, remove or alter any cards used to play Blackjack.

XI. Each player at the table shall be responsible for correctly computing the point count of his hand and no player shall rely on the point counts announced by the dealer.

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**8. Payment of Blackjack**

I. If the first face up card dealt to the dealer is a 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9 and a player has Blackjack, the dealer shall announce and pay the Blackjack at odds of 3 to 2 or 6 to 5.

II. If the first face up card dealt to the dealer is an ace, king, queen, jack or 10 and a player has a Blackjack, the dealer shall announce the player's Blackjack but shall make no payment nor remove any cards until the dealer has verified that the dealer's hand is not a Blackjack, through the use of a card reader device. If the dealer's second card does not give the dealer Blackjack, the player having Blackjack shall be paid at odds of 3 to 2 or 6 to 5 and shall remove the player's cards before any player receives a third card. If, however, the dealer's second card gives him Blackjack, the wager of the player having Blackjack shall be void and returned to the player.

**9. Insurance Wager**

I. Whenever the first card dealt to the dealer is an ace, each player (unless they have blackjack; see section II.) shall have the option to make an Insurance Wager which shall win if the dealer's second card is a king, queen, jack or 10 and shall lose if the dealer's second card is an ace, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9.

II. If a player has Blackjack, and the dealer has an ace up, the player may not take insurance but may elect to receive Even Money and be paid 1 to 1 for the blackjack before the dealer checks the hole card. After paying Even Money, the dealer will place the cards into the discard rack and the players hand will be over at the time.

III. An Insurance Wager may be made by placing on the insurance line of the layout an amount not more than half the amount staked on the player's initial wager. A player may wager an amount in excess of half of the initial wager to the next unit that can be wagered in chips, when because of the limitation of the value of chip denominations; half the initial wager cannot be bet.

Insurance Wagers shall be placed prior to the dealer inserting his hole card into the card reader device.

IV. Winning Insurance Wagers shall be paid at odds of 2 to 1.

V. Losing Insurance Wagers shall be collected by the dealer immediately after the dealer inserts his hole card into the card reader device and determines that he does not have a Blackjack and before he draws any additional cards.

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**10. Double Down Wager**

I. Except for when a player has a Blackjack, a player may elect to make a Double Down Wager, which may not exceed the amount of his original wager on the first two cards dealt to him or the first two cards of any split pair, on the condition that one and only one additional card shall be dealt to the hand on which the player has elected to double down.

II. If a dealer obtains Blackjack after a player makes a Double Down Wager, the dealer shall only collect the amount of the original wager of the player and shall not collect the additional Double Down Wager.

III. Upon a player's election to make a Double Down Wager, the dealer shall deal the one additional card face upwards, and placed sideways on the layout. Players may request the double down card to be dealt face down. When the hand is over the dealer will turn-over the card dealt face down revealing the value and pay and take according to round of play rules.

**11. Free Double Down**

I. Except for when a player has a Blackjack, a player may elect to Double Down for free on the first two (2) cards with a hard total of 9, 10 or 11 dealt to him/her or the first two (2) cards of any Split Pair that also have a hard total of 9, 10, or 11. A lamer will reading "Free Bet" will be placed next to the original wager to indicate that the patron has elected to double down.

II. Upon a player's election to make a Free Double Down, the dealer shall deal the one additional card face upwards, and placed sideways on the layout. Players may request the double down card to be dealt face down. When the hand is over the dealer will turn-over the card dealt face down revealing the value and pay and take according to round of play rules.

III. If the player wins the free bet hand, the dealer will pay the original wager 1 to 1, as well as replace the Free Bet lammer with the amount of the original wager. The dealer will then take the Free Bet lammer and place it back into the tray**.**

IV. If the player pushes the free bet hand, the dealer will push the hand, and take the Free Bet lammer and place it back in the tray.

V. If the player loses the free bet hand, the dealer will collect the original wager and the Free Bet lammer and place them both back into the tray.

VI. If the player wins the free bet option to split their hand, and the original bet loses, the dealer will tuck the cards for that hand under the original wager, and leave it there until the remaining free bet hands have been acted on.

**12. Splitting 10s**

I. Whenever the initial two cards dealt to a player are 10 in value, the player may elect to split the hand into two separate hands provided that he makes a wager on the second hand so formed in an amount equal to his original wager. For example, if a player has a king and a 10, the player may elect to split the hand.

II. When a player splits pairs, the dealer shall deal a card to and complete the player's decisions with respect to the first incomplete hand on the dealer's left before proceeding to deal any cards to the second hand.

III. After a second card is dealt to each split pair hand, the player shall indicate his decision to stand, draw or double down with respect that hand except that:

A. A player may split two more pair if the second card dealt is identical in value to a card of the split pair, for a total of four hands.

IV. If the dealer obtains Blackjack after a player splits pairs, the dealer shall only collect the amount of the original wager of the player and may not collect the additional amount wagered in splitting pairs.

**13. Free Splitting Pairs**

I. Whenever the initial two cards dealt to a player are identical in value except any 10 point value, the player may elect to split the hand into two separate hands. For example, if a player has a 7 of hearts and a 7 of diamonds, the player may elect to split the hands

II. A lammer reading “Free Bet” will be placed next to the original bet to indicate that the patron has elected to split.

III. All rules outlined in Section 12 lines II. through V. apply.

IV. If the player wins the free bet hand, the dealer will pay the original wager 1 to 1, as well as replace the Free Bet lammer with the amount of the original wager. The dealer will then take the Free Bet lammer and place it back into the tray.

V. If the player pushes the free bet hand, the dealer will push the hand, and take the Free Bet lammer and place it back in the tray.

VI. If the player loses the free bet hand, the dealer will collect the original wager and the Free Bet lammer and place them both back into the tray.

VII. If the player wins the free bet option to split their hand, and the original bet loses, the dealer will tuck the cards for that hand under the original wager, and leave it there until the remaining free bet hands have been acted on.

**14. Drawing of additional cards by players and the dealer**

I. A player may elect to draw additional cards whenever his point count total is less than 21, except that:

A. A player having Blackjack or a hard or soft total of 21 may not draw additional cards.

B. A player electing to make a Double Down Wager or Free Double Down may draw only one additional card.

II. Except as provided in subsection III, the dealer shall draw additional cards until he has a hard total of 17 or above or soft total of 18 or above.

III. A dealer shall draw no additional cards to his hand, regardless of the point count, if decisions have been made on all players' hands and the point count of the dealer's hand will have no effect on the outcome of the round of play.

**15. Player wagering on more than one box**

I. The casino has the option to allow a single patron to play a multiple number of adjacent boxes during one round of play.

II. The casino may require a specific minimum wage for multiple bets, which may be different from the posted minimum.

**16. Supplemental Wagers**

I. The following rules apply if the Horseshoe Casino elects to offer "Push 22" as a supplemental wager:

A. "Push 22" wager is separate and optional for the players.

B. To begin each round, players make the standard wager and the optional Push 22 wager on

the appropriate area of the layout. Patron's will then receive their first two cards, if the dealer reaches a point total of 22 the player shall win according to the pay table below. The pay table will be clearly posted at the table.

| Push 22 Payout Table | Odds |
|---|---|
| Dealer Suited 22 | 50 to 1 |
| Dealer Same Color 22 | 20 to 1 |
| Any other combination of Dealer 22 | 7 to 1 |
| Dealer hand not 22 | Lose |

**17. Irregularities**

I. A card found turned face upwards in the shoe may not be used in the game and shall be placed in the discard rack.

II. A card drawn in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it were the next card from the shoe.

III. After the initial two cards have been dealt to each player and a card is drawn in error and exposed to the players, the card shall be dealt to the players or dealer as though it were the next card from the shoe. Any player refusing to accept the card shall not have any additional cards dealt to him during the round. If the card is refused by the players and the dealer cannot use the card, the card shall be placed in the discard rack.

IV. If the dealer has seventeen and accidentally draws a card for himself, the card shall be placed in the discard rack.

V. If the dealer misses dealing his first or second card to himself, the dealer shall continue dealing the first two cards to each player, and then deal the appropriate number of cards to himself.

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VI. If there are insufficient cards remaining in the shoe to complete a round of play, all of the cards in the discard rack shall be shuffled and cut according to the procedures outlined in section 6 Shuffle and cut of the cards, the first card shall be drawn face down and placed in the discard rack, and the dealer shall complete the round of play and reshuffle.

VII. If no cards are dealt to a player's hand, the hand is dead and the player shall be included in the next deal. If only one card is dealt to a player's hand, at the player's option, the dealer shall deal the second card to the player after all other players have received a second card.

VIII. If after receiving the first two cards, the dealer fails to deal an additional card to a player who has requested a card, then, at the player's option, the dealer shall either deal the additional card after all other players have received their additional cards but prior to the dealer revealing his hole card, or call the player's hand dead and return the player's original wager.

IX. If the dealer inserts his hole card into a card reader device when the value of his first card is an ace, king, queen, jack or 10, and:

A. Incorrectly reveals his second card when he does not have a Blackjack; the hand shall proceed as normal with both dealer’s cards exposed, after notification to a floor supervisor.
B. Fails to reveal a Blackjack and proceeds with the hand as if he did not have a Blackjack; the dealer will collect all losing bets, leaving on the table all double down and split bets, after notification to a floor supervisor.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Box person – An employee of the casino whose primary function is to participate in and supervise the conduct of gaming at a single Craps table.

B. Call Bet – A wager made without cash or chips for a known customer.

C. Come out point – A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 thrown by the shooter on the come out roll.

D. Come out roll – The first roll of the dice at the opening of the game and the first roll of the dice after a decision with respect to a Pass Bet and Don't Pass Bet has been affected.

E. Come point – A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 thrown by the shooter on the next roll following placement of a Come Bet or Don't Come Bet.

F. Stick person – An employee of the casino whose primary function is to control the selection and use of the dice at a Craps table.

**2. Craps tables; physical characteristics**

I. Craps shall be played on an oblong table with rounded corners and high walled sides.

II. A Craps table shall not be larger than 16 feet in length.

III. The layout for a Craps table may contain the following:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. Specific areas designated for the placement of wagers permitted under section 3 Permissible wagers.

C. The words “no call bets.”

IV. Each Craps table may have a drop box and tip box attached to the table.

V. In addition to the requirements in subsection III, if the Fire Bet in the game of Craps is offered by the casino, the Craps table may include:

A. No more than 16 designated areas for the placement of Fire Bets. The Fire Bet areas must be located around the perimeter of the layout, corresponding to player positions at the

table, and be sequentially numbered in a clockwise direction, with the area numbered 1 being located immediately to the left of the box person or dealer.

B. A designated area of the layout for the relocation and identification of all Fire Bets placed by players prior to a new point being established after a “seven out”. The designated area may be located in front of the boxperson and contain numbered areas which correspond to the location of the numbered areas described in paragraph A.

C. The following information, visible to all player positions:

1. The payout odds for four, five and six different unique points made.

2. That Fire Bets shall only be accepted prior to a point being established after a “seven out”.

3. The wager limitations applicable to the Fire Bet.

**3. Permissible wagers**

I. The following wagers may be used in the game of Craps:

A. A Pass Bet placed on the Pass Line of the layout immediately prior to the come out roll. A winning or losing Pass Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Pass Bet shall win if, on the come out roll, either:

(a) A total of 7 or 11 is thrown.

(b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown and that total is thrown again before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Pass Bet shall lose if, on the come out roll, either:

(a) A total of 2, 3, or 12 is thrown.

(b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown and a 7 is subsequently thrown before that total is thrown again.

B. A Don't Pass Bet placed on the Don't Pass Line of the layout immediately prior to the come out roll. A winning or losing Don’t Pass Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Don't Pass Bet shall win if, on the come out roll, either:

(a) A total of 2 or 3 is thrown.

(b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown and a 7 is subsequently thrown before that total is thrown again.

2. A Don't Pass Bet shall lose if, on the come out roll, either:

(a) A total of 7 or 11 is thrown.

(b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown and that total is thrown again before a 7 is thrown.

3. If a total of 12 is thrown on the come out roll, a Don't Pass Bet shall be a push.

C. A Come Bet placed on the Come Line of the layout at any time after the come out roll. If a 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown after the placement of a Come Bet, the dealer shall move the Come Bet into the numbered box corresponding to the number that was thrown. A winning or losing Come Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Come Bet shall win if either:

(a) A total of 7 or 11 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Come Bet.

(b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Come Bet and that total is thrown again before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Come Bet shall lose if either:

(a) A total of 2, 3, or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Come Bet.

(b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Come Bet and a 7 is subsequently thrown before that total is thrown again.

D. A Player may bypass the Come and have a flat bet (with or without a supplemental wager in support of the Put Bet) PUT on a number (4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and/or 10) as if it had gone through the come. A PUT bet is treated the same as a Come bet and cannot be removed or reduced once the dice have rolled. Once on the number, a supplemental wager in support of the Put Bet may be placed or removed prior to a decision.

1. A Put Bet shall win if the number in which the bet is placed is thrown before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Put Bet shall lose if a 7 is thrown before the number in which the bet is placed is thrown.

E. A Don't Come Bet placed on the Don't Come Line of the layout at any time after the come out roll. If a 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown after the placement of a Don't Come Bet, the dealer shall move the Don't Come Bet into a box adjacent to the numbered box corresponding to the number that was thrown. A winning or losing Don't Come Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Don't Come Bet shall win if either:

   (a) A total of 2 or 3 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Don't Come Bet.

   (b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Don't Come Bet and a 7 is subsequently thrown before that total is thrown again.

2. A Don't Come Bet shall lose if either:

   (a) A total of 7 or 11 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Don't Come Bet.

   (b) A total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Don't Come Bet and that total is thrown again before a 7 is thrown.

3. If a total of 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of a Don't Come Bet, the Don't Come Bet shall be a push.

F. A Place Bet on any of the numbers 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 that may be made at any time. A Place Bet shall be inactive on a come out roll unless called "on" by the player and confirmed by the dealer through placement of an "on" marker button on top of the player's wager. A winning or losing Place Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Place Bet shall win if the number on which the wager was placed is thrown before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Place Bet shall lose if a 7 is thrown before the number on which the wager was placed is thrown.

3. A player may choose to “place the point”; in which case the bet will win if the point is rolled before a 7 and lose if a 7 is rolled before the point.

G. A Four the Hardway Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, each of which displays a value of 2 that may be made at any time. A Four the Hardway Bet shall be active on the come out roll unless called “off” by the player and confirmed by the dealer through placement of an “off” marker button on top of the player’s wager, or in the center of the hardways betting area to indicate all hardway bets are off. A winning or losing Four the Hardway Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Four the Hardway Bet shall win if a total of 4 is thrown with a 2 appearing on each die before a 4 is thrown in any other way or before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Four the Hardway Bet shall lose if a total of 4 is thrown without a 2 appearing on each die or a 7 is thrown before a total of 4 is thrown with a 2 appearing on each die.

H. A Six the Hardway Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, each of which displays a value of 3 that may be made at any time. A Six the Hardway Bet shall be active on the come out roll unless called “off” by the player and confirmed by the dealer through placement of an “off” marker button on top of the player’s wager, or in the center of the hardways betting area to indicate all hardway bets are off. A winning or losing Six the Hardway Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Six the Hardway Bet shall win if a total of 6 is thrown with a 3 appearing on each die before a 6 is thrown in any other way or before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Six the Hardway Bet shall lose if a total of 6 is thrown without a 3 appearing on each die or a 7 is thrown before a total of 6 is thrown with a 3 appearing on each die.

I. An Eight the Hardway Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, each of which displays a value of 4 that may be made at any time. An Eight the Hardway Bet shall be active on the come out roll unless called “off” by the player and confirmed by the dealer through placement of an “off” marker button on top of the player’s wager, or in the center of the hardways betting area to indicate all hardway bets are off. A winning or losing Eight the Hardway Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. An Eight the Hardway Bet shall win if a total of 8 is thrown with a 4 appearing on each die before an 8 is thrown in any other way or before a 7 is thrown.

2. An Eight the Hardway Bet shall lose if a total of 8 is thrown without a 4 appearing on each die or a 7 is thrown before a total of 8 is thrown with a 4 appearing on each die.

J. A Ten the Hardway Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, each of which displays a value of 5 that may be made at any time. A Ten the Hardway Bet shall be active on the come out roll unless called “off” by the player and confirmed by the dealer through placement of an “off” marker button on top of the player’s wager, or in the center of the hardways betting area to indicate all hardway bets are off. A winning or losing Ten the Hardway Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Ten the Hardway Bet shall win if a total of 10 is thrown with a 5 appearing on each die before a 10 is thrown in any other way or before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Ten the Hardway Bet shall lose if a total of 10 is thrown without a 5 appearing on each die or a 7 is thrown before a total of 10 is thrown with a 5 appearing on each die.

K. A Field Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows the numbers 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11 and 12 that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Field Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Field Bet shall win if a 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Field bet.

2. A Field Bet shall lose if a 5, 6, 7 or 8 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Field bet.

L. An Any Seven Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which contains the phrase “Any Seven” that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Any Seven Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. An Any Seven Bet shall win if a 7 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Any Seven Bet.

2. An Any Seven Bet shall lose if any total other than a 7 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Any Seven Bet.

M. An Any Craps Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which contains the phrase “Any Craps” that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Any Craps Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. An Any Craps Bet shall win if a 2, 3 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Any Craps Bet.

2. An Any Craps Bet shall lose if any total other than a 2, 3 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Any Craps Bet.

N. A Craps Two Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, each of which displays a value of 1 that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Craps Two Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Craps Two Bet shall win if a 2 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps Two Bet.

2. A Craps Two Bet shall lose if any total other than a 2 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps Two Bet.

O. A Craps Three Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, one of which displays a value of 1 and the other of which displays a value of 2 that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Craps Three Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Craps Three Bet shall win if a 3 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps Three Bet.

2. A Craps Three Bet shall lose if any total other than a 3 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps Three Bet.

P. A Craps Twelve Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, each of which displays a value of 6 that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Craps Twelve Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Craps Twelve Bet shall win if a 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps Twelve Bet.

2. A Craps Twelve Bet shall lose if any total other than a 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps Twelve Bet.

Q. An 11 in One Roll Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which shows two dice, one of which displays a value of 5 and the other of which displays a value of 6 that may be made at any time. A winning or losing 11 in One Roll Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. An 11 in One Roll Bet shall win if an 11 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the 11 in One Roll Bet.

2. An 11 in One Roll Bet shall lose if any total other than an 11 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the 11 in One Roll Bet.

R. A Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet placed in an area on the table layout that contains the letters "C" and "E" that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet shall win if a 2, 3, 11 or 12 is rolled immediately following placement of the Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet.

2. A Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet shall lose if any total other than a 2, 3, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet.

S. A Horn Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which contains the words "Horn Bet" that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Horn Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Horn Bet shall win if a 2, 3, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Horn Bet.

2. A Horn Bet shall lose if any total other than a 2, 3, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Horn Bet.

T. A Horn High Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which contains the words "Horn High Bet" and two dice with a total value of 2, 3, 11 or 12 that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Horn High Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Horn High Bet shall win if a 2, 3, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Horn High Bet.

2. A Horn High Bet shall lose if any total other than a 2, 3, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Horn High Bet.

U. A World Bet placed in the appropriate betting area which contains the words "World bet" that may be made at any time. If the casino does not have a designated area on its layout for the acceptance of a World Bet, it may elect to break down a World Bet into two separate wagers of four units on the Horn Bet and one unit on the Any Seven Bet. A winning or losing World Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A World Bet shall win if a 2, 3, 7, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the World Bet.

2. A World Bet shall lose if any total other than a 2, 3, 7, 11 or 12 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Horn High Bet.

V. A Four The Hardway on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Four The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Four The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 4 is thrown with a 2 appearing on each die on the roll immediately following placement of the Four The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

2. A Four The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Four The Hardway on The Hop Bet.

W. A Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 6 is thrown with a 3 appearing on each die on the roll immediately following placement of the Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

2. A Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

X. An Eight The Hardway on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Eight The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. An Eight The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 8 is thrown with a 4 appearing on each die on the roll immediately following placement of the Eight The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

2. An Eight the Hardway on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Eight The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

Y. A Ten The Hardway on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Ten The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Ten The Hardway on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 10 is thrown with a 5 appearing on each die on the roll immediately following placement of the Ten The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

2. A Ten the Hardway on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Ten The Hardway on the Hop Bet.

Z. A One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 4 is thrown with a 1 appearing on one die and a 3 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet.

2. A One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet.

AA. A One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 5 is thrown with a 1 appearing on one die and a 4 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet.

2. A One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet.

BB. A Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 5 is thrown with a 2 appearing on one die and a 3 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet.

2. A Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet.

CC. A One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 6 is thrown with a 1 appearing on one die and a 5 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet.

2. A One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet.

DD. A Two-Four or Deuce-Four on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Two-Four or Deuce-Four on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Two-Four or Deuce-Four on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 6 is thrown with a 2 appearing on one die and a 4 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Four or Deuce-Four on the Hop Bet.

2. A Two-Four or Deuce-Four on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet.

EE. A One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 7 is thrown with a 1 appearing on one die and a 6 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet.

2. A One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet.

FF. A Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 7 is thrown with a 2 appearing on one die and a 5 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet.

2. A Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet.

GG. A Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 7 is thrown with a 3 appearing on one die and a 4 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet.

2. A Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet.

HH. A Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 8 is thrown with a 2 appearing on one die and a 6 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet.

2. A Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet.

II. A Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 8 is thrown with a 3 appearing on one die and a 5 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet.

2. A Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet.

JJ. A Three-Six or Trey-Six on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Three-Six or Trey-Six on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 9 is thrown with a 3 appearing on one die and a 6 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Three-Six or Trey-Six on the Hop Bet.

2. A Three-Six or Trey-Six on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Three-Six or Trey-Six on the Hop Bet.

KK. A Four-Five on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Four-Five on the Hop Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Four-Five on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 9 is thrown with a 4 appearing on one die and a 5 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Four-Five on the Hop Bet.

2. A Four-Five on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Four-Five on the Hop Bet.

LL. A Four-Six on the Hop Bet placed in an area on the layout for this bet that may be made at any time. A winning or losing Bet shall be determined as follows:

1. A Four-Six on the Hop Bet shall win if a total of 10 is thrown with a 4 appearing on one die and a 6 appearing on the other die on the roll immediately following placement of the Four-Six on the Hop Bet.

2. A Four-Six on the Hop Bet shall lose if any other combination is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Four-Six on the Hop Bet.

MM. A Fire Bet that may only be made prior to a new point being established after a “seven out”.

1. A Fire Bet shall win if at least four different unique point totals of either 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 are made by the shooter before a 7 is thrown.

2. A Fire Bet shall lose if less than four different unique point totals of either 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 are made by the shooter before a 7 is thrown.

II. Except as permitted under 7Supplemental wagers made after the come out roll in support of Pass, Don't Pass, Come, Put and Don't Come bets (taking and laying odds), the amount of a Craps wager:

A. May not be less than the minimum wager.

B. May not be more than the maximum wager.

III. The amounts of the minimum and maximum Craps wagers shall be posted at each Craps table.

**4. Making and removal of wagers**

I. Wagers shall be made before the dice are thrown.

II. Wagers shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate areas of the layout. Verbal wagers accompanied by cash may be accepted provided that they are confirmed by the dealer and that the cash is expeditiously converted into gaming chips or plaques.

III. A wager made on any bet may be removed or reduced at any time prior to a roll that decides the outcome of the wager except that:

A. A Pass Bet may not be removed or reduced after a come out point is established with respect to the Pass Bet.

B. A Come Bet may not be removed or reduced after a come point is established with respect to the Come Bet.

C. A PUT bet is treated the same as a Come bet and cannot be removed or reduced once the dice have rolled.

D. A Fire Bet may not be reduced or increased at any time, and may not be removed prior to the throwing of a loser 7.

IV. A Don't Come Bet and a Don't Pass Bet may be removed or reduced at any time but may not be replaced or increased after the bet has been removed or reduced.

**5. Payout odds**

I. All odds stated on a table layout or in any brochure or other publication distributed by the casino shall be stated through use of the word "to" only.

II. The payout odds for winning wagers at the game of Craps may not be less than the following payout odds:

A. The casino may use payout odds for winning wagers at higher odds than those listed below. Payout odds shall be uniform within the licensed facility.

| Wager | Payout/Odds |
|---|---|
| Pass Bet | 1 to 1 |
| Don't Pass Bet | 1 to 1 |

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|---|---|
| Come Bet | 1 to 1 |
| Don't Come Bet | 1 to 1 |
| Place Bet on 4 | 9 to 5 |
| Place Bet on 5 | 7 to 5 |
| Place Bet on 6 | 7 to 6 |
| Place Bet on 8 | 7 to 6 |
| Place Bet on 9 | 7 to 5 |
| Place Bet to 10 | 9 to 5 |
| Four The Hardway Bet | 7 to 1 |
| Six The Hardway Bet | 9 to 1 |
| Eight The Hardway Bet | 9 to 1 |
| Ten The Hardway Bet | 7 to 1 |
| | |
| Field Bet: | |
| On a 3, 4, 9, 10 or 11 | 1 to 1 |
| On a 2 or 12 | 2 to 1 |
| Any Seven Bet | 4 to 1 |
| Any Craps Bet | 7 to 1 |
| Craps 2 Bet | 30 to 1 |
| Craps 3 Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Craps 12 Bet | 30 to 1 |
| 11 in One Roll | 15 to 1 |

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|---|---|
| Four The Hardway on the Hop Bet | 30 to 1 |
| Six The Hardway on the Hop Bet | 30 to 1 |
| Eight The Hardway on the Hop Bet | 30 to 1 |
| Ten The Hardway on the Hop Bet | 30 to 1 |
| One-Three or Ace-Trey on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| One-Four or Ace-Four on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| One-Five or Ace-Five on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| One-Six or Ace-Six on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Two-Three or Deuce-Trey on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Two-Four or Deuce-Four on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Two-Five or Deuce-Five on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Two-Six or Deuce-Six on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Three-Four or Trey-Four on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Three-Five or Trey-Five on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Three-Six or Trey-Six on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Four-Five on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |
| Four-Six on the Hop Bet | 15 to 1 |

III. A Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet shall be paid as if one half of the Craps-Eleven or C and E Bet had been placed as an Any Craps Bet (7 to 1) and one half as an 11 in One Roll (15 to 1), and shall be paid as if two separate wagers were made for the one roll.

IV. A Horn Bet shall be paid as if it were four separate wagers on the 2, 3, 11 and 12, each of which equaling 25% of the Horn Bet.

V. A Horn High Bet shall be paid as if it was four separate wagers on the 2, 3 ,11 and 12, each of which equaling 20% of the Horn High Bet and a fifth wager on the 2, 3,11 or 12, equaling 20% of the Horn High Bet.

VI. A World Bet may be paid as if it was two separate wagers with four units wagered as a Horn Bet and one unit wagered as an Any Seven Bet.

VII. A winning Fire Bet shall be paid once for the highest number of different unique points made at no less than the odds set forth in Table A or Table B preselected by the casino:

| Individual Unique Points Made | Payout/Odds |
|---|---|
| | Table A |
| 4 Points | 24 to 1 |
| 5 Points | 249 to 1 |
| 6 or More Points | 999 to 1 |

VIII. Except as permitted under 7Supplemental wagers made after the come out roll in support of Pass, Don't Pass, Come, Put and Don't Come bets (taking and laying odds), a casino may not accept any wager in excess of the maximum bet posted at the table.

**6. Buy and Lay Bets**

I. In addition to Place Bets on 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10 the casino may offer players the option of placing a Buy Bet. The casino may collect a vigorish of up to 5% of the amount wagered on Buy Bets. The casino shall pay winning Buy Bet wagers as follows:

| Wager | Payout/Odds |
|---|---|
| Place Bet on 4 | 2 to 1 |
| Place Bet on 5 | 3 to 2 |
| Place Bet on 6 | 6 to 5 |
| Place Bet on 8 | 6 to 5 |

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|---|---|
| Place Bet on 9 | 3 to 2 |
| Place Bet on 10 | 2 to 1 |

II. The casino may offer players the option of placing a Lay Bet. The casino may collect a vigorish of up to 5% of the potential payoff of Lay Bets. The casino shall pay winning Lay Bet wagers as follows:

| Wager | Payout/Odds |
|---|---|
| Lay Bet on 4 | 1 to 2 |
| Lay Beton 5 | 2 to 3 |
| Lay Bet on 6 | 5 to 6 |
| Lay Bet on 8 | 5 to 6 |
| Lay Bet on 9 | 2 to 3 |
| Lay Bet on 10 | 1 to 2 |

**7. Supplemental wagers made after the come out roll in support of Pass, Don't Pass, Come, Put and Don't Come bets (taking and laying odds)**

I. Whenever a player makes a Pass Bet and a total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the come out roll, the player may make a supplemental wager in support of the Pass Bet which may be limited by the casino. If the Pass Bet wins after a supplemental wager is made:

A. The original Pass Bet shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1.

B. The supplemental wager shall be paid at odds of:

1. 2 to 1 if the come out point was 4 or 10.

2. 3 to 2 if the come out point was 5 or 9.

3. 6 to 5 if the come out point was 6 or 8.

II. Whenever a player makes a Don't Pass Bet and a total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the come out roll, the player may make a supplemental wager in support of the Don't Pass Bet

which may be limited by the casino. If the Don't Pass Bet wins after a supplemental wager is made:

A. The original Don't Pass Bet shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1.

B. The supplemental wager shall be paid at odds of:

1. 1 to 2 if the come out point was 4 or 10.

2. 2 to 3 if the come out point was 5 or 9.

3. 5 to 6 if the come out point was 6 or 8.

III. Whenever a player makes a Come Bet and a total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Come Bet, the player may make a supplemental wager in support of the Come Bet which may be limited by the casino. If the Come Bet wins after a supplemental wager is made:

A. The original Come Bet shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1.

B. The supplemental wager shall be paid at odds of:

1. 2 to 1 if the come point was 4 or 10.

2. 3 to 2 if the come point was 5 or 9.

3. 6 to 5 if the come point was 6 or 8.

IV. Whenever a player makes a Put Bet in the 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10, the player may make a supplemental wager in support of the Put Bet which may be limited by the casino. If the Put Bet wins after a supplemental wager is made:

A. The original Put Bet shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1.

B. The supplemental wager shall be paid at odds of:

1. 2 to 1 if the come point was 4 or 10.

2. 3 to 2 if the come point was 5 or 9.

3. 6 to 5 if the come point was 6 or 8.

V. Whenever a player makes a Don't Come Bet and a total of 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 is thrown on the roll immediately following placement of the Don’t Come Bet, the player may make a supplemental

wager in support of the Don't Come Bet which may be limited by the casino. If the Don't Come Bet wins after a supplemental wager is made:

A. The original Don't Come Bet shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1.

B. The supplemental wager shall be paid at odds of:

1. 1 to 2 if the come point was a 4 or 10.

2. 2 to 3 if the come point was 5 or 9.

3. 5 to 6 if the come point was 6 or 8.

VI. The casino may accept a supplemental wager that exceeds an amount that is otherwise authorized by this section or posted as the maximum wager permitted if the excess amount of the supplemental wager is necessary to facilitate the payouts permitted by this section.

**8. Dice retention and selection**

I. A set of five dice shall be present at the Craps table during gaming. Control of the dice at a Craps table shall be the responsibility of the stickperson at the table.

II. At the commencement of play:

A. For Craps, the stickperson shall offer the set of dice to the player immediately to the left of the boxperson at the table. If that player rejects the dice, the stickperson shall offer the dice to each of the other players in turn clockwise around the table until one of the players accepts the dice.

III. The first player to accept the dice when offered shall become the shooter who shall select and retain two of the dice offered. The remaining dice of the set shall be returned to the dice bowl which shall:

A. For Craps, be placed immediately in front of the Craps stickperson.

**9. Throw of the dice**

I. The shooter shall make a Pass Bet or Don't Pass Bet prior to selecting the dice. The shooter shall throw the two selected dice so that they leave the shooter’s hand simultaneously and in a manner which attempts to strike the end of the table farthest from the shooter with both dice.

**10. Point throw; settlement of wagers**

I. When the dice come to rest from a valid throw, the Craps stickperson or another dealer or box person on the game the shall at once call out the sum of the numbers on the uppermost or skyward sides of the two dice. Only one face on each die shall be considered uppermost or skyward.

II. In the event either or both of the dice do not land flat on the table (for example, one edge of the die is resting cocked on a stack of chips), the dice will be called in a manner consistent with the natural fall of the dice. If more than one side of a die is resting on a stack of chips or other object, the roll shall be void and the dice shall be re-thrown.

III. In the event of a dispute as to which face is uppermost:

A. In Craps, the boxperson shall have discretion to determine which face is uppermost or to order the throw be void and the dice be re-thrown.

IV. In Craps, after calling the sum total of the dice, the stickperson shall collect the dice and bring them to the center of the table between him and the box person. All wagers decided by that throw shall then be settled, following which the stickperson shall pass the dice to the shooter for the next throw. When collecting the dice and passing them to the shooter, the stickperson shall use a stick designed for that purpose.

**11. Continuation of shooter; selection of new shooter**

I. It shall be the option of the shooter, after any roll, either to pass the dice or remain the shooter except that:

A. The shooter shall pass the dice upon throwing a loser 7.

B. The Craps box person or above may order the shooter to pass the dice if the shooter unreasonably delays the game, repeatedly makes invalid rolls or violates either the act or this part.

II. If a shooter, after making the come out point, elects not to place another Pass Bet or Don't Pass Bet, and other Come Bets or Don't Come Bets remain on the table, the Craps stickperson shall offer the dice to the player immediately to the left of the previous shooter, as provided for in subsection III. If there are no other players at the table, or if no other players at the table elect to make a Pass Bet or Don't Pass Bet in order to shoot the dice and continue the game, the previous shooter shall be allowed to shoot the dice without making a Pass Bet or Don't Pass Bet only for the purpose of effecting a decision on the remaining Come Bets or Don't Come Bets.

The on/off marker shall be placed on the Don't Pass Line in the off position in front of the shooter in order to indicate that the shooter is rolling the dice only to effectuate a decision for the Come Bets or Don't Come Bets remaining on the layout. Once the remaining Come Bets or Don't Come Bets have been decided or a player wishes to place a Pass Bet or Don't Pass Bet, the game shall proceed in accordance with 9 Throw of the dice.

III. Whenever a voluntary or compulsory relinquishment of the dice occurs by the shooter, the Craps stickperson shall offer the complete set of five or more dice to the player immediately to the left of the previous shooter and, if he does not accept, to each of the other players in turn clockwise around the table.

IV. The first player to accept the dice when offered shall become the new shooter who shall select and retain two of the dice offered. The remaining dice of the set shall be returned to the dice cup which shall be placed immediately in front of the Craps stickperson.

**12. Additional procedures and rules for the Fire Bet**

I. If the casino elects to offer the Fire Bet in the game of Craps as permitted under 3 Permissible wagers, the following additional procedures must be observed:

A. Each player shall, prior to a new point being established after a “seven out”, place his or her Fire Bet on the numbered designated area for the placement of Fire Bets that is closest to his or her position at the Craps table.

B. Whenever there is a voluntary or compulsory surrender of the dice by a shooter under 11 Continuation of shooter; selection of new shooter prior to the throwing of a loser 7, any pending Fire Bet shall be settled upon the successor shooter throwing a loser 7.

C. Once all Fire Bets are placed, the bets will be moved to the corresponding number of the designated area in front of the boxperson, where the Fire Bets shall remain until they are either lost or paid.

D. With each individual point made by a shooter, the dealer shall place a Fire Bet point marker inscribed with the total number of different unique points made by the shooter in the area of the table layout containing the number of the point (4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10) which was just made. Each Fire Bet point marker shall be visually distinguishable from and have a diameter larger than any authorized gaming chip. Fire Bet point markers shall be maintained by the boxperson or dealers at the Craps table.

E. Fire bets shall be collected or paid, as applicable, upon a shooter throwing a loser 7.

F. Once four different unique points are made, the surveillance department may be notified for the purpose of confirming all Fire Bets and payouts.

II. If the casino elects to offer the fire bet in the game of Craps under section 3, the following additional rules shall apply:

A. The minimum wager shall be $1 and the maximum wager shall be up to $100 and all wagers shall be made in increments of one dollar.

B. When a shooter makes the same point total more than once, the total number of different unique points made for purposes of settling a Fire Bet shall not increment.

C. The four or more different unique points required to win a Fire Bet are not required to be made in any specific order or combination.

**13. Invalid roll of the dice/Irregularities**

I. A roll of the dice shall be invalid whenever either or both of the dice go off the table or whenever one die comes to rest on top of the other.

A. If a die goes off the table, the die shall be visually inspected by the box person or above prior to the die being reintroduced into play. The inspection shall include:

1. Verifying all security features in the die,

2. Verifying that opposite sides of the die add up to seven

3. Verifying that the die has not been tampered with or damaged in a way that would sacrifice the integrity of the game.

II. The persons listed in subsection III shall have the authority to invalidate a roll of the dice by calling “no roll” for any of the following reasons:

A. The dice do not leave the shooter's hand simultaneously.

B. Either or both of the dice fail to strike the end of the table farthest from the shooter.

C. Either or both of the dice come to rest on the chips constituting the Craps bank of chips located in front of the box person. Chips from a table fill or table credit shall be considered part of the bankroll.

D. Either or both of the dice come to rest in the dice cup in front of the Craps stickperson or on one of the rails surrounding the table.

E. The use of a cheating, crooked or fixed device or technique in the roll of the dice.

F. The Craps boxperson or stickperson considers the throw to be improper.

G. An action is taken by a player that intentionally alters the natural movement of the dice.

III. “No roll” may be called by a boxperson or stickperson or above.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Ante Wager – An initial wager a player may make prior to any cards being dealt in order to compete against the dealer.

B. Aces Up Wager – An optional wager that a player may make prior to any cards being dealt that the player's best Four Card Poker hand, will be a pair of aces or better.

C. Hand – The best Four Card Poker hand that can be formed by each player and the dealer from the cards they are dealt.

D. Play Wager – An additional wager that a player is required to make if the player opts to remain in competition against the dealer.

E. Round of play – One complete cycle of play during which all wagers have been placed, all cards have been dealt and all remaining wagers have been settled in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

**2. Four Card Poker table physical characteristics**

I. Four Card Poker shall be played on a table having betting positions for no more than seven players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side which may include the following characteristics:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. A separate designated betting area at each betting position for the placement of the Ante Wager.

C. A separate designated betting area at each betting position for the placement of the Play Wager.

D. A separate designated betting area at each betting position for the placement of the Aces Up wager.

E. An inscription identifying the payout odds for all authorized wagers. If payout odds are not inscribed on the layout a sign identifying the payout odds for all authorized wagers shall be posted at each Four Card Poker table.

II. Each Four Card Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the table as, but on opposite sides of the dealer.

III. Each Four Card Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Except as provided in subsection II, Four Card Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and one additional cover card to be used in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino may use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, a manual shuffle procedure will be used.

E. The cards from only one deck are placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards used in Four Card Poker may be changed:

A. At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, the cards shall be shuffled in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

III. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under section 3 Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or automated card shuffling device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.

II. If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 52 cards are present is being used, and it reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be ran through the shuffling device one more time to re-verify. If it continues to indicate cards are missing, a supervisor will visually inspect the deck to determine if the cards are missing.

III. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:

A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal the cards in accordance with section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand and section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

B. If the cards were shuffled manually, cut the cards in accordance with the procedures in subsection IV.

IV. If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:

A. Cut the deck, using one hand, by:

1. Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

2. Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

3. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on the cover card.

B. Deal the cards in accordance with section 8 or 9.

V. Notwithstanding subsection IV, after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VI. Whenever there is no gaming activity at a Four Card Poker table that is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until such time that a player arrives, at which point the dealer will put the cards in the automatic shuffle machine to begin play.

**6. Four Card Poker rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in Four Card Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. All suits shall be considered equal in rank.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or a straight with a 2, 3 and 4.

II. The permissible poker hands in the game of Four Card Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four 2's being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with an ace, king, queen and jack being the highest ranking straight flush and a 4, 3, 2 and ace being the lowest ranking straight flush.

C. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

D. A flush, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same suit, regardless of rank.

E. A straight, which is a hand consisting of four cards of more than one suit and of consecutive rank, with ace, king, queen and jack being the highest ranking straight and 4, 3, 2 and ace being the lowest ranking straight; provided however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, king, ace, 2 and 3).

F. A two pair, which is a hand consisting of two pairs with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pair and two 3's and two 2's being the lowest ranking two pair.

G. A pair, which is a hand consisting of two cards of the same rank, regardless of suit, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

III. When comparing two hands that are of equal rank under subsection II, or that contain none of the hands listed in subsection II, the hand that contains the highest ranking card under subsection I that is not contained in the other hand shall be considered the higher ranking hand.

If the hands are of equal rank after the application of this section, the hands shall be considered a tie.

**7. Wagers**

I. The following wagers may be placed in the game of Four Card Poker:

A. A player may compete solely against the dealer by placing an Ante Wager in an amount within the minimum and maximum wagers posted at the table, and then placing a Play Wager in an amount that is one, two or three times the amount of the Ante Wager.

B. A player may compete solely against a posted payout table by placing an Aces Up wager in any amount within the minimum and maximum wagers posted at the table.

C. A player may compete against both the dealer and the posted payout table by placing wagers in accordance with the requirements in paragraphs A and B.

II. All wagers at Four Card Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout. A verbal wager accompanied by cash shall not be accepted.

III. Only players who are seated at a Four Card Poker table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed a wager and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of play, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.

IV. Ante Wagers and Aces Up Wagers shall be placed in accordance with the dealing procedures in section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. Except for Play Wagers, a wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt. All Play Wagers shall be placed in accordance with section 10 Play Wagers; Procedures for completion of each round of play.

V. A player may not be permitted to simultaneously play and wager on more than one player position.

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**8. Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in the left hand.

1. The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck.

II. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's left and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal one card at a time to each player who has placed an Ante Wager or an Aces Up Wager and to the dealer until each player who placed a wager has five cards and the dealer has six cards. All cards dealt to the players and the first five cards dealt to the dealer shall be dealt face down. The sixth card dealt to the dealer shall be dealt face up. The dealer's fifth and sixth cards shall be dealt consecutively.

III. After five cards have been dealt to each player and six cards have been dealt to the dealer, the dealer shall place the stub in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player has more or less than five cards or the dealer has more or less than six cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**9. Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt.

II. The dealer shall deal the first stack of cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to the dealer's left who has placed an Ante Wager or Aces Up wager. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deal a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed an Ante Wager or Aces Up wager. The dealer shall then deal a stack of five cards face down to himself. When the automated dealing shoe dispenses the next stack of five cards, the dealer shall remove the stack from the shoe and place the stack on the layout next to his hand. The dealer shall spread the cards in the stack face down, with the bottom card of the stack to the dealer's far left and the top card of the stack to the dealer's far right. The dealer shall turn the bottom card of the stack (the card on the dealer's far left) face up on the dealer's hand. The dealer shall collect the remaining four cards of that stack and place the cards in the discard rack without revealing the cards.

III. After each stack of five cards has been dispensed and delivered in accordance with this section, the dealer shall remove the stub from the automated dealing shoe and, except as provided in subsection IV, place the cards in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player has more or less than five cards or the dealer has more or less than six cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**10. Play Wagers; Procedures for completion of each round of play**

I. After the dealing procedures required under section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe have been completed, each player shall examine his cards.

II. Each player who wagers at Four Card Poker shall be responsible for his own hand and no person other than the dealer and the player to whom the cards were dealt may touch the cards of that player.

III. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the left of the dealer and continuing clockwise around the table, offer each player who has placed an Ante Wager the option to either make a Play Wager or forfeit his Ante Wager. A Play Wager shall be made in an amount that is one, two or three times the amount of the player's Ante Wager. If a player has placed an Ante Wager and an Aces Up wager but does not make a Play Wager, the player shall forfeit the Ante Wager but shall not forfeit the Aces Up wager.

IV. After each player has either placed a Play Wager on the designated area of the layout or forfeited his Ante Wager, the dealer shall collect all forfeited Ante Wagers. The dealer shall collect the cards of any player who forfeited his Ante Wager and also did not make an Aces Up wager, and place the cards in the discard rack.

V. The dealer shall reveal the dealer's cards and select the four cards that form the highest possible ranking hand.

VI. The dealer shall then, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's right and continuing counter-clockwise around the table, reveal the cards of the player, select the four cards that form the highest possible ranking hand, settle the Ante, Play and Aces Up Wagers for the player in accordance with section 11 Payout Odds, and discard the player's cards by placing them in the discard rack.

VII. The dealer will repeat the steps listed in subsection VI for each player with an active bet until all bets have been settled and all cards have been collected by the dealer and placed in the discard rack. The dealer's cards will be discarded last.

**11. Payout Odds**

I. The three payout types are:

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A. A player in competition against the dealer shall be paid 1 to 1 on both the Ante Wager and the Play Wager if the player's hand is either ranked higher than the dealer hand's or is of equal rank with the dealer's hand.

B. A player placing an Ante Wager and a Play Wager who has a three-of-a-kind or better shall be paid a bonus on the Ante Wager, regardless of whether the player's hand outranks the dealer's hand:

| Hand-Type | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Four of a Kind | 25 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 20 to 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 2 to 1 |

C. A player shall be paid for an Aces Up Wager if the player's best Four Card Poker hand is one of the hand types in the table below, regardless of whether the player's hand outranks the dealer's hand, using one of the following payout tables:

| Hand-Type | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Four of a Kind | 50 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 40 to 1 |
| Three of a Kind | |

| | |
|---|---|
| | 8 to 1 |
| Flush | 5 to 1 |
| Straight | 4 to 1 |
| Two Pair | 3 to 1 |
| Pair of Aces | 1 to 1 |

**12. Irregularities**

I. A card drawn in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.

II. If any player or the dealer is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.

III. If one or more of the dealer's cards is inadvertently exposed prior to the dealer revealing his cards in accordance with section 10.V Play Wagers; Procedures for completion of each round of play, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.

IV. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be reshuffled.

V. If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal all cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned

to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and reshuffled with any cards already dealt.

**13. <u>Multi-link progressive option for Four Card Poker</u>**

**1. Wagers**

I. If the casino offers a progressive wager, after placing all wagers required by the game, a player may also place a progressive wager on whether the player will be dealt a progressive payout hand.

II. A progressive wager shall be made in the amount of $1, by placing a gaming chip into the progressive wagering device designated for that player.

III. Each player shall be responsible for verifying that the player's respective progressive wager has been accepted.

IV. A progressive wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the round of play has begun.

**2. Progressive Jackpot**

I. All progressive pays are based on five card poker hands. The odds of winning the top prize with a Royal Flush are the same across all games.

II. The casino may elect to have a Multi-Linked Progressive Jackpot for Four Card Poker.

III. If the casino offers Four Card Poker, the game is played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use the five cards they are initially dealt to form a five card hand to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

**3. Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression**

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I. Should a player be eligible for a winning progressive payout, the casino shall pay the following odds on all payouts:

| Hand | Pays | Envy |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 100% | $1,000 |
| Straight Flush | 10% | $300 |
| Four of a Kind | $300 | N/A |
| Full House | $50 | N/A |
| Flush | $40 | N/A |
| Straight | $30 | N/A |
| Three of a Kind | $9 | N/A |

II. Players making a progressive wager shall receive an Envy Bonus when another player at the same table is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand.

III. The rate of progression for the progressive meter used for the progressive payouts shall be at least 21%; with the exception that if a secondary jackpot is offered, the combined rate of progression for both the primary and the secondary jackpots shall be at least 21%. The initial and reset amount must also be at least $10,000.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

II. Community card – A card which is initially dealt face down to a designated area in front of the table inventory container and which is used by all players to form a five-card poker hand.

III. Hand – The five-card poker hand formed for each player by combining the three cards dealt to the player and the two community cards.

IV. Let It Ride – When a player chooses not to take back a wager that may be withdrawn in accordance with the provisions in section 12 Procedures for completion of each round of play.

V. Round of play – One complete cycle of play during which all wagers have been placed, all cards have been dealt and all remaining wagers have been paid off or collected in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

**2. Let It Ride Poker table physical characteristics**

I. Let It Ride Poker shall be played on a table having betting positions for no more than seven players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side which may include the following information:

A. The name or logo of the casino holder.

B. Three separate designated betting areas at each betting position for the placement of wagers in accordance with section 7 Wagers, in addition to betting areas for any side wager and/or progressive feature approved for use in the Let It Ride game.

C. A separate designated area at each betting position for the placement of the cards of each player.

D. A separate designated area located directly in front of the table inventory container for the placement of the community cards.

E. The payout odds for all authorized wagers, including the Let It Ride Bonus Wager authorized under section 8 Let It Ride Bonus Wager and the Three Card Bonus Wager authorized under section 9 Three Card Bonus Wager, if the casino offers either optional wager.

F. The inscription indicating the payout limit per hand established by the casino under section 13 Payout odds; payout limitation or a generic inscription indicating the game is subject to the posted payout limit.

II. Each Let It Ride Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the table as the dealer.

III. Each Let It Ride Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

IV. The casino may offer the optional Let It Ride Bonus Wager authorized under section 8, which may include the following equipment:

A. A wagering device at each betting position that acknowledges or accepts the placement of the Let It Ride Bonus Wager.

B. A control device that controls or monitors the placement of Let It Ride Bonus Wagers at the gaming table, including a mechanism that prevents the recognition of any Let It Ride Bonus Wager that a player attempts to place after the first card has been dealt.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Except as provided in subsection II, Let It Ride Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and one additional cover card to be used in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino shall be permitted to use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, a manual shuffle procedure will be used.

E. The cards from only one deck are placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards used in Let It Ride Poker may be changed:

A. At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, they shall be shuffled in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

III. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under section 3II Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or automated card shuffling device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing herein prohibits the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.

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II. If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 52 cards are present is being used, and it reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be ran through the shuffling device one more time to re-verify. If it continues to indicate cards are missing, a supervisor will visually inspect the deck to determine if the cards are missing.

III. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:

   A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal the cards in accordance with section 10 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 11 Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

   B. If the cards were shuffled manually, cut the cards in accordance with the procedures in subsection IV.

IV. If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:

   A. Cut the deck, using one hand, by:

      1. Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

      2. Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

      3. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on top of the cover card.

   B. Deal the cards in accordance with section 10 or 11.

V. Notwithstanding subsection IV, after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VI. Whenever there is no gaming activity at a Let It Ride Poker table which is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until such time that a player arrives, at which point the procedures in section 4.II Opening of the table for gaming shall be completed.

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**6. Let It Ride Poker rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in Let It Ride Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5. All suits shall be considered equal in rank.

II. The permissible poker hands at the game of Let It Ride Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand, other than a royal flush, consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with king, queen, jack, 10 and 9 being the highest ranking straight flush and ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the lowest straight flush.

C. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four 2's being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

D. A full house, which is a hand consisting of three-of-a-kind and a pair, with three aces and two kings being the highest ranking full house and three 2's and two 3's being the lowest ranking full house.

E. A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order, with ace, king, queen, jack and 9 being the highest ranking flush and 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 being the lowest ranking flush.

F. A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank, with an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 being the highest ranking straight and an ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the lowest ranking straight; provided, however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, queen, king, ace, 2, 3).

G. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

H. A two pair, which is a hand consisting of two pairs, with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pair and two 3's and two 2's being the lowest ranking two pair.

I. A pair, which is a hand containing two cards of the same rank, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

III. For purposes of the optional Three Card Bonus Wager defined in section 9 Three Card Bonus Wager, the permissible Three Card Bonus Wager hands eligible for a payout in accordance with section 13.V Payout odds; payout limitation shall be:

A. A mini-royal, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king and queen, all of the same suit.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand, other than a mini-royal, consisting of three cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking.

C. A flush, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order.

D. A straight, which is a hand consisting of three cards of consecutive rank, including an ace, two and three; provided, however, that an ace may not be combined with a king and a two.

E. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank.

F. A pair, which is a hand consisting of two cards of the same rank.

**7. Wagers**

I. All wagers at Let It Ride Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout. A verbal wager accompanied by cash may not be accepted.

II. Only players who are seated at a Let It Ride Poker table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed his wagers and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of play, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.

III. All wagers shall be placed prior to any cards being dealt in accordance with the dealing procedures in section 10 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 11 Procedure

for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. Except as provided in subsection IV, a wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt.

IV. At the beginning of each round of play, each player shall be required to place three equal but separate wagers. The wagers shall be identified as Bet Number 1, Bet Number 2 and Bet Number 3. Bet Number 1 and Bet Number 2 may subsequently be removed by the player in accordance with section 12 Procedures for completion of each round of play.

V. A player may not be permitted to simultaneously play and wager on more than one player position.

**8. Let It Ride Bonus Wager**

I. The casino may offer to each player at a Let It Ride Poker table the option to make an additional Let It Ride Bonus Wager that the player will receive a poker hand with a rank of three-of-a-kind or better.

II. If the Let It Ride Bonus Wager is offered, each player who has placed the three wagers required under section 7 Wagers may make an additional Let It Ride Bonus Wager by placing a $1 gaming chip on the approved wagering location designated for that wager prior to the cards being dealt.

III. All winning Let It Ride Bonus Wagers shall be paid in accordance with the payout schedule in section 13.IV Payout odds; payout limitation.

IV. A Let It Ride Bonus Wager shall be independent of any other wager made by a player at the game of Let It Ride Poker.

**9. Three Card Bonus Wager**

I. The casino may offer to each player at a Let It Ride Poker table the option to make an additional Three Card Bonus Wager that the three cards dealt to the player will have a rank of pair or better.

II. If the Three Card Bonus Wager is offered, each player who has placed the three wagers required under section 7 Wagers may make an additional Three Card Bonus Wager by placing a wager on the approved wagering area designated for that wager prior to the cards being dealt.

III. All winning Three Card Bonus Wagers shall be paid in accordance with the payout table in section 13.V Payout odds; payout limitation.

IV. A Three Card Bonus Wager shall be independent of any other wager made by a player at the game of Let It Ride Poker.

**10. Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in the left hand.

1. The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. If any Let It Ride Bonus Wagers have been made, the dealer shall also collect these wagers from the approved wagering devices and shall then place the gaming chips into the table inventory container.

II. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's left and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal the cards as follows:

A. One card face down to each player who has placed three wagers in accordance with section 7 Wagers.

B. One card face down to the area designated for the placement of the community cards.

C. A second card face down to each player who has placed three wagers in accordance with section 7 Wagers.

D. A second card face down to the area designated for the placement of the community cards, which card shall be placed to the right of the first card dealt to this area.

E. A third card face down to each player who has placed three wagers in accordance with section 7 Wagers.

III. After three cards have been dealt to each player and two cards have been dealt to the area designated for the placement of the community cards, the dealer shall, except as provided in subsection IV, place the stub in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If the cards have been misdealt (a player or the area designed for the placement of the community cards has more or less than three or two cards respectively), but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**11. Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. If any Let It Ride Bonus Wagers have been made, the dealer shall also collect these wagers and then shall place the gaming chips into the table inventory container.

II. The dealer shall deliver the first stack of cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to his left who has placed three wagers in accordance with section 7 Wagers. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deliver a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed three wagers in accordance with section 7. The dealer shall then deliver a stack of three cards face down to the area designated for the placement of the community cards, and spread the stack within the designated area so that the top card is to the dealer's right, the middle card is directly in front of the dealer, and the bottom card is to the dealer's left. The dealer shall then remove the community card that is to his left, and place that card in the discard rack face down.

III. After each stack of three cards has been dispensed and delivered in accordance with this subsection, the dealer shall remove the stub from the automated dealing shoe and, except as provided in subsection IV, place the cards in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If the cards have been misdealt (a player or the area designed for the placement of the dealer's hand has more or less than three or two cards respectively), but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**12. Procedures for completion of each round of play**

I. After the dealing procedures required under section 10 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 11 Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe have been completed, each player shall examine his cards, subject to the following limitations:

A. Each player who wagers at Let It Ride Poker shall be responsible for his own hand and no person other than the dealer may touch the cards of that player.

B. Each player shall be required to keep his three cards in full view of the dealer at all times.

C. After each player has made a decision regarding Bet Number 2 as required by subsection IV, the player's cards shall be placed face down on the appropriate area of the layout and the player may not touch the cards again.

II. After each player has examined his cards, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's left and moving clockwise around the table, ask each player if he wishes to withdraw Bet Number 1 or Let It Ride.

A. If a player chooses to let Bet Number 1 ride, that bet shall remain on the appropriate betting area of the layout until the end of the round of play.

B. If a player chooses to withdraw Bet Number 1, the dealer shall move the gaming chips on the betting area designated for Bet Number 1 toward the player who shall then immediately remove the gaming chips from the betting area.

III. After each player has made a decision regarding Bet Number 1, the dealer shall then turn the community card that is to the dealer's left face up and place it on top of the remaining community card. The exposed card shall become the first community card.

IV. After the first community card is exposed, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's left and moving clockwise around the table, ask each player if he wishes to withdraw Bet Number 2 or Let It Ride. This decision shall be made by each player regardless of the decision made concerning Bet Number 1.

   A. If a player chooses to let Bet Number 2 ride, that bet shall remain on the appropriate betting area of the layout until the end of the round of play.

   B. If a player chooses to withdraw Bet Number 2, the dealer shall move the gaming chips on the betting area designated for Bet Number 2 toward the player who shall then immediately remove the gaming chips from the betting area.

V. After the second community card is turned face up, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's right and continuing around the table in a counterclockwise direction, complete the following applicable procedures in succession for each player:

   A. The dealer shall turn the three cards of the player face up. The two community cards and the three cards dealt to the player shall form the five-card poker hand of that player.

   B. The dealer shall examine the cards of the player to determine if the player's hand qualifies for a payout under section 13 Payout odds; payout limitation. A Let It Ride Poker wager under section 7 Wagers on a hand which has a rank that is lower than a pair of tens shall be a losing wager.

   C. The dealer shall then settle all wagers of that player, including any bonus wagers. All losing wagers by the player shall be immediately collected by the dealer and placed in the table inventory container. After all losing wagers have been collected; all winning wagers shall be paid in accordance with the payout odds in section 13.

   D. The dealer shall discard the player's cards by placing them in the discard rack.

VI. The dealer will repeat the steps listed in subsection V for each player with an active bet until all bets have been settled and all cards have been collected by the dealer and placed in the discard rack. The dealer's cards will be discarded last.

**13. Payout odds; payout limitation**

I. The payout odds for winning wagers at Let It Ride Poker printed on the table layout or in any brochure or other publication distributed by the casino shall be stated through the use of the word "to" and no odds shall be stated through the use of the word "for".

II. Subject to the payout limitation in subsection III, the casino shall pay off each winning wager at the game of Let It Ride Poker under section 7 Wagers at the odds specified which shall be no less than the following odds:

| Wager | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 1000 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 200 to 1 |
| Four-of-a-kind | 50 to 1 |
| Full House | 11 to 1 |
| Flush | 8 to 1 |
| Straight | 5 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-kind | 3 to 1 |
| Two Pair | 2 to 1 |
| Pair of Tens, Jacks, Queens Kings or Aces | 1 to 1 |

III. Notwithstanding the minimum payout odds required in subsection II, the casino may establish a maximum amount that is payable to a player on a single hand. The maximum amount shall be at least $50,000 or the maximum amount that one patron could win per round when betting the minimum permissible wager, whichever is greater. If the established maximum payout limit is not included on the layout, the casino shall provide notice of the maximum payout limit by posting the maximum payout limit on a sign at the Let It Ride table. Any maximum payout limit established by the casino shall apply only to payouts of Let It Ride Poker wagers placed under section 7 Wagers and does not apply to payouts of Let It Ride Bonus Wagers placed under

section 8 Let It Ride Bonus Wager or Three Card Bonus Wagers placed under section 9 Three Card Bonus Wager.

IV. The casino shall pay off each winning Let It Ride Bonus Wager which shall be no less than the following monetary amounts:

| Wager | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Royal Flush | $20,000 |
| Straight Flush | $2,000 |
| Four-of-a-kind | $300 |
| Full House | $150 |
| Flush | $50 |
| Straight | $25 |
| Three-of-a-kind | $5 |
| Two Pair | - |
| 10s or better | - |

V. The casino shall pay off each winning Three Card Bonus Wager which shall be no less than the odds in one of the alternative pay tables:

| Hand Type | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Mini-Royal | 50 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 40 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-kind | 30 to 1 |
| Straight | 6 to 1 |
| Flush | 3 to 1 |
| Pair | 1 to 1 |

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**14. Irregularities**

I. A card dealt in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.

II. If any player or the area designated for the placement of the community cards is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.

III. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be reshuffled.

IV. If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal all cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and reshuffled with any cards already dealt.

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# Table Games Plan
# Appendix D – Let it Ride

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## . Multi-link progressive option for Let it Ride

**1. Wagers**

I. If the casino offers a progressive wager, after placing all wagers required by the game, a player may also place a progressive wager on whether the player will be dealt a progressive payout hand.

II. A progressive wager shall be made in the amount of $1, by placing a gaming chip into the progressive wagering device designated for that player.

III. Each player shall be responsible for verifying that the player's respective progressive wager has been accepted.

IV. A progressive wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the round of play has begun.

**2. Progressive Jackpot**

I. All progressive pays are based on five card poker hands. The odds of winning the top prize with a Royal Flush are the same across all games.

II. The casino may elect to have a Multi-Linked Progressive Jackpot for Let it Ride.

III. If the casino offers Let It Ride, the game is played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use the cards they are initially dealt along with the dealer community cards to form a five card hand, used to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

**3. Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression**

I. Should a player be eligible for a winning progressive payout, the casino shall pay the following odds on all payouts:

| Hand | Pays | Envy |
|---|---|---|

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 100% | $1,000 |
| Straight Flush | 10% | $300 |
| Four of a Kind | $300 | N/A |
| Full House | $50 | N/A |
| Flush | $40 | N/A |
| Straight | $30 | N/A |
| Three of a Kind | $9 | N/A |

II. Players making a progressive wager shall receive an Envy Bonus when another player at the same table is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand.

III. The rate of progression for the progressive meter used for the progressive payouts shall be at least 21%; with the exception that if a secondary jackpot is offered, the combined rate of progression for both the primary and the secondary jackpots shall be at least 21%. The initial and reset amount must also be at least $10,000.

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MINI-BACCARAT/MIDI-BACCARAT

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

II. Natural – A hand which has a Point Count of 8 or 9 on the first two cards dealt.

III. Mini-Baccarat – Unless otherwise stated, all references to Mini-Baccarat will also apply to Midi-Baccarat.

**2. Mini-Baccarat table physical characteristics**

I. Mini-Baccarat shall be played on a table having a place for the dealer on one side and on the opposite side, numbered places for a maximum of nine seated players, which may include:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. Specific areas designated for the placement of wagers on the Banker's Hand, Players Hand and Tie Hand.

C. A phrase that states the payout odds for Tie Bets.

D. Numbered areas that correspond to the seat numbers for the purpose of marking vigorish.

E. An area designated for the placement of cards for the Player's Hand and Banker's Hand.

F. If a Dragon Bonus Wager is offered, the casino will have a separate area designated for the placement of the Dragon Bonus Wager along with the payout odds either inscribed on the actual layout or a sign identifying the payout odds at each Mini-Baccarat table.

II. If marker buttons are used for the purpose of marking vigorish, the marker buttons shall be placed in the table inventory float container or in a separate rack designed for the purpose of storing marker buttons.

III. Each Mini-Baccarat table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the gaming table as, but on opposite sides of, the dealer.

IV. Each Mini-Baccarat table shall have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

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**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Mini-Baccarat shall be played with six to eight decks of cards having backs of the same color and design and two additional cover cards to be used in accordance with section 2 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is utilized, Mini-Baccarat shall be played with 8 to 16 decks of cards in accordance with the following requirements:

A. Each deck of cards must comply with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The cards shall be separated into two batches, with an equal number of decks included in each batch.

C. The backs of the cards in each batch must be of the same design, but of a different color than the cards included in the other batch.

D. One batch of cards shall be shuffled and stored in the automated card shuffling device while the other batch is being used to play the game.

E. Both batches of cards shall be continuously alternated in and out of play, with each batch being used for every other dealing shoe.

F. The cards from only one batch shall be placed in the discard rack at any given time.

G. To facilitate speed play on midi baccarat, cards may be inspected as described in sections A, B, and C above. Once the inspection is complete, the cards will be placed in a plastic bag with the date, table, color, and number of decks being put in the bag. Along with the cards inside the bag, there will be a tag also stating the date, time, signatures and gaming number of those who inspected the cards. Once this is complete, the cards will be stored in a locked cabinet or pit stand.

H. The decks of cards opened for use at a Mini-Baccarat table shall be changed at least once every 24 hours.

**1. Opening of a table for gaming**

I. After receiving the six or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer calling the game shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects, one deck at a time. The floor person assigned to the table shall verify the inspection.

II. The cards shall be turned face downward on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked.

**2. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, unless the cards were pre-shuffled; and after each dealing shoe of cards is completed, unless an automated shuffling device is used, the dealer shall shuffle the cards so that they are randomly intermixed.

II. After the cards have been shuffled by a dealer, the dealer shall leave the entire stack of cards intermixed but not entirely squared off (leave them feathered) so that the floor person can verify that the shuffle did not result in any uneven distribution of cards.

III. After shuffling the cards and, where applicable, re-shuffling them, the dealer shall offer the stack of cards, with backs facing away from the dealer, to the players to be cut. If no player accepts the cut, the dealer shall cut the cards.

IV. The cards shall be cut by placing a cover card in the stack at least ten cards in from the top or the bottom of the stack.

V. Once the cover card has been inserted into the stack, the dealer shall take all cards above the cover card and the cover card and place them on the bottom of the stack. The dealer shall then insert the second cover card in a position at least 14 cards above the bottom of the stack, and the second cover card at the bottom of the stack. The stack of cards shall then be inserted into the dealing shoe for commencement of play.

VI. After the cards have been cut and before the cards have been placed in the dealing shoe, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if the floor person or above determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game. If a re-cut is required, the cards shall be re-cut by the next person entitled to cut the cards, as determined by subsection III.

VII. Prior to commencement of play, the dealer shall remove the first card from the dealing shoe and place it, and an additional number of cards equal to the face value of the first card drawn, in the discard rack after all cards have been shown (but not exposed) to the players. When determining the face value of the first card removed from the dealing shoe, a 10, jack, queen or king shall count as ten and an ace shall count as one.

VIII. If there is no gaming activity at a Mini Baccarat or Midi Baccarat table which is open for gaming, the cards may be removed from the dealing shoe and the discard rack, at the casino's discretion, and spread out on the table for inspection, either face up or face down.

A. If there is no automated shuffling device in use, the cards shall be stacked, then shuffled and cut in accordance with this section.

B. If an automated shuffling device is in use, the cards shall be stacked and placed into the automated shuffling device to be shuffled. The batch of cards already in the shuffler shall then be removed. Unless a player so requests, the batch of cards removed from the shuffler need not be spread for inspection and re-shuffled prior to being dealt.

**3. Value; point count of hand**

I. The value of the cards in each deck shall be as follows:

A. Any card from 2 to 9 shall have its face value.

B. Any 10, jack, queen or king shall have a value of zero.

C. Any ace shall have a value of one.

II. The Point Count of a hand shall be a single digit number from 0 to 9 inclusive and shall be determined by totaling the value of the cards in the hand. If the total of the cards in a hand is a two-digit number, the left digit of the number shall be discarded and the right digit shall constitute the Point Count of the hand. Examples of this rule are as follows:

A. A hand composed of an ace, 2 and 4 has a Point Count of 7.

B. A hand composed of an ace, 2 and 9 has a total of 12 but only a Point Count of 2 since the digit 1 in the number 12 is discarded.

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**4. Dealing shoe**

I. Cards used to play Mini-Baccarat shall be dealt from a manual dealing shoe.

**5. Wagers**

I. The following wagers shall be permitted to be made by a player at the game of Mini-Baccarat:

A. A wager on the Banker's Hand which shall:

1. Win if the Banker's Hand has a Point Count higher than that of the Player's Hand.

2. Lose if the Banker's Hand has a Point Count lower than that of the Player's Hand.

3. Be void if the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand have the same Point Count and either:

(a) Be returned to the player.

(b) If the licensee charges vigorish in accordance with section 10.VI Payout odds; vigorish, be charged a vigorish equal to 5% of the wager.

B. A wager on the Player's Hand which shall:

1. Win if the Player's Hand has a Point Count higher than that of the Banker's Hand.

2. Lose if the Player's Hand has a Point Count lower than that of the Banker's Hand.

3. Be void and be returned to the player if the Point Counts of the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand are equal.

C. A Tie Bet which shall:

1. Win if the Point Counts of the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand are equal.

2. Lose if Point Counts of the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand are not equal.

D. If offered by the casino, a Dragon Bonus Wager on the Player’s Hand or Banker’s Hand, or both, which shall:

1. Win if the selected hand is:

   (a) A Natural and the other hand is not a Natural.

   (b) A Natural 9 and the other hand is a Natural 8.

   (c) Not a Natural and has a Point Count that exceeds the Point Count of the other hand by four or more points.

2. Lose if the selected hand is:

   (a) A Natural 8 and the other hand is a Natural 9.

   (b) Not a Natural and has a Point Count less than or equal to the Point Count of the other hand.

   (c) Not a Natural and has a Point Count that exceeds the Point Count of the other hand by less than four points.

3. Tie if the selected hand is a Natural and the other hand is a Natural of equal Point Count and either:

   (a) Be returned to the player.

II. Wagers at Mini-Baccarat shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate areas of the Mini-Baccarat layout. A verbal wager, accompanied by cash may be accepted provided the verbal wager is confirmed by the dealer calling the game, and the cash is expeditiously converted into gaming chips or plaques.

III. No wager at Mini-Baccarat shall be made, increased or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt.

**6. Hands of player and banker; procedure for dealing initial two cards to each hand**

I. There shall be two hands dealt in the game of Mini-Baccarat, one of which shall be designated the Player's Hand and the other designated the Banker's Hand.

II. No wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt.

III. The dealer shall then deal an initial four cards from the dealing shoe. The first and third cards dealt shall constitute the first and second cards of the Player's Hand. The second and fourth cards dealt shall constitute the first and second cards of the Banker's Hand in one of two manners:

   A. The dealer shall remove cards from the dealing shoe with his left hand, turn them face up and then place them on the appropriate area of the layout with his right hand. The first and third cards dealt shall be placed on the area designated for the Player's Hand and the second and fourth cards dealt shall be placed on the area designated for the Banker's Hand.

   B. The first and third cards dealt shall be placed face down on the area designated for the Player's Hand and the second and fourth cards dealt shall be placed face down underneath the right corner of the dealing shoe until the Player's Hand is called as provided for in section 7 Procedure for dealing a third card, at which time the second and fourth cards shall be turned face up and placed on the area designated for the Banker's Hand.

IV. Players may not touch, handle, remove or alter any cards used to play Mini-Baccarat.

V. Should the table be designated as a Midi-Baccarat, players will have the ability to touch, handle or alter cards given the following conditions:

   A. The player with the most money bet on the player wager will get the Players cards with the following exceptions:

      (a) A player may elect to cede control of the cards. If so, the patron with the next most money that bets on “player” shall have the option to control the cards. If all players cede their rights to player’s hand, the dealer will expose the cards.

      (b) If no guests have a bet on the “players” bet, the dealer will expose the cards.

   B. The player with the most money bet on the banker wager will get the Bankers cards with the following exceptions:

      (a) A player may elect to cede control of the cards. If so, the patron with the next most money that bets on “banker” shall have the option to control the cards. If all players cede their rights to banker’s hand, the dealer will expose the cards.

(b) If no guests have a bet on the "banker" bet, the dealer will expose the cards.

C. Should either the "player" or "banker" hand need to draw a third card, as outlined in section 8, the aforementioned procedure outlined in subsection B shall apply.

**7. Procedure for dealing a third card**

I. After the dealer positions the cards in accordance with section 6.III.A or 6.III.B Hands of player and banker; procedure for dealing initial two cards to each hand, the dealer shall announce the point count of the Player's Hand and then the Banker's Hand.

II. Following the announcement of the Point Counts of each hand, the dealer shall determine whether to deal a third card to each hand in conformity with the requirements of section 8Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt.

III. After the dealer positions the cards in accordance with section 6.III.A or 6.III.B, a third card required to be dealt, shall first be dealt face up to the Player's Hand and then to the Banker's Hand by the dealer.

IV. In no event may more than one additional card be dealt to either hand.

V. Whenever the cover card appears as the first card in the dealing shoe at the beginning of a round of play or appears during play, the cover card shall be removed and placed to the side and the hand will be completed. Upon completion of that hand, the cards shall be re-shuffled.

**8. Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt**

I. If the Player's Hand or the Banker's Hand after the initial two cards are dealt to each is a Natural, no more cards shall be dealt to either hand.

II. If the Point Count of the Player's Hand and the Banker's Hand on the first two cards is 0 to 7 inclusive, the Player's Hand shall:

A. Draw (that is, take a third card) if the Player's Hand has a Point Count of less than 6.

B. Stay (that is, not take a third card) if the Player's Hand has a Point Count of 6 or more.

III. If the Point Count of the Player's Hand and the Banker's Hand on the first two cards is 0 to 7 inclusive, the Banker's Hand shall draw (that is, take a third card) or stay (that is, not take a third card) in accordance with the following requirements:

A. If the Player's Hand does not receive a third card, the Banker's Hand shall be dealt a third card if the Point Count of the Banker's Hand is 5 or less.

B. If the Player's Hand is dealt a third card and:

1. The Banker's Hand has a Point Count of less than 3; the Banker's Hand shall be dealt a third card.

2. The Banker's Hand has a Point Count of 7; the Banker's Hand may not be dealt a third card.

3. The Banker's Hand has a Point Count of 3, 4, 5 or 6, the Banker's Hand shall be dealt or not dealt a third card in accordance with Table 1 as follows:

Value of the Third Card

Drawn by Players Hand

| | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Point Count | 3 | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Stand | Draw |
| of Banker's | 4 | Stand | Stand | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Stand | Stand |
| Hand After | 5 | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Stand | Stand |
| Two Cards | 6 | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Draw | Draw | Stand | Stand |

IV. The first vertical column in Table 1 labeled "Point Count of Banker's Hand" refers to the Point Count of the Banker's Hand after the first two cards have been dealt to the Banker's Hand.

V. The first horizontal row at the top of Table 1 labeled "Value of the Third Card Drawn by Player's Hand" refers to the value of the third card drawn by the Player's Hand, not the Point Count of the Player's Hand.

VI. To use Table 1, first find the Point Count of the Banker's Hand in the first vertical column and trace that horizontally across the table until it intersects the vertical column that corresponds to the value of the third card drawn by the Player's Hand. The symbol located where the intersection occurs shall determine whether the Banker's Hand must draw a third card or stay. For example, if the Point Count of the Banker's Hand after two cards is 5 and the value of the third card drawn by the Player's Hand is 4, the table shows that the Banker's Hand must draw a third card.

**9. Announcement of result of round; payment and collection of wagers**

I. After each hand has received all the cards to which it is entitled under section 6 Hands of player and banker; procedure for dealing initial two cards to each hand, section 7 Procedure for dealing a third card and section 8 Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt, the dealer shall announce the final Point Count of each hand indicating which hand has won the round. If two hands have equal Point Counts, the dealer shall announce "tie hand".

II. After the result of the round is announced, the dealer responsible for the wagers on the table shall first collect each losing wager. After the losing wagers are collected, the dealer shall, starting at the highest numbered player position at which a winning wager is located, mark or collect the vigorish owed by that player and immediately thereafter pay that player's winning wager and then, proceeding in descending order to the next highest numbered player position at which a winning wager is located, repeat this procedure until the vigorish owed by each player is either marked or collected and each winning wager is paid.

III. At the conclusion of a round of play, all cards on the layout shall be picked up by the dealer and placed in the discard rack, in order and in such a way that they can be readily arranged to indicate the Player's Hand and the Banker's Hand in case of a question or dispute.

**10. Payout odds; vigorish**

I. A winning wager made on the Player's Hand shall be paid off at odds of 1 to 1.

II. A winning Tie Bet shall be paid off at odds of at least 8 to 1.

III. Except as otherwise provided in subsection V, a winning wager made on the Banker's Hand shall be paid off by the casino at odds of 1 to 1, except that the casino shall extract a vigorish from

the winning players equal to 5% of the amount won. If needed, a dealer may use quarters as part of the payment for a wager from which the vigorish has been deducted. Quarters may not be used for wagering.

IV. If the casino offers the Dragon Bonus Wager, a vigorish may not be extracted on a winning Dragon Bonus Wager. Winning Dragon Bonus Wagers shall be paid out at the odds contained below:

| **Pay Table 1** | |
|---|---|
| Win by 9 points* | 30 to 1 |
| Win by 8 points* | 10 to 1 |
| Win by 7 points* | 6 to 1 |
| Win by 6 points* | 4 to 1 |
| Win by 5 points* | 2 to 1 |
| Win by 4 points* | 1 to 1 |
| Natural winner | 1 to 1 |
| Natural ties | PUSH |
| * Non-naturals | |

V. A dealer, may collect the vigorish from a player at the time the winning payout is made or may defer it to a later time; provided, however, that outstanding vigorish shall be collected prior to re-shuffling the cards in a dealing shoe or when the player leaves the gaming table, whichever occurs first. The amount of any vigorish not collected at the time of the winning payouts shall be tracked by placing a coin or marker button containing the amount of the vigorish owed in a rectangular space in front of the dealer on the layout imprinted with the number of the player owing the vigorish. The coin or marker button may not be removed from the layout until the vigorish owed is collected.

VI. The type and percentage of vigorish charged at a Mini-Baccarat table applies to all players at that table. The same type and percentage of vigorish shall be used for all Mini-Baccarat tables located within a licensed facility.

**11. Irregularities**

I. A card drawn in error from the dealing shoe that is not disclosed shall be used as the first card of the next hand of play.

II. A third card dealt to the Player's Hand that is not disclosed, when no third card is authorized under section 8Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt, shall become the third card of the Banker's Hand if the Banker's Hand is obliged to draw under section 8.III. If the Banker's Hand is required to stay, the card dealt in error shall become the first card of the next hand.

III. If a card dealt in error under the circumstances described in subsection 8.I or 8.II is disclosed at the time it is dealt, and it cannot be used in the current round of play, the dealer shall, use the disclosed card as the first card of a simulated round of play in which wagers may not be accepted. The cards shall be dealt in accordance with the rules of this chapter and be placed in the discard rack upon completion of the dealing procedure.

IV. A card found face up in the dealing shoe may be used as the next card if it is needed to complete the hand. If the card is not needed to complete the hand or if no cards have been dealt, it may not be used in the game and shall be the first card of a simulated round of play in which wagers may not be accepted.

V. If there are insufficient cards remaining in the dealing shoe to complete a round of play, that round shall be void and all wagers shall be returned. A new round shall commence after the entire set of cards are reshuffled and placed in the dealing shoe.

**12. Procedures for Mini-Baccarat; optional bonus (Dragon) wager; payment of Dragon Bonus**

I. The casino may, in its discretion, offer to each player at a mini-baccarat table the opportunity to make a bonus wager in accordance with the provisions of this section.

II. Any player who has made a mini-baccarat wager can make a bonus wager by placing gaming chips in the area designated for a bonus wager at his or her betting position. A bonus wager shall be no less than $1.00. If a bonus wager is placed alone it must meet the table minimum.

III. If a mini-baccarat bonus wager has been made by one or more players, the dealer shall observe all the aforementioned procedures, with the following exceptions.

   A. The dealer shall, starting from the dealer's right and moving counterclockwise around the table, settle the Dragon Bonus wager before acting on the individual players' hands using either of the following methods:

      1. The dealer may settle all Dragon Bonus wagers of all players before settling on the individual players hands or

      2. The dealer may settle each individual Dragon Bonus and then settle the players regular bet in a counter-clockwise manner.

      3. The only exception to subsections 1 and 2 will be when a Dragon Bonus wager loses in which case the dealer will collect all losing wagers prior to paying out any winning wagers.

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**1. Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

I. Natural – A hand which has a Point Count of 8 or 9 on the first two cards dealt.

II. Push – a hand in which the outcome results in a wager neither being paid nor taken.

**2. Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free table physical characteristics**

I. Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free shall be played on a table having a place for the dealer on one side and on the opposite side, numbered places for a maximum of nine seated players, which may include:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. Specific areas designated for the placement of wagers on the Banker's Hand, Player's Hand, Tie Hand, Dragon Bonus wager for Player, Dragon Bonus wager Banker and Fortune 7 wager.

C. A phrase that states the payout odds for Tie Bets.

D. Numbered areas that correspond to the seat numbers.

E. An area designated for the placement of cards for the Player's Hand and Banker's Hand.

F. Dragon Bonus and Fortune 7 payout odds either inscribed on the actual layout or a sign identifying the payout odds at each Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free table.

II. Each Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the gaming table as, but on opposite sides of, the dealer.

III. Each Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free table shall have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

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I. Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free shall be played with six to eight decks of cards having backs of the same color and design and two additional cover cards to be used in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is utilized, Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free shall be played with 8 to 16 decks of cards in accordance with the following requirements:

A. Each deck of cards must comply with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The cards shall be separated into two batches, with an equal number of decks included in each batch.

C. The backs of the cards in each batch must be of the same design, but of a different color than the cards included in the other batch.

D. One batch of cards shall be shuffled and stored in the automated card shuffling device while the other batch is being used to play the game.

E. Both batches of cards shall be continuously alternated in and out of play, with each batch being used for every other dealing shoe.

F. The cards from only one batch shall be placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards opened for use at a Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free table shall be changed at least once every 24 hours.

**4. Opening of a table for gaming**

I. After receiving the six or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer calling the game shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects, one deck at a time. The floor person assigned to the table shall verify the inspection.

II. The cards shall be turned face downward on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

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I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, unless the cards were pre-shuffled; and after each dealing shoe of cards is completed, unless an automated shuffling device is used, the dealer shall shuffle the cards so that they are randomly intermixed.

II. After the cards have been shuffled by a dealer, the dealer shall leave the entire stack of cards intermixed but not entirely squared off (leave them feathered) so that the floor person can verify that the shuffle did not result in any uneven distribution of cards.

III. After shuffling the cards and, where applicable, re-shuffling them, the dealer shall offer the stack of cards, with backs facing away from the dealer, to the players to be cut. If no player accepts the cut, the dealer shall cut the cards.

IV. The cards shall be cut by placing a cover card in the stack at least ten cards in from the top or the bottom of the stack.

V. Once the cover card has been inserted into the stack, the dealer shall take all cards above the cover card and the cover card and place them on the bottom of the stack. The dealer shall then insert the second cover card in a position at least 14 cards above the bottom of the stack, and the second cover card at the bottom of the stack. The stack of cards shall then be inserted into the dealing shoe for commencement of play.

VI. After the cards have been cut and before the cards have been placed in the dealing shoe, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if the floor person or above determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game. If a re-cut is required, the cards shall be re-cut by the next person entitled to cut the cards, as determined by subsection III.

VII. Prior to commencement of play, the dealer shall remove the first card from the dealing shoe and place it, and an additional number of cards equal to the face value of the first card drawn, in the discard rack after all cards have been shown (but not exposed) to the players. When determining the face value of the first card removed from the dealing shoe, a 10, jack, queen or king shall count as ten and an ace shall count as one.

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A. If there is no automated shuffling device in use, the cards shall be stacked, then shuffled and cut in accordance with this section.

B. If an automated shuffling device is in use, the cards shall be stacked and placed into the automated shuffling device to be shuffled. The batch of cards already in the shuffler shall then be removed. Unless a player so requests, the batch of cards removed from the shuffler need not be spread for inspection and re-shuffled prior to being dealt.

**6. Value; point count of hand**

I. The value of the cards in each deck shall be as follows:

A. Any card from 2 to 9 shall have its face value.

B. Any 10, jack, queen or king shall have a value of zero.

C. Any ace shall have a value of one.

II. The Point Count of a hand shall be a single digit number from 0 to 9 inclusive and shall be determined by totaling the value of the cards in the hand. If the total of the cards in a hand is a two-digit number, the left digit of the number shall be discarded and the right digit shall constitute the Point Count of the hand. Examples of this rule are as follows:

A. A hand composed of an ace, 2 and 4 has a Point Count of 7.

B. A hand composed of an ace, 2 and 9 has a total of 12 but only a Point Count of 2 since the digit 1 in the number 12 is discarded.

**7. Dealing shoe**

I. Cards used to play Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free shall be dealt from a manual dealing shoe.

**8. Wagers**

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I. The following wagers shall be permitted to be made by a player at the game of Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free:

A. A wager on the Banker's Hand which shall:

1. Win if the Banker's Hand has a Point Count higher than that of the Player's Hand. The exception would be if the Banker hand wins with a three card total of 7. In this circumstance the wager would be a push.

2. Lose if the Banker's Hand has a Point Count lower than that of the Player's Hand.

3. Be void if the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand have the same Point Count and be returned to the player.

B. A wager on the Player's Hand which shall:

1. Win if the Player's Hand has a Point Count higher than that of the Banker's Hand.

2. Lose if the Player's Hand has a Point Count lower than that of the Banker's Hand.

3. Be void and be returned to the player if the Point Counts of the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand are equal.

C. A Tie Bet which shall:

1. Win if the Point Counts of the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand are equal.

2. Lose if Point Counts of the Banker's Hand and the Player's Hand are not equal.

D. A Fortune 7 wager shall:

1. Win if the Banker wins with a three-card total of 7 points.

2. Lose if the Banker has any other hand except a winning hand with a three-card total of 7 points.

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E. A Dragon Bonus Wager on the Player's Hand or Banker's Hand, or both, which shall:

1. Win if the selected hand is:

   (a) A Natural and the other hand is not a Natural.

   (b) A Natural 9 and the other hand is a Natural 8.

   (c) Not a Natural and has a Point Count that exceeds the Point Count of the other hand by four or more points.

2. Lose if the selected hand is:

   (a) A Natural 8 and the other hand is a Natural 9.

   (b) Not a Natural and has a Point Count less than or equal to the Point Count of the other hand.

   (c) Not a Natural and has a Point Count that exceeds the Point Count of the other hand by less than four points.

II. Wagers at Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate areas of the Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free layout. A verbal wager, accompanied by cash may be accepted provided the verbal wager is confirmed by the dealer calling the game, and the cash is expeditiously converted into gaming chips or plaques.

III. No wager at Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free shall be made, increased or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt.

**9. Hands of player and banker; procedure for dealing initial two cards to each hand**

I. There shall be two hands dealt in the game of Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free, one of which shall be designated the Player's Hand and the other designated the Banker's Hand.

II. No wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt.

III. The dealer shall then deal an initial four cards from the dealing shoe. The first and third cards dealt shall constitute the first and second cards of the Player's Hand. The second and fourth cards dealt shall constitute the first and second cards of the Banker's Hand in one of two manners:

A. The dealer shall remove cards from the dealing shoe with his left hand, turn them face up and then place them on the appropriate area of the layout with his right hand. The first and third cards dealt shall be placed on the area designated for the Player's Hand and the second and fourth cards dealt shall be placed on the area designated for the Banker's Hand.

B. The first and third cards dealt shall be placed face down on the area designated for the Player's Hand and the second and fourth cards dealt shall be placed face down underneath the right corner of the dealing shoe until the Player's Hand is called as provided for in section 10 Procedure for dealing a third card, at which time the second and fourth cards shall be turned face up and placed on the area designated for the Banker's Hand.

IV. Players may not touch, handle, remove or alter any cards used to play Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free.

A. Should either the “player” or “banker” hand need to draw a third card, as outlined in section 11, the aforementioned procedure outlined in subsection B shall apply.

**10. Procedure for dealing a third card**

I. After the dealer positions the cards in accordance with section 9.III.A or 9.III.B Hands of player and banker; procedure for dealing initial two cards to each hand, the dealer shall announce the point count of the Player’s Hand and then the Banker's Hand.

II. Following the announcement of the Point Counts of each hand, the dealer shall determine whether to deal a third card to each hand in conformity with the requirements of section 11Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt.

III. After the dealer positions the cards in accordance with section 9.III.A or 9.III.B, a third card required to be dealt, shall first be dealt face up to the Player’s Hand and then to the Banker’s Hand by the dealer.

IV. In no event may more than one additional card be dealt to either hand.

V. Whenever the cover card appears as the first card in the dealing shoe at the beginning of a round of play or appears during play, the cover card shall be removed and placed to the side and the hand will be completed. Upon completion of that hand, the cards shall be re-shuffled.

**11. Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt**

I. If the Player's Hand or the Banker's Hand after the initial two cards are dealt to each is a Natural, no more cards shall be dealt to either hand.

II. If the Point Count of the Player's Hand and the Banker's Hand on the first two cards is 0 to 7 inclusive, the Player's Hand shall:

A. Draw (that is, take a third card) if the Player's Hand has a Point Count of less than 6.

B. Stay (that is, not take a third card) if the Player's Hand has a Point Count of 6 or more.

III. If the Point Count of the Player's Hand and the Banker's Hand on the first two cards is 0 to 7 inclusive, the Banker's Hand shall draw (that is, take a third card) or stay (that is, not take a third card) in accordance with the following requirements:

A. If the Player's Hand does not receive a third card, the Banker's Hand shall be dealt a third card if the Point Count of the Banker's Hand is 5 or less.

B. If the Player's Hand is dealt a third card and:

1. The Banker's Hand has a Point Count of less than 3; the Banker's Hand shall be dealt a third card.

2. The Banker's Hand has a Point Count of 7; the Banker's Hand may not be dealt a third card.

3. The Banker's Hand has a Point Count of 3, 4, 5 or 6, the Banker's Hand shall be dealt or not dealt a third card in accordance with Table 1 as follows:

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Value of the Third Card

Drawn by Players Hand

| | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Point Count | 3 | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Stand | Draw |
| of Banker's | 4 | Stand | Stand | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Stand | Stand |
| Hand After | 5 | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Draw | Draw | Draw | Draw | Stand | Stand |
| Two Cards | 6 | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Stand | Draw | Draw | Stand | Stand |

IV. The first vertical column in Table 1 labeled "Point Count of Banker's Hand" refers to the Point Count of the Banker's Hand after the first two cards have been dealt to the Banker's Hand.

V. The first horizontal row at the top of Table 1 labeled "Value of the Third Card Drawn by Player's Hand" refers to the value of the third card drawn by the Player's Hand, not the Point Count of the Player's Hand.

VI. To use Table 1, first find the Point Count of the Banker's Hand in the first vertical column and trace that horizontally across the table until it intersects the vertical column that corresponds to the value of the third card drawn by the Player's Hand. The symbol located where the intersection occurs shall determine whether the Banker's Hand must draw a third card or stay. For example, if the Point Count of the Banker's Hand after two cards is 5 and the value of the third card drawn by the Player's Hand is 4, the table shows that the Banker's Hand must draw a third card.

**12. Announcement of result of round; payment and collection of wagers**

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I. After each hand has received all the cards to which it is entitled under section 9 Hands of player and banker; procedure for dealing initial two cards to each hand, section 10 Procedure for dealing a third card and section 11 Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt, the dealer shall announce the final Point Count of each hand indicating which hand has won the round. If two hands have equal Point Counts, the dealer shall announce "tie hand".

II. After the result of the round is announced, the dealer responsible for the wagers on the table shall first collect each losing wager. After the losing wagers are collected, the dealer shall, starting at the highest numbered player position at which a winning wager is located, pay that player's winning wager and then, proceeding in descending order to the next highest numbered player position at which a winning wager is located, repeat this procedure until each winning wager is paid.

III. At the conclusion of a round of play, all cards on the layout shall be picked up by the dealer and placed in the discard rack, in order and in such a way that they can be readily arranged to indicate the Player's Hand and the Banker's Hand in case of a question or dispute.

**13. Payout odds**

I. A winning wager made on the Banker's or Player's Hand shall be paid off at odds of 1 to 1.

II. A winning Tie Bet shall be paid off at odds of at least 8 to 1.

III. A winning Fortune 7 wager shall be paid off at odds of 40 to 1.

IV. Winning Dragon Bonus Wagers shall be paid out at the odds contained below:

| Pay Table 1 | |
|---|---|
| Win by 9 points* | 30 to 1 |
| Win by 8 points* | 10 to 1 |

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| | |
|---|---|
| Win by 7 points* | 6 to 1 |
| Win by 6 points* | 4 to 1 |
| Win by 5 points* | 2 to 1 |
| Win by 4 points* | 1 to 1 |
| Natural winner | 1 to 1 |
| Natural ties | PUSH |
| * Non-naturals | |

**14. Irregularities**

I. A card drawn in error from the dealing shoe that is not disclosed shall be used as the first card of the next hand of play.

II. A third card dealt to the Player's Hand that is not disclosed, when no third card is authorized under section 11Rules for determining whether a third card shall be dealt, shall become the third card of the Banker's Hand if the Banker's Hand is obliged to draw under section 11.III. If the Banker's Hand is required to stay, the card dealt in error shall become the first card of the next hand.

III. If a card dealt in error under the circumstances described in subsection 11.I or 11.II is disclosed at the time it is dealt, and it cannot be used in the current round of play, the dealer shall, use the disclosed card as the first card of a simulated round of play in which wagers may not be accepted. The cards shall be dealt in accordance with the rules of this chapter and be placed in the discard rack upon completion of the dealing procedure.

IV. A card found face up in the dealing shoe may be used as the next card if it is needed to complete the hand. If the card is not needed to complete the hand or if no cards have been dealt, it may not be used in the game and shall be the first card of a simulated round of play in which wagers may not be accepted.

V. If there are insufficient cards remaining in the dealing shoe to complete a round of play, that round shall be void and all wagers shall be returned. A new round shall commence after the entire set of cards are reshuffled and placed in the dealing shoe.

**15. Procedures for Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free optional Dragon Bonus & Fortune 7 wagers; payment of Dragon Bonus & Fortune 7 wagers.**

I. The casino may, in its discretion, offer to each player at a Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free table the opportunity to make a Dragon Bonus & Fortune 7 wagers in accordance with the provisions of this section.

II. Any player who has made a Dragon Bonus Baccarat – Commission Free wager can make a Dragon Bonus and/or a Fortune 7 wager by placing gaming chips in the areas designated for a Dragon Bonus and/or a Fortune 7 wager at his or her betting position. A bonus wager shall be no less than $1.00.

III. If a Dragon Bonus and/or a Fortune 7 wager has been made by one or more players, the dealer shall observe all the aforementioned procedures, with the following exceptions.

A. The dealer shall, starting from the dealer's right and moving counterclockwise around the table, settle the Dragon Bonus and Fortune 7 wagers before acting on the individual players' hands using either of the following methods:

1. The dealer may settle all Dragon Bonus and Fortune 7 wagers of all players before settling on the individual players hands or

2. The dealer may settle each individual Dragon Bonus and Fortune 7 wagers and then settle the players regular bet in a counter-clockwise manner.

3. The only exception to subsections 1 and 2 will be when a Dragon Bonus and/or a Fortune 7 wager loses in which case the dealer will collect all losing wagers prior to paying out any winning wagers.

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**1. Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

Bank or Banker – The player who elects to have the other players play against him or her. The banker is financially responsible for settling all wagers on the table.

Copy Hand – The two-card or the five-card hand of the player that contains cards identical in rank to the corresponding two-card or five-card hand of the bank or the dealer.

Envy Bonus – An additional fixed sum payout made to a player who placed a Qualifying Fortune Bonus Wager or Qualifying Emperor's Treasure Wager when another player at the Pai Gow Poker table is the holder of a qualifying hand.

High hand – The five-card hand which is formed from the seven cards dealt at the game of Pai Gow Poker so as to rank equal to or higher than the two-card Low hand.

Low hand – The two-card hand which is formed from the seven cards dealt at the game of Pai Gow Poker so as to rank equal to or lower than the five-card High hand.

Pai Gow Hand – A seven card hand that does not contain a pair, straight or flush.

Qualifying Fortune Bonus Wager – A Fortune Bonus Wager of at least $5.

Qualifying Fortune Bonus hand – A Pai Gow Poker hand with a rank of four-of-a-kind or higher formed from the seven cards dealt to a player.

Rank or ranking – The relative position of a card or group of cards as set forth in 6 Pai Gow Poker rankings; cards; poker hands.

Set or setting the hands – The process of forming a High hand and Low hand from the seven cards dealt.

**2. Pai Gow Poker table; Pai Gow Poker shaker; physical characteristics**

I. Pai Gow Poker shall be played at a table having on one side places for six players and on the opposite side a place for the dealer.

II. The layout for a Pai Gow Poker table may contain the following:

A. Six separate numbered betting areas for the players at the table.

B. Two separate areas located below each betting area which shall be designated for the placement of the High and Low hands of that player.

C. Two separate areas designated for the placement of the High and Low hands of the dealer.

D. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

E. If the casino offers a Fortune Bonus Wager:

(1) A separate designated area for each player, located to the right of the player's betting area, designated for the placement of the Fortune Bonus Wager.

(2) Signage that denotes the payouts inscribed on the layout may be posted at each Pai Gow Poker table.

(3) Inscriptions that advise patrons of the payout odds and amounts for the Fortune Bonus Wager and Envy Bonus. If payout odds and amounts are not inscribed on the layout, a sign identifying the payout odds and amounts shall be posted at each Pai Gow Poker table.

(4) Inscriptions that advise patrons of any payout limits as described in 15 Fortune Bonus Wager; Envy Bonus; payout odds; payout limitation. If payout limits are not inscribed on the layout, a sign identifying the payout limits shall be posted at each Pai Gow Poker table.

F. Inscriptions for any additional side wagers approved for use in the Pai Gow Poker game by the Ohio Casino Control Commission.

III. Each Pai Gow Poker table must have a drop box and tip box attached to it on the same side of the gaming table as, but on opposite sides of, the dealer.

IV. Each Pai Gow Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

V. Under 8 Pai Gow Poker shaker and dice; computerized random number generator; button Pai Gow Poker may be played with a container, to be known as a Pai Gow shaker, which shall be used to shake three dice before each hand of Pai Gow Poker is dealt to determine the starting position for the dealing or delivery of the cards. The Pai Gow shaker may adhere to the following specifications:

A. The Pai Gow Poker shaker shall be capable of housing three dice and shall be designed so as to prevent the dice from being seen while the dealer is shaking it.

B. The Pai Gow Poker shaker may have the name or identifying logo of the casino imprinted or impressed thereon.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Except as provided in subsection II, Pai Gow Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and two cover cards. The deck of cards used to play Pai Gow

Poker must include one joker. Nothing in this section prohibits the casino from using decks which are manufactured with two jokers provided that only one joker is used for gaming at Pai Gow Poker.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is used for Pai Gow Poker, the casino may use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The backs of the cards of the two decks are of a different color.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play.

E. The cards from only one deck shall be placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards used in Pai Gow Ride Poker shall be changed:

A. At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving a deck of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. If the deck of cards used by the casino contains two jokers, the dealer and a floor person shall ensure that only one joker is utilized and that the other joker is torn in half and placed in the box, envelope or container that the deck came from.

III. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, they shall be shuffled in accordance with 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

IV. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game of Pai Gow Poker and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under 33.II Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled in accordance with subsections I – III.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing herein prohibits the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the cards directly into an automated or manual dealing shoe.

II. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:

A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal or deliver the cards in accordance with 9 Procedures for dealing the cards by hand or 10 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

B. If the cards were shuffled manually, cut the cards in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsectionIII.

III. Upon completion of a manual shuffle, the dealer shall cut the cards using one hand by:

A. Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

B. Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

C. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on the cover card.

IV. After the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or higher may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game. If a re-cut is required, the cards shall be re-cut by the dealer in accordance to the procedures set forth in subsection III.

V. Whenever there is no gaming activity at a Pai Gow Poker table which is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until a player arrives at the table and the table may be opened and the cards shuffled and cut in accordance with 4 Opening of the table for gaming and this section.

**6. Pai Gow Poker rankings; cards; poker hands**

I. The rank of the cards used in Pai Gow Poker, in order of highest to lowest, are ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or a straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection III, the joker shall be used and ranked as an ace.

II. The permissible poker hands at the game of Pai Gow Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, are:

A. Five aces, which is a High hand consisting of four aces and a joker.

B. A royal flush, which is a High hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit or a king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit and a joker.

C. A straight flush, which is a High hand consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the highest ranking straight flush; king, queen, jack, 10, and 9 being the second highest ranking straight flush, and 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2 being the lowest ranking straight flush.

D. A four-of-a-kind, which is a High hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four 2's being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

E. A full house, which is a High hand consisting of a three-of-a-kind and a pair, with three aces and two kings being the highest ranking full house and three 2's and two 3's being the lowest ranking full house.

F. A flush, which is a High hand consisting of five cards of the same suit. When comparing two flushes, the hand which contains the highest ranking card as provided in subsection I, which is not contained in the other hand shall be considered the higher ranking hand.

G. A straight, which is a High hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank, regardless of suit, with an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 being the highest ranking straight; an ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the second highest ranking straight, and a 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2 being the lowest ranking straight.

H. A three-of-a-kind, which is a High hand containing three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

I. Two pair, which is a High hand containing two pairs, with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pair hand and two 3's and two 2's being the lowest ranking two pair hand.

J. A pair, which is either a High hand or a Low hand consisting of two cards of the same rank, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

III. For purposes of setting the hands, a joker may be used as any card to complete a straight, a flush, a straight flush or a royal flush.

IV. When comparing two High hands or two Low hands which are of identical poker hand rank under this section, or which contain none of the poker hands authorized in this section, the hand which contains the highest ranking card as provided in subsection I which is not contained

in the other hand shall be considered the higher ranking hand. If the two hands are of identical rank after the application of this subsection, the hands shall be considered a tie hand.

V. If the casino offers the optional Fortune Bonus Wager under 15 Fortune Bonus Wager; Envy Bonus; payout odds; payout limitation , the following seven card hands, which shall have a rank higher than a five-card poker hand of five aces, shall be used to determine the amount of the Fortune Bonus Wager payout or Envy Bonus payment to a winning player:

A. Seven-card straight flush with no joker is a hand consisting of seven cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with no joker used to complete the straight flush.

B. Royal flush plus royal match is a seven card hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and a 10 of the same suit, with or without a joker, with one of the following:

(1) An additional king and queen of a same suit.

C. Seven-card straight flush with joker is a hand consisting of seven cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking with a joker being used to complete the straight flush.

**7. Wagers**

I. All wagers at Pai Gow Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate betting area of the Pai Gow Poker layout. Verbal wagers accompanied by cash may not be accepted at the game of Pai Gow Poker.

II. Only players who are seated at the Pai Gow Poker table may place a wager at the game. Once a player has placed a wager and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of player, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.

III. All wagers at Pai Gow Poker must be placed prior to the first card being dealt, in accordance with the dealing procedures in, 9 Procedures for dealing the cards by hand or 10 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. No wager at Pai Gow Poker may be made, increased or withdrawn after the dealer has announced “no more bets.”

IV. The casino has the right to permit a player to simultaneously play and place wagers at two adjacent betting positions during a round of play. If the two wagers are not equal, the player shall be required to rank and set the hand with the larger wager before ranking and setting the other hand. If the amounts wagered are equal, each hand shall be played separately in a counterclockwise rotation with the first hand being ranked and set before the player proceeds to rank and set the second hand. Once a hand has been ranked and set and placed face down on the appropriate area of the layout, the hand may not be changed.

**8. Pai Gow Poker shaker and dice; computerized random number generator; button**

I. The starting position for the deal of cards in Pai Gow Poker shall be determined by using one of the following methods:

A. Three dice and a Pai Gow Poker shaker, which shall be used in accordance with 11 Procedure for determining the starting position for dealing cards or delivering stacks of cards. When dice and a Pai Gow Poker shaker are used, the following apply:

(1) The three dice, when not being rolled, shall be maintained at all times within the Pai Gow Poker shaker.

(2) The Pai Gow Poker shaker and the dice contained therein shall be the responsibility of the dealer and shall never be left unattended while at the table.

B. A computerized random number generator that, in accordance with 1111.III Procedure for determining the starting position for dealing cards or delivering stacks of cards automatically selects and displays a number from 1 - 7 inclusive, which may be used in conjunction with an automated card shuffling device and dealing shoe.

C. If an automated card shuffling device and dealing shoe is used under 10 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe and 1111.IV, a button that is moved by the dealer clockwise around the table after each round of play is completed.

**9. Procedures for dealing the cards by hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the deck of cards in the left hand.

(1) The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. The dealer shall deal seven stacks of seven cards each to the area in front of the table inventory container. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout.

II. The dealer shall then, using one of the procedures authorized under 11 Procedure for determining the starting position for dealing cards or delivering stacks of cards, determine the starting position for dealing the cards.

III. After the starting position for dealing the cards has been determined, the dealer shall deal the first of the seven cards moving from left to right and the second of the seven cards moving from

right to left and shall continue alternating in this manner until there are seven stacks of seven cards.

IV. After seven stacks of seven cards have been dealt, the dealer shall determine whether exactly four cards are left by spreading the remaining cards face down on the layout.

V. If four cards remain, the four cards shall be placed in the discard rack without being exposed to anyone at the table.

VI. If the dealer determines the cards were dealt properly, the dealer shall collect any stacks dealt to a position where there is no wager and place them in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

VII. If more or less than four cards remain, the dealer shall determine if the cards were misdealt. If the cards were misdealt and a stack has more or less than seven cards, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be re-shuffled.

**10. Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the casino chooses to have the cards dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures under 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

II. The dealer shall then, using one of the procedures under 11 Procedure for determining the starting position for dealing cards or delivering stacks of cards, determine the starting position for delivering the stacks of cards.

III. Once the starting position has been determined in accordance with subsection II, the dealer shall deliver the first stack of cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe to that position. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall deliver a stack in turn to each of the other positions, including the dealer, moving clockwise around the table, whether or not there is a wager at the position. The dealer shall deliver each stack face down.

IV. After the seven stacks of seven cards have been dispensed and delivered to each position, including the dealer, the dealer shall remove the remaining cards from the shoe and determine whether exactly four cards are left by spreading them face down on the layout.

V. If four cards remain, the cards shall be placed in the discard rack without being exposed to anyone at the table.

VI. If the dealer determines the cards were dealt properly, the dealer shall collect any stacks dealt to a position where there is no wager and place them in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

VII. If more or less than four cards remain, the dealer shall determine if the cards were misdealt. If the cards were misdealt and a stack has more or less than seven cards, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.

**11. Procedure for determining the starting position for dealing cards or delivering stacks of cards**

I. To determine the starting position for the dealing of cards or the delivery of stacks of cards for the game of Pai Gow Poker, the casino shall use one of the procedures written below in subsection II, III or IV.

II. The dealer shall shake the shaker and dice described in 8 Pai Gow Poker shaker and dice; computerized random number generator; button at least three times so as to cause a random mixture of the dice. The dealer shall then remove the lid covering the Pai Gow Poker shaker, total the dice and announce the total. To determine the starting position, the dealer shall count counterclockwise around the table, with the position of the dealer considered number one, and continuing around the table with each betting position counted in order, including the dealer, regardless of whether there is a wager at the position, until the count matches the total of the three dice. After the dealing or delivery of the cards has been completed, the dealer shall place the cover on the Pai Gow Poker shaker and shake the shaker. The Pai Gow Poker shaker shall then be placed to the right of the dealer.

III. The dealer may use a computerized random number generator to select and display a number from 1 - 7 inclusive, and verbally announce the number. To determine the starting position, the dealer shall count counterclockwise around the table, with the position of the dealer considered number one, and continuing around the table with each betting position counted in order, including the dealer, regardless of whether there is a wager at the position, until the count matches the number displayed by the random number generator.

IV. If an automated card shuffling device and dealing shoe is used under 10 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe, the dealer may use a flat button to indicate the starting position. At the commencement of play, the button shall be placed in front of the dealer. Thereafter, the button shall rotate around the table in a clockwise manner after each round of play.

**12. House Ways**

I. No Pair

A. Use second and third highest card for low hand.

II. One Pair

A. Use in the high hand with the next two highest cards in the low hand.

III. Two Pair

Low Pair - Pair of 2's through Pair of 6's

Medium Pair - Pair of 7's through Pair of 10's

High Pair - Pair of Jacks, Queens, Kings or Aces

A. Low Pair – Low Pair: Always keep in the high hand and play the next two highest cards in the low hand.

B. Low Pair – Medium Pair: Split unless holding a King or better, then play two pair in the high hand.

C. Low Pair – High Pair: Split unless holding and Ace or Joker, then play two pair in the high hand.

D. Medium Pair – Medium Pair: Split unless holding and Ace or Joker, then play two pair in the high hand.

E. Medium Pair – High Pair: Split unless holding and Ace and a King, then play two pair in the high hand.

F. High Pair – High Pair: Always split pairs.

IV. Three Pair

A. Always play highest pair in the low hand.

V. Three of a Kind

A. Keep together in the high hand using the next two highest cards in the low hand. (Exception: when having three Aces, use a pair of Aces in the high hand and an Ace and the next highest card in the low hand).

VI. Two—Three of a Kinds

A. Play the pair from the highest three of a kind in the low hand and the lowest three of a kind in the high hand.

VII. Straight, Flushes, Straight Flushes and Royal Flushes

A. With no pair:

(1) When presented with a choice of playing a hand as either a Straight, Flush, Straight Flush or Royal Flush, use the option that gives you the highest low hand.

B. With One Pair:

(1) Play the pair in the low hand if a Straight, Flush or Straight Flush can be preserved in the high hand.

C. With Two Pairs:

(1) Use the two pair rule, then if a better hand can be found within the 5 card high hand, without changing the low hand, use it.

D. With Three Pair:

(1) Use the three pair rule.

E. With Three of a Kind:

(1) Play a pair in the low hand. (Exception: With two Aces and a Joker, play one of the Aces in the low hand and two Aces in the high hand, but only if the Straight, Flush or Straight Flush cannot be preserved after playing a pair in the low hand.

F. With Full House:

(1) Use the full house rule.

VIII. Full House

A. Three of a Kind and Pair:

(1) Always split and play the pair in the low hand.

B. Three of a Kind and Two Pairs:

(1) Play the highest of the pairs in the low hand.

C. Three of a Kind and Three of a Kind:

(1) Play the highest Three of a Kind as a pair in the low hand.

IX. Four of a Kind

A. 2’s thru 6’s: Never split, play in high hand.

B. 7’s thru 10’s: Split unless an Ace can be played in the low hand.

C. Jack’s thru Aces: Always split.

D. Four of a Kind with Pair:

(1) Play the pair in the low hand. (Exception: With four (4) Aces, always split unless there are at least two (2) Kings, then play the Kings in the low hand.

X. Five Aces

A. Split – play a pair of Aces in the low hand and three Aces in the high hand. Exception: With a pair of Kings - play the pair of Kings in the low hand.

**13. Procedures for completion of each round of play; setting of hands; payment and collection of wagers; payout odds; vigorish**

I. After the cards have been dealt, each player shall set his hands by arranging the cards into a High hand and a Low hand. When setting the two hands, the five-card High hand must be equal to or higher in rank than the two-card Low hand. For example, if the two-card hand contains a pair of sevens, the five-card hand must contain at least a pair of sevens and the three remaining cards.

II. Each player at the table shall be responsible for setting his own hands and no other person except the dealer may touch the cards of that player. If a player requests assistance in the setting of his hands, the dealer shall inform the player of the manner in which the casino requires the hands of the dealer to be set. Each player shall be required to keep the seven cards in full view of the dealer at all times. Once each player has set a High and Low hand and placed the two hands face down on the appropriate area of the layout, the player may not touch the cards again.

III. After all players have set their hands and placed the cards on the table, the seven cards of the dealer shall be turned over and the dealer shall set his hands by arranging the cards into a High and Low hand. The dealer shall then place the two hands face up on the appropriate area of the layout.

IV. The casino shall set its hand for the game of Pai Gow Poker in the manner described in Addendum I.

V. A player may announce that he wishes to surrender his wager prior to the dealer exposing either of the two hands of that player as required under subsection VI. Once the player has announced his intention to surrender, the dealer shall immediately collect the wager from that player and collect the seven cards dealt to that player without exposing the cards to anyone at the table. The dealer shall verify that seven cards were collected by counting them face down on the layout prior to placing them in the discard rack.

VI. After the dealer has set a High hand and a Low hand, the dealer shall expose both hands of each player, starting from the right and proceeding counterclockwise around the table. The dealer

shall compare the High and Low hand of each player to the High and Low hand of the dealer and shall announce if the Pai Gow Poker wager of that player wins, looses or is a tie.

VII. A Pai Gow Poker wager loses if:

A. The High hand of the player is lower in rank than the High hand of the dealer and the Low hand of the player is lower in rank than the Low hand of the dealer.

B. The High hand of the player is identical in rank to the High hand of the dealer or the Low hand of the player is identical in rank to the Low hand of the dealer and the other hand of the player is identical in rank or lower in rank than the other hand of the dealer.

C. The High hand of the player was not set so as to rank equal to or higher than the Low hand of that player.

D. The two hands of the player were not otherwise set correctly in accordance with this chapter.

VIII. All losing Pai Gow Poker wagers shall be immediately collected by the dealer and put in the table inventory container. All losing Pai Gow Poker hands shall also be collected.

IX. A Pai Gow Poker wager is a tie if:

A. The High hand of the player is higher in rank than the High hand of the dealer, but the Low hand of the player is lower in rank than the Low hand of the dealer.

B. The High hand of the player is lower in rank than the High hand of the dealer, but the Low hand of the player is higher in rank than the Low hand of the dealer.

X. If a Pai Gow Poker wager is a tie the dealer shall return the Pai Gow Poker wager to the player. All tie Pai Gow Poker hands shall also be collected.

XI. A Pai Gow Poker wager wins if the High hand of the player is higher in rank than the High hand of the dealer and the Low hand of the player is higher in rank than the Low hand of the dealer.

XII. All hands that resulted in a winning Pai Gow Poker wager shall remain face up on the layout. Winning wagers shall be paid after all hands are exposed. The dealer shall pay winning wagers beginning with the player farthest to the right of the dealer and continuing counterclockwise around the table.

XIII. A winning Pai Gow Poker wager shall be paid off by the casino at odds of 1 to 1, except that the casino shall extract a vigorish, from the winning player in an amount equal to 5% of the amount won; provided, however, that when collecting the vigorish, the casino may round off the vigorish to 25 cents or the next highest multiple of 25 cents. The casino shall collect the vigorish from a player at the time the winning payout is made. If needed, a dealer may use quarters as

part of the payment for a wager from which the vigorish has been deducted. Quarters may not be used for wagering. The dealer shall then collect the cards from that player.

XIV. All cards collected by the dealer shall be picked up in order and placed in the discard rack in such a way that they can be readily arranged to reconstruct each hand in case of a question or dispute.

**14. Player Banking**

I. The House will always Bank the first hand.

II. The Banker is rotated counter-clockwise among the Players and Dealer after each game.

III. Each Player has the opportunity to be the Bank, but the Player also has the option to pass the Bank.

IV. A Player can only be the Player-Bank for one game during a single rotation. A Player must have wagered on the previous hand against the House before they may receive the Bank.

V. If none of the Players want to be the Player-Bank, the House will Bank.

VI. A Marker will be used to indicate the Player Bank. The Marker will be placed inside the betting circle. The Player-Bank must have sufficient checks on the table to pay all possible winning bets.

VII. The Dealer will act as a Player when a customer is the Player-Bank.

VIII. The Dealer will then bet an amount equal to or less than the Player-Bank's last bet.

IX. The Player-Bank can request the Dealer acting as Player to bet less than the Player-Bank's last bet in rotation, or make no bet at all.

X. The Player-Bank is requested not to look at their cards until all other Players, except the Dealer, have set their hands.

XI. The Dealer will always set their hand last using the House Ways.

XII. The Players are not allowed to touch their cards after the Player-Bank has exposed their hand.

XIII. The Player-Bank wins on all "Copy hands"

XIV. Hands that are set making the front hand higher than the back hand are "foul hands" and lose automatically. In a player banker situation there will be no courtesy resets offered.

XV. When a Player surrenders their hand (throws in their hand), the wager is treated as a losing bet. The Dealer will not expose the cards. The Dealer will verify the number of cards making sure there are seven.

XVI. During the Player-Bank sequence, action between the House and the Player-Bank are determined first.

A. If the House hand wins, the Dealer's cards are stacked face up to the right corner of the chip rack with the House wager placed on top.

B. If the House loses, the House wager is placed in the center of the table and the cards are placed into the discard rack.

C. If the House and the Player-Bank push, the wager is put immediately into the chip tray and the Dealer's cards are put into the discard rack.

XVII. After the House hand has been determined, the Player-Bank's hand will be moved to the center of the layout and placed in full view. The Dealer will then expose the rest of the Player's hands.

A. On losing bets, cards will be placed in the discard rack, with the bets moved to the center of the table. These losing bets will be totaled and used to pay any winning bets. The Player-Bank will make up any difference owed to the winning hands from their own bankroll.

B. The winning hands will be spread by the circle next to the wager and proved by the Dealer and paid individually with the commission being collected during this pay and take sequence.

C. On a push hand, the Dealer will signal a push hand with a pat on the table and put the cards in the discard rack.

XVIII. If the Player-Bank has any moneys remaining after all winning bets are paid, the Player-Bank is charged commission on the net win only.

XIX. Partner-Player-Bank is when two or more Players combine their bankrolls to become the Player-Bank. Only one Player-Bank is allowed to play their Partner-Player-Bank hand. Handling and setting the cards can only be done by one Player. When there is a Partner-Player-Bank, the House has the final decision on how much the House will wager.

**15. Fortune Bonus Wager; Envy Bonus; payout odds; payout limitation**

I. The casino may offer a player the option of placing a Fortune Bonus Wager on whether the player will be dealt a hand type as set forth in subsection V. A player who makes a Qualifying Fortune Bonus Wager shall also qualify to receive an Envy Bonus payout.

II. Prior to the first card being dealt for each round of play, each player who has placed a wager in accordance with 7 Wagers, may make a Fortune Bonus Wager by placing a value chip of at least $1 into the separate area designated for that player. If a player makes a Qualifying Fortune Bonus Wager, the dealer shall place an Envy button next to that player's wager.

III. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. The dealer shall deal the cards in accordance with the dealing procedures in 9 Procedures for dealing the cards by hand or 10 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

IV. If a Fortune Bonus Wager has been made by one or more players, the dealer shall observe the procedures in 13 Procedures for completion of each round of play; setting of hands; payment and collection of wagers; payout odds; vigorish with the following modifications:

A. After all Fortune Bonus Wagers have been settled, the dealer shall, starting from the dealer's right and moving counterclockwise around the table, settle with each player who has an Envy Bonus button at the player's betting position or who has a Fortune Bonus Wager and a Qualifying Hand. If a player:

(a) Has an Envy Bonus lammer, the dealer shall pay the player in accordance with subsection V and collect the Envy Bonus button.

(b) Has a Fortune Bonus Wager and a Qualifying Hand, the dealer shall pay the winning Fortune Bonus Wager in accordance with subsection V and place the cards of the player in the discard rack. Players are entitled to multiple Envy Bonuses when another player at the same Pai Gow Poker table is the holder of an Envy Bonus; provided, however, that a player is not entitled to an Envy Bonus for his own hand or the hand of the dealer.

(c) After all Envy Bonuses and Qualifying Hands have been paid, the dealer shall collect the cards of any player who had a Qualifying Hand but did not place a Fortune Bonus Wager and shall place the cards of the player in the discard rack.

V. The casino shall pay out winning Fortune Bonus Wagers and Envy Bonus payouts at the amounts contained in one of the following payout tables:

| Hand | Payout | Envy Bonus |
|---|---|---|
| 7 Card Straight Flush | 8,000 to 1 | $5,000 |
| Royal Flush and Royal Match | 2,000 to 1 | $1,000 |
| 7 Card Straight Flush with Joker | 1,000 to 1 | $500 |
| 5 Aces | 400 to 1 | $250 |
| Royal Flush | 150 to 1 | $50 |
| Straight Flush | 50 to 1 | $20 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Four-of-a-Kind | 25 to 1 | $5 |
| Full House | 5 to 1 | n/a |
| Flush | 4 to 1 | n/a |
| Three-of-a-kind | 3 to 1 | n/a |
| Straight | 2 to 1 | n/a |

VI. Notwithstanding the payout odds in subsection V, the casino may establish a maximum payout for a winning Fortune Bonus Wager that is payable for one round of play. The maximum payout amount shall be at least $50,000 or the maximum amount that one player could win per round when betting the minimum possible wager, whichever is greater. Any maximum payout limit established by a casino shall apply only to Fortune Bonus Wagers and does not apply to Envy Bonus payouts.

**16. Irregularities and Invalid Roll of the Dice**

I. If the dealer uncovers the shaker and all three dice do not land flat on the bottom of the shaker, the dealer shall call a “No Roll” and re-shake the dice.

II. If the dealer uncovers the Pai Gow Poker shaker and a die or dice fall out of the shaker, the dealer shall call a “No Roll” and reshake the dice.

III. If the dealer incorrectly totals the dice and deals the first card of delivers the first stack to the wrong position, all hands shall be called dead and the dealer shall re-shuffle the cards.

IV. If the dealer exposes any of the cards dealt to a player, the player has the option of voiding the hand. Without looking at the unexposed cards, the player shall make the decision either to play out the hand or to void the hand.

V. If a card or cards in the hand of the dealer is exposed, all hands shall be void and the cards shall be reshuffled.

VI. A card drawn in error without its face being exposed shall be used as the next card out.

VII. If any player or the dealer is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void and the cards reshuffled.

VIII. If the dealer does not set his/her hands correctly, the hands must be reset in accordance with House Rule and the round of play completed.

IX. If a card is exposed while the dealer is dealing the seven stacks, the cards shall be reshuffled.

X. If cards are being dealt from the hand and the dealer fails to deal the seven stacks, the cards shall be reshuffled.

XI. If an automated shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be reshuffled.

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**1. General Provisions**

I. A minimum of one (1) dealer will be used.

II. Rapid Roulette is will seat up to 14 guests, using individual Automated Transaction Stations (ATS). The ATS stations surround a dealer table which allows the dealer to process cash transactions and initiate game play. The dealer table houses the traditional roulette wheel, cash drop box with table top value chip cover and a touch screen dealer console (called the "Javelin"), where the dealer performs money transactions, game start/finish and confirmation of winning numbers.

III. Rapid Roulette brings automated wagering terminals to the traditional game of Roulette, working off a traditional roulette wheel. Rapid Roulette allows guests, once they have bought in, to place wagers using virtual chips on a touch screen representation of a Roulette felt. All wins/losses are calculated by the Rapid Roulette, once a winning number has been confirmed by the dealer. The guest will receive all wins in credits on their individual terminal. Upon cashing out, the guest will be paid by the dealer in casino chips.

IV. A reconciliation process shall take place on any gaming day that Rapid Roulette has been opened for gaming activities. The reconciliation process will include generating a report from the Rapid Roulette system that details the activity for that gaming day, and comparing the report to the actual chip and drop counts. Any discrepancies shall be reported to the manager on duty.

**2. Wagering Rules**

I. All bets, odds and payouts are the same as traditional Roulette, as outlined in section G appendix H of the internal controls. Guests will play on their individual touch screen monitor using a selection of up to 6 virtual chips that will be assigned one of the following values: $0.25, $0.50, $1.00, $2.00, $2.50, $5.00, $10.00, $20.00, $25.00, $50.00, $100.00, $200.00, $500.00 and $1,000.00. The guest may use any combination of the 6 virtual chips displayed up to the maximum amount of credits the player has available, or the table maximum, whichever is the smaller.

II. Additional betting options include:

A. A "courtesy line bet", in which the 0 and the 00 split bet may be placed on the line separating the second and third dozen, with a payout odds of 17 to 1.

B. A "cancel" button which removes whichever bet the player touches next.

C. An "undo" button, reversing the last action of the player.

D. A "recall" button that re-bets the bets from the last game.

E. A “clear” button which removes all current bets.

F. If the casino opts to enable it, a “neighbors” bet which places a bet equal to the last bet on a number, on the number to the left and to the right of that selected number on the roulette wheel, with a payout odd of 35 to 1.

III. Each betting cycle begins with the dealer pressing “new game”. This begins a countdown of the betting period and the players are able to place bets on their individual touch screens. With ten (10) seconds remaining, the dealer will receive an audio prompt to spin the ball (as in traditional roulette). When the clock reaches zero, the system will lock out players from additional bets and all terminals will freeze. When the ball comes to rest, the Rapid Roulette wheel sensor will detect the winning number and the dealer will be asked to confirm it. Once confirmed, the winning number is marked with an animated Roulette dolly on all the players’ screens and all bets that correspond to this number are paid.

IV. Each guest is responsible for the correct positioning of their wager on the touch screen layout. The exact placement of the chips determines the bet being made.

**3. Dealing procedures**

I. To begin a game, the Dealer presses “new game” button on the javelin.

II. System announces via visual and/or audio cues “PLACE YOUR BETS”.

III. When prompted by the system, the dealer spins the ball.

IV. System will announce via visual and/or audio cues “NO MORE BETS” when either the time clock reaches zero or the Rapid wheel sensor detects that the ball is slowing to the point it may drop prior to the clock reaching zero. At this point all player touch screens become disabled.

V. Once the ball drops, the wheel sensor will read the winning number. The number appears on the javelin, and the dealer will be prompted to confirm the winning number reported by the Rapid wheel sensor by touching “yes or no”.

VI. Once the dealer confirms the winning number, the system will announce the winning number and settle all wagers.

VII. Rapid system will reset when ready for next “new game”.

**4. Buy-In Procedures**

I. Player places their buy-in option on top of their player station.

II. Dealer picks up the player’s buy-in and places the funds on the clipboard.

III. Dealer places the buy-in on the center table next to the drop box and counts the money.

IV. Dealer selects the station where the player put the buy-in and selects the “buy-in” option.

V. Dealer enters the amount of cash, credit, marker and/or chips.

VI. System asks the dealer to confirm the amount.

VII. Once the buy-in is approved, the money is placed in the drop box and the “confirm” button is pressed.

VIII. Player now has credits to place wagers.

IX. Approval from a Floor Supervisor or above will be required for buy-ins of a material amount, as determined by Horseshoe Cincinnati. The approval process will include the use of a supervisor authorization card that must be swiped to approve the transaction.

**5. Player Cash-Out Procedures**

I. Player selects “cash-out” button on the ATS terminal.

II. Player verifies when asked to confirm the cash out.

III. Dealer receives indication at Dealer console of requested cash out.

IV. Dealer selects appropriate player station and selects “cash-out”.

V. Dealer removes chips equal to value shown on Dealer console from chip tray.

VI. Dealer verifies chip count and presses the “confirm” button on console.

VII. Dealer delivers chips to player using a chip holder.

VIII. Approval from a Floor Supervisor will be required for cash outs of a material amount, as determined by Horseshoe Cincinnati. The approval process will include the use of a supervisor authorization card that must be swiped to approve the transaction.

**6. Payment of Bets**

I. The Rapid Roulette system resolves all placed bets on the ATS simultaneously after the winning number has been confirmed by the dealer on the Dealer console.

II. In the event that the ball fails to drop into one of the number slots, leaves the track, or floats around the spinning wheel head, the dealer will inform a Floor Supervisor that he/she has a “floater”. This will be considered a no spin and the dealer will re-spin the ball.

III. A Floor Supervisor or above will be notified of any irregularity on the game, including when the wheel sensor reads the incorrect number, and when a dealer confirms a number that is not correct. The Floor Supervisor or above will have the ability to select the correct winning number if the wheel sensor reads the incorrect number, or to void the previous game, reset bets and select the appropriate winning number if the dealer confirms the incorrect number.

**7. Table Minimums and Maximums**

I. The minimum and maximum wagers shall be posted on a sign at each table. All wagers made must be within the posted table minimum and maximum. Every time Rapid Roulette is opened for gaming activities, the Dealer or the Floor Supervisor assigned to Rapid Roulette will verify that all screens where the table minimum and maximum limits are posted reflect the correct amounts.

II. All players are required to bet the minimum amount. Any bet that does not reach the minimum prior to the announcement of "NO MORE BETS" will be crossed out on the player's screen and the amount wagered will be refunded to the player's credit meter. The player will also receive a text message on their display, indicating they have not reached the minimum required.

**8. Tokes**

I. Dealers on Rapid Roulette may earn tokes in 2 ways:

A. By accepting chips from a patron; or

B. The customers may "drag" electronic chips on their wagering station to the image of the tip jar on the screen.

1. At the end of the gaming day, a tip summary report sheet will be printed out.

2. The dealer and the Floor Supervisor or above will sign the form confirming that the amount of chips taken from the games chip inventory and dropped in the toke box matches the amount on the Rapid Roulette printed tip summary report.

3. The signed tip sheet will be retained in Casino Accounting.

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1. **Roulette wheel and table; physical characteristics; double zero Roulette wheel used as a single zero Roulette wheel**

   I. Roulette shall be played on a table having a Roulette wheel of at least 30 inches in diameter at one end of the table and a Roulette layout imprinted on the opposite end of the table which may include the following information:

      A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

      B. Specific areas for the placement of the wagers authorized under 4 Placement of wagers.

      C. Signage indicating the minimum and maximum wagers permitted at that table.

   II. A single zero Roulette wheel must have 37 equally spaced compartments around the wheel where the Roulette ball may come to rest. The Roulette wheel must also have a ring of equally spaced areas to correspond to the position of the compartments with one marked zero and colored green and the others marked 1 to 36 and colored alternately red and black. The numbers must be arranged clockwise around the wheel in the following order: 0, 32, 15, 19, 4, 21, 2, 25, 17, 34, 6, 27, 13, 36, 11, 30, 8, 23, 10, 5, 24, 16, 33, 1, 20, 14, 31, 9, 22, 18, 29, 7, 28, 12, 35, 3 and 26. The color of each compartment must either be a corresponding color to those depicted on the ring or a neutral color.

   III. A double zero Roulette wheel must have 38 equally spaced compartments around the wheel where the Roulette ball may come to rest. The Roulette wheel must also have a ring of equally spaced areas to correspond to the position of the compartments with one marked zero and colored green, one marked double-zero (00) and colored green, and the others marked 1 to 36 and colored alternately red and black. The numbers must be arranged clockwise around the wheel in the following order: 0, 28, 9, 26, 30, 11, 7, 20, 32, 17, 5, 22, 34, 15, 3, 24, 36, 13, 1, 00, 27, 10, 25, 29, 12, 8, 19, 31, 18, 6, 21, 33, 16, 4, 23, 35, 14 and 2. The color of each compartment must either be a corresponding color to those depicted on the ring or a neutral color.

   IV. A double zero Roulette wheel and double zero table layout may be used as a single zero Roulette wheel and single zero table layout. If the Roulette ball comes to rest in the

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compartment marked double zero (00), the spin will be declared void and the wheel will be re-spun.

V. Each Roulette table shall have a drop box and tip box attached to it.

**2. Roulette balls**

I. Balls used in Roulette must be made completely of a nonmetallic substance and not be less than 18mm nor more than 22mm in diameter.

**3. Inspection and security procedures**

I. Prior to opening a Roulette table for gaming activity, a floor person shall:

A. Inspect the Roulette table and Roulette wheel for any magnet or contrivance that would affect the fair operation of the Roulette wheel.

B. Inspect the Roulette wheel to assure that the wheel is level and rotating freely and evenly.

C. Inspect the Roulette wheel to assure that all parts are secure and free from movement.

D. Inspect the Roulette ball by passing it over a magnet or compass to assure its nonmagnetic quality.

II. If the casino uses a Roulette wheel which has external movable parts, any adjustments to the movable parts shall be made by a floor person or a member of the maintenance department.

III. All adjustments shall be completed prior to the required inspections in subsection I.

IV. The casino may replace any of the movable parts at any time, provided that an inspection as required by subsection I must be completed prior to reopening the Roulette wheel and table for play.

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**4. Placement of wagers**

I. All wagers at Roulette shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques, on the appropriate areas of the Roulette layout, except that verbal wagers accompanied by cash may be accepted provided that they are confirmed by the dealer and that the cash is expeditiously converted into gaming chips or plaques.

II. A person at a Roulette table may not play with non-value chips that are identical in color and design to value chips or to non-value chips being used by another person at that same table. Non-value chips must be cashed in for value chips before a player leaves a Roulette table.

III. Each player shall be responsible for the correct positioning of his wager on the Roulette layout, regardless of whether he is assisted by the dealer. The player shall be responsible for ensuring that instructions he gives to the dealer regarding the placement of a wager are correctly carried out.

IV. A wager shall be settled in accordance with its position on the layout when the ball falls to rest in a compartment of the wheel.

V. The wagers in the game of Roulette include:

A. A Straight Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in the compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to a single number selected by the player. The player shall make a Straight Wager by placing a gaming chip or plaque within the box on the Roulette layout that contains the selected number.

B. A Split Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to either of two numbers selected by the player. The player shall select the numbers by placing a wager on the line between the two boxes on the Roulette layout that contain the two selected numbers. A Split Wager on 0 and 00 may also be placed on the line between the 0 and 00 or on the line between the 2nd 12 box and the 3rd 12 box.

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C. A Three Numbers Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of three numbers in a single row on the Roulette layout selected by the player. The player shall select a row of numbers by placing a wager on the outside line of the box on the Roulette layout that contains the first number in the selected row.

   1. A Three Numbers Wager may also include a wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of the three numbers contained in one of the following groups of numbers: 0, 1 and 2; 0, 2 and 00; or 00, 2 and 3.

   2. The player shall select one of the three numbers wagers identified in subparagraph 1 by placing a wager on the common corner of the three boxes containing the elected numbers.

D. A Four Numbers Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of four numbers in contiguous boxes on the Roulette layout selected by the player. The player shall select the four numbers by placing a wager on the common corner of the four boxes containing the selected numbers.

E. A First Five Numbers Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of the numbers 0, 00, 1, 2 or 3. The player shall make a First Five Numbers Wager by placing a wager on the common corner of the boxes on the Roulette layout that contain the label 1st 12 and the numbers 0 and 1.

F. A Six Numbers Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to one of six consecutive numbers contained in two contiguous rows of numbers on the Roulette layout selected by the player. The player shall select the two rows of numbers by placing a wager on the outside common corner of the boxes on the Roulette layout that contains the first number in each of the rows being selected.

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G. A Column Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of 12 numbers contained in a single column on the Roulette layout selected by the player. The player shall select a column of 12 numbers by placing a wager in the box on the Roulette layout that is at the bottom of the column being selected.

H. A Dozen Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of 12 consecutive numbers from 1 - 12, 13 - 24 or 25 - 36, selected by the player. The player shall select the 12 numbers by placing a wager in the box on the Roulette layout labeled 1st 12, 2nd 12 or 3rd 12.

I. A Red Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in any compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to a number with a red background on the Roulette wheel. The player shall make a Red Wager by placing a wager within the red box on the Roulette layout.

J. A Black Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in any compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to a number with a black background on the Roulette wheel. The player shall make a Black Wager by placing a wager within the black box on the Roulette layout.

K. An Odd Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in any compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to an odd number. The player shall make an Odd Wager by placing a wager within the box on the Roulette layout that is labeled Odd.

L. An Even Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in any compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to an even number. The player shall make an Even Wager by placing a wager within the box on the Roulette layout that is labeled Even.

M. A 1 - 18 Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of 18 consecutive numbers from 1 - 18. The player shall make a 1 - 18 Wager by placing a wager within the box on the Roulette layout that is labeled 1 - 18.

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N. A 19 - 36 Wager that the Roulette ball will come to rest in a compartment of the Roulette wheel that corresponds to any one of 18 consecutive numbers from 19 - 36. The player shall make a 19 to 36 Wager by placing a wager within the box on the Roulette layout that is labeled 19 - 36.

**5. Payout odds**

I. The casino shall pay off winning wagers at the game of Roulette at no less than the following odds:

| Wager | Payout/Odds |
|---|---|
| Straight | 35 to 1 |
| Split | 17 to 1 |
| Three Numbers | 11 to 1 |
| Four Numbers | 8 to 1 |
| First Five Numbers | 6 to 1 |
| Six Numbers | 5 to 1 |
| Column | 2 to 1 |
| Dozen | 2 to 1 |
| Red | 1 to 1 |
| Black | 1 to 1 |

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|---|---|
| Odd | 1 to 1 |
| Even | 1 to 1 |
| 1 to 18 | 1 to 1 |
| 19 to 36 | 1 to 1 |

II. When Roulette is played on a single zero wheel or double zero wheel and the Roulette ball comes to rest in a compartment marked zero (0) or double zero (00), wagers on red, black, odd, even, 1 - 18, and 19 - 36 shall be lost.

III. When Roulette is played on a double zero wheel being used as a single zero wheel, as provided in 1 Roulette wheel and table; physical characteristics; double zero Roulette wheel used as a single zero Roulette wheel, the following apply:

A. Notice shall be provided that the double zero wheel is being used as a single zero wheel.

B. The dealer shall announce “no spin,” declare the spin void and re-spin the wheel if the Roulette ball comes to rest in a compartment marked double zero (00).

C. Wagers on red, black, odd, even, 1 - 18 and 19 – 36 shall be lost if the Roulette ball comes to rest in a compartment marked zero (0).

**6. Rotation of wheel and ball**

I. The Roulette ball shall be spun by the dealer in a direction opposite to the rotation of the wheel and must complete at least four revolutions around the track of the wheel to constitute a valid spin.

II. While the ball is still rotating in the track around the wheel, the dealer shall call “no more bets," in a manner sufficient to be heard by all players at the table. Once “no more bets” has been called by the dealer, players may not touch any chips or plaques that have been placed on the

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Roulette layout until the dealer has collected all losing wagers and paid off all winning wagers under subsection IV.

III. When the ball comes to rest in a compartment, the dealer shall announce the number of the compartment and shall place a point marker on that number on the Roulette layout.

IV. After placing the point marker on the layout, the dealer shall first collect all losing wagers and then pay off all winning wagers.

**7. Irregularities**

I. If the ball is spun in the same direction as the wheel, the dealer shall announce “no spin” and shall attempt to remove the Roulette ball from the wheel prior to its coming to rest in one of the compartments.

II. If the Roulette ball does not complete four revolutions around the track of the wheel, the dealer shall announce “no spin.” The dealer shall inspect the ball for any signs of damage and if the ball is damaged, ask the floor person in charge of the table to give the dealer a new Roulette ball with which to continue gaming at the table.

III. If the Roulette ball leaves the wheel during the spin, the dealer shall announce “no spin.” The dealer shall inspect the ball for any signs of damage and if the ball is damaged, ask the floor person in charge of the table to give the dealer a new Roulette ball with which to continue gaming at the table.

IV. If a foreign object enters the wheel prior to the ball coming to rest, the dealer shall announce “no spin” and shall attempt to remove the ball from the wheel prior to its coming to rest in one of the compartments.

V. If the ball does not fall into a number and “floats,” which means the ball slowly revolves without dropping, the dealer shall announce “floater” or “no spin” and shall immediately attempt to remove the Roulette ball from the wheel prior to its coming to rest in one of the compartments.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Hand – The Three Card Poker hand that is held by each player and the dealer after the cards are dealt.

B. Pair Plus Wager – The wager that a player is required to make prior to any cards being dealt in order to compete against a posted scale of payouts, regardless of the outcome of the player's hand against the dealer's hand.

C. Play Wager – An additional wager that a player must make if the player opts to remain in competition against the dealer after the player reviews his hand.

D. Round of play – One complete cycle of play during which all wagers have been placed, all cards have been dealt and all remaining wagers have been paid off or collected in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

E. Six Card Bonus Wager – An optional wager that a player will be able to form a winning five-card Poker hand from the three cards dealt to the dealer and the three cards dealt to the player.

**2. Three Card Poker table physical characteristics**

I. Three Card Poker shall be played at a table having betting positions for no more than seven players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side which may include the following characteristics:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. A separate designated betting area at each betting position for the placement of an Ante Wager.

C. A separate designated betting area located immediately in front of each Ante Wager betting area for the placement of a Play Wager.

D. A separate designated betting area located immediately behind each Ante Wager betting area for the placement of a Pair Plus Wager.

E. If the casino offers the Six Card Bonus Wager, a separate area for each player, located immediately behind the Pair Plus Wager betting area, designated for the placement of the Six Card Bonus Wager.

F. Inscriptions that advise patrons of the payout odds or amounts for Ante and Play Wagers, Pair Plus Wagers and Ante bonuses, the Six Card Bonus Wager and the phrase “Dealer Plays with Queen High or Better".

II. Each Three Card Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the gaming table as, but on opposite sides of, the dealer.

III. Each Three Card Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Except as provided in subsection II, Three Card Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design, and one cover card to be used in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards and section 9.II Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino may use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, a manual shuffle procedure will be used.

E. The cards from only one deck are placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards used in Three Card Poker shall be changed:

A. At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, they shall be shuffled in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

III. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under section 3.II Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.

II. If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 52 cards are present is being used, and it reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be ran through the shuffling device one more time to re-verify. If it continues to indicate cards are missing, a supervisor will visually inspect the deck to determine if the cards are missing.

III. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:

A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal the cards in accordance with section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

B. If the cards were shuffled manually, cut the cards in accordance with the procedures in subsection IV.

IV. If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:

A. Cut the deck, using one hand, by:

1. Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

2. Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

3. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on the cover card.

B. Deal the cards in accordance with section 8 or 9.

V. Notwithstanding subsection IV, after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be recut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VI. Whenever there is no gaming activity at a Three Card Poker table that is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until such time that a player arrives, at which point the dealer will put the cards in the automatic shuffle machine to begin play.

**6. Three Card Poker rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in Three Card Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. All suits shall be equal in rank. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or a straight with a two and three.

II. The permissible poker hands in the game of Three Card Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A straight flush, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with an ace, king and queen being the highest ranking straight flush and a three, two and ace being the lowest ranking straight flush.

B. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

C. A straight, which is a hand consisting of three cards of more than one suit and of consecutive rank, with an ace, king and queen being the highest ranking straight and a three, two and ace being the lowest ranking straight; provided however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, king, ace and 2).

D. A flush, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same suit, regardless of rank.

E. A pair, which is a hand consisting of two cards of the same rank, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

III. When comparing two hands that are of identical poker hand rank under subsection II, or that contain none of the hands listed in subsection II, the hand that contains the highest ranking card under subsection I that is not contained in the other hand shall be considered the higher ranking hand. If the hands are of equal rank after the application of this section, the hands shall be considered a tie.

IV. If the casino offers the optional Six Card Bonus Wager under section 11.II Six Card Bonus Wager, the rank of a winning five-card Poker hand, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking.

C. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, regardless of suit.

D. A full house, which is a hand consisting of three-of-a-kind.

E. A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit.

F. A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank, regardless of suit.

G. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank, regardless of suit.

**7. Wagers**

I. The following wagers may be placed in the game of Three Card Poker:

A. A player may compete solely against the dealer by placing an Ante Wager in an amount within the minimum and maximum wagers posted at the table and then placing a Play Wager in an equal amount.

B. A player may compete solely against a posted payout table by placing a Pair Plus Wager, which wager may be in any amount within the minimum and maximum wagers posted at the table.

C. A player may compete against both the dealer and the posted payout table by placing wagers in accordance with the requirements in paragraphs A and B.

D. If the casino offers the Six Card Bonus Wager, after placing an Ante Wager and a Pair Plus Wager, a player may also place a Six Card Bonus Wager on whether the player will be dealt a hand type as set forth in section 12.VI Payout odds; rate of progression; payout limitation.

II. Wagers at Three Card Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout at the player's betting position. A verbal wager accompanied by cash may not be accepted.

III. Only players who are seated at a Three Card Poker table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed a wager and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of player, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.

IV. Ante Wagers, Pair Plus Wagers and Six Card Bonus Wagers shall be placed prior to the cards being dealt in accordance with section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand, or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. Except for Play Wagers, a wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt. Play Wagers shall be placed in accordance with section 10.II Procedures for completion of each round of play.

V. A player may not be permitted to simultaneously play and wager on more than one player position.

**8. Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in the left hand.

1. The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout.

II. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer’s left and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal one card at a time to each player who has placed a wager in accordance with section 7 Wagers and to the dealer until each player who placed a wager and the dealer have three cards. All cards shall be dealt face down.

III. After three cards have been dealt to each player and the dealer, the dealer shall, except as provided in subsection IV, place the stub in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player or the dealer has more or less than three cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**9. Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt. The dealer shall place the gaming chips into the table inventory container.

II. The dealer shall deal the first stack of cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to the dealer's left who has placed a wager in accordance with section 7 Wagers. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deal a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed a wager in accordance with section 7. The dealer shall then deal the dealer's stack of three cards face down to the area designated for the placement of the dealer's cards.

III. After each stack of three cards has been dispensed and dealt in accordance with subsection II, the dealer shall remove the stub from the automated dealing shoe and, except as provided in subsection IV, place the cards in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player or the dealer has more or less than three cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**10. Procedures for completion of each round of play**

I. After the dealing procedures required under section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe have been completed, each player shall examine his cards. Each player who wagers at Three Card Poker shall be responsible for his own hand and no person other than the dealer and the player to whom the cards were dealt may touch the cards of that player.

II. After examination of his cards, each player who has placed an Ante Wager shall have the option to either make a Play Wager in an amount equal to the player's Ante Wager or forfeit the Ante Wager and end his participation in the round of play. The dealer shall offer this option to each player, starting with the player farthest to the left of the dealer and moving clockwise around the table in order.

A. If a player has placed an Ante Wager and a Pair Plus Wager as required under section 7.IV Wagers but does not make a Play Wager, the player shall forfeit both the Ante Wager and the Pair Plus Wager.

B. If a player has placed an Ante Wager, a Pair Plus Wager and a Six Card Bonus Wager, but does not make a Play Wager, the player shall forfeit both the Ante Wager and the Pair Plus Wager but may not forfeit the Six Card Bonus Wager.

III. After each player has either placed a Play Wager on the designated area of the layout or forfeited his Ante Wager and hand, the dealer shall collect all forfeited wagers and associated cards, except for the cards of those players who placed a Six Card Bonus Wager in accordance with section 11.II Six Card Bonus Wager, and place the cards in the discard rack. The dealer shall then reveal the dealer's cards and place the cards so as to form the highest possible ranking hand.

IV. The dealer shall then settle the wagers remaining on the table, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's right and continuing counterclockwise around the table until the following procedure has been completed for all of the remaining players:

A. Reveal the three card hand of all of the remaining players.

B. Collect all losing wagers.

C. Pay all winning wagers in accordance with the payout odds listed in section 12.

D. Discard the player's cards by placing them in the discard rack.

V. The dealer will repeat the steps listed in subsection IV for each player with an active bet until all bets have been settled and all cards have been collected by the dealer and placed in the discard rack. The dealer's cards will be discarded last.

**11. Six Card Bonus Wager**

I. The casino may offer a player the option of placing a Six Card Bonus Wager on whether the player's three cards and the dealer's three cards will form a winning five-card or winning six-card royal flush Poker hand as set forth in section 12.VI Payout odds; rate of progression; payout limitation.

II. If a Six Card Bonus Wager has been made by one or more players, the dealer shall settle Six Card Bonus Wagers after acting on the other bets, for each individual player :

A. If a player:

1. Does not have a three-of-a-kind or better, as described in section 6.IV (Three Card Poker rankings, the dealer shall collect the Six Card Bonus Wager and place the cards of the player in the discard rack.

2. Has a three-of-a-kind or better, as described in section 6.IV, the dealer shall pay the winning Six Card Bonus Wager in accordance with section 12.VI.

**12. Payout odds; rate of progression; payout limitation**

I. If the dealer does not hold a hand with a queen high or better rank, the Ante Wager shall automatically be paid 1 to 1 and the Play Wager shall be returned to the player.

II. If the dealer holds a hand with a queen high or better rank, a player in competition against the dealer shall be paid 1 to 1 on both the Ante Wager and the Play Wager if the player's hand is ranked higher than the dealer's hand.

III. If the dealer holds a hand with a queen high or better rank and a player holds a hand with a rank equal to the dealer's hand, the hand will be a tie and the player's Ante Wager and Play Wager shall be returned to the player.

IV. A player placing a Pair Plus Wager, shall be paid in accordance with a posted pay table, regardless of whether the player's hand outranks the dealer's hand, the casino shall pay bonus payouts which are no less than the following:

| Hand-Type | Table I |
|---|---|
| Straight Flush | 40 to 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 30 to 1 |
| Straight | 6 to 1 |
| Flush | 3 to 1 |
| Pair | 1 to 1 |

V. A player placing an Ante Wager and a Play Wager shall be paid a bonus, regardless of whether the player's hand outranks the dealer's hand, if the player's hand consists of the following:

| | |
|---|---|
| Straight Flush | 5 to 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 4 to 1 |
| Straight | 1 to 1 |

VI. If the casino chooses to offer the Six Card Bonus Wager, the casino shall pay out winning Six Card Bonus Wagers at the amounts contained in the following pay table:

| Hand | |
|---|---|
| 6-Card Royal – | $100,000 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Diamonds | |
| 6-Card Royal – Hearts | $100,000 |
| 6-Card Royal – Spades | $100,000 |
| 6-Card Royal - Clubs | $100,000 |
| 5-Card Royal Flush | 1000 to 1 |
| 5-Card Straight Flush | 200 to 1 |
| Four of a Kind | 50 to 1 |
| Full House | 20 to 1 |
| 5-Card Flush | 15 to 1 |
| 5-Card Straight | 10 to 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 5 to 1 |

**13. Irregularities**

I. A card dealt in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.

II. If a player or the dealer is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.

III. If one or more of the dealer's cards is inadvertently exposed prior to the dealer revealing his cards as prescribed in section 10.III Procedures for completion of each round of play, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.

IV. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be reshuffled.

V. If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal all cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and reshuffled with any cards already dealt.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Ante Wager – An initial wager required to be made prior to any cards being dealt in order to participate in the round of play.
B. Blind Wager – An initial wager required to be made prior to any cards being dealt in order to participate in the round of play.
C. Burn – To remove the top or next card from the deck and place it face down in the discard rack without revealing it to anyone.
D. Check – Waiving the right to place a Play Wager but remaining in the round of play.
E. Community card – Any of the five cards dealt face up in the center of the table, all of which may be used by each player and the dealer together with the player's or dealer's own two cards to form the best possible five-card poker hand.
F. Flop – The first three community cards dealt face up in the area designated for the placement of the community cards.
G. Fold – The withdrawal of a player from a round of play by not making a Play Wager.
H. Hand – Five-cards formed from any combination of the five community cards and the two cards dealt to a player or the dealer.
I. Play Wager – A wager made after two cards have been dealt to each player and the dealer, and before the dealer reveals his two cards.
J. Rank or ranking – The relative position of a card or group of cards as set forth in section 5 Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker hand rankings.
K. Round of play or round – One complete cycle of play during which all players playing at the table have been dealt cards, have wagered or folded, and have had their wagers paid or collected in accordance with the rules of this chapter.
L. Trips Wager – An optional wager that a player may make prior to any cards being dealt, that the player's best five-card hand will be a three-of-a-kind or better.

**2. Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table; physical characteristics**

I. Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker shall be played on a table having positions for six players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side.

II. The layout for an Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table may contain the following items:

A. The name or logo of the casino.

B. Four separate designated betting areas at each player position for the placement of Ante, Blind, Play and Trips Wagers, configured with the Trips Wager area closest to the dealer, the Play Wager area farthest from the dealer, the Ante Wager area arrayed between the Trips Wager area and the Play Wager area, and the Blind Wager area to the right of the Ante Wager area and separated from the Ante Wager area by an "=" symbol.

C. A separate designated area for the placement of the five community cards, located in the center of the table between the table inventory container and the player betting areas.

D. A separate designated area for the placement of the dealer's two cards, located between the table inventory container and the designated area for the five community cards.

E. An inscription indicating that an Ante Wager must tie if the dealer has less than a pair.

F. Except as permitted under subsection III, an inscription at each player position describing the following:

1. The payout odds for Blind and Trips Wagers.

2. A Blind Wager may not be paid unless the player's hand ranks higher than the dealer's hand.

3. The rules governing the required amount of a Play Wager as a multiple of the player's Ante Wager.

III. If the information required under subsection II is not inscribed on the layout, a sign may be posted at the Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table that sets forth the required information.

IV. Each Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the table as, but on opposite sides of, the dealer.

V. Each Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

VI. **Cards; number of decks**

VII. Except as provided in subsection VIII, the game of Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker shall be played with one deck of 52 cards and 2 additional cover cards.

VIII. If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino may use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection VII.

B. The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being dealt or used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continually alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, a manual shuffle procedure will be used.

E. The cards from only one deck shall be placed in the discard rack at any given time.

IX. The decks of cards used in Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker shall be changed at least:

A. Every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. Every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**3. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving the cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, they shall be shuffled in accordance with section 4 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

III. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under section 2.VI Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**4. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the beginning of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that they are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or

device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack, provided, however, that nothing in this section prohibits the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.

II. If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 52 cards are present is being used, and it reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be ran through the shuffling device one more time to re-verify. If it continues to indicate cards are missing, a supervisor will visually inspect the deck to determine if the cards are missing.

III. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall do the following:

   A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal or deliver the cards in accordance with section 7 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand, or section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

   B. If the cards were shuffled manually, cut the cards in accordance with subsection IV.

IV. If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:

   A. Cut the deck, using one hand, by:

      1. Placing a cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

      2. Taking a stack of at least ten cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

      3. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on the cover card.

   B. Deal the cards in accordance with the procedures in section 7 or 8.

V. Notwithstanding subsection IV, after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VI. Whenever there is no gaming activity at an Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table that is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until such time

that a player arrives, at which point the dealer will put the cards in the automatic shuffle machine to begin play.

**5. Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker hand rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, must be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or a straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5.

II. The permissible five-card poker hands at the game of Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, must be:

A. A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with king, queen, jack, 10 and 9 being the highest ranking straight flush and ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the lowest ranking straight flush.

C. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four 2's being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

D. A full house, which is a hand consisting of a three-of-a-kind and a pair, with three aces and two kings being the highest ranking full house and three 2's and two 3's being the lowest ranking full house.

E. A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order, with ace, king, queen, jack and 9 being the highest ranking flush and 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 being the lowest ranking flush.

F. A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of more than one suit and of consecutive rank, with an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 being the highest ranking straight and an ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the lowest ranking straight; provided however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, queen, king, ace, two and three).

G. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

H. Two pairs, which is a hand consisting of two pairs, with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pair and two 3's and two 2's being the lowest ranking two pair.

I. One pair, which is a hand consisting of two cards of the same rank, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

III. When comparing two hands which are of identical poker rank under subsection II, or which contain none of the hands in subsection II, the hand that contains the highest ranking card under subsection I, which is not contained in the other hand shall be considered the higher ranking hand. If the hands are of identical rank after the application of this subsection, the hands shall be considered a tie.

**6. Wagers**

I. Wagers at Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker shall be made by placing value chips or gaming plaques on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout. A verbal wager accompanied by cash may not be accepted.

II. Ante, Blind and Trips Wagers shall be placed prior to the cards being dealt in accordance with the dealing procedure section 7 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. Except as provided in section 9 Procedures for completion of each round of play; collection and payment of wagers, no wager shall be made, increased, or withdrawn after the dealer has dealt the first card.

III. To participate in a round of play, a player shall be required to make both an Ante Wager and a Blind Wager. The amounts of the Ante Wager and the Blind Wager must be the same.

IV. A player may also place a Trips Wager by placing a wager on the Trips Wager betting area of the layout. The outcome of the Trips Wager shall have no bearing on any other wager made by the player at the game of Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker.

V. Play Wagers shall be made in accordance with section 9.

VI. Only players who are seated at the Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table may place a wager at the game. Once a player has placed a wager and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play.

VII. A player may not simultaneously play and wager on more than one player position at an Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker table.

**7. Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 4 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in the left hand.

1. The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout.

II. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to his left who has placed an Ante and Blind Wager and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal the cards as follows:

A. One card face down to each player.

B. One card face down to the area designated for the dealer's hand.

C. A second card face down to each player.

D. A second card face down to the area designated for the dealer's hand.

III. After two cards have been dealt to each player and to the area designated for the hand of the dealer, all community cards will be dealt in accordance with section 9 Procedures for completion of each round of play; collection and payment of wagers, the dealer shall, except as provided in subsection IV, place the stub in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player or the dealer has an incorrect number of cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the

deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**8. Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed.

A. After the procedures required under section 4 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

II. The dealer shall deal the first stack of two cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to his left who has placed an Ante and Blind Wager. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deliver a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed an Ante and Blind Wager. The dealer shall then deliver a stack of two cards face down to the area designated for the dealer's hand.

III. After each stack of two cards has been dispensed and delivered in accordance with this section, the dealer shall remove the remaining cards from the automated dealing shoe and, following the procedures in section 7.I.A and 7.I.B Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand, deal from his hand the five community cards in accordance with section 9Procedures for completion of each round of play; collection and payment of wagers. After all community cards have been dealt, the dealer shall, except as provided in subsection IV, place the stub in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player or the dealer has an incorrect number of cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**9. Procedures for completion of each round of play; collection and payment of wagers**

I. After the dealing procedures required under section 7 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe have been completed, each player shall examine his cards without exposing them to any other person and replace the cards face down on the layout. The dealer shall then, starting with the player

farthest to his left and proceeding in a clockwise manner around the table, ask each player if the player wishes to place a Play Wager prior to the dealing of the Flop. The player may either check or place a Play Wager in an amount equal to three or four times the amount of the player's Ante Wager.

A. If a player places a Play Wager, the wager shall be placed in the designated Play Wager betting area.

B. If a player checks, the player shall remain in the game and defer his decision to place a Play Wager to the next betting opportunity.

II. Once all players have either placed a Play Wager or checked, the dealer shall burn the next card. The dealer shall then deal the Flop face up to the designated area for the community cards.

III. After the Flop has been dealt, the dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to his left and proceeding in a clockwise manner around the table, ask each player who has not placed a Play Wager if he wishes to place a Play Wager prior to the dealing of the final two community cards. The player may either check or place a Play Wager in an amount equal to two times the amount of the player's Ante Wager.

A. If a player places a Play Wager, the wager shall be placed in the designated Play Wager betting area.

B. If a player checks, the player shall remain in the game and defer his decision to place a Play Wager to the next betting opportunity.

IV. Once all players have either placed a Play Wager or checked, the dealer shall burn the next card. The dealer shall then deal the next two cards in the deck face up to the designated area for the community cards.

V. After the final two community cards have been dealt, the dealer shall, place the stub in the discard rack without exposing cards and, starting with the player farthest to his left and proceeding in a clockwise manner around the table, ask each player who has not yet placed a Play Wager whether he wishes to fold or place a Play Wager equal in amount to his Ante Wager.

A. If a player places a Play Wager, the wager shall be placed in the designated Play Wager betting area.

B. If a player folds, the Ante and Blind Wagers of the player shall be collected by the dealer and placed in the table inventory container.

1. If the player has also placed a Trips Wager, the dealer shall place the cards of the player face down underneath the player's Trips Wager pending its resolution at the conclusion of the round of play.

2. If the player has not placed a Trips Wager, the dealer shall immediately spread the cards of the folded hand face down and then place them in the discard rack.

VI. After each player has either folded or placed a Play Wager, the dealer shall then turn his two cards face up, position the combination of his cards and either three, four or five of the community cards that can be used to form the best possible five-card hand and announce the dealer's hand to the players.

VII. If the dealer's best possible five-card hand is lower than a pair, the dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's right who has placed a Play Wager and proceeding in a counterclockwise manner around the table, return each player's Ante Wager and resolve all other wagers in accordance with subsection VIII.

VIII. If the dealer's best possible five-card hand is a pair or above, the dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's right who has placed a Play Wager and proceeding in a counterclockwise manner around the table, turn the two cards of each player who has placed a Play Wager face up and announce the best possible five-card poker hand that can be formed using the player's two cards and the five community cards. The wagers of each player shall be resolved one player at a time regardless of outcome. After all wagers placed by a player are settled, the player's cards shall then be immediately collected by the dealer and placed in the discard rack.

A. If the player's five-card hand is ranked lower than the dealer's five-card hand, the player shall lose and the dealer shall immediately collect the Ante, Blind and Play Wagers made by the player and place the wagers in the table inventory container.

B. If the player's five-card hand is ranked higher than the dealer's five-card hand, the player shall win and the dealer shall pay the Ante, Blind and Play Wagers made by the player in accordance with the payout odds in section 10 Payout odds; provided, however, that the Blind Wager may not be paid unless the player's winning hand has a rank of straight or higher.

C. If the player's five-card hand and the dealer's five-card hand are of equal rank, the hand shall be a tie. In this case, the dealer may not collect or pay the player's Ante, Blind or Play Wagers.

D. After settling a player's Ante, Blind and Play Wagers, the dealer shall settle any Trips Wager made by the player by determining whether the player's five-card hand qualifies for a payout in accordance with section 10.IV. A winning Trips Wager shall be paid without regard to the outcome of any other wager made by the player.

1. All cards collected by the dealer shall be picked up in order and placed in the discard rack in a way that the cards can be readily arranged to reconstruct each hand in the event of a question or dispute.

**10. Payout odds**

I. The payout odds for winning wagers at Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker printed on any sign or in any brochure or other publication distributed by the casino shall be stated through the use of the word "to" and odds may not be stated through the use of the word "for".

II. The casino shall pay each winning Ante and Play Wager at odds of 1 to 1.

III. If a player's five-card hand ranks higher than the dealer's five-card hand, the casino shall pay the player's Blind Wager in accordance with the following odds:

| Player's Five Card Hand | Payout |
|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 500 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 50 to 1 |
| Four-of-a-Kind | 10 to 1 |
| Full House | 3 to 1 |
| Flush | 3 to 2 |
| Straight | 1 to 1 |
| Less than a Straight returns the | n/a |

| | |
|---|---|
| players Blind Wager | |

IV. The casino shall pay each winning Trips Wager at the game of Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker at the odds from one of the following pay tables):

| Hand | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 50 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 40 to 1 |
| Four-of-a-Kind | 30 to 1 |
| Full House | 8 to 1 |
| Flush | 7 to 1 |
| Straight | 4 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-kind | 3 to 1 |

V. Notwithstanding the payout odds in subsections II, III and IV, the aggregate payout limit on all winning Ante, Play, Blind and Trips Wagers for any hand may not exceed $50,000 or the maximum amount that one patron could win per round when betting the minimum wager, whichever is greater.

**11. Irregularities**

I. If any card dealt to the dealer in Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em Poker is exposed prior to each player having either folded or placed a Play Wager as provided for under section 9 Procedures for completion of each round of play; collection and payment of wagers, all hands shall be void and all Ante, Blind and Play wagers shall be returned to the players. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a player has placed a Trips Wager, the community cards shall be dealt and each Trips Wager shall be settled in accordance with the payout odds in section 10.IV Payout odds.

II. A card drawn in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.

III. If a player or the dealer is dealt an incorrect number of cards, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be re-shuffled.

IV. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be re-shuffled.

V. If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and reshuffled with any cards already dealt.

**12. <u>Multi-link progressive option for Ultimate Texas Hold'em</u>**

**1. Wagers**

I. If the casino offers a progressive wager, after placing all wagers required by the game, a player may also place a progressive wager on whether the player will be dealt a progressive payout hand.

II. A progressive wager shall be made in the amount of $1, by placing a gaming chip into the progressive wagering device designated for that player.

III. Each player shall be responsible for verifying that the player's respective progressive wager has been accepted.

IV. A progressive wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the round of play has begun.

**2. Progressive Jackpot**

I. All progressive pays are based on five card poker hands. The odds of winning the top prize with a Royal Flush are the same across all games.

II. The casino may elect to have a Multi-Linked Progressive Jackpot for Ultimate Texas Hold'em.

III. If the casino offers Ultimate Texas Hold'em, the game is played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use the first two cards they are initially dealt along with the first three cards (also known as the flop) that the dealer reveals as community cards to form a five card hand. These five cards will be used to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

**3. Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression**

I. Should a player be eligible for a winning progressive payout, the casino shall pay the following odds on all payouts:

| Hand | Pays | Envy |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 100% | $1,000 |
| Straight Flush | 10% | $300 |
| Four of a Kind | $300 | N/A |
| Full House | $50 | N/A |
| Flush | $40 | N/A |
| Straight | $30 | N/A |
| Three of a Kind | $9 | N/A |

II. Players making a progressive wager shall receive an Envy Bonus when another player at the same table is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand.

III. The rate of progression for the progressive meter used for the progressive payouts shall be at least 21%; with the exception that if a secondary jackpot is offered, the combined rate of progression for both the primary and the secondary jackpots shall be at least 21%. The initial and reset amount must also be at least $10,000.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Community card – A card which is initially dealt face down to a designated area in front of the table inventory container and which is used by all players to form a five-card poker hand.

B. Hand – The five-card poker hand formed for each player by combining the three cards dealt to the player and the two community cards.

C. Round of play – One complete cycle of play during which all wagers have been placed, all cards have been dealt and all remaining wagers have been paid off or collected in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

D. Third Street – A community card that the players use to complete their 5 card poker hand; the first card the dealer exposes.

E. Fourth Street – A community card that the players use to complete their 5 card poker hand; the second card the dealer exposes.

F. Fifth Street – A community card that the players use to complete their 5 card poker hand; the third card the dealer exposes.

G. Burn Card – A card placed in the discard rack by a dealer between each round of play.

**2. Mississippi Stud Poker table physical characteristics**

I. Mississippi Stud Poker shall be played on a table having betting positions for no more than seven players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side which may include the following information:

A. The name or logo of the casino holder.

B. Four separate designated betting areas at each betting position for the placement of wagers in accordance with section 7 Wagers.

C. A separate designated area at each betting position for the placement of the cards of each player.

D. A separate designated area located directly in front of the table inventory container for the placement of the community cards.

E. The payout odds for all authorized wagers.

F. The inscription indicating the payout limit per hand established by the casino under section 12 Payout odds; payout limitation or a generic inscription indicating the game is subject to the posted payout limit.

II. Each Mississippi Stud Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the table as the dealer.

III. Each Mississippi Stud Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Except as provided in subsection II, Mississippi Stud Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and one additional cover card to be used in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino shall be permitted to use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, a manual shuffle procedure will be used.

E. The cards from only one deck are placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards used in Mississippi Stud Poker may be changed:

A. At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, they shall be shuffled in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

III. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under section 3.II Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, verified, spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or automated card shuffling device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing herein prohibits the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.

II. If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 52 cards are present is being used, and it reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be ran through the shuffling device one more time to re-verify. If it continues to indicate cards are missing, a supervisor will visually inspect the deck to determine if the cards are missing.

III. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:

A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal the cards in accordance with section 9 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 10 Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

B. If the cards were shuffled manually or were pre-shuffled, cut the cards in accordance with the procedures in subsection IV.

IV. If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:

A. Cut the deck, using one hand, by:

1. Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

2. Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

3. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on top of the cover card.

V. Deal the cards in accordance with section 9 or 10.

VI. Notwithstanding subsection IV, after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VII. Whenever there is no gaming activity at a Mississippi Stud Poker table which is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until such time that a player arrives, at which point the procedures in section 4.II, Opening of the table for gaming shall be completed.

**6. Mississippi Stud Poker rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in Mississippi Stud Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5. All suits shall be considered equal in rank.

II. The permissible poker hands at the game of Mississippi Stud Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand, other than a royal flush, consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with king, queen, jack, 10 and 9 being the highest ranking straight flush and ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the lowest straight flush.

C. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four 2's being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

D. A full house, which is a hand consisting of three-of-a-kind and a pair, with three aces and two kings being the highest ranking full house and three 2's and two 3's being the lowest ranking full house.

E. A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order, with ace, king, queen, jack and 9 being the highest ranking flush and 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 being the lowest ranking flush.

F. A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank, with an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 being the highest ranking straight and an ace, 2, 3, 4 and 5 being the lowest ranking straight; provided, however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, queen, king, ace, 2, 3).

G. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

H. A two pair, which is a hand consisting of two pairs, with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pair and two 3's and two 2's being the lowest ranking two pair.

I. A pair, which is a hand containing two cards of the same rank, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

**7. Wagers**

I. All wagers at Mississippi Stud Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout. A verbal wager accompanied by cash may not be accepted.

II. Only players who are seated at a Mississippi Stud Poker table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed his wagers and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of play, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.

III. At the beginning of each round of play, each player shall be required to place one wager to receive cards. The wager shall be identified as Ante Bet.

IV. Ante wagers shall be placed in accordance with the dealing procedures in section 9 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 10 Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. Except for 3rd, 4th and 5th street wagers, a wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt. All 3rd, 4th and 5th street wagers shall be placed in accordance to section 11 Procedures for completion of each round of play.

V. A player may not be permitted to simultaneously play and wager on more than one player position.

**8. Three Card Bonus Wager**

I. The casino may offer to each player at a Mississippi Stud table the option to make an additional Three Card Bonus Wager that the three community cards will have a rank of pair or better.

II. If the Three Card Bonus Wager is offered, each player who has placed the three wagers required under 7 Wagers may make an additional Three Card Bonus Wager by placing a wager on the approved wagering area designated for that wager prior to the cards being dealt.

III. All winning Three Card Bonus Wagers shall be paid in accordance with the payout table in section 12 Payout odds; payout limitation.

A. A Three Card Bonus Wager shall be independent of any other wager made by a player at the game of Mississippi Stud.

**9. Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in the left hand.

1. The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. Unless specified in the rules of the game, no wagers may be altered once the first card of the round has been dealt.

II. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's left and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal the cards as follows:

A. One card face down to each player who has placed an ante wager in accordance with section 7 Wagers followed by a second card face down to each player who has placed an ante wager.

III. After two cards have been dealt to each player, the dealer will offer players the opportunity to bet 1, 2 or 3 times their initial ante wager on Third Street. If a player elects not to place a wager, all monies will be forfeited and that patrons cards will be collected by the dealer.

IV. Once all active players have made their decisions on Third Street, the dealer will deal the next card face down and place it in the discard rack as a burn card. The dealer then produces the next card out of the shoe and exposes it to the players as the first community card.

V. Procedures will follow for Fourth Street and Fifth Street as listed in subsections III and IV.

VI. If a player or the area designed for the placement of the community cards has more or less than three or two cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**10. Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

II. The dealer shall first deliver a stack of three cards face down to the area designated for the placement of the community cards. The dealer shall then deliver the stack of two cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to his left who has placed an Ante wager in accordance with section 7 Wagers. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deliver a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed an ante wager in accordance with section 7.

III. After two cards have been dealt to each player, the dealer will offer players the opportunity to bet 1, 2 or 3 times their initial ante wager on Third Street. If a player elects not to place a wager, all monies will be forfeited and that patrons cards will be collected by the dealer.

IV. Once all active players have made their decisions on Third Street, the dealer will spread the stack of three cards within the designated area so that the top card is to the dealer's right, the middle card is directly in front of the dealer, and the bottom card is to the dealer's left. The dealer will then expose the appropriate community card, based on the betting round.

V. Procedures will follow for Fourth Street and Fifth Street as listed in subsections III and IV.

VI. If a player or the area designed for the placement of the dealer's hand has more or less than three or two cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**11. Procedures for completion of each round of play**

I. After the dealing procedures required under section 9 Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand or section 10 Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe have been completed, each player shall examine his cards, subject to the following limitations:

A. Each player who wagers at Mississippi Stud Poker shall be responsible for his own hand and no person other than the dealer may touch the cards of that player.

B. Each player shall be required to keep his two cards in full view of the dealer at all times.

C. A player may not touch the cards after the last betting round has been completed. The player's cards shall be placed face down on the appropriate area of the layout.

II. After each player has examined his cards, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's left and moving clockwise around the table, ask each player if he wishes to wager on Third Street or fold:

   A. If a player chooses to bet on Third Street, that bet shall be 1, 2 or 3 times the initial ante wager and be placed on the appropriate betting area of the layout until the end of the round of play.

   B. If a player chooses to fold, the dealer shall immediately place all monies in the table inventory rack and collect the player's cards.

III. After each player has made a decision regarding Third Street, the dealer shall then turn the community card that is to the dealer's left face up. The exposed card shall become the first community card.

IV. After the first community card is exposed, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's left and moving clockwise around the table, ask each player if he wishes to wager on Fourth Street or fold. This decision shall be made by each player regardless of the decision made concerning Third Street.

   A. If a player chooses to bet on Fourth Street, that bet shall be 1, 2 or 3 times the initial ante wager and be placed on the appropriate betting area of the layout until the end of the round of play.

   B. If a player chooses to fold, the dealer shall immediately place all monies in the table inventory rack and collect the player's cards.

V. After each player has made a decision regarding Fourth Street, the dealer shall then turn the next card face up.

VI. After the second community card is exposed, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's left and moving clockwise around the table, ask each player if he wishes to wager on Fifth Street or fold. This decision shall be made by each player regardless of the decision made concerning Fourth Street.

   A. If a player chooses to bet on Fifth Street, that bet shall be 1, 2 or 3 times the initial ante wager and be placed on the appropriate betting area of the layout until the end of the round of play.

B. If a player chooses to fold, the dealer shall immediately place all monies in the table inventory rack and collect the player's cards.

VII. After the third community card is exposed, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's right and moving counter-clockwise around the table:

A. The dealer shall turn the two cards of the player face up. The three community cards and the two cards dealt to the player shall form the five-card poker hand of that player.

B. The dealer shall examine the cards of the player to determine if the player's hand qualifies for a payout under section 12 Payout odds; payout limitation. A Mississippi Stud Poker wager under section 7 Wagers on a hand which has a rank that is lower than a pair of sixes shall be a losing wager.

C. The dealer shall then settle all wagers of that player. All losing wagers by the player shall be immediately collected by the dealer and placed in the table inventory container, and all winning wagers shall be paid in accordance with the payout odds in section 12.

D. The dealer shall discard the player's cards by placing them in the discard rack.

VIII. The dealer will repeat the steps listed in subsection VII for each player with an active bet until all bets have been settled and all cards have been collected by the dealer and placed in the discard rack. The dealer's cards will be discarded last.

**12. Payout odds; payout limitation**

I. The payout odds for winning wagers at Mississippi Stud Poker printed on the table layout or in any brochure or other publication distributed by the casino may be stated through the use of the word "to" and no odds shall be stated through the use of the word "for".

II. Subject to the payout limitation in subsection III, the casino shall pay off each winning wager at the game of Mississippi Stud Poker under section 7 Wagers at the odds specified which shall be no less than the following odds:

| Player's Five Card Hand | Payout |
|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 500 to 1 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Straight Flush | 100 to 1 |
| Four-of-a-Kind | 40 to 1 |
| Full House | 10 to 1 |
| Flush | 6 to 1 |
| Straight | 4 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-Kind | 3 to 1 |
| Two Pair | 2 to 1 |
| Pair of J's or Better | 1 to 1 |
| Pair of 6's thru 10's | PUSH |

III. The casino shall pay off each winning Three Card Bonus Wager which shall be no less than the odds in one of the alternative pay tables:

| Hand Type | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Straight Flush | 40 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-kind | 30 to 1 |
| Straight | 6 to 1 |
| Flush | 3 to 1 |
| Pair | 1 to 1 |

IV. Notwithstanding the minimum payout odds required in subsection II, the casino may establish a maximum amount that is payable to a player on a single hand. The maximum amount shall be at least $50,000 or the maximum amount that one patron could win per round when betting the

minimum permissible wager, whichever is greater. If the established maximum payout limit is not included on the layout, the casino shall provide notice of the maximum payout limit by posting the maximum payout limit on a sign at the Mississippi Stud table.

**13. Irregularities**

I. A card dealt in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.

II. If any player or the area designated for the placement of the community cards is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be re-shuffled.

III. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be re-shuffled.

IV. If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal all cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and reshuffled with any cards already dealt.

**14. <u>Multi-link progressive option for Mississippi Stud</u>**

**1. Wagers**

I. If the casino offers a progressive wager, after placing all wagers required by the game, a player may also place a progressive wager on whether the player will be dealt a progressive payout hand.

II. A progressive wager shall be made in the amount of $1, by placing a gaming chip into the progressive wagering device designated for that player.

III. Each player shall be responsible for verifying that the player's respective progressive wager has been accepted.

IV. A progressive wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the round of play has begun.

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**2. Progressive Jackpot**

I. All progressive pays are based on five card poker hands. The odds of winning the top prize with a Royal Flush are the same across all games.

II. The casino may elect to have a Multi-Linked Progressive Jackpot for Mississippi Stud.

III. If the casino offers Mississippi Stud, the game is played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use the cards they are initially dealt along with the dealer community cards to form a five card hand, used to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

**3. Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression**

I. Should a player be eligible for a winning progressive payout, the casino shall pay the following odds on all payouts:

| Hand | Pays | Envy |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 100% | $1,000 |
| Straight Flush | 10% | $300 |
| Four of a Kind | $300 | N/A |
| Full House | $50 | N/A |
| Flush | $40 | N/A |
| Straight | $30 | N/A |
| Three of a Kind | $9 | N/A |

II. Players making a progressive wager shall receive an Envy Bonus when another player at the same table is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand.

III. The rate of progression for the progressive meter used for the progressive payouts shall be at least 21%; with the exception that if a secondary jackpot is offered, the combined rate of progression for both the primary and the secondary jackpots shall be at least 21%. The initial and reset amount must also be at least $10,000.

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# Section K – Poker

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**1. Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Action- This signifies a player's right to act on his hand; check, bet or fold.

All-in- A player who has no funds remaining on the Poker table to continue betting in a round of play but who still retains the right to contend for that portion of the pot in which the player has already placed a bet.

Ante- A mandatory wager players may be required to place prior to any cards being dealt.

Bet- An action by which a player places gaming chips or gaming plaques into the pot on any betting round.

Betting round- A complete wagering cycle in a hand of Poker after all players have acted; bet, checked, called or folded.

Blind Bet- A mandatory wager players may be required to place prior to any cards being dealt.

Boxed Card- A card that is incorrectly face up in the deck.

Burn card- A card taken from the top of a deck which is discarded face down, which is not in play and the identity of which remains unknown.

Button- An object which is moved clockwise around the table to determine the betting and dealing sequence.

Call- A wager made in an amount equal to the immediately preceding wager.

Check- A player who waives the right to initiate the betting in a betting round but retains the right to place a bet if another player initiates the betting.

Community card- A card which is dealt face upward and which can be used by all players to form their best hand.

Dead Money- Chips in the pot that are no longer live bets.

Draw- In any game of Draw Poker, an exchange by a player of cards held in his hand for an equal number of new cards from the deck.

Fixed Limit- A game of poker with set betting limits for each betting round.

Fold- The withdrawal of a player from a round of play by refusing to equal a wager during a betting round and discarding his hand.

Forced Bet- A wager which is required to start the wagering on the first betting round in Seven-Card or Five-card Stud Poker.

Fouled hand- A hand that either has an improper number of cards or has come into contact with other cards in such a way as to render it impossible to determine accurately which cards are contained in the hand.

High- A game of Poker in which the highest ranking hand in accordance with standard poker hand rankings wins the pot.

Hole-card- Any card dealt to a player face down.

Kill pot- A requirement in certain games of poker in which the limits will be increased if certain criteria are met. Most commonly in a single pot game (all high or low) a player winning two pots consecutively will constitute a "kill". Most commonly in split pot games one player winning the entire pot qualifies a kill. There may also be a pot size qualifier to determine whether a kill is required.

Lowball- A game of Poker in which the inverse of standard poker ranking are used, lower hand rankings are stronger value and preferred. These games are primarily played either "Ace to Five" or Deuce to Seven". .

Muck- The discard pile is referred to as the "muck". Muck may be used as a verb meaning to fold a hand as well.

No Limit- A form of "big bet" poker that allows players to bet their entire table stake during a betting round.

Opening bet- The first bet in a round of play.

Pot- The amount which is awarded to the winning player or players at the conclusion of a round of play and is equal to the total amount anted or bet by the players during the round of play, less any rake and promotional funds if applicable

Pot Limit- A form of "big bet" poker that allows players a maximum bet that equates to the current pot size during a betting round.

Protected hand- A hand of cards which the player is physically holding or has placed under a card protector.

Raise- A bet in an amount greater than the immediately preceding bet in that betting round.

Rake- The amount of gaming chips, gaming plaques or currency collected by the dealer as Poker revenue.

Round of play- For any game of Poker, the cycle of play during which cards are dealt, bets are placed and the winner of the pot is determined and paid in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

Set Up- Two complete decks of cards that have contrasting colored backs. .

Showdown- The action of revealing the hands of each player in order to determine who shall win the pot after all betting rounds have been completed.

Side pot- A separate pot formed when one or more players are All-in.

Stub- The remainder of the deck that is unused during the course of a round of play.

Straddle Bet- One optional live straddle is allowed. The player who posts the straddle has last action for the first round of betting and is allowed to raise. To straddle, a player must be on the immediate left of the big blind, and will post an amount twice the size of the big blind. A straddle may be rounded up to the next highest chip in play for certain games.

Table stakes- A player's currency, gaming chips and gaming plaques on the table that are available to place a wager during a round of play.

Up-card- In a game of Stud Poker, any card dealt to a player face up.

8 or Better (high-low split) - A form of Poker in which players contend for both the high and the low hands, the pot will be split accordingly. Most commonly the low hand has an "8" qualifier which requires for the low hand to be comprised of a five card poker hand of values 8 and lower that are unpaired.

**2. Poker Supervision**

The poker room will be under the general control of the Poker Manager and the direct oversight of at least one Poker Supervisor. Poker Supervisors will be solely dedicated to supervising poker room personnel and all activities within the poker room when the poker room is opened for operation. A Poker Supervisor may operate a poker room bank, if so authorized in the internal controls system.

**3. Poker Revenue**

I. Horseshoe will derive its poker revenue at all poker tables by extracting a commission known as the "rake".

II. Revenue is generated from live poker tables by the house taking a percentage rake of each pot or requiring a time rake. Rake will be taken in dollar increments.

III. The percentage rake will be calculated on all bets including forced bets, blind bets and dead money except as noted below:

   A. The rake percentage will not be exceeded at any point.

   B. An uncalled bet is not considered as part of the pot when calculating the rake.

   C. Once a player has been awarded the pot and taken it in, no additional rake may be taken from it.

   D. If one player is remaining prior to the completion of the first betting round and wins by default, no rake will be taken.

IV. The percentage rake will be 10%-20% with a $6 maximum amount that will be posted at each game.

V. The rake is collected incrementally after each round of cards is dealt.

VI. The rake is placed on top of the drop slot during the hand. After the pot is awarded, the rake will be dropped into the drop slot box.

VII. Time rake assessments will be imposed on a "per-player" basis. When taken on a "per-player" basis, inactive players seated at the table will also be assessed.

VIII. Time charges will be assessed fractionally every thirty minutes at $8 per player.

IX. Time charges once assessed will be placed by the Dealer into the designated rake area and dropped into the drop slot box.

X. A sign describing the type and amount of rake to be collected will be posted at each poker game.

A. The standard rake reduction will be $4 with five or six players and $2 with four players or less.
B. Time rake games will have a reduced time charge of $5 per thirty minutes with five players or less.
C. Games that are specified to play shorthanded will not follow the same reduced rake policies.

XI. For promotions one additional dollar will be taken out from pots of $10 or more and dropped in a separate box. Every promotion dollar collected will go directly into the poker promotional fund. The money will be counted and verified separately from the normal poker table rake. The pot will never be rounded up when calculating the promotional dollar drop.

**4. Poker Promotional Funds**

I. The poker promotional money procedures will be as follows:

A. The Poker Room will conduct promotions that will be funded by money taken directly off the Poker tables. The money will be taken in a set amount during play. This amount will be no more or less than $1 and will be taken when the pot reaches $10 and will be taken only once during any given hand. The amount to be taken out of each pot will be posted on the table plaques. Not all Poker games will participate in these promotions and therefore these games will not take the promotional money off the table.

B. One hundred percent of all money taken to be part of the promotional money will be used for promotions and for no other use and will be returned to the poker patrons in the form of cash, cash equivalent payouts or tournament giveaways. The Poker tables will be equipped with a drop box that will be used for the promotional money. At the end of each gaming day the promotional money drop box will be taken to the count room and counted pursuant to the approved procedures. The total of this promotional money will be added to a "Poker Promotional Money Account" on a daily basis. This money will be assessed on a monthly basis. Money not used within the month will be reserved for future promotions to be used within twelve months of the month collected.

C. The promotions that this money will be funding will be submitted under separate cover to the OCCC. Each promotion may vary even though it is funded by the same money. Examples of some Poker Promotions are listed below:

1. Bad Beat- When a very strong poker hand is beaten by a stronger poker hand. The qualifiers and amount of the Bad Beat will be posted in the room along with Bad Beat rules.

2. High Card Promotions- Randomly drawn tables will participate and the players will all receive a card. The player with the highest ranking card will be the winner, multiple players may win during this promotion depending on the prizes and rules. High card prizes may be cash, casino chips and tournament giveaways as advertised.

3. High Hand Promotions- Qualifying poker hands may win cash, casino chips, entries into drawings and tournament giveaways as advertised.

4. Tournament Added Money, Tournament Buy-ins and Guarantees- Poker tournaments and tournament series may have money, tournament seats and guarantees added as advertised. These prizes will be distributed to qualifying player(s) per individual tournament promotions. In the case a tournament buy-in is awarded, a voucher will be given to the customer at the time of winning. This voucher will be redeemed in lieu of a cash buy-in by the customer by means of standard registration processes. The monies needed to fulfill this buy-in will be withdrawn from the Poker Promotional Fund during the tournament reconciliation process after tournament registration closes. Any additional prizes associated with tournament buy-ins such as travel or hotel expenses will be awarded in cash or casino chips.

5. Splash Pots- Randomly drawn tables will participate and the drawn table(s) will have cash, casino chips or tournament giveaways added to the next hand dealt. The winner of that hand will receive prizes in addition to the pot.

6. Freeroll Tournaments- Tournaments may be run for qualifying players in which there is no player buy-in and the prize pool is funded by the Poker Promotional Funds as advertised.

7. Hot Seat/Table Promotions- Random seats/tables may be drawn and players occupying these seats/tables will be eligible for cash, casino chips or tournament giveaways as advertised.

8. Additional Poker Promotions may be introduced to Poker patrons with OCCC approval.

D. Promotions will be posted and advertised in the Poker Room. This ensures that regular players have sufficient time to be informed on how they are able to participate in the Poker related promotions.

E. The total will be added to the promotional fund (General Ledger Account) to distribute to the players in different promotions.

**5. Payment of Taxable Poker Promotional Payouts**

I. Payment of Taxable Poker Promotional Payouts will include the following procedures and paperwork in conjunction with the federal Tax Withholding Matrix.:
   A. Disbursement of Funds (DOF) for total payout.
   B. Receipt of Funds (ROF) for state taxes withheld signed by player.
   C. W-9 signed by player.
   D. Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services database search for intercept.
   E. ROF and DOF signed with their gaming license numbers by cashier and poker employee to verify the transaction.
   F. The white copies of the ROF and DOF will stay with the cashier.
   G. Payment to the player in chips at the table.
   H. Poker Promotional Log signed by player to accept payment.
   I. The yellow copies of the ROF and DOF will be sent with the Poker Promotional Log to accounting with the daily Poker paperwork.

**6. Payment of Taxable Poker Tournament Payouts**

I. Payment of Taxable Poker Tournament Payouts will include the following procedures and paperwork in conjunction with the federal Tax Withholding Matrix:
   A. Disbursement of Funds (DOF) for the total payout.
   B. Receipt of Funds (ROF) for state taxes withheld signed by player.
   C. W-9 signed by player.
   D. Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services database search for an intercept.
   E. W2-G entered in CMS.
   F. ROF and DOF signed with their gaming license numbers by poker employee and cage cashier to verify the transaction.
   G. The white copies of the ROF and DOF will stay with the cashier.

H. Payment to the player in chips at the table.
I. Poker Promotional Log signed by player to accept payment.
J. The player will receive their copy of the W2-G.
K. ROF and DOF yellow copies, remaining copies of W2-G, and Poker Promotional Log to accounting with the daily Poker paperwork.

**7. Poker Tips and Gratuities**

I. Poker Dealers may be allowed to keep their own tips that are not pooled. Poker Dealer tips or gratuities are deposited in a designated payroll bank account. Distributions to Poker Dealers are made following normal payroll accounting practices, and are subject to all applicable state and federal withholding taxes.

II. Poker Clerk tips will be placed in a pool for pro rata distribution among the Poker Clerks on a basis that coincides with the normal bi-weekly period, with distribution based upon the number of hours each Poker Clerk has worked. Poker Clerk gratuities may also be allocated and distributed as outlined in the Toke Bylaws and as defined by Horseshoe Cincinnati company policy. Tips or gratuities from the pool are deposited in a designated payroll bank account. Distributions to Poker Clerks from this pool are made following normal payroll accounting practices, and are subject to all applicable state and federal withholding taxes.

**8. Poker Table Physical Characteristics**

I. Poker shall be played on a table which is oval in shape and which has places for maximum of ten players and a dealer.

II. The layout for a Poker table may contain a designated holding area for the collection of the rake prior to dropping rake in the drop box.

III. Decks of cards used for the play of Poker shall be kept on the Poker table; this area may be part of the table inventory container.

IV. Poker tables may have two drop boxes affixed; one for the rake and one for the promotional fund drop.

V. Poker tables may have tip boxes attached.

**9. Table Inventories and Transactions**

I. Live Poker table inventories consist of gaming chips, currency and tokens limited to amounts necessary for efficient gaming operations as determined by the Poker Supervisor or above.

II. Gaming chips, currency and tokens are added or removed from the table inventory only by the following:

A. In exchange with patrons for gaming chips or tokens of equal aggregate value;

B. Through fill or credit procedures; or

C. Even Exchanges.

III. Table inventories are maintained on the gaming tables in trays that are permanently affixed to the poker tables with locking tray covers.

IV. Poker table imprest amounts will be a minimum of three hundred ($300.00) dollars and a maximum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

V. Closed poker tables will have locked clear tray covers along with a Poker Table Inventory Form.

VI. Issuance of fills to poker tables will follow procedures stated above.

VII. Issuance of credits to poker tables will follow procedures stated above.

VIII. Even exchanges will be facilitated by the poker staff for the purpose of replenishing chips for the poker table imprestment and the poker patrons and may be done in the following manner:

A. The Poker Dealer or patron will notify a member of the poker staff that chips (even exchange) are needed;

B. A member of the poker staff will initiate the even exchange by verifying the amount of cash and/or chips to be exchanged;

C. The employee will place a sign(s) on the table of equal value for the exchange;

D. The employee will transport the money and/or chips to the poker booth, run by the cashiering department, and exchange the amount requested;

E. The employee will transport the amount exchanged to the appropriate table/patron;

F. Once the even exchange has been verified by both parties the sign(s) will be collected by the employee and the transaction is complete.

IX. Even exchanges and poker room banks within the poker room will not require a security presence.

X. Patrons may exchange cash and/or chips for chips only by means of an even exchange or poker room bank. Patrons will receive cash for chips by means of standard cash out procedures at the poker booth.

XI. When a poker table is opened, a Poker Dealer will count the poker table bank inventory, and the accuracy of the count will be verified by a Poker Supervisor and attested to by their signatures on a Poker Table Inventory Form. The count will be recorded and reconciled when the Poker table is closed.

XII. When a poker table is not open for play for seven consecutive gaming days, the poker table inventory will be counted and verified by either two Poker Supervisors or a Poker Supervisor and a Poker Dealer. A Poker Supervisor will prepare a new Poker Table Inventory Form and place the previous inventory form in the table drop box.

**10. Cards; Number of Decks**

I. Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and one additional cover card. Two decks of cards may be maintained for use at each Poker table, referred to as a set up. Each deck maintained at the Poker table must have contrasting back colors. While one deck is in use, the other deck shall be stored in a designated area that is part of the table tray, unless an automated card shuffling device is being used. Poker cards will be maintained in these two deck set ups whether the set ups are usable or replacement set ups. At minimum the used set ups in the Poker Room will be replaced with new ones every 30 days using the guidelines below:

A. Surveillance will be notified prior to new set ups being transported to the Poker Room with a Security escort.
B. Surveillance will be notified as to the table(s) that all new set ups will be checked and verified. This will be executed at a closed poker table(s) in the Poker Room.
C. Poker Supervisors and Poker Dealers will check that all cards are present and suitable for game play.
D. Surveillance will be notified at the conclusion of all new cards being checked, distributed and checked into the podium pit and notified when used set ups are being transported out of the Poker Room.

II. Each deck of cards maintained at the Poker table may be rotated in and out of play. All decks opened for use on a Poker table shall be changed at the discretion of the Poker Supervisor or above. All poker tables will have a set up changed using a different set up from the podium pit or another poker table a minimum of once per week.

III. If an automated card shuffling device is being used:

A. One deck may be shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being dealt or used to play the game.
B. Both decks may be continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the shuffler is not done before the previous hand is over, the dealer may hand shuffle the deck previous used for the next round of play.

IV. Damaged and defective cards in the Poker room will be replaced with an entire new set-up. Surveillance will be notified if damages or defects are suspected to have been intentionally made during game play as a result of foul play.

**11. Opening a Poker Table for Gaming**

I. Prior to the commencement of play the Dealer will inspect the set up to identify any defects before the cards are in use. The Dealer will also verify the table inventory.

II. The set up inspection and the table inventory verification will be overseen by a Poker Supervisor or above.

III. The cards may be spread out on the table for visual inspection by the first players to be seated at the table if no players were present for the initial set up inspection.

IV. Each deck shall be separately turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by washing the cards, followed by the approved shuffling procedures.

V. If an automated card shuffling device is not being used, the casino may elect to wash, shuffle and cut only the deck intended for immediate use and place the other deck in a secure location. Upon rotation of the decks of cards, the other deck shall be washed, shuffled and cut in accordance with the requirements in this section.

VI. If an automated card shuffling device is being used, both decks will be individually washed and one will be placed in the shuffling device while the other deck is hand shuffled.

**12. Shuffle Procedures**

I. A standard shuffle is performed to ensure a consistent, random mix of cards.

II. The shuffle will consist of the Dealer cutting the deck approximately in half, squaring the deck and riffling:

A. The deck will be riffled twice as described above;
B. The deck will then be “stripped”;
C. One more riffle is then performed;
D. The final cut will be performed onto a cut card by placing the top half (approximate) of the deck on the cut card, followed by completing the cut with the bottom half (approximate) of the deck being placed on top. This cut will be made with one hand and two distinct motions.

III. Since the Dealer will shuffle the deck every hand, it will not be necessary to call “shuffle” before shuffling the cards.

IV. If there is no gaming activity at an open Poker table, cards may be spread on the table.

**13. Poker Overview; General Dealing Procedures for all Types of Poker**

I. Poker shall be conducted in a separate and distinct area designated specifically for the operation of Poker.

II. Poker shall be played by a minimum of two players and up to a maximum of ten players depending on the game type. Poker shall be dealt by a Poker Dealer at a Poker table. For all types of permissible Poker games set forth in this chapter, the dealer shall not participate in the playing or outcome of the game in any way except as otherwise authorized in this chapter.

III. A player shall wager on the cards that the player holds in his hand. All bets by a player shall be placed by the dealer in the designated area of the table known as the pot. A player may be required to Ante or place a Blind Bet prior to the receipt of any cards. After each round of cards is dealt, a betting round shall be conducted. Each player shall decide whether to continue contending for the pot by checking, betting, calling or raising the bet of the other players.

IV. The object of Poker shall be for a player to win the pot either by making a bet that no other player elects to call or by having the best ranking Poker hand at the Showdown.

V. The following procedures shall be utilized by the dealer when dealing the game of Poker:

A. The dealer shall choose the hand in which he will hold the cards. Once the dealer has chosen a hand, the dealer must use that hand whenever holding the cards. The cards held by the dealer shall, at all times, be held in front of the dealer, as level as possible and over the Poker table. If during a round of play, the deck must be set down to handle a transaction, the dealer shall place a marker button on top of the deck until the transaction has been completed.

B. The dealer shall control the action which is occurring at the Poker table with regard to the game at hand.

C. All burn cards required may be kept separate from the muck.

D. The dealer may be required to count the stub at the conclusion of a hand to verify that 52 cards are in play. This isn't necessary when automatic shuffle machines are used due to the fact that the cards are counted and verified by the machine every hand.

E. At the completion of a round of play, the dealer shall award the pot to the winning player(s) after a showdown or to the last remaining player if all other players have folded. Prior to pushing the pot to the winner and collecting the winning hand, the dealer shall collect all rake and promotional money if applicable.

F. All side pots will be awarded individually prior to awarding the main pot and each pot may have different players winning contingent on the players eligible for each pot.

**14. Minimum and Maximum Wagers**

I. Minimum and maximum bet limits may be posted on a sign at all games. The amount of the blind(s) and forced bets may be posted on the table limit signs.

II. Blinds will range from $1.00 to $20,000.00.

III. Table limits will be changed at the discretion of the Poker Supervisor or above.

**15. Wagers; Overview**

I. A player may only participate in the wagering during a round of play with the table stakes which were already on the Poker table when the round of play commenced.

   A. A player may only add to his table stakes between rounds of play and may not remove any of his table stakes from the Poker table during a round of play. An exception would be if a player tips an insignificant amount of his table stakes during a round of play.

   B. Currency which is available for use by a player in accordance with the requirements of this section may be utilized to initiate, call or raise a bet if the currency is expeditiously converted into gaming chips or gaming plaques by a member of the Poker staff.

   C. In order to participate in a round of play, a player shall be required to have an amount of gaming chips, gaming plaques or currency available on the Poker table prior to the start of the round of play. Minimum and maximum amounts may be required at the discretion of the Horseshoe.

   D. A player who satisfies the table stake requirements but who depletes his funds on the Poker table prior to the completion of a round of play shall be deemed to be All-in.

      1. An All-in player shall retain financial interest in the outcome of the round of play, but shall only be eligible to win the amount of the pot to which he contributed.

      2. An All-in player shall continue to receive any cards to which he would normally be entitled.

      3. Betting shall continue unimpeded among the other players by generating a separate side pot which only those players shall be eligible to win.

II. A verbal statement of fold, check, call, raise or a specific size bet shall be binding on an active player.

III. If there is a discrepancy between a player's verbal statement and the amount put into the pot, the bet will be corrected to the initial action.

IV. A player must not be permitted to make a bet and thereafter attempt to increase the amount of the bet unless the player clearly states the intention before acting. This is known as a "String Bet".

V. Subject to the posted table wagering limits, a player who announces "raise" may continue to bet gaming chips or gaming plaques if an amount is mentioned. If an amount is not stated, one betting motion after the called amount is put into the pot can be used to make a raise.

VI. It shall be the dealer's responsibility to ensure that no player touches any of the gaming chips or gaming plaques once the gaming chips or gaming plaques are placed into the pot.

VII. When facing a bet or blind, placing a single oversized chip in the pot is a call if a raise isn't first verbally declared. To raise with an oversized chip, raise must be declared before the chip hits the table surface. If raise is declared, but no amount, the raise is the maximum allowable for that chip. When not facing a bet, placing an oversized chip in the pot without declaration is a bet of the maximum for the chip.

VIII. Player's cards will act as a betting line; chips cut/released in front of cards will be treated as a bet. It is the player's responsibility to be clear on their intentions before releasing chips in front of their cards and into the pot. Players will be allowed sufficient work space for cutting chips and other elements may be assessed if clarification is needed. Forward motion and the manner chips are released may be taken into account and result in no bet or other binding action even though chips were/weren't released in front of their cards.

IX. A wager is not binding until the chips are actually released into the pot, unless the player has made a verbal statement of action. However, a forward motion into the pot with chips in hand may result in a player being forced to leave in the minimum amount allowable at that juncture at the Floor Supervisors discretion especially if the forward motion elicits a response by other players in the pot.

**16. General Operating Rules for all Types of Poker; Handling of Irregularities**

I. Players must protect their hands at all times, protecting a hand not only means the physical cards but also their interest in the pot. A Player who fails to protect their hand may have no recourse if the hand is fouled.

II. In all disputes in which a ruling, interpretation, clarification or intervention is required, the decision of the Poker Supervisor shall be final.

III. Each player shall be required to keep all cards dealt to the player in full view of the dealer at all times. The dealer shall ensure compliance with this requirement.

IV. To win any part of a pot, a player must show all of his cards face up on the table if contested at the showdown. One player having the only live hand isn't required to show their cards to claim the pot.

V. Misdeals shall cause all the cards to be returned to the dealer for a reshuffle. The following circumstances may cause a misdeal, provided attention is called to the error before substantial action occurs. Once there is substantial action, a misdeal cannot be called. The deal will be played to conclusion, and no money will be returned to any player whose hand is fouled:

A. Failure to shuffle and cut the cards in accordance with approved procedures.

B. The first or second card of the hand has been dealt face up or exposed through dealer error.

C. Two or more cards have been exposed by the dealer.

D. Two or more boxed cards are found on the initial deal.

E. Two or more extra cards have been dealt in the starting hands of the game.

F. An incorrect number of cards have been dealt to a player, except the top card may be dealt if it goes to the player in proper sequence.

G. Any card has been dealt out of the proper sequence, except an exposed card may be replaced by the burn card.

H. The button was out of position.

I. The first card was dealt to the wrong position.

J. A player has been dealt out who is entitled to a hand. This player must be present at the table or have posted a blind or ante.

VI. If one or more cards are mistakenly dealt to an ineligible player, the cards dealt to that player may be discarded and the round of play may continue.

VII. If a stub count at the completion of a round of play reveals an incorrect number of cards, the deck shall be removed from the table before the next hand is dealt.

VIII. If at any time during a round of play, additional cards or duplicated cards are discovered in play, the round of play shall be voided, all gaming chips and gaming plaques in the pot shall be returned to the appropriate player and the deck shall be replaced. If a foreign card is discovered in the stub, but will not appear in any hand or on the board and substantial action has taken place, all action stands.

IX. A player who knows the deck is defective has an obligation to point this out. If such a player instead tries to win a pot by taking aggressive action, the player may lose the right to a refund.

X. A boxed card is a card discovered face up in the deck and will not be used in the current game. A boxed card will be replaced by the next card below it in the deck, except when the next card has already been dealt facedown to another player and mixed in with other down-cards. In that case, the card that was face up in the deck will be replaced after all other cards are dealt for that round. The boxed card will be mucked.

XI. Verbal statements which are clearly audible by and directed to the dealer may have precedence over actions and gestures and are considered binding on the player whose turn it is to act.

XII. A player shall be deemed to have a dead hand or have folded if:

A. Physically folds or announces “fold” when facing a bet or a raise.

B. Makes a forward folding motion or statement causing another player to act, even if not facing a bet.

C. In stud, when facing a bet, picking up-cards off the table, turning up-cards facedown, or mixing up-cards and down-cards together.

D. The hand does not contain the proper number of cards for that particular game, except at stud a hand missing the final card may be ruled live, and in draw games a hand with too few cards before the draw is live.

E. Acting on a hand with a foreign card as a hole-card. A player who acts on a hand without looking at a card assumes the liability of finding an improper card.

F. Cards dropping on the floor or leaving the clear view of the playing surface.

G. Having the clock called when facing a bet or raise and exceeding the specified time limit.

XIII. Cards thrown into the muck may be ruled dead. However, a hand that is clearly identifiable may be retrieved and ruled live at management’s discretion if doing so is in the best interest of the game. We will make an extra effort to rule a hand retrievable if it was folded as a result of dealer error or incorrect information given to the player.

XIV. A hand may be killed if substantial action has occurred behind a player and the player hasn’t taken sufficient measures to stop the action, therefore gaining information not entitled out of turn.

XV. If a player is obligated to place a wager as a Blind Bet, Forced Bet or by virtue of a verbal statement, throwing away his cards does not relieve the player of that obligation.

XVI. In Seven-card Stud, if a player's first or second hole card is accidentally turned face up in the dealing process, the third card shall be dealt face down. If both hole cards are accidentally turned face up, the dealer shall collect the two cards, call the player's hand void and return the player's Ante, if applicable. If a player's third hole card is accidentally turned face up in the dealing process, the player shall be afforded the option to either:

A. End his obligation to make additional wagers and contend only for that part of the pot formed prior to any additional wagering.

B. Continue to contend for the entire pot.

XVII. In Five-card Stud, if a player's hole card is accidentally turned face up in the dealing process, the second card shall be dealt face down.

XVIII. If a card is accidentally dealt off the table, it shall not be used in that round of play and shall be placed in the muck after an examination by the dealer.

XIX. In the games of Hold 'em and Omaha, if any of the cards that are required to be dealt face down to a player are accidentally dealt face up, the dealer shall exchange the exposed card with a card from the top of the deck after the last player receives their last card. The exposed card will be used as the burn card for the subsequent round.

XX. In Draw games if any of the cards that are required to be dealt face down to a player are accidentally dealt face up, the dealer shall exchange the exposed card with a card from the top of the deck after the last player receives their last card. The exposed card will be used as the burn card for the subsequent round. An exception would be in forms of Lowball when the exposed card is of a rank that is part of the best possible hand for the game, in this case the card must be kept by the player.

XXI. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be reshuffled.

XXII. Substantial action is defined as:

A. Any two actions in turn, at least one of which must involve putting chips into the pot.

B. Any combination of three actions in turn.

C. Dealer action counts in regards to substantial action.

D. Substantial action may vary from the above definition in certain circumstances, such as heads up play.

**17. Types of Permissible Poker Games**

I. The casino may offer the following types of Poker games:

A. Seven-card Stud (High, 8 or Better and Razz)
B. Hold 'em
C. Omaha (High, 8 or Better and Big O)
D. Five-card Draw (High, 8 or Better and Lowball).
E. Five-card Stud

**18. Poker Hand Rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in all types of Poker other than Lowball Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three and two. All suits shall be considered equal in rank in regards to a completed hand value. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or a straight formed with a two, three, four and five.

II. The permissible High Poker hands in Poker games that result in a full five-card hand, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and ten of the same suit.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with king, queen, jack, ten and nine being the highest ranking straight flush and ace, two, three, four and five being the lowest ranking straight flush.

C. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand containing four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four twos being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

D. A full house, which is a hand consisting of a three-of-a-kind and a pair, with three aces and two kings being the highest ranking full house and three twos and two threes being the lowest ranking full house.

E. A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit; with ace, queen, jack, ten and nine being the highest ranking flush, and seven, five, four, three and two being the lowest ranking flush.

F. A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank and multiple suits, with an ace, king, queen, jack and ten being the highest ranking straight and an ace, two, three, four and five being the lowest ranking straight; provided, however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a straight (for example, queen, king, ace, two, three).

G. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand containing three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three twos being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

H. Two pairs, which is a hand containing two pairs, with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pairs and two threes and two twos being the lowest ranking two pairs.

I. One pair, which is a hand containing two cards of the same rank, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two twos being the lowest ranking pair.

III. The rank of the cards used in Ace to Five Lowball Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of best to worst rank, shall be: ace, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, jack, queen and king. All suits shall be considered equal in rank except for the purposes of splitting uneven pots and determining forced bets in stud games when applicable. Straights and flushes shall not be considered for purposes of determining a winning hand for Ace to Five Lowball. The best ranked hand is five, four, three, two and ace and is called the wheel.

IV. The rank of the cards used in Deuce to Seven Lowball Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of best to worst rank, shall be: two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, jack, queen, king and ace. All suits shall be considered equal in rank. Straights and flushes are considered for purposes of determining a winning hand for Deuce to Seven Lowball, these are undesirable hands. The best ranked hand is seven, five, four, three and two and is also called the wheel.

V. When comparing multiple hands which are of identical ranking, the pot will be divided equally among the players with tied hands.

VI. In all games of Poker, a hand shall be ranked according to the cards actually contained therein and not by the player's opinion or statement of its value.

**19. Poker Taxable Payouts – Intercept Withholding**

I. When a player wins a taxable Poker payout, the identifying information collected from the player will be used to search the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services database of persons currently in arrears on court-ordered support

payments. If the player is found to be in default, a portion of the player's winnings (specified by the database) will be withheld up to the remaining funds after all applicable taxes have been withheld.

A. Poker winnings become taxable when a Poker Promotional payout exceeds $599 or when a Poker tournament payout exceeds $5,000 net the tournament buy-in.
B. The Poker employee performing the Intercept database search will enter the players first and last name into the system along with the player's social security number and the payout amount.

II. When an intercept withholding has been detected, the Poker employee will print out a copy of the "Jackpot Worksheet" and a copy of the "Prize Winners Receipt" from the intercept system.

A. During the event of an intercept withholding, two employee signatures are required on the jackpot worksheet form. The signed form will be attached to the white copy of the "Disbursement of Funds" (DOF) form that goes to the cage.
B. During an intercept withholding, the player will be given copies of the form W2-G, the "Prize Winners Receipt", and any funds due when the intercepted value is deducted.

III. When there is no intercept withholding, the Poker employee will only print out a copy of the jackpot worksheet. No prize winner's receipt will be generated.

A. The jackpot worksheet form will be attached to the white copy of the disbursement of funds form that goes to the cage.

IV. When an intercept inquiry has not been completed, the Poker employee processing the jackpot will log the reason for the no inquiry.

A. Player is not a US citizen and does not own a SSN.
B. System is down.
    1. When system is down and not operable, the employee will also notify the Thistledown Racino Lottery Investigator on Duty.

V. Cancelling claims

A. On occasion, a claim may need to be cancelled.
B. The employee processing the cancelled claim will enter the players first and last name into the intercept system along with the player's social security number and the prize amount.

C. The claim sequence number and the reason for the cancellation are also required.
D. All cancelled claims will be logged.

MULTI-LINKED PROGRESSIVE JACKPOTS

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Envy Bonus – An additional fixed sum payout made to a player who placed a Progressive Payout Wager when another player at a table where the multi-link progressive is offered, is the holder of an Envy Bonus qualifying hand.

B. Envy Bonus qualifying hand – A Poker hand with a rank of Straight Flush or higher at a table where the multi-link progressive is offered.

C. Progressive payout hand – A Royal Flush; Straight Flush; Four-of-a-Kind, Full House, Flush, Straight, or Three-of-a-Kind.

**2. Multi-Link Progressive table physical characteristics**

I. A table offering the multi-link progressive may include the following characteristics in addition to any other characteristics as required by each game's rules:

A. A separate betting area for each player designated for the placement of the progressive wager.

B. Inscriptions that advise patrons of the payout odds or amounts for the progressive wager. If payout odds are not inscribed on the layout a sign identifying the payout odds for all authorized wagers shall be posted at each table where the multi-link progressive wager is offered.

C. A progressive table game system for the placement of progressive wagers. The progressive table game system must include:

1. A wagering device at each betting position that acknowledges or accepts the placement of the progressive wager.

2. A device that controls or monitors the placement of progressive wagers at the gaming table, including a mechanism, such as a lock-out button, that prevents the recognition of any progressive wager that a player attempts to place after the round of play has begun.

**3. Wagers**

I. If the casino offers a progressive wager, after placing all wagers required by the game, a player may also place a progressive wager on whether the player will be dealt a progressive payout hand.

II. A progressive wager shall be made in the amount of $1, by placing a gaming chip into the progressive wagering device designated for that player.

III. Each player shall be responsible for verifying that the player's respective progressive wager has been accepted.

IV. A progressive wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the round of play has begun.

**4. Procedures for handling progressive wagers**

I. Prior to dealing any cards, the dealer shall use the progressive table game system to prevent the placement of any additional progressive wagers. The dealer shall then collect any progressive wagers and, on the layout in front of the table inventory container, verify that the number of gaming chips wagered equals the number of progressive wagers accepted by the progressive table game system. The dealer shall then place the gaming chips into the table inventory container.

**5. Progressive Jackpot**

I. All progressive pays are based on five card poker hands. The odds of winning the top prize with a Royal Flush are the same across all games.

II. The casino may elect to have a Multi-Linked Progressive Jackpot for the following tables:

A. Let It Ride

B. Mississippi Stud

C. Ultimate Texas Hold'em

D. Texas Hold'em Bonus Poker

E. Four Card Poker

F. Crazy Four Poker

III. If the casino offers games such as Let It Ride and Mississippi Stud, the games are played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use the cards they are initially dealt along with the dealer community cards to form a five card hand, used to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

IV. If the casino offers games such as Ultimate Texas Hold'em and Texas Hold'em Bonus, the games are played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use the player's two hole cards plus the first three community cards (also known as the flop) to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

V. If the casino offers games such as Four Card Poker and Crazy Four, the game is played exactly the same as outlined in its specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts, players will need to use all five of the cards they were initially dealt to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

**6. Progressive Payout**

I. A winning progressive wager shall be paid in accordance with the payout table in section 7 Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression prior to the collection of the winning player's cards by the dealer.

II. A winning player shall receive the payout for only the highest ranking hand formed from the player's winning progressive payout hand.

III. A winning progressive wager shall be paid irrespective of, and have no bearing on any other wagers made by the player, with the exception that if a player decides not to remain in competition with the dealer and fold his/her hand, the player shall forfeit the progressive wager but shall not forfeit the eligibility to receive an Envy Bonus under section 7.II Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression.

IV. Prior to making a payout for a progressive wager, the dealer shall:

A. Verify that the hand is a winning hand.

B. Verify that the appropriate light on the progressive table game system has been illuminated.

C. If the winning hand is a Straight Flush or a Royal Flush,

1. Have a Table Games Supervisor or above and a member of the casino's surveillance department verify the progressive.

2. Sort the remaining cards by suit and sequence on the table to verify the deck.

**7. Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression**

I. Should a player be eligible for a winning progressive payout, the casino shall pay the following odds on all payouts:

| Hand | Pays | Envy |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 100% | $1,000 |
| Straight Flush | 10% | $300 |
| Four of a Kind | $300 | N/A |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Full House | $50 | N/A |
| Flush | $40 | N/A |
| Straight | $30 | N/A |
| Three of a Kind | $9 | N/A |

II. Players making a progressive wager in accordance with section 3.II Wagers shall receive an Envy Bonus, as listed in subsection I, when another player at the same table is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand.

   A. Players are entitled to multiple Envy Bonuses if more than one other player is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand; provided, however, that a player is not entitled to an Envy Bonus for his own hand or the hand of the dealer.

III. The rate of progression for the progressive meter used for the progressive payouts in subsection I shall be at least 21%; with the exception that if a secondary jackpot is offered, the combined rate of progression for both the primary and the secondary jackpots shall be at least 21%. The initial and reset amount must also be at least $10,000.

IV. Winning progressive payout hands shall be paid in accordance with the amount on the meter, when it is the player's turn to be paid in accordance with section 6 Progressive Payout.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

A. Ante Wager – A mandatory wager, equal in amount to the Super Bonus wager that a player has to make prior to any cards being dealt.

B. Queens Up Wager – An optional wager a player may make prior to any cards being dealt to compete against a posted pay table, regardless of the outcome of the player's hand against the dealer.

C. Super Bonus Wager – A mandatory wager, equal in amount to the Ante wager that a player has to make prior to any cards being dealt.

D. Hand – The best Crazy Four Poker hand that can be formed by each player and the dealer from the cards they are dealt.

E. Play Wager – An additional wager that a player is required to make if the player opts to remain in competition against the dealer.

F. Round of play – One complete cycle of play during which all wagers have been placed, all cards have been dealt and all remaining wagers have been settled in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

**2. Crazy Four Poker table physical characteristics**

I. Crazy Four Poker shall be played on a table having betting positions for no more than six players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side which may include the following characteristics:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. Four separate betting areas designated for the placement of Ante, Play, Super Bonus and Queens Up wagers for each player. The Super Bonus betting area must be located to the right of the Ante Wager betting area and be separated by an ''='' symbol.

C. An inscription identifying the payout odds for all authorized wagers. If payout odds are not inscribed on the layout a sign identifying the payout odds for all authorized wagers shall be posted at each Crazy Four Poker table.

D. Inscriptions on the layout or a table sign that advise patrons of the following:

1. The best four-card hand plays.
2. The dealer qualifies with a king or better.
3. A player who has a pair of aces or better may place a Play Wager in an amount up to three times the player's Ante Wager.
4. The player's Super Bonus Wager shall be returned if the player beats or ties the dealer with a hand that is not a straight or better.

II. Each Crazy Four Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the table as, but on opposite sides of the dealer.

III. Each Crazy Four Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

I. Except as provided in subsection II, Crazy Four Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and one additional cover card to be used in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

II. If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino may use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:

A. Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection I.

B. The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.

C. One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.

D. Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play. In the event the automated card shuffling device malfunctions, a manual shuffle procedure will be used.

E. The cards from only one deck are placed in the discard rack at any given time.

III. The decks of cards used in Crazy Four Poker may be changed:

A. At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

B. At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

I. After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the front and back of the cards for any defects.

II. The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, the cards shall be shuffled in accordance with section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards.

III. If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under section 3 Cards; number of decks, each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, verified, spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

I. Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or automated card shuffling device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.

II. If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 52 cards are present is being used, and it reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be ran through the shuffling device one more time to re-verify. If it continues to indicate cards are missing, a supervisor will visually inspect the deck to determine if the cards are missing.

III. After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:

A. If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal the cards in accordance with section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand, and section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe.

B. If the cards were shuffled manually, cut the cards in accordance with the procedures in subsection IV.

IV. If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:

A. Cut the deck, using one hand, by:

1. Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

2. Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

3. Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on the cover card.

B. Deal the cards in accordance with section 8 or 9.

V. Notwithstanding subsection IV, after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a floor person or above may require the cards to be re-cut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

VI. Whenever there is no gaming activity at a Crazy Four Poker table that is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table either face up or face down until such time that a player arrives, at which point the dealer will put the cards in the automatic shuffle machine to begin play.

**6. Crazy Four Poker rankings**

I. The rank of the cards used in Crazy Four Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. All suits shall be considered equal in rank. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or a straight with a 2, 3 and 4.

II. The permissible poker hands in the game of Crazy Four Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

A. A four-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank, with four aces being the highest ranking four-of-a-kind and four 2's being the lowest ranking four-of-a-kind.

B. A straight flush, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking, with an ace, king, queen and jack being the highest ranking straight flush and a 4, 3, 2 and ace being the lowest ranking straight flush.

C. A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank, with three aces being the highest ranking three-of-a-kind and three 2's being the lowest ranking three-of-a-kind.

D. A flush, which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same suit, regardless of rank.

E. A straight, which is a hand consisting of four cards of more than one suit and of consecutive rank, with ace, king, queen and jack being the highest ranking straight and 4, 3, 2 and ace being the lowest ranking straight; provided however, that an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, king, ace, 2 and 3).

F. A two pair, which is a hand consisting of two pairs with two aces and two kings being the highest ranking two pair and two 3's and two 2's being the lowest ranking two pair.

G. A pair, which is a hand consisting of two cards of the same rank, regardless of suit, with two aces being the highest ranking pair and two 2's being the lowest ranking pair.

III. When comparing two hands that are of equal rank under subsection II, or that contain none of the hands listed in subsection II, the hand that contains the highest ranking card under subsection I that is not contained in the other hand shall be considered the higher ranking hand. If the hands are of equal rank after the application of this section, the hands shall be considered a tie.

**7. Wagers**

I. The following wagers may be placed in the game of Crazy Four Poker:

A. A player may compete solely against the dealer by placing an Ante Wager and a Super Bonus wager in equal amounts, within the minimum and maximum wagers posted at the table, and then placing a Play Wager in accordance to section 10.IV.

B. In addition to the Ante and Super Bonus Wagers, a player may compete against a posted pay table by placing a Queens Up wager.

C. A player may compete against both the dealer and the posted payout table by placing wagers in accordance with the requirements in paragraphs A and B.

II. All wagers at Crazy Four Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout. A verbal wager accompanied by cash shall not be accepted.

III. Only players who are seated at a Crazy Four Poker table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed a wager and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of play, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.

IV. Ante, Super Bonus and Queens Up wagers shall be placed prior to cards being dealt, in accordance with the dealing procedures in section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe. Except for Play Wagers, a wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the first card has been dealt. All Play Wagers shall be placed in accordance with section 10 Play Wagers; Procedures for completion of each round of play.

V. A player may not be permitted to simultaneously play and wager on more than one player position.

**8. Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand**

I. If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in the left hand.

1. The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

B. The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the left hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck.

II. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's left and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal one card at a time to each player who has placed the required wagers under section 7.IV Wagers, and to the dealer until each player and the dealer have five cards. All cards shall be dealt face down.

III. After five cards have been dealt to each player and to the dealer, the dealer shall place the stub in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player or the dealer has more or less than five cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**9. Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

I. If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:

A. After the procedures required under section 5 Shuffle and cut of the cards have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

II. The dealer shall deal the first stack of cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to the dealer's left who has placed a wager in accordance to section 7.IV Wagers. As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deal a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed wager in accordance to section 7.IV Wagers. The dealer shall then deal a stack of five cards face down to himself.

III. After each stack of five cards has been dispensed and delivered in accordance with subsection 7.II, the dealer shall remove the stub from the automated dealing shoe and place the cards in the discard rack without exposing the cards.

IV. If a player or the dealer has more or less than five cards, but 52 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the number of cards in the

deck is more or less than 52 cards, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

**10. Play Wagers; Procedures for completion of each round of play**

I. After the dealing procedures required under section 8 Procedures for dealing the cards from the hand or section 9 Procedures for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe have been completed, each player shall examine his cards.

II. Each player who wagers at Crazy Four Poker shall be responsible for his own hand and no person other than the dealer and the player to whom the cards were dealt may touch the cards of that player.

III. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the left of the dealer and continuing clockwise around the table, offer each player who has placed an Ante and Super Bonus wagers the option to either forfeit his Ante and Super Bonus wagers and end his participation in the round of play or make a Play wager in an amount equal to the player's Ante wager. A player who has a pair of Aces or better may place a Play wager in an amount that is one, two or three times the amount of the player's Ante wager. If a player has placed an Ante, Super Bonus and a Queens Up wager but does not make a Play Wager, the player shall forfeit all three wagers.

IV. After each player who has placed the Ante and Super Bonus wagers has either placed a Play wager on the designated area of the layout or forfeited his wagers and hand, the dealer shall collect all forfeited wagers and associated cards and place the cards in the discard rack.

V. The dealer shall then reveal the dealer's cards and select the four cards that form the highest possible ranking hand. The dealer shall then, starting with the player farthest to the dealer's right and continuing counter-clockwise around the table, complete the following procedures for each player:

A. The dealer shall turn the five cards of each player face up on the layout and form the highest possible ranking four-card Poker hand for the player.

1. If the dealer's highest ranking four-card Poker hand is ranked lower than a king, the dealer shall return the player's Ante wager and pay out the Play and Super Bonus wagers made by the player in accordance with the payout odds in section 11.I and 11.II. The player's Super Bonus Wager shall be returned if the player's winning hand is not a straight or better.

2. If the dealer's highest ranking four-card Poker hand is a king or better, and the player's highest ranking four-card Poker hand is ranked:

   (a) Lower than the dealer's four-card Poker hand, the dealer shall immediately collect the Ante and Play Wagers made by the player but shall pay out the Super Bonus wager made by the player in accordance with the payout odds in section 11.I and 11.II.

   (b) Higher than the dealer's four-card Poker hand, the dealer shall pay the Ante, Play and Super Bonus wagers made by the player in accordance with the payout odds in section 11.I and 11.II. The player's Super Bonus wager will be returned if the player's winning hand is not a straight or better.

   (c) Is equal in rank to the dealer's four-card hand, the dealer shall return the Ante and Play wagers and pay out the Super Bonus wager in accordance with the payout odds in section 11.I and 11.II. The player's Super Bonus wager will be returned if the player's winning hand is not a straight or better.

3. After settling the player's Ante, Play and Super Bonus wagers, the dealer shall settle a Queens Up wager by determining whether the player's four-card Poker hand qualifies for a payout in accordance with section 11.III. A winning Queens Up wager shall be paid irrespective of whether the player's four-card Poker hand outranks the dealer's hand.

4. Each player's wagers will be settled before moving on to the next player.

B. After all wagers have been settled, the remaining cards shall be collected by the dealer and placed in the discard rack in such a way that the cards can be readily arranged to reconstruct each hand in the event of a question or dispute.

**11. Payout Odds**

I. The casino shall pay each winning Ante and Play Wagers at odds of 1 to 1.

II. The casino shall pay the player's Super Bonus Wager in accordance with the following odds:

| *Hand* | *Pay Table* |
|---|---|
| Four Aces | 200 to 1 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Four-of-a-Kind | 30 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 15 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-Kind | 2 to 1 |
| Flush | 3 to 2 |
| Straight | 1 to 1 |

*Supervisor approval is required for a winning hand of Four-of-a-Kind or above.

III. A player placing a Queens Up Wager shall be paid at the odds in one of the following pay tables:

| *Hand* | Payout Odds |
|---|---|
| Four-of-a-Kind | 50 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 30 to 1 |
| Three-of-a-Kind | 9 to 1 |
| Flush | 4 to 1 |
| Straight | 3 to 1 |
| Two Pair | 2 to 1 |
| Pair of Queens or better | 1 to 1 |

**12. Irregularities**

I. A card drawn in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.

II. If any player or the dealer is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be re-shuffled.

III. If one or more of the dealer's cards is inadvertently exposed prior to the dealer revealing his cards in accordance with section 10.V Play Wagers; Procedures for completion of each round of play, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be re-shuffled.

IV. If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be re-shuffled.

V. If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal all cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and re-shuffled with any cards already dealt.

## 13. Multi-link progressive option for Crazy Four Poker

### 1. Wagers

I. If the casino offers a progressive wager, after placing all wagers required by the game, a player may also place a progressive wager on whether the player will be dealt a progressive payout hand.

II. A progressive wager shall be made in the amount of $1, by placing a gaming chip into the progressive wagering device designated for that player.

III. Each player shall be responsible for verifying that the player's respective progressive wager has been accepted.

IV. A progressive wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the round of play has begun.

### 2. Progressive Jackpot

I. All progressive pays are based on five card poker hands. The odds of winning the top prize with a Royal Flush are the same across all games.

II. The casino may elect to have a Multi-Linked Progressive Jackpot for Crazy Four Poker.

III. If the casino offers Crazy Four Poker, the game is played exactly the same as outlined in their specific "Rules of the Game." In order to qualify for one of the progressive jackpot payouts,

players will need to use the five cards they are initially dealt to form a five card hand to determine if there is a winning progressive payout.

**3. Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; rate of progression**

I. Should a player be eligible for a winning progressive payout, the casino shall pay the following odds on all payouts:

| Hand | Pays | Envy |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 100% | $1,000 |
| Straight Flush | 10% | $300 |
| Four of a Kind | $300 | N/A |
| Full House | $50 | N/A |
| Flush | $40 | N/A |
| Straight | $30 | N/A |
| Three of a Kind | $9 | N/A |

II. Players making a progressive wager shall receive an Envy Bonus when another player at the same table is the holder of an Envy Bonus Qualifying hand.

III. The rate of progression for the progressive meter used for the progressive payouts shall be at least 21%; with the exception that if a secondary jackpot is offered, the combined rate of progression for both the primary and the secondary jackpots shall be at least 21%. The initial and reset amount must also be at least $10,000.

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**1. Definitions**

I. The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

II. Clapper – The item located on the frame of the wheel that will stop on an insignia to designate a winner.

III. Peg – The items located on the wheel that protrude from the wheel so that the clapper may stop on an insignia to designate a winner.

**2. Big Six table and wheel physical characteristics**

I. Big Six shall be played on a table having a place for the dealer on one side and on the opposite side, players may wager on a layout, which may include:

A. The name or logo of the casino offering the game.

B. Specific areas designated for the placement of wagers on the following insignias:

1. A one dollar ($1) bill;
2. A two dollar ($2) bill;
3. A five dollar ($5) bill;
4. A ten dollar ($10) bill;
5. A twenty dollar ($20) bill;
6. A joker;

C. The Big Six wheel shall meet the following requirements:

1. Be circular in shape.
2. Be no less than five (5) feet in diameter.
3. The rim shall be divided as follows into fifty-four (54) equally spaced sections covered with glass:

(a) Twenty-three (23) sections shall contain a one dollar ($1) bill or insignia;

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(b) Fifteen (15) sections shall contain a two dollar ($2) bill or insignia;

(c) Eight (8) sections shall contain a five dollar ($5) bill or insignia;

(d) Four (4) sections shall contain a ten dollar ($10) bill or insignia;

(e) Two (2) sections shall contain a twenty dollar ($20) bill or insignia;

(f) One (1) section shall contain the joker insignia, and;

II. Each Big Six table shall have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the gaming table as the dealer.

**3. Opening of a table for gaming**

I. The table games supervisor or above shall inspect the Big Six table and wheel for the following:

A. The wheel for any contrivance that would affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

B. The wheel to verify it is balanced and rotating freely and evenly.

C. All parts to ensure that they are secure and free from movement.

**4. Wagers**

I. The following wagers shall be permitted to be made by a player at the game of Big Six:

A. A wager on the one dollar ($1) insignia which shall:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the one dollar ($1) insignia.

2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the one dollar ($1) insignia.

B. A wager on the two dollar ($2) insignia which shall:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the two dollar ($2) insignia.

2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the two dollar ($2) insignia.

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C. A wager on the five dollar ($5) insignia which shall:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the five dollar ($5) insignia.
2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the five dollar ($5) insignia.

D. A wager on the ten dollar ($10) insignia which shall:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the ten dollar ($10) insignia.
2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the ten dollar ($10) insignia.

E. A wager on the twenty dollar ($20) insignia which shall:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the twenty dollar ($20) insignia.
2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the twenty dollar ($20) insignia.

F. A wager on the joker insignia which shall:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the joker insignia.
2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the joker insignia.

G. A wager on the logo or design insignia:

1. Win if the clapper stops on the logo or design insignia.
2. Lose if the clapper stops on an insignia other than the logo or design insignia.

II. Players are permitted to wager on as many insignias as the player desires.

III. Wagers at Big Six shall be made by placing gaming chips or plaques on the appropriate areas of the Big Six layout. A verbal wager, accompanied by cash may not be accepted, and all cash shall be converted to gaming chips or plaques for wagering.

IV. No wager at Big Six shall be made, increased or withdrawn after the wheel is spun.

**5. Procedure for dealing the Big Six**

I. All wagers must be placed before the wheel is spun.

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II. The wheel may be spun by the dealer in either direction.

III. The wheel must make three complete rotations, and must have the clapper come to rest on a single insignia to constitute a valid spin.

**6. Result of round; payment and collection of wagers**

I. The insignia that the clapper stops on is the winning insignia.

II. After the result of the round is determined, the dealer shall collect each losing wager. After the losing wagers are collected, the dealer shall pay each winning wager in accordance with *Section 8. Payout odds*.

**7. Payout odds**

I. Winning wagers shall be paid at the odds contained below:

| Pay Table | |
|---|---|
| One Dollar ($1) Insignia | 1 to 1 |
| Two Dollar ($2) Insignia | 2 to 1 |
| Five Dollar ($5) Insignia | 5 to 1 |
| Ten Dollar ($10) Insignia | 10 to 1 |
| Twenty Dollar ($20) Insignia | 20 to 1 |
| Joker Insignia | 40 to 1 |
| Approved Logo or Design Insignia | 40 to 1 |

**8. Irregularities**

I. If the clapper stops on a peg rather than a number, it is not a valid spin, and all wagers shall be considered void and returned to the players.

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II. If the wheel does not make at least three complete rotations, it is not a valid spin, and all wagers shall be considered void and returned to the players.

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**1. Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

Hand – Five cards that are dealt to the player in which a poker hand is made.

Wild – A card that may be used to represent any other card including suit that would be found within the deck.

Natural – A card that is used for its face value and suit.

Round of play - One complete cycle of play during which all wagers have been placed, all cards have been dealt and all remaining wagers have been paid off or collected in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

Ante – A wager that is placed before any cards are dealt. This wager is necessary for a player to receive a hand.

Blind – A wager that is placed before any cards are dealt. This wager amount must be equal to the amount wagered on the Ante and is also necessary for a player to receive a hand.

Play wager – A wager that is placed equal to 2x the players Ante wager.

Optional: Trips Wager – An optional wager based on the five-card poker hand formed by the player.

Optional: Two Way Bad Beat (TWBB) – An optional wager that may be offered by the casino based on the five-card poker hand formed by the player against the five-card poker hand formed by the dealer.

**2. DJ (Deuces Joker) Wild Stud Poker table physical characteristics**

(a) DJ Wild Stud Poker shall be played on a table having betting positions for no more than seven players on one side of the table and a place for the dealer on the opposite side which will include the following information:
   (1) The name and logo of the casino holder.
   (2) Up to Five separate designated betting areas at each betting position for the placement of wagers in accordance with § 7 (relating to wagers).

(3) A separate designated area at each betting position for the placement of the cards of each player.
(4) A separate designated area located directly in front of the table inventory container for the placement of the dealers cards.
(5) The payout odds for all authorized wagers.
(6) The inscription indicating the payout limit per hand established by the casino under § 11 (relating to payout odds; payout limitation) or a generic inscription indicating the game is subject to the posted payout limit.

(b) Each DJ Wild Stud Poker table must have a drop box and a tip box attached to it on the same side of the table as the dealer.

(c) Each DJ Wild Stud Poker table must have a discard rack securely attached to the top of the dealer's side of the table.

**3. Cards; number of decks**

(a) Except as provided in subsection(b), DJ Wild Stud Poker shall be played with one deck of cards with backs of the same color and design and one additional cover card to be used in accordance with § 5 (relating to shuffle and cut of the cards).

(b) If an automated card shuffling device is used, the casino shall be permitted to use a second deck of cards to play the game, provided that:
(1) Each deck of cards complies with the requirements of subsection (a).
(2) The backs of the cards in the two decks are different colors.
(3) One deck is being shuffled by the automated card shuffling device while the other deck is being used to play the game.
(4) Both decks are continuously alternated in and out of play, with each deck being used for every other round of play.
(5) The cards from only one deck are placed in the discard rack at any given time.

(c) The Table Games Supervisor will be sure that there are 53 cards readily available for the game to include one JOKER along with an ACE, KING, QUEEN, JACK, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, and 2 of each suit.

(d) The decks of cards used in DJ Wild Stud Poker may be changed:
(1) At least every 6 hours if the cards are dealt by hand.

(2) At least every 8 hours if the cards are dealt from a manual or automated dealing shoe.

**4. Opening of the table for gaming**

(a) After receiving one or more decks of cards at the table, the dealer shall inspect the cards for any defects. The Table Games Supervisor will verify that there are no defects with those cards as well.
(b) The cards shall be turned face down on the table, mixed thoroughly by a washing of the cards and stacked. Once the cards have been stacked, they shall be shuffled in accordance with § 5(relating to shuffle and cut of the cards).
(c) If the casino uses an automated card shuffling device to play the game and two decks of cards are received at the table as permitted under § 3(b) (relating to cards; number of decks), each deck of cards shall be separately spread, inspected, verified, spread, inspected, mixed, stacked and shuffled.

**5. Shuffle and cut of the cards**

(a) Immediately prior to the commencement of play, and after each round of play has been completed, the dealer shall shuffle the cards, either manually or by use of an automated card shuffling device, so that the cards are randomly intermixed. Upon completion of the shuffle, the dealer or automated card shuffling device shall place the deck of cards in a single stack; provided, however, that nothing herein prohibits the use of an automated card shuffling device which, upon completion of the shuffling of the cards, inserts the stack of cards directly into a dealing shoe.
(b) If an automated card shuffling device that counts the number of cards in the deck after the completion of each shuffle and indicates whether 53 cards are present is being used and reveals that an incorrect number of cards are present, the deck shall be removed from the table.
(c) After the cards have been shuffled and stacked, the dealer shall:
    (1) If the cards were shuffled using an automated card shuffling device, deal the cards in accordance with § 8 or § 9 (relating to procedure for dealing the cards from the hand; and procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe).
    (2) If the cards were shuffled manually cut the cards in accordance with the procedures in subsection (d).
(d) If a cut of the cards is required, the dealer shall:
    (1) Cut the deck, using one hand, by:
        (i) Placing the cover card on the table in front of the deck of cards.

(ii) Taking a stack of at least 10 cards from the top of the deck and placing them on top of the cover card.

(iii) Placing the cards remaining in the deck on top of the stack of cards that were cut and placed on top of the cover card.

(2) Deal the cards in accordance with § 8, or § 9.

(e) Notwithstanding subsection (d), after the cards have been cut and before any cards have been dealt, a Table Games Supervisor or above may require the cards to be recut if he determines that the cut was performed improperly or in any way that might affect the integrity or fairness of the game.

**(f)** Whenever there is no gaming activity at a DJ Wild Stud Poker table which is open for gaming, the cards shall be spread out on the table face down until such time that a player arrives, at which point the procedures in § 4(c), (relating to opening of the table for gaming) shall be completed.

**6. DJ Wild Poker rankings**

(a) The rank of the cards used in DJ Wild Stud Poker, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. The Joker will always be considered wild, with a 2 of any suit being considered either a natural or a wild. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5. All suits shall be considered equal in rank.

(b) The permissible poker hands at the game of DJ Wild Stud Poker, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

(1) A five wilds, which is a hand consisting of the joker, deuce (Spade), deuce (Diamonds), deuce (Clubs), deuce (Hearts).

(2) A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.

(3) A five-of-a-kind (Quints), which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same rank which will include at least one wild card.

(4) A straight flush, which is a hand, other than a royal flush, consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking.

(5) A four-of-a-kind ("Quads"), which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank.

(6) A full house, which is a hand consisting of three-of-a-kind and a pair.

(7) A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order.

(8) A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank. However, an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, queen, king, ace, 2, 3).
(9) A three-of-a-kind, which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank.
(10) A two pair, which is a hand consisting of two pairs.
(11) A pair, which is a hand containing two cards of the same rank.

(c) The rank of the cards used in the Trips wager, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. The Joker will always be considered wild, with a 2 of any suit being considered either a natural or a wild. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5. All suits shall be considered equal in rank.

(d) The permissible poker hands for Trips wager, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:
(1) An all wild, which is a hand consisting of the joker, deuce (Spade), deuce (Diamonds), deuce (Clubs), deuce (Hearts).
(2) A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.
(3) A five-of-a-kind (Quints), which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same rank which will include at least one wild card.
(4) A straight flush, which is a hand, other than a royal flush, consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking.
(5) A four-of-a-kind ("Quads"), which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank.
(6) A full house, which is a hand consisting of three-of-a-kind and a pair.
(7) A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order.
(8) A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank. However, an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, queen, king, ace, 2, 3).
(9) A three-of-a-kind ("Trips"), which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank.

(e) If offered, the rank of the cards used in the Two Way Bad Beat wager, for the determination of winning hands, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be: ace, king, queen, jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 and 2. The Joker will always be considered wild, with a 2 of any suit being considered either a natural or a wild. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an ace may be used to complete a straight flush or straight formed with a 2, 3, 4 and 5. All suits shall be considered equal in rank.

(f) If offered, the permissible poker hands for Two Way Bad Beat wager, in order of highest to lowest rank, shall be:

(1) An all wild, which is a hand consisting of the joker, deuce (Spade), deuce (Diamonds), deuce (Clubs), deuce (Hearts).
(2) A royal flush, which is a hand consisting of an ace, king, queen, jack and 10 of the same suit.
(3) A five-of-a-kind (Quints), which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same rank which will include at least one wild card.
(4) A straight flush, which is a hand, other than a royal flush, consisting of five cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking.
(5) A four-of-a-kind ("Quads"), which is a hand consisting of four cards of the same rank.
(6) A full house, which is a hand consisting of three-of-a-kind and a pair.
(7) A flush, which is a hand consisting of five cards of the same suit, not in consecutive order.
(8) A straight, which is a hand consisting of five cards of consecutive rank. However, an ace may not be combined with any other sequence of cards for purposes of determining a winning hand (for example, queen, king, ace, 2, 3).
(9) A three-of-a-kind ("Trips"), which is a hand consisting of three cards of the same rank.

**7. Wagers**

(a) All wagers at DJ Wild Stud Poker shall be made by placing gaming chips on the appropriate betting areas of the table layout. A verbal wager accompanied by cash may not be accepted.
(b) Only players who are seated at a DJ Wild Stud Poker table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed his wagers and received cards, that player shall remain seated until the completion of the round of play. If a player leaves the table during a round of play, any wagers made by the player may be considered abandoned and may be treated as losing wagers.
(c) All pertinent wagers shall be placed prior to the dealer announcing "no more bets" in accordance with the dealing procedures in § 8 or § 9 (relating to procedure for dealing the cards from the hand; and procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe). Except as provided in subsection (d), a wager may not be made, increased, or withdrawn after the dealer has announced "no more bets."
(d) At the beginning of each round of play, each player shall be required to place two wagers of equivalent value to receive cards. The wagers shall be identified as Ante and Blind wagers.

Before any cards may be dealt, each player is required to make wagers of identical amounts on both the Ante and the Blind.

(e) The casino may offer additional side wagers: Trips and/or Two Way Bad Beat

(f) Optional player wagers: Trips and/or Two Way Bad Beat (if offered) wagers may be bet once the required ante wager is satisfied.

(g) After the player has received their cards, they may either fold their hand or place a wager of 2x their Ante on the Play betting spot to continue with their hand.

**8. Procedure for dealing the cards from the hand**

(a) If the cards are dealt from the dealer's hand, the following requirements shall be observed:

(1) After the procedures required under § 5 (relating to shuffle and cut of the cards) have been completed, the dealer shall place the stacked deck of cards in either hand.

(i) After the dealer has chosen the hand in which he will hold the cards, the dealer shall use that hand whenever holding the cards during that round of play.

(ii) The cards held by the dealer shall at all times be kept in front of the dealer and over the table inventory container.

(2) The dealer shall announce “no more bets” prior to dealing any cards.

(b) The dealer shall deal each card by holding the deck of cards in the chosen hand and using the other hand to remove the top card of the deck and place it face down on the appropriate area of the layout. The dealer shall, starting with the player farthest to the dealer’s left and continuing around the table in a clockwise manner, deal the cards as follows:

(1) One card face down to each player who has placed an ante and blind wager in accordance with § 7 (relating to wagers) with the dealer position being the last position to receive a card face down. The dealer will continue this process until each player who has placed an ante and blind wager along with the dealer has five cards face down.

(c) After five cards have been dealt to each player, the dealer will offer players the opportunity to bet exactly 2 times their initial ante wager on the “play” betting spot. If a player elects not to place a wager, all monies will be forfeited and that patrons cards will be collected by the dealer.

(d) Once all active players have made their decisions, the dealer will expose their five card hand and set in accordance of their best five card hand as it relates to § 6 (relating to poker rankings).

(e) If the cards have been misdealt (a player or the area designed for the placement of the community cards has more or less than three or two cards) but 53 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the cards have not been misdealt, and the deck contains a number of cards other than 53, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

(f) If the casino offers the additional side wager of Trips and/or Two Way Bad Beat and a player folds, the Trips and/or Two Way Bad Beat wager is still in action. The dealer will pick up the player's Ante and Blind wagers and place them in the inventory tray. The player's cards are then tucked face down under the Two Way Bad Beat wager and will be resolved at the same time of the remaining hands.

**9. Procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe**

(a) If the cards are dealt from an automated dealing shoe, the following requirements shall be observed:
   (1) After the procedures required under § 5 (relating to shuffle and cut of the cards) have been completed, the cards shall be placed in the automated dealing shoe.

   (2) Prior to the shoe dispensing any stacks of cards, the dealer shall then announce "no more bets."

(b) The dealer shall deliver the first stack of cards dispensed by the automated dealing shoe face down to the player farthest to his left who has placed an Ante and Blind wagers in accordance with § 7 (relating to wagers). As the remaining stacks are dispensed to the dealer by the automated dealing shoe, the dealer shall, moving clockwise around the table, deliver a stack face down to each of the other players who has placed an ante and blind wager in accordance with § 7. The dealer shall then deliver a stack of five cards face down to the area designated for dealer. The dealer shall then place the remaining cards from the shuffler into the discard rack.

(c) After five cards have been dealt to each player, the dealer will offer players the opportunity to bet exactly 2 times their initial ante wager on the "play" betting spot. If a player elects not to place a wager, all monies will be forfeited and that patrons cards will be collected by the dealer.

(d) Once all active players have made their decisions, the dealer will expose their five card hand and set in accordance of their best five card hand as it relates to § 6 (relating to poker rankings).

(e) If the cards have been misdealt (a player or the area designed for the placement of the community cards has more or less than three or two cards) but 53 cards remain in the deck, all hands shall be void and all wagers shall be returned to the players. If the cards have not been misdealt, and the deck contains a number of cards other than 53, all hands shall be considered void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the entire deck of cards shall be removed from the table.

(f) If the casino offers the additional side wager of Trips and/or Two Way Bad Beat and a player folds, the Trips and/or Two Way Bad Beat wager is still in action. The dealer will pick up the player's Ante and Blind wagers and place them in the inventory tray. The player's cards are then tucked face down under the Two Way Bad Beat wager and will be resolved at the same time of the remaining hands.

**10. Procedures for completion of each round of play**

(a) After the dealing procedures required under § 8, or § 9 (relating to procedure for dealing the cards from the hand; and procedure for dealing the cards from an automated dealing shoe) have been completed, each player shall examine his cards, subject to the following limitations:
    (1) Each player who wagers at DJ Wild Stud Poker shall be responsible for his own hand and no person other than the dealer may touch the cards of that player.
    (2) Each player shall be required to keep his five cards in full view of the dealer at all times.
    (3) After each player has made a decision regarding the "Play" wager as required by subsection (b), the player's cards shall be placed face down on the appropriate area of the layout and the player may not touch the cards again.

(b) After each player has examined their cards, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's left and moving clockwise around the table, ask each player if he wishes to place a "Play" wager or fold:
    (1) If a player chooses to bet on the "Play", that bet shall be 2 times the initial ante wager and be placed on the appropriate betting area of the layout until the end of the round of play.
    (2) If a player chooses to fold, the dealer shall immediately place all monies in the table inventory rack and collect the player's cards.

(c) After each player has made a decision regarding the "Play", the dealer shall then turn the dealer's five cards over and set their hand based on the best ranking hand that can be made.

(d) After the dealer sets their hand, the dealer shall, beginning with the player farthest to the dealer's right and moving counter-clockwise around the table:
   (1) The dealer shall turn the five cards of the player face up to form the five-card poker hand of that player.
   (2) The dealer shall examine the cards of the player to determine if the player's hand qualifies for a payout under §11 (relating to payout odds; payout limitation). A DJ Wild Stud Poker wager on the Ante, Blind and Play under § 7 (relating to wagers) on a hand which has a rank that is lower than the dealer's five card hand shall be losing wagers.
   (3) The Trips side wager wins if the player's hand rank is three-of-a-kind or better related to §6. The hand qualifies for a payout under §11 (relating to payout odds; payout limitation).
   (4) The Two Way Bad Beat wager wins if both the player and the dealer each have three-of-a-kind or better related to §6. The hand qualifies for a payout under §11 (relating to payout odds; payout limitation).
   (5) The dealer shall then settle all wagers of that player. All losing wagers by the player shall be immediately collected by the dealer and placed in the table inventory container. The dealer will also resolve the Trips and (if offered) Two Way Bad Beat side wagers at this time. All winning wagers shall be paid in accordance with the payout odds in § 11 (relating to payout odds; payout limitations, and cards will be collected and placed into the discard rack.
   (6) Once hands have been settled, the dealer shall immediately collect the cards and place all cards in the discard rack.

**11. Payout odds; payout limitation**

(a) The payout odds for winning wagers at DJ Wild Stud Poker printed on the table layout or in any brochure or other publication distributed by the casino may be stated through the use of the word "to" and no odds shall be stated through the use of the word "for."
(b) If the dealer's hand beats the player's hand, the Ante, Play, and Blind wagers lose. If the dealer's hand ties the player's hand, the Ante, Play, and Blind wagers push. The casino shall pay each winning Ante and Play Wager at odds of 1 to 1.

(c) Subject to the payout limitation in subsection (f), the casino shall pay off each winning wager of the blind wagers under § 7 (relating to wagers) at the odds specified which shall be no less than the following odds:

| Player's Five Card Hand | Payout |
|---|---|
| Five Wilds | 1,000 to 1 |
| Royal Flush | 50 to 1 |
| Five-of-a-Kind | 10 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 9 to 1 |
| Four-of-a-Kind | 4 to 1 |
| Full House | 3 to 1 |
| Flush | 2 to 1 |
| Straight | 1 to 1 |
| Others | PUSH |

Subject to the payout limitation in the subsection (f), the casino shall pay off each winning wager of the Trips side bet wagers in accordance to the following odds:

Paytable:

| Trips | Payout (Wild) | Payout (Natural) |
|---|---|---|
| Five Wilds | 2,000 to 1 | 2,000 to 1 |
| Royal Flush | 90 to 1 | 1,000 to 1 |
| Five-of-a-Kind | 70 to 1 | 70 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 25 to 1 | 200 to 1 |
| Four-of-a-Kind | 6 to 1 | 60 to 1 |
| Full House | 5 to 1 | 30 to 1 |
| Flush | 4 to 1 | 25 to 1 |
| Straight | 3 to 1 | 20 to 1 |
| Trips | 1 to 1 | 6 to 1 |

(d) Subject to the payout limitation in subsection (f), the casino shall pay off each winning wager of the Two Way Bad Beat side bet wagers in accordance to the following odds (these payouts are based on the losing hand):

| Hand Beaten | Payout |
|---|---|
| Royal Flush | 500 to 1 |
| Five of a Kind | 500 to 1 |
| Straight Flush | 500 to 1 |
| Four of a Kind | 300 to 1 |
| Full House | 200 to 1 |
| Flush | 100 to 1 |
| Straight | 50 to 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 15 to 1 |

(e) The maximum aggregate amount per round shall be $50,000. The casino shall provide notice of the maximum payout limit by posting the maximum payout limit on the layout of the DJ Wild Stud Poker table.

**12. Irregularities**

(a) A card that is found face up in the shoe or the deck while the cards are being dealt shall not be used in the game and shall be placed in the discard rack, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.
(b) A card dealt in error without its face being exposed shall be used as though it was the next card from the shoe or the deck.
(c) If any player is dealt an incorrect number of cards, all hands shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be reshuffled.
(d) If an automated card shuffling device is being used and the device jams, stops shuffling during a shuffle, or fails to complete a shuffle cycle, the cards shall be reshuffled.
(e) If an automated dealing shoe is being used and the device jams, stops dealing cards, or fails to deal all cards during a round of play, the round of play shall be void, all wagers shall be returned to the players and the cards shall be removed from the device and reshuffled with any cards already dealt.
(f) All hands with a deuce are not considered “wild”. If the deuce is not used as a wild card to make a winning Trips hand, it will be considered “natural”.