

POKER CODE OF CONDUCT

Players must adhere to the Casino's Code of Conduct as failure to do so may result in the player being removed for the Poker area. The following etiquette tips should be understood by all players prior to sitting at a table.

Collusion: any attempt to share knowledge of cards or to play in a manner that is to the detriment of other players, will be considered as cheating and will not be tolerated.

Speed of play: Players are required to make decisions on their hand within acceptable time limits.

Card protection: Players must ensure they do not show their cards to another player. If a player becomes aware of another player's cards then all players must be shown those cards.

Hiding or removing chips: Players are expected to keep all chips visible on the table while playing and are not to remove or add to any part of their table stake unless allowed by the rules.

Keep quiet/body language: During a round of play only English must be spoken. Players not involved in the game should be quiet and not comment on the continuing round of play in any manner. Players must also ensure that they do not display any form of body language that could be construed as communication with another player.

Integrity of the game: a player who sees an error made, or about to be made, must point out the error to the dealer.

Announcing your intentions: Players should announce their intention. All bets must be placed in one motion. 'String betting' is deemed unacceptable conduct.

THE ODDS OF WINNING

Texas Hold'em poker is a community game where you play against the other players at the table. The odds of winning are one in the number of players at the table.

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HOW TO PLAY TEXAS HOLD'EM

The aim of the game is to have the highest ranked five card hand from a combination of the player's two cards and five community cards. A player can win by either obtaining the highest ranked hand or by bluffing the other players into thinking they have a lower ranked hand and thereby folding (withdrawing from that round of play).

Each new player joining the game must start with a table stake within the table limits. Prior to the hand being played two designated players are required to make a blind bet. These players are located to the left of the buck. The first player is required to make a wager equal to half the value of the table minimum. The next player in turn will make a wager equal to the table minimum. Alternatively, if a participation fee is charged, each player on the table must submit the required amount.

All actions in Texas Hold'em Poker (call, raise, check etc), unless otherwise advised, occur in a clockwise direction beginning with the first active players after the button position.

The dealer then deals each player two cards face down. A round of betting will commence with the player next to the second blind bet. After the first round of betting is completed, the dealer deals three 'community cards' and exposes them simultaneously. This is known as the 'flop'. Another round of betting takes place. The dealer then deals a fourth community card (the turn) and the third round of betting takes place. The dealing of the fifth community cards (the river) is followed by the final round of betting.

If there is more than one player still active at the end of the final round of betting then a showdown takes place. If, at any time prior to the showdown, there is only one player remaining in the game, that player is the winner and will be paid all chips in the pot minus a small commission fee. If a participation fee is charged the winner will receive the entire pot.

During the showdown, the last player to be called may be required to expose their two hole cards. Any player who can beat the hand of an exposed player must also expose their cards. Players who cannot beat the hand of the exposed player must put their cards face down towards the dealer.

During the game players may fold, call, call and raise or check in turn according to the appropriate rules. Players who do not have enough table stake to remain in the game may go 'all in'. Each of these actions is described in the glossary of terms section in this guide.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

"All in" means a player bets the remaining amount of their table stake.

"Call" means to make a wager that brings the player's total wager to that of the previous player.

"Check" means the player does not make an opening bet and remaining in the round of play. A player may only check when no the player has a blind bet or an opening bet for that round of betting.

"Community cards" means cards dealt to the centre of the table which may be used by all players to form their best possible hand.

"Fold" mean a decision by a player to no longer continue with their hand for that round of play.

"Hole cards" means the original two cards dealt to each player.

"Pot" means the total of all wagers made in that round of play.

"Raise" means to make a bet greater than the amount of previous wager made.

"String betting" means a player does not place their entire wager in one movement and does not verbally announce their intentions.

RANKING OF TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER HANDS (highest to lowest)

RANK	HAND	EXAMPLE
1	Royal Flush	10, J, Q, K, A of the same suit.
2	Straight Flush	5 cards of the same suit running consecutively in face value, other than a royal flush
3	4 of a Kind	4 cards with the same face value and 1 odd card
4	Full house	3 cards with the same face value and another 2 cards with the same face value
5	Flush	5 cards of the same suit but not running consecutively in face value
6	Straight	5 cards of more than 1 suit running consecutively in face value
7	3 of a Kind	3 cards with the same face value and 2 odd cards
8	2 Pairs	2 cards with the same face value, another 2 cards with the same face value (other than the face value of the first 2 cards) and 1 odd card
9	1 Pair	2 cards with the same face value and 3 odd cards
10	Odd card hand	any combination of 5 cards, other than another poker hand mentioned in this section