

TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER



A maximum of 9 players in a cash game and a maximum of 10 players in a tournament are allowed at a table.

A flat disc called the "Button" shall be used to indicate an imaginary dealer.

At the commencement of play, the dealer will deal each player one card face up to determine the placement of the button. Whoever receives the highest-ranking card "suit determines it if they have the same card value" will start with the button.

The button will move around the table in a clockwise manner after each round of play. The player to the immediate left of the button is required to place a small blind bet.

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Starting with the player to the immediate left of the button and continuing in a clockwise rotation, around the poker table, the dealer shall deal two rounds of cards face down to each player, the player with the button being the last player to receive a card each time.

Each player in turn, in a clockwise rotation starting with the player to the left of the big blind bet, has the option to call, raise or fold. If no player has raised the bet, then the option to raise is given to both blind bet(s). After the last player has responded to the most recent bet, the betting round shall be considered complete.

The dealer will tap the table in front of the rack, burn the top card of the deck and place it under the pot, and proceed to deal three community cards (the flop) face-up in the center of the table. The next betting round will begin with the option to bet or check belonging to the first player to the left of the button who has not folded. Each player may, in clockwise rotation, fold, call, raise the bet or if preceding players have not made a bet, make an opening bet or check. The betting round shall be considered complete when each player has either folded or called in response to the most recent bet.

Upon completion of the betting round, the dealer will again burn the top card of the deck and then deal a fourth community card (The Turn) face-up to the right of the flop.

The final betting round will begin with the option to check or bet belonging to the first player to the left of the button who has not folded. If more than one player remains in the round of play after the final betting round has been completed, a showdown shall be used to determine the winner of the pot.

Each player remaining in the game will turn their cards over and the dealer will read the cards to determine the highest ranking five-card high poker hand using, in any combination their own two cards and the five community cards.

The winner of the pot will be the player with the highest-ranking five-card high poker hand. In the event of a tie, the excess chip is awarded to the player closest to the left of the dealer button that is in the pot.

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