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THE BASICS

Texas Hold 'Em Poker is a seven-card poker game that matches your hand against the other players at your table. Each player makes the best five-card poker hand using any combination of the two cards dealt to them (hole cards) and the five common cards dealt in the middle of the poker table.

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Texas Hold 'Em is played with one 52-card deck of playing cards.

The dealer button is a chip that is moved clockwise around the poker table indicating the "dealer" for that hand. Before any cards are dealt, the first two players to the left of the dealer button must bet "in the blind." Blind bets are posted on a sign at each poker table. The player to the left of the dealer button bets a "small blind" bet followed by the player to the left of them with a "large blind" bet. *See blind bet examples at bottom.

After the first two cards are dealt, players following the "large blind" bet may call the blind bet, raise or fold. Players required to bet "blind" have an option to raise the blind bet on the first round of betting. The dealer then "burns" (discards) a card and deals three cards in the center of the table. This is called the "flop." On each round of betting after the flop, the player to the left of the button starts the action. This player may check (pass), bet, call, raise or fold. Checking is only allowed before a bet has been placed. Raising is only allowed after a bet has been placed. After all bets have been "called" (no more money is owed to the pot), the dealer burns a card, then deals a fourth card to the center of the table. This fourth card is called the "turn." The turn is followed by a round of betting. The dealer now burns a card, then deals the fifth common card called the "river." A final round of betting now takes place. Betting limits double for the turn and river rounds as indicated on the table sign.

EXAMPLES OF BLINDS

Game	Small Blind	Large Blind
\$3/\$6	\$1	\$3
\$5/\$10	\$2	\$5

POKER HAND RANKINGS

Royal Flush

Ace, King, Queen, Jack and Ten of the same suit. This is the highest ranking hand possible.

Straight Flush

All five cards are in sequence and of the same suit.

Four of a Kind

Four cards of the same rank.

Full House

Three cards of one rank and two of another rank.

Flush

Five cards of the same suit.

Straight

Five cards in sequence. Aces may be used as either high or low.

Three of a Kind

Three cards of the same rank.

Two Pair

Two groups of two cards of the same rank.

One Pair

Two cards of the same rank.

High Card

The rank of hands containing no pair is determined by the highest ranking card.

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Gratuities may be offered in return for providing great guest service. You can offer a gratuity by giving a chip to your dealer or server. You may also wager your chip on behalf of the dealer by placing it with any bet that you make for yourself.

If you have any questions, ask your dealer. Gambling problem? Call 800.522.4700.