



BLACK OPAL BACCARAT TOURNAMENT

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RULES

A. GENERAL

- The Black Opal 2022 Baccarat Tournament ("the Tournament") is exclusive to qualifying MVG Members, who are not excluded from gambling activities or who have not been refused entry to any Sun International casino(s). Exclusions and refusal of entries imposed during the Tournament will also be applicable.
- The Tournament will be hosted from 13 May 2022 to 13 June 2022 ("the Tournament Period"). Unit elimination heats will be held from 2 to 16 July 2022. The Grand Finale will be held from 22-24 July 2022 at Time Square Casino.
- To be eligible, MVG Members must register at the participating Sun International casino(s) as listed below ("participating casinos") at the designated VIP or MVG Desks or registration terminals to play in heats offered by those casinos ("Players"). During the Tournament Period Players will earn table points on an accumulative basis across all participating casinos where they registered to participate in the Tournament. The table points earning will commence on start of the gaming day on 13 May 2022 and will terminate at 06h00 on 14 June 2022 (gaming day on 13 June 2022).
- Participating casinos: Boardwalk, Carnival City, GrandWest, Sibaya, Sun City and Time Square.
- After 06h00 on 14 June 2022, the first 3 Players on the group leader board who accumulated the highest table points will each secure a seat at one of the semi-final tables at the group semi-final round.
- Excluding the 3 Players that progress to the group semi-finals, the number of Players reflected in the column LB Qualifiers will be selected from each casino's leader board in rank order from highest to lowest to participate in that casino's semi-final round. Six Players will compete in each semi-final heat and the winners thereof as reflected in column Unit Heats will progress to the group semi-finals.
- Seat positions will be allocated by way of a random draw. Seat allocations cannot be changed. Players or their proxies (as may be applicable) must be present at the draw for seat allocations.
- At the quarter final in the Grand Finale a Player will only be permitted one seat per heat. In the event that the Player with multiple entries is drawn in the same heat, a redraw for that particular seat will take place.
- Should a Player qualify for a semi-final heat at the Grand Finale and is still to play in a subsequent quarter final heat in the Grand Finale, the seat held by that Player in the quarter final heat will be forfeited without the option of a proxy nomination, and that particular quarter final heat will be conducted without the full quota of Players.
- An eligible Player will be permitted only one seat in the group semi-finals in the Grand Finale.

Unit	LB Qualifiers	Unit Heats	Unit Finalists
Time Square	66	11	11
Grandwest	66	11	11
Sibaya	66	11	11
Carnival	66	11	11
Sun City	36	6	6
Boardwalk	24	4	4
Total	324	54	54
Auto Qualifiers			3
Total Players			57

- At each stage Players will be issued with tournament chips that are not redeemable for any consideration. No re-buys are permitted, and Players are not permitted to introduce additional tournament chips at any stage. Any attempts to introduce additional tournament chips will result in immediate disqualification from the Tournament.
- Tournament chips must always remain in the designated chip area on the table and in sight of other Players. All tournament chips must be returned to the casino after each stage.
- Coaching of Players is not permitted and may result in disqualification at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- Players must be physically present to participate, unless they have appointed a valid proxy by completing a proxy form.
- A proxy will only be allowed to play on behalf of a Player, in the instance where a Player has obtained positions on more than one property leader board which would require him or her to play in the unit heats at both properties or should the Player not be able to attend as result of serious health-related issues. Unit management needs to be made aware of a Player inability to play under these circumstances well in advance and the respective nomination form needs to be completed and signed by the affected Player. Under no other circumstances will a proxy be allowed to play on behalf of a Player.
- Seats are not transferable and Players or their proxies who are not present at least 15 minutes before the actual start of any heat, semi-final or final will forfeit their seats. In such instances the heats concerned will continue without the full quota of Players.
- Players play for themselves, and no alliances may be formed between Players. Tournament chips cannot be pooled or transferred to other Players.
- Under no circumstances will any bets be accepted after the dealer has called "No More Bets."
- No bets will be allowed on perfect pairs.
- For Players to qualify for the winner top up from SunBet, the Player must have a registered and active SunBet account (to have an active SunBet account the Player must be fully registered and have made a deposit into this SunBet account).
- Winning bets over the table limit will be paid out in accordance with the table limit.
- Sun International reserves the right of admission to the Tournament.
- Sun International reserves the right to terminate the Tournament at any stage without prior notification.
- Tournament chips remain the property of Sun International and prizes are not transferable.
- The leader board rankings are preliminary outcomes. The ranking of Players at each respective stage will be confirmed by the casino concerned after it has verified the same. In the event of any malfunction of the system used for the automatic ranking on the leader boards, the respective casino will manually rank the Players by relying on the tables points earned over the period as recorded by that casino.
- In the event of any clause, provision, term or condition in these tournament rules being found not to be enforceable or invalid by any law or by election of Sun International, such clause, provision, term or condition shall be severed from these rules to the extent that it shall not invalidate the remaining rules.
- Any indulgence given by the casino will not be deemed to be a waiver of any of its rights in terms of these rules.
- All disputes during the Tournament shall be referred to the respective Tournament Directors at casino and group stages for resolution. The decision of the Tournament Director concerned will be final and binding and no further correspondence will be entered into.

B. CASINO HEATS/ELIMINATION ROUNDS

- Each Player will receive R5 000 in tournament chips at the start of the heat.
- The winners of each heat (highest chip total) will advance to the quarter finals, semi-finals and finals stages. Chips from the previous heat will not be carried over.
- The Player with the highest chip count at the end of 12 coups will be regarded as the winner of the respective heat and will advance to the next stage of the tournament. A heat will consist of a maximum of 6 Players.
- Playing cards will dealt as per standard Baccarat drawing rules.
- A rotating marker button will be used to show the betting order commencing from Player 1.
- Players must place their bets in sequential order starting from the player with the marker button and proceeding in a clockwise direction.
- Bets cannot be changed or withdrawn once placed. Bets must be in multiples of R100 which the minimum bet being R100 and the maximum bet R10 000. A tie bet is R100 to R1000.
- Players may not play both Player and the Banker bets simultaneously.
- Players must play every coup with a minimum bet on either player or banker. Tie bets can be played only in conjunction with a player or banker bet.
- Only the dealer is permitted to handle the cards once the game is live.
- The Player with the highest chip count at the end of 12 coups will be regarded as the winner of the respective heat and will advance to the next stage of the tournament.
- A chip count will be performed at the end of the 6th and 11th coups.
- In the event of a tie, an extra hand or hands will be dealt until such time that a winner is determined.
- Pay-outs for both Player and Banker will be Even Money and Tie bets will be paid at 8 to 1.
- Players must be physically present to participate. Seats are not transferable and players not present 15 minutes before the actual start of any heat will forfeit their seat. In such instances the heat will proceed without the full quota of players.
- Should a player that qualified for the unit heats according to the leader board not be able to attend the unit heat on the set date and time because of exceptional circumstances the player would be allowed to nominate a proxy to play on their behalf. Unit management would need to be informed in writing at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the unit finals and the appropriate nomination form needs to be completed and submitted to unit management.

C. GROUP FINALS

- The group finals will be hosted at Time Square Casino in Gauteng on 22-24 July 2022. The group finals will comprise of the following rounds: quarter finals, semi-finals and finals.
- The 54 winners from the casino heats will compete in an elimination format tournament in the quarterfinals, semi-finals and finals stages.
- The Player or players with the highest chip count at the end of the determined number of coups from each heat will advance to the next stage of the tournament as per the structure proposed below. In some instances, the number of heats may change however the number of qualifiers will remain the same.

1 - 6 PLAYERS PER TABLE

54 Unit Winners	QF - 3 Rounds, 6 Players/Table		Qualifiers		SF - 1 Rounds, 7 Players/Table		Qualifiers		Final, 6 Players		Qualifiers	
	Table 1	Table 2	Table 1	Table 2	Table 1	Table 2	Table 1	Table 2	Table 1	Table 2	Table 3	Table 4
Quarter Finals - Heat 1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1 Auto Qualifier + 6 QF Winners	2	2	2	2	2
Quarter Finals - Heat 2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1 Auto Qualifier + 6 QF Winners	2	2	2	2	2
Quarter Finals - Heat 3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1 Auto Qualifier + 6 QF Winners	2	2	2	2	2
Total	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

- The quarterfinals, semi-finals and finals will be conducted on the same rules and format as the casino heats with changes to the following rules:
 - Players will be issued with R10,000 in tournament chips to play;
 - The Quarter final heats will be played over 12 hands (coups) with chip count on the 6th and 11th coups.
 - Semi-finals will be played over 14 hands (coups), with a chip count on the 7th and 13th coups.
 - The finals will be played over 18 hands (coups) with chip counts on the 6th, 13th and 17th coups; and
 - There will be no maximum bet limit for the last 3 hands.
- There will be a heat and seat draw for each of the quarter finals and semi-final rounds.
- Should 2 or more finalists exit the final table on the same coup the relevant prize money applicable to those finishing positions will be added together and divided equally.

D. MAIN PRIZE POOL

- The total main prize pool for the Tournament is valued at R2.5million and will be distributed as per below:

Position	Price Value
1st Prize	R1 500 000
2nd Prize	R500 000
3rd Prize	R250 000
4th Prize	R125 000
5th Prize	R75 000
6th Prize	R50 000
Total	2 500 000

E. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

- Travel arrangements for the respective Players and their partners to travel to Time Square Casino must be finalised within the deadlines set by Sun International, failing which the Players and their partners will be liable for their own travel costs.
- Players will be liable for costs incurred for any changes made to travel and accommodation bookings, where applicable.
- Players and their partners will be liable for all costs in respect of goods or services that are not included in the travel and accommodation bookings.