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## Texas Hold'em Poker - Cash Games

Texas Hold'em Poker No Limit \& Pot Limit (Cash Games)

Texas Hold'em Poker, played with a standard 52card deck, is a community card game where each player is dealt two cards. The object is to make the best five-card poker hand with the two cards on hand (called hole cards) combined with a total of five community cards on the board.

## Terminology

"Dealer Button" means a button placed to indicate the designated player, who will receive the last cards in each round of play.
"Small Blind" means a forced bet placed before the first card is dealt.
"Big Blind" means a forced bet placed before the first card is dealt, this will be twice the amount of the small blind.

## First Round of Betting

The first betting round starts directly after the deal. The first player to act is the player directly to the left of the big blind. The player that acts first has three options:

## Fold, Call or Raise

If he wants to fold the player simply folds his/her hole cards and the hand is considered dead.
In order to call, the player pays an amount equal to the big blind.
To raise the player must verbally declare this by announcing "raise" prior to placing any bet over the betting line. The amount of the raise must be equal to or more than the big blind.

In No Limit games the player can bet any amount he wants, this will be the total amount of chips in front of the player.
In Limit games the player may only bet up to the designated pot limit.
The Flop (First Three Cards)
When the first round of betting is finished, it's time for the flop. Three cards are dealt face up in the middle of the table. These community cards are shared amongst all the players in the hand.

## Second round of Betting

In this round, and all the following rounds, the player to the left of the dealer is first to act. The player that acts first has two options: Check or Bet. To check means that you stay in the hand without betting until it is your turn to act again and then decide what you want to do. (If everybody checks, the next card is dealt).

If a player has made a bet, the other players can choose to fold, raise, or call. When all the remaining players have contributed an equal amount of money to the pot it is time for the next card.
The Turn (Fourth Card)
A fourth card is dealt face up on the table.
Third Round Betting
This betting round is equal to the previous one.
The River (Fifth Card)
The fifth card is dealt face up on the table.
Fourth Round of Betting
It is time for the fourth and final round of betting which is followed by the showdown.

## Showdown

When the betting is finished and there are still at least two players in the hand, the players' cards are revealed. The player who made the last bet is first to reveal his cards and the player with the best five-card poker hand wins the pot. The players can use one or both of their hole cards to make a five-card hand, or the player can choose to use only the five cards that are dealt face up (called playing the board). If two or more players have the best hand, the pot is split between them. Please see the table for Winning Hands.

## Rake

A percentage of the final pot will be deducted at the end of the hand, this is called the "Rake" which is a pre-determined amount due to the casino for hosting the game. Rakes differ from casino to casino - please enquire at your casino.

## Rules

- Only English may be spoken by players.
- Players may not communicate any information regarding the content of their hands.
- Players may not exchange their cards.
- Any infringements of the rules or unusual situations will be settled using management discretion.
- In the event that there is a dispute, any decision made by Sun International shall be final and binding to all parties involved. However, the decision may be subject to a review by a respective Provincial Licensing Authority where applicable.
- Seats reserved for players only.


## Remember

The dealer is there to help you, please do not hesitate to ask for assistance at any time. We sincerely hope you enjoy your experience when playing Texas Hold'em Poker (Cash Games) at Sun International Casinos.

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