



# Magnetic Casino Card Set™

## BLACKJACK

### AIM OF THE GAME:

To get as close to the number "21" without going over. However, you must also beat the Dealer. Each player is playing against the dealer individually. The Magnetic Blackjack™ playing mat is designed to accommodate up to 6 players. (5 players plus the Dealer).

### RULES OF PLAY:

Magnetic Blackjack™ is played with a standard, magnetized, 52 card deck. Each numbered card is calculated at face value. Face cards (Jacks, Queens, Kings), are all worth ten points. Aces count as eleven or one, depending which is better for your hand. Suits have no value in Blackjack.

The Dealer starts by dealing 2 cards, one at a time face down, beginning with the player to the immediate left. When every player, including the dealer has 2 cards they are asked in turn, if they wish to "HIT" (be given an additional card) or "STICK" (play the round with their existing hand).

NOTE: AS DEALER DEALS THEMSELF ONE CARD FACE DOWN AND ONE CARD FACE UP.

Each player looks at their cards and responds with HIT or STICK. NOTE: A PLAYER MAY SAY HIT SEVERAL TIMES. When each player has been dealt with, the Dealer chooses to "HIT" or "STICK" their own hand before revealing their cards.

### WINNING:

If the Dealer is "BUST" (over 21) the player wins the round.

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Other than those two instances, the player who comes Closest to totalling 21, without going over, wins the round.

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## TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER

Texas Hold'em is a version of Poker in which players may use community cards, or boardcards, in addition to the cards dealt to them. Players may use any combination of the seven cards (5 community cards and 2 personal cards) to form the highest value poker hand possible. The game is played with one standard 52 card deck. Aces are always high and cards are ranked from high to low (Ace, King, Queen, Jack) and all other cards are calculated by face value.

Poker hands are composed and ranked in order of most valuable:

### ROYAL FLUSH

10, Jack, Queen, King, Ace (all cards must be of the same suit).

### STRAIGHT FLUSH

5 cards in numerical order (all cards must be of the same suit).

### FOUR OF A KIND

4 cards of the same numeral (all cards must be of different suits), plus a random card.

### FULL HOUSE

3 cards of the same numeral plus 2 cards of same numeral.

### FLUSH

5 cards of the same suit regardless of numerical value.

### STRAIGHT

5 cards in numerical order regardless of suit. The more valuable the numerals, the more valuable the hand.

### THREE OF A KIND

3 cards of the same numeral plus 2 random cards of different numerals.

### TWO PAIR

2 cards of the same numeral plus 2 other cards of another same numeral, plus a random card. The more valuable the numeral pair, the more valuable the hand.

### ONE PAIR

2 cards of the same numeral plus 3 random cards. The more valuable the numeral pair, the more valuable the hand.

### LEAST VALUABLE HIGH CARD

If no other players have any of the above more valuable hands, the player with the most valuable card wins. Ace is highest, 2 lowest.

### RULES AND PLAY:

Poker is usually played as a betting game. A betting limit can be established prior to starting the game to ensure that the game will be fun for all players. Each player should also toss in a token bet before the cards are dealt to ensure that there is always something to be won for each hand played.

The dealer deals each player 2 cards, one card at a time beginning with the player to the left and ending with the dealer\*. Once all the cards have been dealt, the remaining cards are kept by the dealer.

\*IN A CASINO, THE DEALER NEVER PARTICIPATES IN THE ACTUAL BETTING AND PLAYING OF THE GAME. IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY THE DEALER, A DEALER TOKEN IS PLACED ON THE BOARD IN FRONT OF THEM. Each player looks at their cards and play begins.

The player directly to the dealer's left or the dealer them self begins the game. Games begin with each player betting and matching the original player's bet. After the first round, the player to the immediate left of the player who placed the initial bet will bet first for the second round, and so on, with each round resulting in a different player beginning the betting.

Players may "OPEN" the betting by placing a bet if there has not yet been an opening bet prior to their turn or "CHECK" which does not open the betting but keeps them in the game.

Once someone has opened the betting, the remaining players may:

**SEE** (match) the previous bet

**RAISE** ("see" then increase) the previous bet

**FOLD** (quit)

Betting continues around the table until everyone has had a turn to bet. Once the first round of betting is complete, the dealer burns a card (discards the card on the top of the deck) and deals 3 cards face up, to form the "FLOP". Betting proceeds as in the previous round.

When the second betting round is complete, the dealer burns a card and places a 4th card face up as the "TURN". Betting proceeds as in the previous rounds.

When the third betting round is complete, the dealer burns a card and places a 5th card, face up as the "RIVER". Betting proceeds as in the previous rounds and ends when there are no more RAISES.

When the 4th and final betting round is complete, play has ended and the SHOWDOWN begins. At this point, all players who remain in the game reveal their hands. The player who made the last raise shows their hand first. Once each player has revealed their cards, the player with the most valuable hand wins.

NOTE: IN ORDER TO BE A SUCCESSFUL POKER PLAYER, PLAYERS WANT TO STAY IN THE GAME FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE WITH THE BEST HAND POSSIBLE WITHOUT LETTING THE COMPETING PLAYERS KNOW THAT THEY HAVE A GREAT HAND. THIS ENCOURAGES OTHERS TO CONTINUE BETTING AND INCREASES THE POT. PLAYERS CAN ALSO STAY IN THE GAME WITH AN UNFAVORABLE HAND, BY LETTING THE COMPETING PLAYERS THINK THAT THEY HAVE A GREAT HAND, ENCOURAGING THEM TO FOLD.

***Winning is all about strategy, appearance and tactics!***

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