

# Blackjack

## INTRODUCTION

The objective of Blackjack is for a player to come as close to 21 without going over, while still having a higher number than the dealer. If the total value of the player's cards is closer to 21 than the dealer, the player wins as much as he wagered.

If the total of the player's cards exceeds 21, he "busts" and loses his wager. If his cards total the same number as the dealer (from 17 to 21), no one wins and the player receives his wager back. This is considered a "push."

Keep in mind that "BlackJack" beats a score of 21 consisting of 3 or more cards. Blackjack is achieved when your first two cards total 21.

## BASIC BLACKJACK RULES

**Bets** - The Player may make any wager desired within the posted table limits.

**Deal** - The Player gets two cards face up. The Dealer gets two cards - one face down, one face up.

### Player

**Hit** - any time before doubling or standing

**Stand** - any time

**Double** - any two cards except Blackjack and split Aces

**Split** - any two cards of equal value, 3 hands max

**Insurance** - offered on the Dealer's Ace - pays 2 to 1 on Dealer Blackjack

### Dealer

**Hit** - any hard total 16 or less - any soft total 17 or less

**Stand** - any hard total 17 or more - any soft total 18 or more

### Payout

Dealer Blackjack 2-card 21

Player Blackjack 2-card 21 3 to 2 (first hand only)

All other hands - Ties are pushes.

## MISCELANEOUS

### Card Values

Suits of the cards have no meaning in the game.

Cards 2 through 10 are the face value.

Jacks, Queens and Kings are all valued at 10.

Aces can count as either 1 or 11.

Please note that the above guidelines are general guidelines and may vary according to game type.

## Winners know when to stop.



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