

# Deck of Dollars charity classic



## HANDBOOK

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## Welcome

Thank you for taking part in this tournament, and thereby, supporting Deck of Dollars.

Deck of Dollars was founded on two primary principles: to produce the best poker player and to support those in our community that are deserving of our help.

A portion of your donation to enter this tournament is going to the Veteran's and Children's Hospitals. I know they will be very thankful. And I thank you.

As for producing the best poker player...let's get to it.

I would like to mention just a few tournament guidelines before we get started:

In general, please be respectful of **everyone** around you. There are common courtesies to being respectful like be nice to people, clean up after yourself, no swearing; and there are the standard rules when playing cards: one player to a hand; don't talk about the hand when you're not in it, don't splash the pot, no rabbit hunting; etc... When everyone is courteous and follows the rules good things happen. Let's all do our part and have a great tournament.

Deck of Dollars will be the final word on all tournament decisions. We want this to be a fun and fair game so if you have any questions or are in need of a rules clarification, call "FLOOR" and at least one of us will assist. Please get us involved as early as possible because, if it is determined that a rule has been broken the offender will have to "feed the pig" by donating one dollar per offense. There are Red Piggy Banks located around the room that are waiting for your donations. Also, the price will go up for repeat offenders.

Are there any questions...

Thank you all again for your support.

Shuffle up and deal!

## Buy In

Tournament entry costs \$65 and earns 5,200 chips for the tournament. Of that \$65, \$5 will be donated as a Deck of Dollars Charity and will be distributed between supporting the Veterans at the Veteran's Hospital and all the kids at the Children's Hospital.

Five dollars is being set aside for the Deck of Dollars Championship which will culminate with our own November Nine. Points will be awarded and will reveal the nine best Deck of Dollar Charity Classic players who will compete for the chance to be the Deck of Dollars Charity Classic Champion. This includes getting their name engraved on the Deck of Dollars Charity Classic Championship trophy and 7.6% of the entrys for all ten qualification events.

## Championship Points

Players will get the number of points equal to their finishing position in that event. An event that is unattended will result in points equal to the total number of players at that event plus one. After the tenth event in October, each player's lowest eight scores will be added up to reveal their final score.

The lowest nine scores will reveal the best players that will be invited to play in the Deck of Dollars Charity Classic Championship.

The graph below shows the distribution of the entries per total number of players: total dollars to the charities, the Championship, the overhead - renting the location, tables, chips, cards, etc. - and payouts.

# of Players	Charity (7.6%)	Championship (7.6%)	Overhead (12.3%)	Payout (variance)
1	\$5	\$5	\$8	\$47
2	\$10	\$10	\$16	\$94
3	\$15	\$15	\$24	\$141
4	\$20	\$20	\$32	\$189
5	\$25	\$25	\$40	\$236
6	\$30	\$30	\$48	\$283
7	\$35	\$35	\$56	\$330
8	\$40	\$40	\$64	\$377
9	\$44	\$44	\$72	\$424
10	\$49	\$49	\$80	\$471
11	\$54	\$54	\$88	\$518
12	\$59	\$59	\$96	\$566
13	\$64	\$64	\$104	\$613
14	\$69	\$69	\$112	\$660
15	\$74	\$74	\$120	\$707
16	\$79	\$79	\$128	\$754
17	\$84	\$84	\$136	\$801
18	\$89	\$89	\$144	\$848
19	\$94	\$94	\$152	\$895
20	\$99	\$99	\$160	\$943
21	\$104	\$104	\$168	\$990
22	\$109	\$109	\$176	\$1,037
23	\$114	\$114	\$184	\$1,084
24	\$119	\$119	\$192	\$1,131
25	\$124	\$124	\$200	\$1,178
26	\$128	\$128	\$208	\$1,225
27	\$133	\$133	\$216	\$1,272
28	\$138	\$138	\$224	\$1,320
29	\$143	\$143	\$232	\$1,367
30	\$148	\$148	\$240	\$1,414
31	\$153	\$153	\$248	\$1,461
32	\$158	\$158	\$256	\$1,508
33	\$163	\$163	\$264	\$1,555
34	\$168	\$168	\$272	\$1,602
35	\$173	\$173	\$280	\$1,649
36	\$178	\$178	\$288	\$1,697
37	\$183	\$183	\$296	\$1,744
38	\$188	\$188	\$304	\$1,791
39	\$193	\$193	\$312	\$1,838
40	\$198	\$198	\$320	\$1,885
41	\$203	\$203	\$328	\$1,932
42	\$207	\$207	\$336	\$1,979
43	\$212	\$212	\$344	\$2,026
44	\$217	\$217	\$352	\$2,074
45	\$222	\$222	\$360	\$2,121
46	\$227	\$227	\$368	\$2,168
47	\$232	\$232	\$376	\$2,215
48	\$237	\$237	\$384	\$2,262
49	\$242	\$242	\$392	\$2,309
50	\$247	\$247	\$400	\$2,356
51	\$252	\$252	\$408	\$2,403
52	\$257	\$257	\$416	\$2,451
53	\$262	\$262	\$424	\$2,498
54	\$267	\$267	\$432	\$2,545

# of Players	Charity (7.6%)	Championship (7.6%)	Overhead (12.3%)
55	\$272	\$272	\$440
56	\$277	\$277	\$448
57	\$282	\$282	\$456
58	\$287	\$287	\$464
59	\$291	\$291	\$472
60	\$296	\$296	\$480
61	\$301	\$301	\$488
62	\$306	\$306	\$496
63	\$311	\$311	\$504
64	\$316	\$316	\$512
65	\$321	\$321	\$520
66	\$326	\$326	\$528
67	\$331	\$331	\$536
68	\$336	\$336	\$544
69	\$341	\$341	\$552
70	\$346	\$346	\$560
71	\$351	\$351	\$568
72	\$356	\$356	\$576
73	\$361	\$361	\$584
74	\$366	\$366	\$592
75	\$371	\$371	\$600
76	\$375	\$375	\$608
77	\$380	\$380	\$616
78	\$385	\$385	\$624
79	\$390	\$390	\$632
80	\$395	\$395	\$640
81	\$400	\$400	\$648
82	\$405	\$405	\$656
83	\$410	\$410	\$664
84	\$415	\$415	\$672
85	\$420	\$420	\$680
86	\$425	\$425	\$688
87	\$430	\$430	\$696
88	\$435	\$435	\$704
89	\$440	\$440	\$712
90	\$445	\$445	\$720
91	\$450	\$450	\$728
92	\$454	\$454	\$736
93	\$459	\$459	\$744
94	\$464	\$464	\$752
95	\$469	\$469	\$760
96	\$474	\$474	\$768
97	\$479	\$479	\$776
98	\$484	\$484	\$784
99	\$489	\$489	\$792
100	\$494	\$494	\$800
101	\$499	\$499	\$807
102	\$504	\$504	\$815
103	\$509	\$509	\$823
104	\$514	\$514	\$831

## Blind Structure

During each break we will be coloring up the smallest remaining denomination of chips. Please leave all chips on the table. The next level will be starting promptly after the fifteen minute break.

<b>Level</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Blinds</b>
1	:20	25/50
2	:20	50/100
3	:20	75/150
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>:15</b>	
4	:15	100/200
5	:15	200/400
6	:15	300/600
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>:15</b>	
7	:15	500/1000
8	:15	1000/2000
9	:15	1500/3000
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>:15</b>	
10	:15	2000/4000
11	:15	3000/6000
12	:15	4000/8000
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>:15</b>	
13	:15	5000/10000
14	:15	10000/20000
15	:15	15000/30000
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>:15</b>	
16	:15	20000/40000
17	:15	25000/50000
18	:15	30000/60000

# Payouts

The payouts are structured to pay 20% of the playing field getting at least their entry back. While many get rewarded, the goal of Deck of Dollars is to find the best players so the rewards are top heavy. Not only does the majority go to the top two players, first place will get twice as much as second place. Heads-up play will definitely influence the final outcome of the tournament.

Number of players	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
<b>Total</b>	\$235	\$280	\$330	\$375	\$420	\$470	\$515	\$565	\$610	\$660	\$705	\$750	\$800	\$845	\$895	\$940	\$990	\$1,035	\$1,080	\$1,130	\$1,175	\$1,225	\$1,270	\$1,320	\$1,365
1st.....	\$235	\$280	\$330	\$375	\$420	\$310	\$340	\$375	\$400	\$440	\$425	\$455	\$490	\$520	\$550	\$540	\$570	\$600	\$630	\$660	\$650	\$685	\$715	\$750	\$780
2nd.....						\$160	\$175	\$190	\$210	\$220	\$215	\$230	\$245	\$260	\$280	\$270	\$290	\$305	\$320	\$340	\$330	\$345	\$360	\$375	\$390
3rd.....											\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
4th.....																	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
5th.....																					\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65

Number of players	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
<b>Total</b>	\$1,410	\$1,460	\$1,505	\$1,555	\$1,600	\$1,645	\$1,695	\$1,740	\$1,790	\$1,835	\$1,885	\$1,930	\$1,975	\$2,025	\$2,070	\$2,120	\$2,165	\$2,215	\$2,260	\$2,305	\$2,355	\$2,400	\$2,450	\$2,495	\$2,545
1st.....	\$725	\$750	\$785	\$820	\$850	\$835	\$870	\$900	\$930	\$960	\$910	\$940	\$970	\$1,000	\$1,025	\$1,025	\$1,050	\$1,085	\$1,115	\$1,145	\$1,135	\$1,165	\$1,200	\$1,230	\$1,270
2nd.....	\$360	\$385	\$395	\$410	\$425	\$420	\$435	\$450	\$470	\$485	\$455	\$470	\$485	\$505	\$525	\$510	\$530	\$545	\$560	\$570	\$585	\$600	\$615	\$625	\$625
3rd.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
4th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
5th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
6th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
7th.....						\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
8th.....											\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
9th.....																	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
10th.....																					\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65

Number of players	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79
<b>Total</b>	\$2,590	\$2,635	\$2,685	\$2,730	\$2,780	\$2,825	\$2,875	\$2,920	\$2,965	\$3,015	\$3,060	\$3,110	\$3,155	\$3,205	\$3,250	\$3,295	\$3,345	\$3,390	\$3,440	\$3,485	\$3,530	\$3,580	\$3,625	\$3,675	\$3,720
1st.....	\$1,200	\$1,235	\$1,270	\$1,300	\$1,330	\$1,275	\$1,310	\$1,340	\$1,370	\$1,400	\$1,300	\$1,335	\$1,365	\$1,400	\$1,430	\$1,370	\$1,400	\$1,445	\$1,470	\$1,500	\$1,440	\$1,475	\$1,505	\$1,540	\$1,570
2nd.....	\$610	\$620	\$635	\$650	\$670	\$640	\$655	\$670	\$685	\$705	\$655	\$670	\$685	\$700	\$715	\$690	\$710	\$710	\$735	\$750	\$725	\$740	\$755	\$770	\$785
3rd.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
4th.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
5th.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
6th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
7th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
8th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
9th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
10th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
11th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
12th.....						\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
13th.....											\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
14th.....																	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
15th.....																					\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65

Number of players	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104
<b>Total</b>	\$3,770	\$3,815	\$3,860	\$3,910	\$3,955	\$4,005	\$4,050	\$4,100	\$4,145	\$4,190	\$4,240	\$4,285	\$4,335	\$4,380	\$4,430	\$4,475	\$4,520	\$4,570	\$4,615	\$4,665	\$4,710	\$4,760	\$4,805	\$4,850	\$4,900
1st.....	\$1,560	\$1,590	\$1,620	\$1,650	\$1,680	\$1,630	\$1,660	\$1,690	\$1,720	\$1,750	\$1,700	\$1,730	\$1,760	\$1,790	\$1,825	\$1,725	\$1,755	\$1,790	\$1,820	\$1,855	\$1,750	\$1,785	\$1,815	\$1,845	\$1,880
2nd.....	\$780	\$795	\$810	\$830	\$845	\$815	\$830	\$850	\$865	\$880	\$850	\$865	\$885	\$900	\$915	\$865	\$880	\$895	\$910	\$925	\$880	\$895	\$910	\$925	\$940
3rd.....	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195
4th.....	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195
5th.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
6th.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
7th.....	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
8th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
9th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
10th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
11th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
12th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
13th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
14th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
15th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
16th.....	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
17th.....						\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
18th.....											\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
19th.....																	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
20th.....																					\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65

# Deck of Dollars Rules

*Deck of Dollars Rules are based on the documented WSOP Official Tournament Rules*

**1) Floor People:** Deck of Dollars representatives are to consider the best interest of the game and fairness as the top priority in the decision-making process. Unusual circumstances can on occasion dictate that decisions in the interest of fairness take priority over the technical rules. The Tournament Director (“TD”) reserves the right to overrule any floor decision.

**2) Official Terminology of Tournament Poker:** Official terms are simple, unmistakable, time-honored declarations like: bet, call, fold, check, all-in, pot (in pot-limit only), and complete. Regional terms may also meet this standard. The use of non-standard language is at participant’s risk because it may result in a ruling other than what the participant intended. It is the responsibility of participants to make their intentions clear.

**3) Non-Standard and Unclear Betting:** participants use unofficial betting terms and gestures at their own risk. These may be interpreted to mean other than what the participant intended. Also, whenever the size of a declared bet can reasonably have multiple meanings, it will be ruled as the lesser value. For example, “I bet five.” If it is unclear whether “five” means 500 or 5,000, the bet stands as 500.

**4) Conditional statements:** regarding future action are non-standard and strongly discouraged; they may be binding and/or subject to penalty. Example: “if – then” statements such as “If you bet, then I will raise.”

**5) Count of Opponent’s Chip Stack:** Players are entitled to a reasonable estimation of opponents’ chip stacks. Players may only request a more precise count if facing an all-in bet. The all-in player is not required to count; if he opts not to, the dealer or floor will count it. Accepted action applies.

**6) Communication:** All cell phones and other voice-enabled and “ringing” electronic devices must be silenced during Tournament play. Participants not involved in a hand (cards in muck) shall be permitted to text/email at the table, but shall not be permitted to text/email any other participant at the table. All participants desiring to talk on a cell phone must be outside the tournament playing area.

**7) Random Correct Seating:** Tournament seats will be randomly assigned. A participant who started the Tournament in the wrong seat with the correct chip stack amount will be moved to the correct seat and will take their current total chip stack with them. Deck of Dollars reserves the right to relocate participants from their assigned seat to accommodate participants based on special needs, and to balance tables at the start of the Tournament.

**8) Breaking Order/Balancing Tables:** The maximum number of players at a table, until the final table, will be 8 players. Tables will be broken from the highest number to the lowest with Table One being the Final Table.

Players will be moved to keep all tables balanced in number until enough seats are available to accommodate breaking a table. When choosing a player to move from an unbalanced table, the player that will be in the big blind position of the next hand to be dealt will be moved. The incoming player will be required to take the worst position, including taking a single big blind (by him or herself). Worst position is never the small blind.

**9) Number of Participants at Final Table:** Final table will have the number of players at a full table for the event, plus one more player. Nine players will draw a seat at the final table,

**10) Declarations:** Cards speak to determine the winner. Verbal declarations of hand value are not binding at showdown. However, deliberately miscalling a hand may be penalized. Any player, in the hand or not, should speak up if he or she thinks a mistake is being made in the reading of hands. However at Deck of Dollars’ discretion, any participant deliberately miscall-

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ing his or her hand will be subject to penalty.

**11) Face up for All-Ins:** All cards will be turned face up once a participant is all in and all betting action for the hand is complete. If a participant accidentally folds/mucks their hand before cards are turned up, Deck of Dollars reserves the right to retrieve the folded/mucked cards if the cards are clearly identifiable.

**12) Killing Winning Hand:** A dealer cannot kill a winning hand that was tabled and was obviously the winning hand. A tabled hand is defined as a hand that a participant places on the table such that the dealer and all participants at the table can read. Participants are encouraged to assist in reading tabled hands if it appears that an error is about to be made.

**13) Showdown:** In a non all-in showdown, if cards are not spontaneously tabled, the Floor People may enforce an order of show. The last aggressive player on the final betting round (final street) must table first. If there was no bet on the final street, then the player who would be first to act in a betting round must table first (i.e. first seat left of the button.) Players not still in possession of their cards at showdown, or who have mucked face down without tabling their cards, lose any rights or privileges they may have to ask to see any hand. The winning hand must be shown to claim the pot. If a participant refuses to show their hand and intentionally mucks his or her hand, the participant in violation will receive a penalty.

**14) Awarding Odd Chips:** Odd chips will be broken into the smallest denominations in play and the odd chip goes to the first seat left of the button.

**15) Side Pots:** Each side pot will be split separately.

**16) Playing the Board at Showdown:** When playing the board a player must table all hole cards in order to get part of the pot.

**17) Disputed Pots:** The right to dispute a hand ends when a new hand begins. A hand begins with the first riffle.

**18) Chip Color Ups:** If after a scheduled chip color up, a player still has chips of a removed denomination, they will be exchanged for current denominations only at equal value. Chips of removed denominations that do not fully total at least the smallest denomination still in play will be removed without compensation.

**19) Deck changes:** Participants may not ask for deck changes unless a card is damaged.

**20) New Hand and New Limits:** When time has elapsed in a round and a new level is announced, the new level applies to the next hand. A new hand begins with the first riffle.

**21) Calling-for-clock:** Once a reasonable amount of time, which is no less than two minutes, has passed and a clock is called, a participant will be given 50 seconds to make a decision. If action has not been taken by the time the 50 seconds has expired, there will be a 10-second countdown followed by a declaration or stopwatch alarm. If a participant has not acted before the declaration or alarm sounds, the hand will be dead. Tournament Supervisors reserve the right to speed up the amount of time allotted for a clock if it appears that a participant is deliberately stalling. Any participant intentionally stalling the progress of the game will incur a penalty.

**22) Rabbit Hunting:** No rabbit hunting is allowed. Rabbit hunting is revealing any cards "that would have come" if the hand had not ended.

**23) At Your Seat:** A participant must be at his or her seat by the time all participants have been dealt complete initial hands to have a live hand. Participants must be at their seats to call the clock as described in Rule 21 "At your seat" is defined as being within reach or touch of your chair.



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**24) Action Pending:** participants must remain at the table if they still have action pending on a live hand. If a participant leaves the table before they have acted on their hand, a penalty will be enforced when the participant in violation returns to the table.

**25) Non-Standard Folds:** Any time before the end of the last betting round of a hand, folding in turn when there's been no bet to you (ex: facing a check or first to act post-flop) or folding out of turn are both binding folds and may be subject to penalty.

A hand may be considered abandoned and mucked if a player is not at his seat.

**26) Blinds in Heads-Up Play:** In heads-up play, the small blind is on the dealer and acts first pre-flop and last on all other betting rounds. The last card is dealt to the button. When beginning heads-up play, the button may need to be adjusted to ensure neither player has the big blind twice in a row.

**27) Misdeals: A:** Misdeals include but are not necessarily limited to: 1) 2 or more boxed cards on the initial deal; 2) first card dealt to the wrong seat; 3) cards dealt to a seat not entitled to a hand; 4) a seat entitled to a hand is dealt out; 5) If either of the first 2 cards dealt off the deck or any other 2 downcards are exposed by dealer error. Players may be dealt 2 consecutive cards on the button.

**B:** If a misdeal is declared, the re-deal is an exact re-play: the button does not move, no new players are seated, and limits stay the same. Cards are dealt to players on penalty or who were not at their seats for the original deal, and their hands are killed after the re-deal. The original deal and re-deal count as one hand for a player on penalty, not two. **C:** If substantial action occurs, a misdeal cannot be declared and the hand must proceed. Substantial Action is either: A) any two actions in turn, at least one of which puts chips in the pot (i.e. any 2 actions except 2 checks or 2 folds); OR B) any combination of three actions in turn (check, bet, raise, call, or fold).

**28) Four-Card Flop:** If the flop contains four (rather than three) cards, whether exposed or not, the dealer shall scramble the four cards face down. A Tournament official will be called to randomly select one card to be used as the next burn card and the remaining three cards will become the flop.

**29) Verbal Declarations / Action in Turn:** Verbal declarations in turn regarding wagers are binding. Participants must act in turn at all times. Action out of turn will be binding if the action to that participant has not changed. A check, call or fold is not considered action changing. If a participant acts out of turn and the action changes, the person who acted out of turn may change their action by calling, raising or folding and may have their chips returned. Participants may not intentionally act out of turn to influence play before them. A player skipped by out of turn action must defend his right to act. If the skipped player has not spoken up by the time substantial action occurs to his left, the out of turn action is binding. The Floor Person will be called to render a decision on how to treat the skipped hand.

**30) Chips Played:** All chips put into the pot in turn stay in the pot. If a participant has raised and his or her hand is killed before the raise is called, the participant may be entitled to the raise back, but will forfeit the amount of the call. Any chips put into the pot out of turn fall under the action "may or may not be binding" (See Rule 29).

**31) Methods of Calling:** Standard and acceptable forms of calling include: A) verbally declaring "call"; B) pushing out chips equal to a call; C) silently pushing out an oversized chip; or D) silently pushing out multiple chips equal to a call under the multiple-chip betting rule. Silently betting chip(s) relatively tiny to the bet (ex: blinds 100-200. A bets 5000, B then silently puts out a single 100 chip) is non-standard, strongly discouraged, subject to penalty, and will be



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interpreted at TD's discretion, including being ruled a full call.

**32) Method of Raising:** A raise must be made by a) Placing the full amount in the pot in one or more continuous motion(s) without going back toward the participant's stack, b) Verbally declaring the full amount prior to the initial placement of chips into the pot or c) Verbally declaring, "raise" prior to the placement of the exact amount to call into the pot and then completing the action with one additional motion back to the participant's stack. If other than the exact amount to call, but less than a minimum raise is first put out, it will be ruled a minimum raise. It is the participant's responsibility to make their intentions clear.

**33) Raises:** If a participant puts in a raise of 50% or more of the previous bet but less than the minimum raise, he or she will be required to make a full raise. The raise will be exactly the minimum raise allowed.

All raises must be equal to or greater than the size of the previous bet or raise on that betting round. An all-in wager of less than a full raise does not reopen the betting to a participant who has already acted.

Exception - two consecutive all-in wagers that exceed the minimum allowable bet or raise. By way of example, participant A - bets 500, participant B - raises to 1,000, participant C - calls 1,000, participant D - moves all-in for 1,300, participant E - moves all-in for 1,700. If participant A calls or folds, then participants B & C will have an option to raise. The minimum allowable raise will be equal to the last complete raise. In this example, the last complete raise was 500; therefore, participants B or C would be allowed to call 1,700 and raise 500 for a total wager of 2,200. Also, participants B or C could raise more than 500.

**34) Oversized Chip Betting:** Putting a single oversized chip or multiple same-denomination chips into the pot will be considered a call if the participant doesn't announce a raise. For example, pre-flop, blinds are 200-400: A raises to 1,200 total (an 800 raise), B puts out two 1,000 chips without declaring raise. This is just a call because removing one 1,000 chip leaves less than the amount needed to call the 1,200 bet. To make a raise with a single oversized chip, a verbal declaration must be made before the chip hits the table surface. If a participant says "Raise" as an oversized chip is placed into the pot (with the word Raise being announced prior to the chip landing on the table surface), but doesn't state the amount, the raise will be the maximum allowable up to the denomination of that chip. After the flop, an initial bet of a single oversized chip without comment will signify a bet equal to the size of the chip.

**35) Previous Bet Chips Not Pulled In:** If a player faces a raise and has chips in front of him not yet pulled in from a prior bet, those chips (and any change due) may affect whether his betting response to the raise is a call or re-raise. Because several possibilities exist, players are encouraged to verbally declare their bet before putting out new chips on top of chips from a prior bet not yet pulled in.

**36) Over-Betting Expecting Change:** Betting action should not be used to obtain change. Example: The opening bet is 325 to A and he silently puts out 525 (one 500 and one 25), expecting 200 change. This is a raise to 650 under the multiple chip rule. Putting out more than the intended bet can confuse everyone at the table. All chips pushed out silently are at risk of being counted as part of the bet.

**37) Number of Raises:** There is no cap on the number of raises in no-limit games.

**38) Pot Size Bets:** Declaring, "I bet the pot" is not a valid bet in no-limit but it does bind a participant to making at least the minimum bet. If the player is facing a bet he must make a minimum raise.

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**39) Strings Bets and Raises:** Dealers will be responsible for calling string bets/raises. All participants at the table are encouraged to assist in calling a string bet/raise if a dealer fails to identify it. A floor person must verify string bets/raises called by a participant. A string bet/raise is defined as attempting a bet or raise in multiple movements that include a return to a participant's stack without a prior verbal declaration of intent or visual deception intended to induce action out of turn before a participant's action is complete.

**40) Accepted Action:** Poker is a game of alert, continuous observation. It is the caller's responsibility to determine the correct amount of an opponent's bet before calling, regardless of what is stated by the dealer or players. If a caller requests a count but receives incorrect information from the dealer or players, then places that amount in the pot, the caller is assumed to accept the full correct action and is subject to the correct wager or all-in amount.

**41) All-In with Chips Found Behind Later:** If A bets all-in and a hidden chip is found behind after a player has called, the TD will determine if the chip behind is part of accepted action or not. If not part of the action, A will not be paid off for the chip(s) if he wins. If A loses he is not saved by the chip(s) and the TD may award the chip(s) to the winning caller.

**42) Cards and Chip Stacks Kept Visible, Countable, and Manageable:** Participants are entitled to a reasonable estimation of an opponent's chip count; thus chips should be kept in countable stacks. Clean stacks in multiples of 20 are recommended as a standard. Participants must keep their higher denomination chips visible and identifiable at all times. Floor People will control the number & denomination of chips in play and may color up at their discretion. Discretionary color ups are to be announced. Players with live hands must keep their cards in plain view at all times.

**43) Chips in Transit:** All chips must be visible at all times. Participants may not hold or transport Tournament chips in any manner that takes them out of view or out of the Tournament area. A participant who does so will forfeit the chips and face disqualification. The forfeited chips will be taken out of play. It is never acceptable to conceal chips in any manner, whether in pockets, under clothing or in closed hands, etc. Chips must remain visible to floor staff, dealers and other participants at all times.

**44) Protect Your Hand:** participants must protect their own hands at all times. A protected hand is defined as a hand sitting on the table surface with a card cap (see Rule 46) placed on top of the hand. If a dealer or participant kills or fouls an unprotected hand, the participant will have no redress and will not be entitled to his or her money back. If the participant initiated a bet or raise and hasn't been called, the uncalled bet or raise will be returned to the participant.

**45) Dead Hands and Mucking:** Once a player's cards are mixed with other dead or mucked cards, those cards are considered mucked and, therefore, dead and may only be retrieved at the discretion of Deck of Dollars.

**46) Foreign Objects:** Foreign objects on the table, including a maximum of one card cap (also known as a card protector) will not influence or interfere with play. Card caps should be no larger than two (2) inches in diameter and no more than one-half (1/2) inch in depth. Participants may not place any beverages on the poker table.

**47) Penalties:** In its sole and absolute discretion, Deck of Dollars may impose penalties ranging from a verbal warning to disqualification and expulsion from the Tournament. Penalties will be invoked in cases of soft-play, abuse or disruptive behavior, and cheating or collusion. A penalty will also be imposed if a participant throws a card off the table, forcefully mucks their cards causing one or all cards to turn over, violates the one-participant-to-a-hand rule or engages in similar behavior. One-participant-to-a-hand means a participant may not receive advice from anyone while

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in a hand and may not provide advice to any participant while that participant is in a hand.

- A. Deck of Dollars representatives can assess a verbal warning, a fine and missed hand, and disqualification from the tournament.
- B. A fine and missed-hand penalty will be assessed as follows: The offender will forfeit 3 times the amount of the current big blind into the next ante and sit out that hand, being unable to win the pot containing the fine.
- C. It should be noted that penalties may not always be imposed in successive manner. Deck of Dollars representatives, in their sole discretion, for example, can disqualify a person for a first offense if action of participant is deemed worthy. Or a participant, for example, may fore go a warning and be assessed a fine and missed hand penalty. Participants should know any conduct deemed penalty-worthy could result in any range of discipline for a first offense.

**48) Disqualification:** A participant who is disqualified shall have his or her chips removed from play and no refund will be provided to that disqualified participant. Any participant who forfeits play for health or other personal reasons after the start of a Tournament will have his or her chips blinded off accordingly.

**49) Table Talk / Disclosure:** participants are obligated to protect the other participants in the Tournament at all times. Therefore, whether in a hand or not, participants may not:

1. Disclose contents of live or folded hands,
2. Advise or criticize play at any time,
3. Read a hand that hasn't been tabled,
4. Discuss strategy with an outside source while involved in a hand.

The one-participant-to-a-hand rule will be enforced.

Special Exceptions:

- A participant is allowed to mention the strength or content of his/her hand if no other participant in the hand will have a decision to make.
- In heads-up events or when down to the last two participants in a Tournament, participants may speak freely regarding the contents of their hands.
- Deck of Dollars reserves the right use his/her judgment to determine if one participant intentionally helped another participant. Participants who violate this rule are subject to penalty.

**50) Exposing Cards and Proper Folding:** A participant exposing his or her cards with action pending will incur a penalty, but will not have a dead hand. The penalty will begin at the end of the hand. All participants at the table are entitled to see the exposed card(s). When folding, cards should be pushed forward low to the table, not deliberately exposed or tossed high ("helicoptered").

**51) Ethical Play:** Poker is an individual game. Soft play will result in penalties that may include forfeiture of chips and/or disqualification. Chip dumping and other forms of collusion will result in disqualification.

**52) Etiquette Violations:** Repeated etiquette violations will result in the imposition of penalties assessed by Deck of Dollars. Examples include, but are not limited to, unnecessarily touching other participants' cards or chips, body, or clothing, delay of the game, repeatedly acting out of turn, betting out of reach of the dealer, or excessive chatter. Excessive chatter includes, but is not limited to, talking or conversation that causes a disruption of participants who are in a hand.