

3 CARD POKER TOURNAMENT RULES

1. The Tournament Committee will try its best to see that each tournament table has an equal number of players. In the event that the number of entrants is uneven, the number of players assigned to any table will not differ by more than one player from the number of players assigned to any other table during that session.
2. Players must be in assigned seats 5 minutes prior to round beginning.
3. Tournament players may not save, or hold seats in the main casino while playing in a tournament round.
4. Each player will receive \$5,000 in tournament chips at the beginning of each round.
5. All tournament chips must remain in full view of the tournament judges at all times and stacked in denominational order. Tournament chips may not be exchanged, borrowed or loaned between players. Failure to follow these rules may result in the disqualification and forfeiture of any prize money.
6. A rotating marker will be used indicating "1st base." The player with the high card hand will be 1st base in hand #1.
7. All bets must be in multiples of \$100 with a minimum bet of \$100, and a maximum bet of \$1,000.
8. Players may play only one hand at a time and must play in the circle located directly in front of them.
9. Rounds One, two, three and semi finals will consist of 18 hands. The Final table will consist of 21 hands.
10. When it is a player's turn to bet the player will have approximately 30 seconds to bet, otherwise a \$100 minimum bet will automatically be placed.
11. The marker will move one position to the right after each hand is dealt.
12. A player may not change their bet once their turn is passed.
13. Each player will have approximately 30 seconds to play his/her hand; otherwise the hand will be folded.
14. If a dealer deals cards out of order, and no one has acted upon their hand, all hands are dead.
15. If a player has less than the minimum bet remaining, the player will automatically be eliminated from play.
16. There will be a count down of all chips before the last 5 hands are dealt.
17. All chips must be accounted for before round results become official.
18. The official tournament language is English and conversing in any other language will be permitted only by casino staff.
19. Communication, either verbal or visual (e.g. signaling) will not be permitted between players and spectators. This may result in disqualification and forfeiture of any prize money.
20. No written or mechanical aids will be permitted.
21. If a player is not in his/her assigned seat at the start of the session, he/she will automatically have a \$500 ante bet for the first 10 hands. After the allotted 10 hands, the player will then be disqualified.
22. Tournament participants will not be allowed to discuss betting strategy with other participants during the play. IT IS THE PLAYER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO COMMUNICATE HIS/HER DESIRED ACTION WITH THE DEALER.
23. Playoffs will be for advancement purposes only. In the event of a tie, the number of hands played will be determined by the number of players involved in the tie: three hands per player. Each player will be given a total of \$1,000 in tournament chips and the playoff will begin.
24. If a player does not have enough chips to cover the ante bet, the ante must be forfeited.
25. Any player who violates the official rules or becomes offensive to other players may be disqualified and subject to forfeiture of any prize money.
26. Spectators who draw attention to or comment on play or bets will be asked to leave the area of play.
27. The Las Vegas Hilton Tournament Committee will not accept any private arrangements between tournament players, or the interchanging of sessions and/or seats. Tournament players may not arrange for substitute players.
28. All disputes must be handled at the tournament table at the immediate time of the hand in question.
29. In the event of a dispute, the decision of the Tournament Committee will be final.
30. Any dispute or situation not covered by these rules shall be resolved by the property's management in a manner that is deemed fair to all parties. If the patron is not satisfied with management's decision, he/she may exercise their rights under NRS 463.362 and request the Nevada Gaming Control Board to review the matter.
31. The Las Vegas Hilton's house rules will prevail over any situation not covered in the tournament rules.
32. NO SMOKING OR DRINKING WILL BE PERMITTED AT TABLES DURING TOURNAMENT PLAY.
33. The Las Vegas Hilton reserves the right to change, alter or cancel tournament or tournament rules without notice.
34. **WILD CARD RULE:** All players will have the opportunity to purchase in advance, a "WILD CARD" for \$20. The player must purchase the \$20 wild card before any action takes place at the table for that session. A wild card is when a player chooses to discard any one card during the session and replace with the card of their choice. When it is your turn, you may trade in your wild card chip for any card you choose. You may only wild card ONCE during any session. A wild card can only be played during your turn. You may use your wild card chip once each session, even at the final table.