

BLACKJACK TERMS:

SPLITTING PAIRS – If your first two cards are a pair with the same numerical value, you may split them into two hands.

You must bet the same amount as your original wager on each hand formed by splitting the pair. If the dealer gets Blackjack, only the original wager is collected. You must complete play on your first hand before playing your second hand. However, you may double down on each hand. If the split pair are Aces, you will receive only one card on each.

DOUBLING DOWN – After you get your first two cards, you may make an additional wager up to the original amount except when your first two cards total 21. When doubling down, you may draw only one additional card. If the dealer gets Blackjack after you have doubled down, only the amount of the original wager is collected.

INSURANCE – If the dealer's face up card is an Ace, you may take insurance. To do this, you place a bet (no more than one-half your original bet) on the insurance line. If the dealer's "hole" card is a 10, Jack, Queen or King, you win your insurance bet at 2 to 1 odds. If the dealer's "hole" card is any other card, you lose your insurance bet. The dealer collects all losing insurance wagers before continuing the hand.

HANDLING OF CARDS – Players are not allowed to touch the cards, except for single deck Blackjack.

VALUE OF PLAYER'S HAND – Player is responsible for the correct count of his hand.

HAND SIGNALS – Player is responsible for the proper use of hand signals to indicate hit or stand. Other decisions may be made verbally.

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Here is a card game where the object is for you to draw cards that total 21 or come closer to 21 than the dealer, without going over. All cards count at face value except King, Queen and Jack, each of which count as 10, and the Ace which counts as either 1 or 11 - you decide.

The dealer starts the game. Every player is dealt two cards, face up.

The dealer also gets two cards. One is dealt face up. The other is dealt face down – called the “hole” card. All cards are dealt from a shoe.

Once you have your two cards in front of you, you can choose to “stand” (draw no more cards) or take a “hit” (draw one or more cards) until you reach 21 or come as close as possible. However, if you go over 21, you “break” and automatically lose. A winning hand pays even money.

Now the dealer turns over the “hole” card and acts on the hand according to the rules of the game. The dealer must draw to 16 and “stand” when 17 or more is reached. At the end of the game, if your count is the same as the dealer’s it is a “stand-off” (nobody wins).

WHAT IF YOU GET BLACKJACK RIGHT AWAY?

In the event your first two cards are an Ace and any 10 value card, the dealer announces your hand as “Blackjack.” You will be paid at this time if the dealer does not have an Ace or 10 value card as a face up card. However, if the dealer’s face up card is an Ace or a 10 value card, you will not be paid until the dealer checks their “hole” card. If the dealer’s hand is Blackjack, it is a stand-off. A player’s winning Blackjack is paid off at odds of 3 to 2.

