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## THE BASICS

Texas Hold'em is a Poker game using a standard 52 card deck where players compete against each other for the highest ranking five card hand on the table to win. Hands are made using any combination of the players two cards with the five community cards. In casinos, the Dealer never plays. A disk, or "dealer button", moves clockwise from player to player with each hand.

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The game begins with two players "posting the blinds". The player to the left of the Dealer pays the small blind (half the lower betting limit). The next player to the left pays the big blind (equal to the lower betting limit).

**Preflop:** each player is dealt two cards face down beginning with the player to the left of the dealer and continuing clockwise. Betting begins with the player to the left of those who posted the blinds. Players can call, raise, or fold on their turn.

**Flop:** after betting, the Dealer discards ("burns") the top card of the deck. The next three cards are placed face up on the table as the first community cards. Betting begins starting with the first player to the left of the dealer.

**Turn:** a fourth community card is dealt face up next to the flop. Betting begins with the first player to the left of the dealer.

**River:** a fifth community card is dealt face up next to the flop. The final round of betting take place. All remaining players reveal their hand. The player with the best hand wins the pot.

## HAND RANKINGS

**Royal Flush** - Ace, King, Queen, Jack, Ten all of the same suit

**Straight Flush** - any five card sequence in the same suit

**Four of a Kind** - all four cards of the same value

**Full House** - Three of a Kind combined with a Pair

**Flush** - any five cards of the same suit, but not in sequence

**Straight** - five cards in sequence, but not the same suit

**Three of a Kind** - three cards of the same value

**Two Pair** - two separate Pairs

**Pair** - two cards of the same value

**High Card** - if none of the above combinations, hand is valued by the highest card

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