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*W*elcome to Boyd Gaming's casinos and resorts. This booklet is designed to provide you with a better understanding of our most popular games and how they are played. If you have any questions or need help, please don't hesitate to ask any of our team members. They will be happy to assist you. We hope you enjoy your visit.

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# BLACKJACK

## OVERVIEW

*Blackjack is a one-on-one game between the player and the dealer. The dealer distributes two cards to each player and two to himself, one face up. The object of the game is to draw cards that total 21 (or as near as possible) without going over. Cards totaling more than 21 constitute a losing hand automatically. Face cards or tens count as 10. The ace can count as either 1 or 11. All other cards count as their face value. If you are dealt an ace and a ten-value card as your original hand, you have a blackjack and will be paid a bonus on top of your winning bet (unless the dealer also has blackjack, in which case you have a "push" and neither win nor lose).*

## CARD VALUES

FACE CARDS	10
ACE	1 OR 11
CARDS 2-10	FACE VALUE

## HOW TO PLAY

After the first two cards are dealt, each player can draw additional cards to increase their total. To indicate you wish to draw, lightly scrape the edge of your cards toward you and the dealer will give you another card. When you wish to stop drawing cards, slide your cards under your bet and the dealer will move to the next player (On a game where the cards are dealt face up, lightly scrape your fingers towards you on the table and the dealer will give you a card. When you wish to stop drawing, move your hand back and forth in a sideways motion and the dealer will move to the next player.)

Once every player at the table is satisfied with the number of cards they have drawn, the dealer will turn up his "hole" card, revealing the dealer's hand to the table. The dealer must draw until the hand totals 17 or more, or until he "busts" the hand by exceeding the limit of 21.

If your cards total closer to 21 than those of the dealer, or if the dealer "busts," you will be paid even money. Should your point total be the same as that of the dealer, it is a "push" or standoff and your bet remains intact. Should your original two cards be a pair, such as eights, or if they are two cards of the same value such as a 10 and a jack, you have the option of retaining them

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and standing; drawing cards; or splitting the cards by exposing them on the table in front of you and doubling your bet (in essence, playing two hands). The dealer will then give you one additional card on each half of the pair and you may either "stand" or continue drawing. (On a game dealt face up, let the dealer know you wish to split and double your bet.)

Should you be dealt a pair of aces, you have the option of splitting them and doubling your bet. In this instance, you will receive only one additional card on each ace. Should the added card be a 10 count, your hand will be counted simply as 21 and will not be paid as a blackjack. Blackjack may only be made using the first two cards dealt.

You may double your bet ("double down") after your first two cards if you feel that only one more card will be needed to complete your hand. Expose your hand and double your bet and the dealer will deliver a single card and your hand will stand, regardless of your point total.

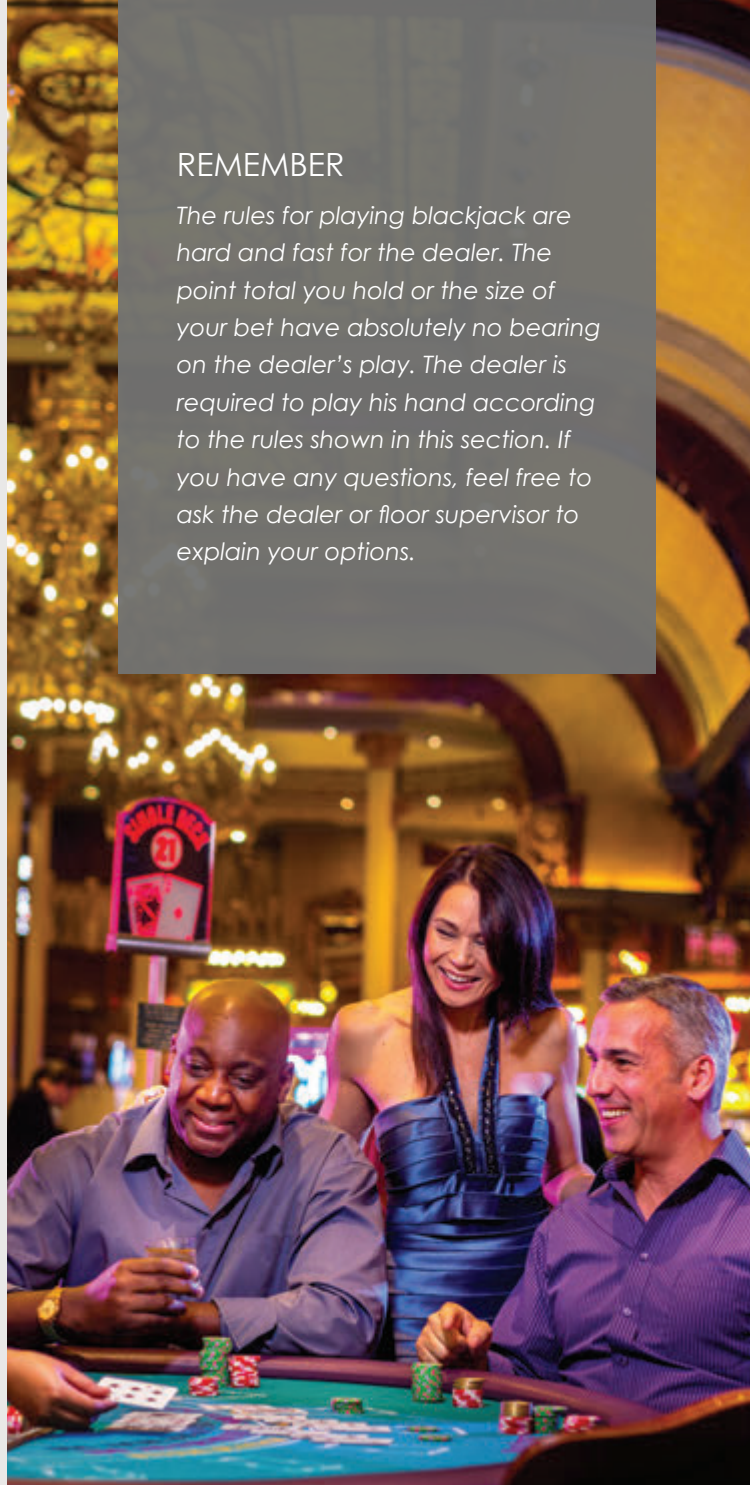
If the dealer's exposed card is an ace he will offer "insurance" to all players. You may wager up to one half of your original bet. Should the dealer's hand actually be a blackjack, you will be paid 2 to 1 on your "insurance" wager.

Specific blackjack rules may vary by property. Please ask your dealer or floor supervisor for more details.

## REMEMBER

*The rules for playing blackjack are hard and fast for the dealer. The point total you hold or the size of your bet have absolutely no bearing on the dealer's play. The dealer is required to play his hand according to the rules shown in this section. If you have any questions, feel free to ask the dealer or floor supervisor to explain your options.*

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## SLOTS

### OVERVIEW

Boyd Gaming casinos offer more than 31,000 slots and other games, including video poker, video keno and video blackjack. We offer a wide variety of denominations ranging from penny machines to \$100 machines. Jackpots on these machines can run into the millions of dollars. Cars and other valuable prizes are also offered as jackpots. Various symbol combinations determine the jackpot payoffs and are visibly marked on each machine. If you have any questions, a team member will be happy to assist you.

## BINGO

### OVERVIEW

Bingo is offered many times daily at a number of Boyd Gaming casinos. Please check with each property for specific times and availability. Play games such as regular, double, coveralls, 2nd chances and 3rd chances. Our staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



# ROULETTE

## OVERVIEW

A roulette table layout might be the most complicated-looking in the casino, but the game is actually quite simple to play. The roulette wheel has numbers from 1 to 36, plus 0 and 00. The game offers a variety of bets: red or black, odd or even, or any combination of adjoining numbers. Each player is given their own distinct color of chips that may be bought from the dealer.





## CRAPS

### OVERVIEW

*One of the most exciting games in the casino is craps. The game can be simple or intricate; there are a wide variety of bets that can be made on each roll of the dice.*

### HOW TO PLAY

Once all of the bets are placed on the layout (see the previous page for layout diagram), the dealer will spin the ball. Players may continue to place bets until the dealer says that no more bets can be made.

After the ball falls into a number, the dealer will announce the winning number, mark it and pay the winning bets. Please wait until the dealer pays off all bets before collecting any winnings.

The diagram on the bottom of the previous page illustrates the different bets available. If you have any questions, the dealers or floor personnel will be happy to help.

### HOW TO PLAY

Pass line and the don't pass line are the most popular bets. On the Pass Line, you are betting with the player rolling the dice. If on the first roll a 7 or 11 is rolled, you win. If a 2, 3, or 12 is rolled (called "craps"), you lose. Any other number becomes the point. The shooter will continue to roll until she either rolls the point again (in which case you win), or until she rolls a 7 (in which case you lose).

A bet on the Don't Pass Line is the opposite of a bet on the Pass Line. You win if a 2 or 3 is thrown on the first roll. If a 12 is rolled first, it is a "stand-off" and nobody wins. If a 7 or 11 is rolled, you lose. Any other number becomes the point, and if a 7 is rolled before that number, you win.

### DON'T COME

Bets on the Don't Come are the reverse of Come bets. The winning numbers are 3 and 2, and you push on a 12. If a 7 or 11 is hit on the first roll, you lose. Any other number becomes the "point" and if a 7 is rolled first you win even money.

### COME

Bets on the Come can be made after a point has been established. It is the same as betting on the Pass Line and the action begins with the next roll of the dice. This bet pays even money.

### ANY 7

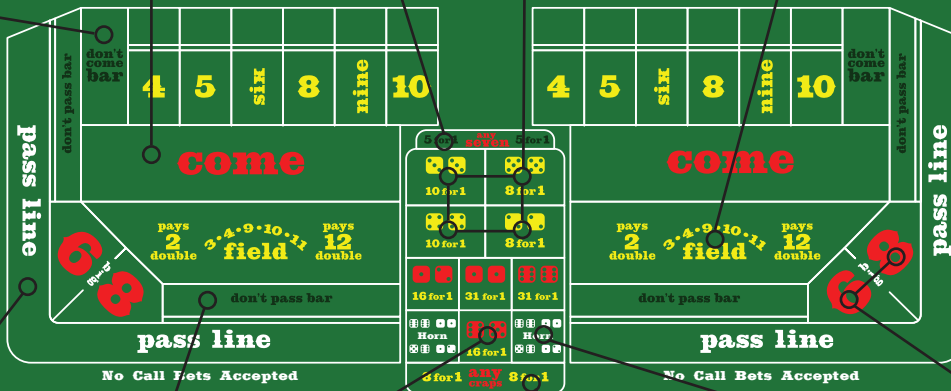
This is a one-roll proposition and you can bet on any roll. If a 7 is rolled, you win four times your bet.

### HARD WAY

Hard way wagers may be made on the 4, 6, 8 and 10. In order to win, the number selected must be rolled exactly as shown on the table. If the number comes up in any other combination or if a 7 is rolled, the player loses.

### FIELD

Field bets are a one-roll proposition and can be placed on any roll of the dice. If a 3, 4, 9, 10, or 11 is rolled, you win even money. If a 2 is rolled, you win two-to-one. If a 12 is rolled, you win three-to-one. If a 5, 6, 7 or 8 is rolled, you lose.



*Note:  
A slight variation of proposition odds may occur from casino to casino.*

### PASS LINE

You win on 7 or 11 and lose on 2, 3 or 12 on the first roll. Any other number becomes your "point." If the point is rolled again before a 7 you win even money. If a 7 comes up first you lose.

### DON'T PASS LINE

If a 2 or 3 is hit on the first roll, you win. A 12 is a "standoff." If a 7 or 11 is hit you lose. Any other number becomes the "point." If a 7 is rolled before that number you win even money.

### ANY 11

This is a one-roll proposition and you can bet on any roll. If 11 is rolled you win 15 times your bet.

### ANY CRAPS

You may bet any craps for the next roll only. A bet on this proposition will win if the 2, 3, or 12 comes up on the next roll of dice. You win seven times your bet.

### BET THE HORN

When you bet on 2, 3, 11, or 12 and they come up exactly as shown, you win. This is a one-roll proposition and can be bet at any time.

### BIG 6 OR 8

The Big 6 or 8 are even money bets. If the number selected is rolled before a 7 you win.

Come bets or Don't Come bets may be placed any time after the first roll and are the same as bets on the Pass Line or the Don't Pass Line, except that the action begins with the next roll of the dice.

Once the dice have been thrown establishing a "point" to be made by the shooter, "odds bets" may be added to your bets on the Pass Line, Don't Pass Line, Come Line and Don't Come Line. The odds vary on these wagers

and can be explained to you by the craps dealer or casino supervisor.

There are many other bets available in craps, outlined in the following diagram. If you have any questions or need assistance, our craps dealers or floor personnel will be happy to help.





## RACE & SPORTS BOOK

### OVERVIEW

Boyd Gaming offers race and/or sports betting at all of its Nevada resorts and casinos. These spacious facilities offer live broadcasts on multiple wide-screen TVs of major sporting events, thoroughbred, harness and greyhound racing. The Race books feature pari-mutuel wagering on most major tracks around the country and sports books offer a wide variety of wagering on professional and college sports, including football, basketball, hockey, baseball, boxing, NASCAR, golf, and tennis.

The books are open seven days a week and winning sports tickets may be cashed at the main casino cage during the hours the books are closed. Rules for betting are posted in the Sports Book, and our knowledgeable and friendly staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

**Note:** Sports betting is legal only in Nevada and is not offered in any state where prohibited by law.



## KENO

### OVERVIEW

Some of the highest pay outs at Boyd Gaming casinos are offered in keno. For as little as 40 cents you can win \$25,000, or increase your wager to 80 cents or one dollar and win \$50,000 or more. We also offer payoffs up to \$250,000 on some games. There are multiple combinations of numbers and sizes of bets in this game, all explained in the special keno brochures available in our keno lounges. You may play one game at a time or up to 1,000 games simultaneously. Keno boards located throughout the casino allow you to follow each game as it occurs. Keno hours are posted at each property where keno is available.

**Note:** Odds and types of wagers may vary. Some properties offer keno runners for your convenience.



# BACCARAT

## OVERVIEW

The game is played with eight decks of cards shuffled and placed into the "shoe." You may bet on the player's hand, the banker's hand, or bet on a tie. The dealer will deal two cards to the player and two cards to the banker. One additional card may be drawn as required by set baccarat rules (shown at right) with the closest hand to nine winning. Face cards and 10s have zero value and all others count according to their face value. Winning player bets are paid even money. Winning bets on the bank will be charged a five percent commission. A winning tie bet usually pays 8-to-1.

## BACCARAT RULES

PLAYER HAVING		
1-2-3-4-5-10	DRAWS CARD	
6-7	STANDS	
8-9	NATURAL (banker cannot draw)	
BANKER HAVING		
	DRAWS when player takes a third card	DOES NOT DRAW when player takes a third card
3	1-2-3-4-5-6-7-9-0	8
4	2-3-4-5-6-7	1-8-9-0
5	4-5-6-7	1-2-3-8-9-0
6	6-7	1-2-3-4-5-8-9-0
7	STANDS	
8-9	NATURAL (banker cannot draw)	





## POKER

### OVERVIEW

*One of the oldest casino games, poker is offered daily at a number of our resorts and casinos. Unlike other casino games, poker players compete against one another, not the casino.*

*Games, limits and rules are posted in the poker area. The dealers and floor personnel at any of our resorts will be happy to explain the rules or answer any questions.*

## PAI-GOW POKER

### OVERVIEW

*Pai-Gow Poker is a combination of American poker and the ancient Chinese game of Pai-Gow. The object of the game is to have two poker hands that outrank the banker's hands.*

### HOW TO PLAY

The game is played with a 52-card deck, plus a joker. The joker can only be used to complete a straight, flush, straight flush or royal flush; otherwise, it plays as an ace. Hands are ranked the same as traditional poker (except A-2-3-4-5 is the second-highest straight).

For each hand, one person (either a player or the dealer) will be designated the "banker," and all other players will compete against that person. Each player is dealt seven cards, which are then arranged into a five-card and two-card hand. You may arrange your cards as you wish, but your five-card hand must be higher than your two-card hand. (If you need help in arranging your hand, the dealer will be happy to assist you.)

If both player hands beat both banker hands, the player wins the bet (less a 5% commission). If both banker hands are higher, the banker wins the bet. If each side wins one hand, the bet is a push. If both sides have identical five-card or two-card hands, the tie will go to the banker.

## UNDERSTANDING THE ODDS

All casino games are designed with a "house advantage" – a measure of how much the casino expects to win, expressed as a percentage of a player's wager. For example, in a game with a 5% house advantage, the casino expects to win an average of \$5 per \$100 wagered.

The house advantage is a theoretical number that applies over time to an enormous number of wagers, and is not a prediction of what will happen each time you play a game. On one occasion, you might lose more than the predicted house advantage, while another time you may walk away a winner.

In addition, some games (such as blackjack or poker) incorporate an element of skill. As a result, experienced players may enjoy a lower house advantage than a beginner.

**SLOT MACHINES:** Varies widely, but most slots have a house advantage of between 0.5% and 15%.

**VIDEO POKER:** For most video poker games offered at our properties, house advantage ranges from 0.05% to 4%.

**BLACKJACK:** Varies from 0.5% to 1.5%, using typical house rules.

**ROULETTE:** 5.3% for a standard "double-zero" roulette wheel.

**CRAPS:** Ranges from 1.4% to 16.7%, depending on the type of bet.

**BACCARAT:** 1.1% for player and banker bets; 14.4% for tie bets.

**POKER:** Players compete against each other, so there is no house advantage. However, the casino charges up to 10% of each pot (called "the rake") as a commission, up to a predetermined maximum.

*For more information about games not listed above, please feel free to ask a casino manager.*

## DON'T LET THE GAME GET OUT OF HAND

Our team members take great pride in creating an entertaining experience for all our guests. However, when it's no longer entertainment, there is help.

For the majority of our guests, gambling, when done responsibly, is part of the entertainment experience. However, we also realize that for a small segment of our population, gambling is not entertainment.

### **If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, help is available.**

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Illinois • 800.522.4700

Indiana • 800.994.8448

Iowa • 800.BETSOFF (238-7633)

Kansas • 800.522.4700

Louisiana • 877.770.STOP (7867)

Mississippi • 888.777.9696

New Jersey • 888.GAMBLER (426-2537)