

Double Hand Poker

- **Rules specifying how the game is played:** Double Hand Poker may be played by from two to seven players. Each player receives 7 cards from a standard 52 card deck with one Joker added. The Joker may be used as an Ace, or as any card to complete a straight or flush. Five aces (four aces and a Joker) is the best possible hand. Each player then has to set his/her cards into two poker hands: one containing five cards (known as "the back"), and one containing two cards (known as "the front"): the front hand may not rank higher than the back hand. After all players have set their hands, each hand is compared to the designated player's hand (which rotates every turn), in turn beginning with the button, to determine the winner. A player wins when his/her two hands rank higher than the opponent's respective hands. When one of the hands ranks higher and the other one lower, a tie results.
- **Procedures for wagering during the conduct of the game:** Before the deal, the player left of the button will place a bet and an ante. Then, subsequent players in clockwise order from this first player will also place out a bet and an ante. When all players have placed out a bet and an ante, the dealer deals each player seven cards. When all players have finished forming their two hands, each player's hands are compared to the hand of the player on the button (the designated player), in turn, starting with the first player clockwise from the button, then, bets are paid to the extent the designated player's money is in action.