

THREE CARD POKER

(RWS)

Game Rules

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1. Definitions

In these rules:

Ante means an initial wager placed by the Player, prior to any cards being dealt.

Ante Bonus means a payout to Ante wagers for hands that have a value of straight or better.

To **fold** means the cards are placed face down on the table to be collected by the Dealer. This indicates that the Player no longer wants to continue in the game.

Pair Plus means a wager placed by a Player which wins if the Player's hand has a poker value of a pair or better regardless of the Dealer's hand.

Play refers to a situation where a Player who wishes to continue the game after he had wagered on Ante. His Play wager will be equal in amount to his Ante wager and will be placed on top of his cards at the designated "Play" betting area.

Stand-Off means the outcome where the Player's hand is the same as the Dealer's hand.

2. Mode of Play

2.1 The Layout

2.1.1 Three Card Poker may be played only on tables displaying the layout as shown in Appendices "A" and "B":

- a) Betting boxes will be marked for each Player. The maximum number of boxes is as shown on each table layout.
- b) Each betting box shall have the following betting areas: The betting box furthest from the Player shall be marked "Pair Plus", follow by "Ante" and "Play".
- c) There shall be an illuminated spot above the "Pair Plus" betting box where the Progressive Jackpot wager is placed.

2.2 The Cards

2.2.1 The game shall be played with a standard single deck consisting of 52 cards.

3. How to Play

- 3.1 Commencement of play shall begin when the Dealer announces “Place your bets, please.”
- 3.2 Closing of bets shall take effect when the Dealer announces “No more bets.”
- 3.3 A Player must wager on either the “Ante” betting box, “Pair Plus” betting box, or both as stipulated in Appendices “A” and “B” in order to participate in the game.
- 3.4 The Player may also wager on the Progressive Jackpot, provided he has placed an “Ante” wager. The qualifying Jackpot hands and the respective payouts are stipulated in the Pay Table in rule 4.4.
- 3.5 The objective of the game is to achieve a higher ranking hand than the Dealer’s hand.
- 3.5.1 All suits have the same rank. The ranking of cards, from the highest to the lowest, shall be as follows: Ace, King, Queen, Jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, except in the context of a Straight sequence consisting of “3, 2, Ace”, where the Ace may be counted as 1.
- 3.5.2 The rankings of hands from the highest to the lowest are as follows:

Three Card Poker Ranking List (Descending order)	
Straight Flush (Three cards of the same suit in sequence)	e.g. A, K, Q
Three of a Kind	e.g. Q, Q, Q
Straight (any three cards in sequence of different suits, an Ace may count high or low in a Straight)	e.g. 3, 2, A or A, K, Q
Flush (any three cards of the same suit, not in sequence)	e.g. K, J, 9
One Pair	e.g. 10, 10, K
Three Odd Cards	e.g. 6, 4, 2

- 3.5.3 The rankings for hands of the equivalent poker value but consisting of different card values are illustrated by the following examples:

a) K, Q, J (Straight) beats J, 10, 9 (Straight);

- b) 5, 5, K beats 5, 5, Q as the next highest card after Pair of 5 is a King which ranks higher than a Queen;
 - c) A, K, J beats A, K, 10 as the next highest card after the Ace and the King is a Jack, which ranks higher than a 10.
- 3.5.4 If after ranking the cards, the first two cards in the Dealer's hand ties with the Player's hand, the subsequent card will determine the winner. If the subsequent card is a tie, it constitutes a Stand-Off on both the "Play" and the "Ante".
- 3.6 After the Players have placed an initial wager, the Dealer shall deal the cards starting with the Player on his immediate left and continuing in a clockwise direction. The Dealer shall deal one card at a time to each Player and then one card to himself until each Player and the Dealer receives three cards. Each card shall be dealt face down, with each successive card being placed on top of the previous card, offsetting slightly so that the number of cards dealt can be clearly seen.
- 3.7 Where an automated shuffler machine designed to dispense cards is used, the Dealer shall deal the set of three cards dispensed by the automated shuffler machine to each Player, starting with the Player on his immediate left and continuing clockwise round the table before dealing to himself.
- 3.8 After examining the cards, the Player may decide to:
 - 3.8.1 "fold", in which case the Player loses his wager on both the "Ante" and the "Pair Plus"; or
 - 3.8.2 "play", in which case the Player must place a wager equivalent to his Ante wager on the designated "Play" betting area. Players who have only placed "Pair Plus" wager shall place their cards on the designated "Play" betting area without any Play wager.
- 3.9 If the Dealer does not have a hand consisting of at least a Queen-High or better:
 - 3.9.1 There is no payment on the "Play" wagers.
 - 3.9.2 All "Ante" wagers are paid in accordance to the Pay Table stipulated in rule 4.1.
 - 3.9.3 All "Pair Plus" and "Ante Bonus" wagers shall be paid in accordance to the Pay Table stipulated in rules 4.2 and 4.3 irrespective of the Dealer's hand.

- 3.10 If the Dealer has a hand consisting of a Queen-High or better, he will then compare his hand with each Player's hand. If:
- 3.10.1 the Player's hand is of higher ranking than the Dealer's hand, the Player wins and his wager on "Ante" and "Play" shall be paid in accordance to the Pay Table stipulated in rule 4.1.
 - 3.10.2 the Player's hand is of lower ranking than the Dealer's hand, the Player loses his "Ante" and "Play" wagers.
 - 3.10.3 the Player's hand and Dealer's hand are of the same poker ranking, it constitutes a Stand-Off.
 - 3.10.4 all "Pair Plus" and "Ante Bonus" wagers shall be settled in accordance with the Pay Table stipulated in rules 4.2 and 4.3 respectively, irrespective of the Dealer's hand.
- 3.11 Any Player who has wagered on the Progressive Jackpot and who has a hand stipulated in the Pay Table in rule 4.4, shall be paid accordingly irrespective of the Dealer's hand.
- 3.12 All other seated Players who have wagered on the Progressive Jackpot shall receive an "Envy Bonus" in the event that any Player with an Ante wager (with or without a Progressive wager) achieves any of the top two hands stipulated in the Pay Table in rule 4.4.
- 3.13 If a Player who has only placed a Pair Plus wager achieves any of the top two hands stipulated in the Pay Table in rule 4.4, all other seated Players shall not be entitled to receive the "Envy Bonus".

4. Settlement

4.1 Ante and Play Wagers Pay Table

Bets/Rules	Pays
Ante wagers	1 to 1
Play wagers	1 to 1

4.2 Pair Plus Pay Table

Pairs Plus (irrespective of Dealer's hand)	Pays
Straight Flush wins	40 to 1
Three-of-a-Kind wins	30 to 1
Straight wins	5 to 1
Flush wins	4 to 1
Pair wins	1 to 1

4.3 Ante Bonus Pay Table

Ante Bonuses (irrespective of Dealer's hand)	Pays
Straight Flush wins	5 to 1
Three-of-a-Kind wins	4 to 1
Straight wins	1 to 1

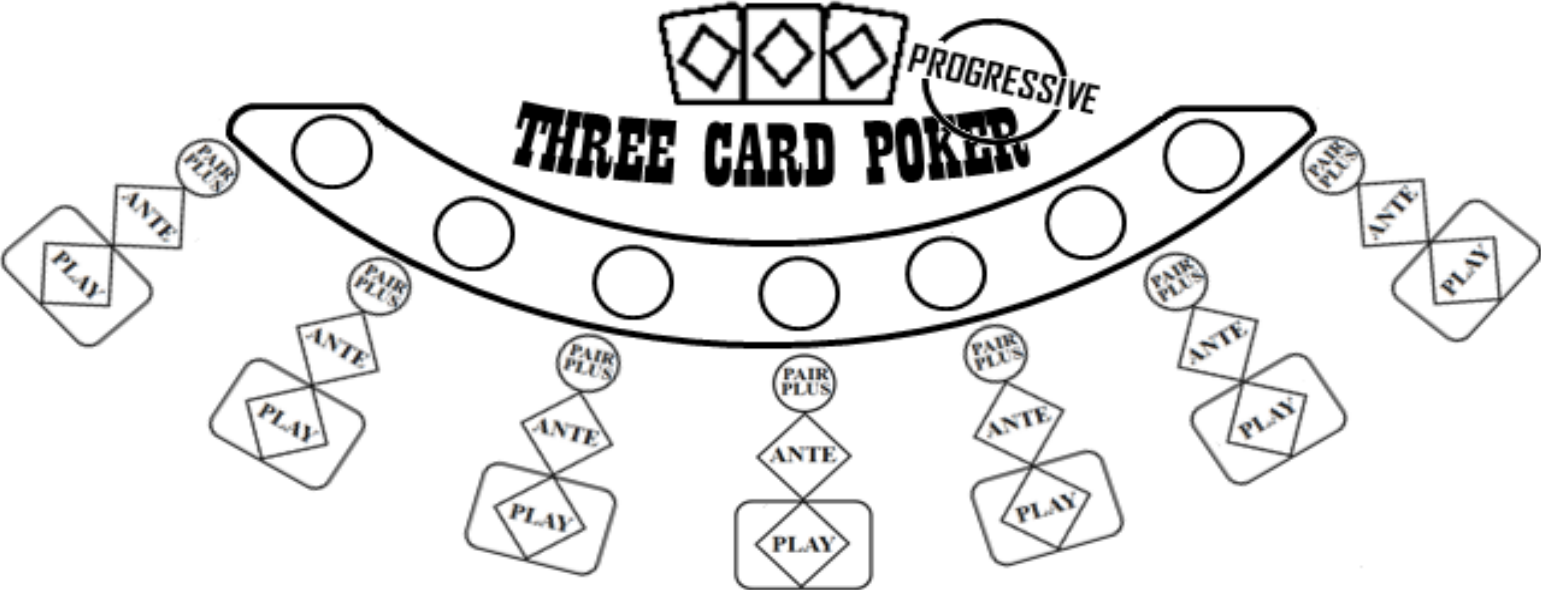
4.4 Progressive Jackpot Pay Table

Bets/Rules	Pays	Envy Bonus
AKQ Spades wins	100 % Progressive Jackpot	\$250
AKQ Hearts/Diamonds/Clubs wins	\$1250	\$50
Straight Flush wins	\$175	NA
Three-of-a-Kind wins	\$150	NA
Straights	\$15	NA
Winners of high jackpot (100% of the Progressive Jackpot) shall be paid by cheques issued from the Cage.		

5. Irregularities

- 5.1 In the event that any of the following situations occur, the game shall be considered void:
 - 5.1.1 Any foreign card that does not form part of the set of cards is found in the progress of a game. The outcomes of all previous games will stand;
 - 5.1.2 Two or more cards are incorrectly exposed during the deal;
 - 5.1.3 There is any shortage or excess of cards in the deck;
 - 5.1.4 Where the cards have been dealt incorrectly and no Players have handled their cards, except if an incorrect distribution of cards can be reconstructed by moving complete hands from one betting area to another; or
 - 5.1.5 An incorrect number of cards are dealt to the Dealer's hand, provided that this is noticed before the commencement of play of the next game and the cards cannot be reconstructed.
- 5.2 After the Dealer announces "No more bets", no wager may be placed, increased or withdrawn and the Dealer will refuse all such wagers.

Appendix “A”



Appendix "B"

