

PAI GOW POKER

Pai-Gow Poker is an Americanized version of an ancient Chinese dominoes game.

The game is played with a standard 52-card deck plus the addition of one joker. The joker is not used as a traditional wild card; but may be used and ranked as an Ace is used alone, or as any card that completes a Straight, Flush, Straight Flush or Royal Flush. (When a Joker is used in Straights or Straight Flushes, the joker becomes the value and suit of the card needed to complete the poker hand. When the Joker is used in Flushes, the Joker becomes the highest value card in the suit that is missing.) The dealer or an automatic shuffling machine shuffles the deck and deals out seven stacks of seven cards, discarding the remaining four cards.

All bets are made; the dealer then shakes and rolls three dice in a cup or uses a computerized random number generator to determine which player will get the first stack of cards. Each player receives and arranges the seven cards into a five-card and two-card hand. The five-card hand must outrank the two-card hand. To win, both the player's hands must beat both of the dealer's hands. When a player wins, the dealer pays the player even money for their bet. The "House" will charge a commission of 5%, or a minimum commission charge of 25 cents, on each winning bet.

Casino Rock Island will allow the players to touch and/or hold the cards dealt to the player. Only the dealer and the player whom the cards have been dealt may touch that player's cards. Players cannot move the cards past the edge of the table. A player may not touch the cards to any part of their body or with any instrument, in any manner, which would alter, mark, bend or otherwise allow any card to be distinguished from any other card.



After the dealing procedures have been completed, the players will arrange their cards into two (2) hands;

The low hand shall contain two (2) cards

The high hand shall contain five (5) cards

The high hand must be higher in rank than the low hand.

Hands are ranked as follows: five (5) aces, royal flush, straight flush, four (4) of a kind, full house, flush, straight, three (3) of a kind, two (2) pair, one (1) pair, highest card.

All identical (copy hands) in Pai Gow are automatically won by the dealer.

A PLAYER SHALL WIN IF:

The low hand of the player is higher in rank than the low hand of the Dealer and the high hand of the player is higher in rank than the high hand of the Dealer.

A PLAYER SHALL LOSE IF:

The low and high hand of the player is lower in rank, or identical (copy hand) to the low and high hand of the dealer.

FOULED HANDS:

The low hand of the player is set to rank higher than the high hand of the player.

The low hand contains more or less than two (2) cards, or the high hand contains more or less than five (5) cards. All fouled hands are forfeited.

A WAGER SHALL BE CONSIDERED A PUSH IF:

The low hand of the player is lower in rank, or identical to the low hand of the dealer, and the high hand of the player is higher in rank than the high hand of the dealer.

The low hand of the player is higher in rank than the low hand of the dealer, and the high hand of the player is lower or identical in rank to the high hand of the dealer.

When a player wins a hand (i.e., both of the player's hands beat both of the dealer's hands), the dealer will pay the player even money for their wager (bet).