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INTRODUCTION

3 card uses a standard 52-card deck. Each player, including the Dealer, will be dealt three cards, and play their best 3 card poker hand versus the dealer.

RULES OF PLAY

Play starts with the player making an Ante Wager, and or optional Player Bonus side wager, and or an optional 6 Card Bounty side wager.

All players and dealer get three cards each face down. The player may examine their own cards. The player must decide to fold or raise by making a Play wager.

If the player folds, then they forfeit their Ante wager. If the player raises, then they must make an additional Play wager, equal to their Ante wager.

The 3 card poker hand ranks are — in descending order — Straight Flush, Three of a Kind, Straight, Flush, Pair, and High Card. If the dealer hand is a Queen-high or better, the dealer is said to qualify.

The dealer will turn over their cards. The dealer needs a queen high or better to qualify. If the dealer does not qualify then the player will win even money on the Ante wager and the Play wager will push. If the dealer qualifies, then the player's hand will be compared to the dealer's hand, the higher hand wins.

If the player has the higher-ranking 3 card poker hand, then the Ante and Play will both pay even money. If the dealer has the higher-ranking 3 card poker hand, then the Ante and Play will both lose. If the player and dealer tie, then the Ante and Play wagers will push.

If the player made the Ante wager and has a straight or higher, then the player will receive an Ante Bonus, regardless of the value of the dealer's hand. The Player Bonus side wager will pay based solely on the poker value of the player's hand according to the posted pay table. The Player Bonus side wager is paid even if the player folds their hand.

The 6 Card Bounty side wager is based on the combination of the player's 3 card hand and the dealer's 3 card hand and pays according to the posted pay table. The 6 Card Bounty side wager is paid even if the player folds their hand.

DEALER QUALIFYING

The Dealer must have at least a Queen High to Qualify.

In the event the Dealer does not hold a qualifying hand, then the player will win even money on the Ante wager and the Play wager will push.

WINNING AND LOSING HANDS

The Ante, Play, optional Player Bonus, and the optional 6 Card Bounty side wagers will be resolved as follows:

- a. The Ante wager wins and is paid 1 to 1 if the Dealer doesn't have a Queen or higher.
- b. The Play wager wins and is paid 1 to 1 if the Player's hand ranks higher than the Dealer's hand.

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- c. Ante Bonus award wins and is paid according to the posted pay table if the player's hand contains a straight or higher, regardless of the dealer's hand.
- d. The Player Bonus wager wins and is paid according to the posted pay table if the player's hand contains a pair or better.
- e. The 6 Card Bounty wager wins and is paid according to the posted pay table if the player's hand combined with the dealer's hand has a 3 of a kind or better.

PAYTABLES:

Ante Wager / Play Wager	
Player Hand	Award
Ante Wager	1 to 1
Play Wager	1 to 1

Table 1. Ante Bonus Awards	
Player Hand	Award
Straight Flush	5 to 1
Three of a Kind	4 to 1
Straight	1 to 1

Table 2. Pays — Player Bonus			
Player Hand	Paytable A	Paytable B	Paytable C
AKQ Suited	50 to 1	50 to 1	40 to 1
Straight Flush	40 to 1	40 to 1	40 to 1
Three of a Kind	30 to 1	30 to 1	30 to 1
Straight	6 to 1	5 to 1	6 to 1
Flush	3 to 1	4 to 1	3 to 1
Pair	1 to 1	1 to 1	1 to 1

Table 3. Pays — 6-Card Bounty			
Hand	Paytable A	Paytable B	Paytable C
6-Card Royal Flush (9 to Ace)	20,000 to 1	N/A	N/A
Royal Flush	1,000 to 1	1,000 to 1	1,000 to 1
Straight Flush	200 to 1	200 to 1	200 to 1
Four of a Kind	50 to 1	100 to 1	100 to 1
Full House	20 to 1	20 to 1	20 to 1
Flush	15 to 1	15 to 1	15 to 1
Straight	10 to 1	9 to 1	10 to 1
Three of a Kind	5 to 1	8 to 1	7 to 1

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Table 4. Pays — Stax Progressives	
Hand	Pay
Royal Flush in Diamonds	Star Progressive
Royal Flush, Other Suit	Spade Progressive
Straight Flush in Diamonds	Heart Progressive
Straight Flush, Other Suit	Diamond Progressive
Three of a Kind	20 to 1
Straight	6 to 1
Flush	3 to 1

Table 5. — Stax Progressives Configuration		
Progressive Level	Reset Value	Increment Rate
Star Progressive	\$1,000.00	5%
Spade Progressive	\$500.00	5%
Heart Progressive	\$400.00	7%
Diamond Progressive	\$250.00	6%

Note: The STAX Progressive system can be set up to have a reserve contribution. If the reserve is being used, the total incrementation rate must equal the incrementation rate above. For example, if a reserve is being used on the Star Progressive, the % going to the reserve and the meter must equal 5%. 2% to reserve and 3% to Star progressive.