

RULES FOR "BLACKJACK MAGIC"

- 1. Blackjack Magic is a variation of a regular Blackjack game currently in play at most casinos. It gives the player an option to place a preset fee which allows the player to discard one card from their two-card starting hands of hard 16 or less. No soft hands are included.**
- 2. The fee would be a flat 20 percent of a player's Blackjack bet. The fee is optional for all players, and a special line is provided on the layout for placement of the 20 percent fee. The fee is always retained by the House, regardless of player's action.**
- 3. Every player would make their decision to discard when it is their turn to act on their hand. If a player chooses to discard, the next card off the deck would be their replacement card. The new two-card hand would be their official starting hand. However, an Ace-Ten would be considered a regular 21 and not a Blackjack. Any double down must be on the two-card hand. After a player receives their replacement card, they would proceed to complete their hand according to all Blackjack rules of the host casino.**
- 4. When the dealer has a Blackjack, any player who has paid their discard fee may draw to any ten or ace in their hand. Player would discard their other card as usual. Player would then draw a replacement card in an attempt to make a "Super Blackjack". If successful, the player would be paid three to two. Regardless of the dealer's Blackjack, the player wins! THIS IS THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THE NO SOFT HANDS RULE IN Rule #1.**

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR DISCARDING

- 1. Always discard the smaller card from hard 16, 15, 14, 13 and 12.**
- 2. Always discard the larger card from 7, 6, 5 and 4.**
- 3. Rules for pairs:**
 - 8-8 Always discard EXCEPT splitting against 7, 6, 5, 4 and 3**
 - 7-7 Always discard EXCEPT splitting against 6**
 - 6-6 Always discard EXCEPT splitting against 6**
 - 3-3 Always discard EXCEPT splitting against 6, 5 and 4**
 - 2-2 Always discard EXCEPT splitting against 6, 5, 4 and 3**