## 31 CLASSIC

## **RULES OF PLAY**

- 31 Classic is a casino card game played with a standard deck of 52 cards. The object of the game
  is to combine the point values of up to three suited cards to get a hand worth 17 points or
  higher. Aces count as 11, face cards count as 10 and all remaining cards count as their face
  value.
- 2. To begin, each player is required to place an Ante wager and may also make an optional Natural 31 Bonus and/or a 4 Card Royal Family Bonus side wager.
- 3. Next, the dealer will deal three cards to each player. Players then decide to fold and lose their Ante wager and, if placed, their Natural 31 Bonus wager (4 Card Royal Family Bonus wagers always remain active, if placed), or make a Play wager equal to the amount of their Ante wager.
- 4. If the player chooses to play the hand, an additional "Draw" card will be exposed by the dealer that the player will use with the player's initial three cards to make the best three out of four card hand.
- 5. In order to combine multiple card values, the cards must be suited. For example, if a player possesses the Ace of spades, the 10 of spades and the 7 of clubs, the value of the player's hand is equal to 21 points in spades. (Sample hands appear at the end of this section)
- 6. Three of a kind and Four of a kind ("Trips" and "Quads") are the only non-suited hands that hold a point value.
- 7. The dealer checks each player's hand and evaluates the Ante and Play wagers as follows.
- 8. The Ante wager pushes on a point total of 17 and pays even money on a point total of 18 or higher. Otherwise, the Ante wager is lost.
- 9. The Play wager pays odds according to the posted table (sample below):

Play Wager Pay Table

| Event            | Pays |
|------------------|------|
| 17               | Push |
| 18 - 21          | 1-1  |
| 22 - 26          | 2-1  |
| 27 - 30          | 4-1  |
| Trips            | 5-1  |
| 31               | 10-1 |
| Mini-Royal (AKQ) | 20-1 |

10. The Natural 31 Bonus wager is paid based on the player's original three cards according to the posted pay table (sample below):

Natural 31 Bonus Pay table

| Event            | Pays  |
|------------------|-------|
| 16 - 20          | 1-1   |
| 21 - 25          | 4-1   |
| 26 - 28          | 10-1  |
| 29 & 30          | 15-1  |
| Trips            | 25-1  |
| 31               | 50-1  |
| Mini-Royal (AKQ) | 100-1 |

11. The "4 Card Royal Family Bonus" wager is paid based on all 4 cards (players initial 3 cards plus the "draw" card) according to the posted pay table (sample below):

**4 Card Royal Family Bonus** 

| Event                    | Pays   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Rainbow (1 of each suit) | 4-1    |
| 4 Card Flush             | 15-1   |
| 32 - 39                  | 30-1   |
| 40                       | 200-1  |
| Quads                    | 400-1  |
| 41                       | 500-1  |
| Royal Family (AKQJ)      | 1000-1 |

## Sample Hands:

