



SOUTHEAST DISTRICT BAR ASSOCIATION

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JULY EVENT

Come and join us for an Un-hosted



Lock and Key Social Hour

Date: Wednesday, July 22, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: LOCK and KEY Social Drinkery
11033 Downey Avenue
Downey, CA 90241



Following our social hour, we invite you to join us as we walk to the celebration of the 2015 Special Olympics in Downey.



Presidents Message



Intro to Limit Texas Hold'em

Limit Texas Hold'em refers to the betting rules of this particular version of poker. As the name implies, there are limits for how much each player can bet on any given round.

The first two rounds of betting are subject to the “Small Bet” amount and everyone bets/raises in increments equal to the “Small Bet.”

The last two rounds of betting must be in increments of the “Big Bet.”

Thus, you will commonly hear limit games referred to as “2(small)/4(big),” “3/6” “5/10” etc.

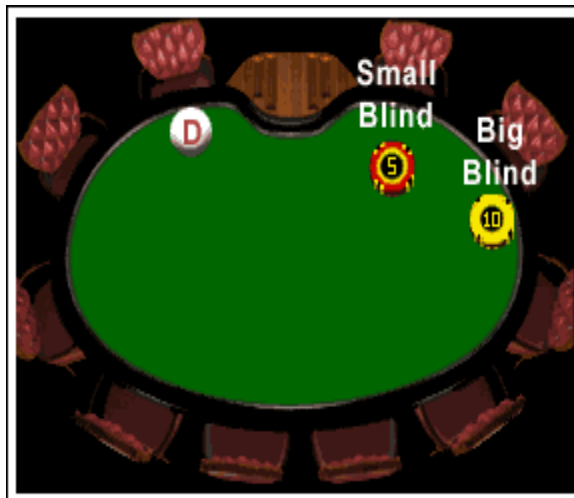
In tournament play (like SEDBA’s), the limit is doubled after a certain amount of time to increase speed of play. For example, the tourney will start “2/4” then after 15 minutes increase to “4/8” and then again 15 mins later to “8/16” and so on.

For ease of example, the following “bets” will be used throughout:

Small Bet: \$2

Big Bet: \$4

Start of Each Hand: Before each hand begins, two players have to “blind” bet meaning that they put chips into the pot before the cards are dealt.



“The Button” – A marker indicating which player in each hand acts last. “The Button” rotates one spot to the left after each hand.

“Small Blind” – Player seated directly to the left of “The Button.” This player must put half the Small Bet into the pot before each hand is dealt. (e.g. if the minimum bet is \$2, the “Small blind” puts in \$1 before seeing their cards).

“Big Blind” – Player two seats to the left of “The Button.” This player must put in the full small bet before each hand is dealt. (e.g. if the minimum bet is \$2, “Big Blind” puts \$2 into the pot before seeing their cards).

First Round of Betting (Small Bet): After the “Small” and “Big” blinds put in their chips, the dealer will deal out two cards (face down) to each player.



Starting from the player sitting to the left of the “Big Blind,”

Each player must:

- (a) **Call** (Bet the “Small Bet” amount);
- (b) **Raise** (Bet in increments of the “Small Bet” amount);
- (c) **Fold**

* **“Option”** Since the “Big Blind” player acts last this round, if nobody has Raised, that player has an “option” to either **“Check” (do nothing)** or **“Raise.”**

This pattern continues until all the amounts bet by every player in the hand (ie those who haven’t folded) are equal. Betting is usually “capped” after 3 raises.

For example:

Big Blind = \$2

Next player = Raise to \$4 (increments of \$2)

Next player = Re-Raise to \$6

Next player = Re-Raise to \$8

The betting for this round is now “capped” at \$8 and anyone who bets this amount remains in the hand.

Next “The Flop”(Small Bet) The Dealer will “burn” (not use or reveal) one card, and then deal three cards face up in the middle.



After “the Flop,” The first to act is the player seated to the left of “the Button.” Depending on whether anyone has bet/raised, your options are:

- (a) **Check** (No action. Can only Check if nobody before you has bet)
- (b) **Bet/Call** (Either **Bet** (if you’re the first) the Small Bet amount or **Call** (not raise) the amount already in play)
- (c) **Raise** (Increase the amount of the bet by one Small Bet amount)
- (d) **Fold**

The same 3 raise limit applies in all rounds.

Next “The Turn” (Big Bet): The Dealer will “burn” one card, and then deal one card face up in the middle



Action after “The Turn” is the same as after “the Flop” except everyone must bet in increments of the “Big Bet” (e.g. \$4 instead of \$2)

- (a) **Check** (No action. Can only Check if nobody before you has bet)
- (b) **Bet/Call** (Either **Bet** (if you’re the first) the Big Bet amount or **Call** (not raise) the amount already in play)
- (c) **Raise** (Increase the amount of the bet by one Big Bet amount)
- (d) **Fold**

The same 3 raise limit applies in all rounds.

Finally “The River” (Big Bet): The Dealer “burns” a card, then deals one card face up in the middle.



Action is the same as “The Turn”

- (a) **Check** (No action. Can only Check if nobody before you has bet)
- (b) **Bet/Call** (Either **Bet** (if you’re the first) the Big Bet amount or **Call** (not raise) the amount already in play)
- (c) **Raise** (Increase the amount of the bet by one Big Bet amount)
- (d) **Fold**

Now What?

The goal of each hand of poker is to either:

- (a) Have the best 5 card combination out of the 7 cards you have (2 in your hand, 5 in the middle) *See Attached Rank of Hands List
- (b) Convince everyone else to fold before you have to show your cards.

Who Shows First?

- Assuming there are at least two people left in the hand after the final round of betting, and there was at least one bet made in the last round, **the player who Bet/Raised last** must turn over their cards first.

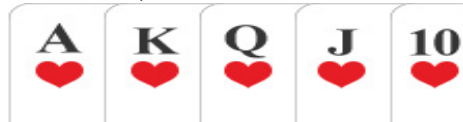
- This is because the other player(s) “Called” the bettor (i.e. “calling your bluff”)
- However, if everyone “Checks” on the last round of betting, then...things get weird
 - Some Casinos make everyone turn over their hand in order starting from the closest player to the left of “The Button.”
 - Other Casinos will say the player who made the last bet on any prior round must show.

Poker Hands

(WHAT BEATS WHAT)

ROYAL FLUSH

This hand contains five cards in sequence, all of the same suit.



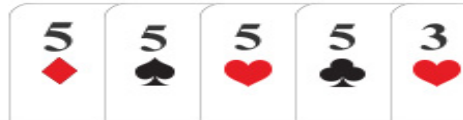
STRAIGHT FLUSH

This hand contains five cards in sequence, all of the same suit.



4 OF A KIND

This hand contains all four cards of one rank and any other unmatched card.



FULL HOUSE

This hand contains three matching cards of one rank and two matching cards of another rank.



FLUSH

This hand contains all five cards are of the same suit, but not in sequence.



STRAIGHT

This hand contains five cards of sequential rank in at least two different suits.



3 OF A KIND

This hand contains three cards of the same rank, with two cards not of this rank nor the same as each other.



2 PAIR

This hand contains two cards of the same rank, plus two cards of another rank.



1 PAIR

This hand contains two cards of one rank, plus three cards which are not of this rank nor the same.



HIGH CARD

made of any five cards not meeting any of the above requirements.



Save the Date

Events and General Meetings are open to all members and non-members

February 25	General Meeting: State of the Courts – Judge Margaret Bernal
March 25	General Meeting: Substance Abuse – Greg Dorst – The Other Bar
April 22	Social Hour
May 27	General Meeting: Tony Rackucakas
June 13-19	D.C. Trip
July 22	SEDBA Un-hosted Social Hour @ Lock & Key Social Drinkery in Downey
August 26	Randy Kramer Annual Poker Tournament
September 23	DUI –CLE Credit- Speakers: The Honorable Judge Tsao, Felipe Plasencia, Chris McCann, & Prosecutor Mario Trujillo
October 28	General Meeting
November 25	Judges’ & Past President’s Night
December	Date TBA - Holiday Party

General Meetings

Rio Hondo Country Club
10627 Old River School Road
Downey, CA
5:30 p.m. Social Hour/ 6:30 p.m. Dinner & Program

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AUGUST EVENT

Join us for an evening of good times,

friends and friendly gambling

Bring your game face for the

Randy Kramer Annual Poker Tournament!

Date: Wednesday, July 22, 2015

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Place: Hawaiian Gardens Casino
11871 Carson Street
Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716

Cost: W/ RSVP \$40.00
NO RSVP \$45.00



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