

TEXAS HOLD'EM SA POKER TOURNAMENT RULES

1. All players must agree to the tournament rules to play in the tournament. Tournament rules are posted on the TexasHoldemSA.com site and at registration.
2. All participants must check-in upon arrival and present their valid state or federal issued ID to registration personnel for verification.
3. Players have the option to add a credit card during registration to be able to charge purchases such as add-ons, re-buys, or silent auction items. If they choose to add their credit card, they will be issued a RED player card. If they opt out of adding a credit card, they will be issued a GREEN player card indicating they are a cash player and will only use cash to make purchases.
4. Seating will be random. After registering, each player presents their player card and chooses a seating tile. This will be your table number and seat location on the tournament floor. Event staff will write your table and seat location on your player card.
5. A change of seat is not allowed, once a seating tile has been drawn, unless approved by a Tournament Director.
6. The starting stack of 10,000 chips will be placed on the table at each seat at the beginning of the tournament by the dealers. Count your chips prior to the start of play. Once play begins, the number of chips will not be changed. All chips must remain on the table in clear view to all players at the table.
7. This is a no-limit, single elimination, Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament with multiple re-buys and add-ons. There will be no limit on the size or number of bets per hand.
8. Blind levels will be continuously raised at announced intervals by the floor director and viewable on the monitors.
9. There is a signal designating the end of a blind level and the new limits apply on the next deal. (A deal begins with the first rifle of the shuffle.)
10. The lowest denomination of chip in play may be removed from the table when it is no longer needed in the blind or ante structure. All lower denomination chips that are of sufficient quantity for a new chip may be changed up directly by the dealer or table monitors.
11. If you are not present when it becomes your turn to act, your hand is dead. This includes situations in which a live blind is not present to act, since an absent player cannot exercise the option to raise. Absent registered players will be dealt in, and all chips necessary for antes and blinds will be put into the pot.
12. Players must arrive before the end of the lunch break, in order to enter the tournament. Once the signal sounds to start the first hand, after the lunch break, no new entries will be allowed.
13. As players are eliminated, the floor director may break down tables and assign the remaining players at such tables to empty seats at other tables to maintain a balanced number of players at each table and ensure fair and even play.
14. When the field is reduced to one final table there will be a seating redraw required by the tournament director. Seat one is classified as the seat immediately to the dealers left. Seat nine is immediately to the dealer's right. When the number of players gets down to 12 to 14 players the remaining tables will play hand for hand.
15. A player who declares all in and loses the pot, then discovers that one or more chips were hidden, is not entitled to benefit from this. That player is eliminated from the tournament if the

opponent had sufficient chips to cover the hidden ones. If another deal has not yet started, the floor director may rule the chips belong to the opponent who won that pot if that obviously would have happened with the chips out in plain view. If the next deal has started, the discovered chips are removed from the tournament.

16. If a player lacks sufficient chips for a blind or a forced bet, the player is entitled to get action on whatever amount of money remains. A player who posts a short blind and wins does not need to make up the blind.
17. All players must leave their seat immediately after being eliminated from the tournament.
18. Showing cards from a live hand during the action injures the rights of other players still competing in an event, who wish to see contestants eliminated. A player may not show any cards during a deal. If a player deliberately shows a card, that hand may be ruled dead, and the player penalized.
19. Inappropriate behavior like throwing cards that go off the table may be punished with a penalty such as being dealt out for a length of time. A severe infraction such as abusive or disruptive behavior may be punished by eviction from the tournament.
20. A deck of cards will only be changed at the discretion of a tournament director.
21. The "dealer button" will be started in a random position, determined by the Tournament Director, and announced prior to the start of the tournament.
22. The button moves one seat left after each round and signifies the individual that starts each betting round.
23. The small blind is paid by the person immediately to the left of the button, and the person immediately to left of the small blind pays the big blind. Betting begins with the person immediately to the left of the big blind.
24. If a down card on the initial hand is dealt face-up, a misdeal is called.
25. The cards speak for themselves. Any player may point out a hand or fact missed by the dealer.
26. All hands will be turned face-up whenever a player is all-in and betting action is complete.
27. If two (or more) players go broke during the same hand, the player starting the hand with the larger amount of money finishes in the higher tournament place for prizes.
28. Any agreement to "split" or "chop" a prize is strictly between players and should be handled after the players have exited the tournament. The Host, Tournament Directors, and/or Tournament Staff are not responsible to manage or facilitate any "split" or "chopped" prizes.
29. The tournament event is expected to be played until completion.
30. TexasHoldemSA.com retains the right to cancel any event or alter it in a manner fair to the players.
31. TDA & WSOP rules are used as a "tight guideline". A Tournament Directors decision is based on these rules, as well as what is fair for the players, host, and tournament staff. All Tournament Directors decisions are final.
32. Players must be 21 years old or older to gamble. If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, crisis counseling and referral services can be accessed by calling 1-800-GAMBLER.
33. All players must drink responsibly. Any player deemed drunk or exhibiting disruptive behavior will be deemed unfit to continue playing and will be asked to leave the property immediately. If a player is ejected, they are not entitled to any refunds.
34. Any prize greater than \$5,000 may be liable for federal or local taxes. The Tournament Host is responsible for issuing a W-2G and withholding any applicable taxes prior to awarding the prize.

Recipient(s) of prizes greater than \$5,000 must present their valid state or federal issued ID to Tournament Host and complete any necessary paperwork to collect their prize.

Acknowledgements

Your appearance and participation in the in the Texas Hold'em SA charitable poker tournaments signifies your full acceptance of the rules and acknowledgements stated in this document. All net money raised from the tournament will be distributed to the benefiting 501C3 organization stated at TexasHoldemSA.com.

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