

“How to play Texas Hold’em Lessons” begin October 13, 7:30PM at The Democratic Club of SCV “Casino Nights”, 24060 Oak Vale Drive, Valencia, CA 91335 \$35/buy in fee.



The betting structure can vary. Sometimes antes are used, but most games start with two players to left of the dealer button placing out a predetermined amount of money so there is an initial amount to get things started. This is called posting the blinds.

The dealer shuffles the cards (standard 52 card deck)

1. Each player is dealt two cards face down. These are called your hole cards.
2. Then there is a round of betting starting with the person to the left of the two players who posted the blinds. This round is usually referred to by the term pre-flop.
3. The amount a player can wager depends upon the structure of the blinds.
4. Much like most poker games players can check, call, raiser or fold.
5. After the betting round is concluded, the dealer discards the top card of the deck. This is called the burn card. This is done to prevent cheating. The dealer then flips 3 cards face up on the table. These cards are called the flop. These are communal cards that anyone can use in combination with their 2 hole cards to form a poker hand.
6. Then there is another round of betting starting with the player to the left of the dealer button.
7. After the wagering concludes, the dealer burns another card and flips 1 card onto the table. This is called the turn card. Players can use this sixth card now to form a 5-card poker hand.
8. The player to the left of the dealer button begins another round of wagering.
9. Again, after wagering concludes, the dealer burns another card and places a final card face up on the table. This is called the river. Players can now use any of the 5 cards on the table or the 2 cards in their pocket to make their best 5-card poker hand.
10. There is now a final round of wagering starting with the player to the left of the dealer button.
11. After the wagering concludes, the remaining players turn over their cards. The player that shows the best hand wins.

Hold’em is an easy game to learn, just difficult to master.

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