## STATE OF WASHINGTON

## GAMBLING COMMISSION

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June 22, 2016

Kerrie Kimball AGS, LLC 5475 S. Decatur Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89118

RE: River Hold 'Em

Dear Ms. Kimball,

Thank you for requesting approval to market the card game "River Hold 'Em" to Washington State commercial card rooms and Tribal casinos. Based on our review of the documentation we received from AGS, LLC, the Washington State Gambling Commission will approve the game under the conditions listed below:

## **Commercial Card Rooms**

- The game shall be played and operated under the terms and conditions set forth under the "River Hold 'Em Rules of Play" you provided and are enclosed.
- Commercial card room operators seeking to operate this game must first submit their internal controls and receive approval from the Commission prior to implementing.
- Manufacturers and distributors of graphic layouts and/or any other equipment associated with the game must be licensed by the state prior to the sale of the equipment.

## **Tribal Casinos**

- The game shall be played and operated under the terms and conditions set forth under the "River Hold 'Em Rules of Play" you provided and are enclosed.
- Each Tribal Gaming Operation must request and obtain approval from their respective Tribal Gaming Agencies (TGA).
- Before TGA allows your game to operate, they will seek concurrence from our agency as well.

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- In addition to your approved rules, the Tribal submission to us must include all supplemental information required by Tribal-State Compact Appendix A, Section 18.
- Manufacturers and distributors of graphic layouts and/or any other equipment associated with the game must be certified by the state and licensed by the Tribe prior to the sale of the equipment.

Please be advised that the Financial Investigations Unit is currently reviewing your game application for any new substantial interest holders, as defined by WAC 230-03-045, related to this game and may be contacting you.

Furthermore, any modifications to this game may affect this approval. Contact the Commission should you contemplate modifications. If you have any questions on commercial implementation, please contact Jess Lohse at (425) 277-7017. If you have any questions on Tribal implementation, please contact Kelly Main at (206) 423-4260.

Thank you for your cooperation and willingness to comply with the gambling laws of Washington State.

Sincerely,

Tina Griffin

Assistant Director

Licensing, Regulation and Enforcement Division

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cc: Josh Stueckle, Acting Special Agent in Charge, Regulation Unit Cathy Harvey, Special Agent in Charge, Tribal Gaming Unit Jess Lohse, Special Agent, Regulation Unit Kelly Main, Special Agent Supervisor, Tribal Gaming Unit File



## **Rules and Dealing Procedures**

#### Introduction:

River Hold'em is an exciting poker derivative dealt like Texas Hold'em where players place bets as their hand is revealed. All players and dealer will use their two hole cards combined with the 5 community cards to make their best 5 card poker hand.

#### To Play:

- 1. Players must make an Ante bet and may also make the optional Player Trips and/or 2-Card Bonus wagers prior to any cards being dealt.
- 2. The 5 Community cards are dealt face down first and then each player and the dealer are dealt two cards face down starting with the player to the left of the dealer.
- 3. After seeing their two cards, players must bet 1x their Ante on the Before Flop bet or fold. If the player folds, the Ante loses. Any Player Trips/2-Card Bonus wagers remain in action.
- 4. The dealer reveals the 3 card flop and the players must bet 1x their Ante on the After Flop bet or fold. If the player folds, the Ante and Before Flop bets lose. Any Player Trips/2-Card Bonus wagers remain in action.
- 5. Finally, the dealer reveals the Turn and River cards. Players must bet 1x or 2x their Ante on the Turn/River bet or fold. If the player folds, the Ante, Before Flop, and After Flop bets lose. Any Player Trips/2-Card Bonus wagers remain in action.
- 6. The dealer will then reveal his two hole cards and combine them with the 5 community cards to make his best 5 card poker hand and compare his hand against each player's hand.

#### Winning and Losing:

- Dealer always qualifies.
- If the player's hand beats the dealer's hand with a Full House or better:
  - o The Ante wager pays even money.
  - o The Before Flop, After Flop and Turn/River wagers pay odds according to the posted paytable.
- If the player's hand beats the dealer's hand with a Flush or lower:
  - o The Ante wager pushes.
  - o The Before Flop, After Flop and Turn/River wagers pay odds according to the posted paytable.
- If the player's hand and the dealer's hand tie:
  - o The Ante, Before Flop, After Flop and Turn/River wagers push.
- If the dealer's hand beats the player's hand:
  - o The Ante, Before Flop, After Flop and Turn/River wagers lose.

## **Optional Wagers:**

The Player Trips and 2-Card Bonus wagers are optional wagers and are paid according to the posted paytable. The Player Trips wager wins if the player's 5 card hand consists of a three-of-a-kind or better. The 2-Card Bonus wager wins if the player's first 2 hole cards is a pair of 2s or better. If these bets are placed, they are paid regardless of whether the player's hand beats the dealer's and vice versa.

Operators cannot allow wagering limits to exceed the authorized limits set out in WAC 230-15-040 and WAC 230-15-140.



# **PAYTABLES**

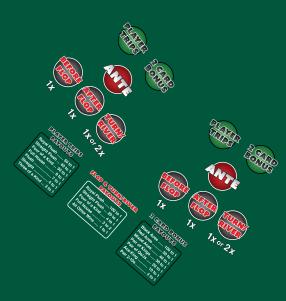
Flop and Turn/River Payouts		
Royal flush	100 to 1	
Straight flush	20 to 1	
Quads	4 to 1	
Full house	3 to 2	
All others	1 to 1	

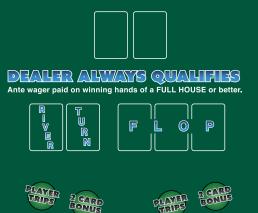
Player Trips Payouts		
Royal flush	50 to 1	
Straight flush	40 to 1	
Quads	30 to 1	
Full house	8 to 1	
Flush	7 to 1	
Straight	4 to 1	
Trips	3 to 1	

2 Card Bonus Payouts	2CB #1	2CB #2
Black Aces	30	100
Red Aces	30	50
Mixed Aces	30	40
Pair of Kings	25	30
Pair of Queens or Jacks	25	20
Ace - King	4	10
Pair 7's - 10's	10	4
Pair 2's - 6's	5	4









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