# Washington State Gambling Commission 

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April 18, 2024

Sent via email to w.stevens@playags.com
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Re: Jackpot Hold'Em With STAX - Submission \#3164
Dear Mr. Stevens,
We have reviewed the changes made to your Jackpot Hold'Em With STAX card game. Based on our review of the documentation we received from AGS, the Washington State Gambling Commission will approve the game under the conditions listed below:

- The game shall be played and operated under the terms and conditions set forth under the Jackpot Hold'Em With STAX game rules you provided on April 15, 2024, and are enclosed.


## Commercial Card Rooms

- 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

- 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.
- 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.

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Any modifications to this game may affect this approval. If you have any questions on commercial implementation, please contact Brian Lane at (509) 387-7095. 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.

Respectfully,

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| Assistant Director |
| Enforcement Operations Divisio |

## Enclosures

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## (With Optional 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive, or the Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive)

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## INTRODUCTION

Jackpot Hold'Em uses a standard 52-card deck. Players must make an Ante and X-Tra Bonus wager to receive cards. In addition, players may optionally place a Player Bonus, Hole Card Bonus, 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive, or the Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive. Each player, including the Dealer, will be dealt two cards. Five community cards will be dealt, and each player and the Dealer will make their best five card poker hand out of the seven cards.

Please note only one Progressive Configuration can be selected per table, either the 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive, or the Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive.

If operators chose to offer the the 5 Card Poker STAX progressive, or the Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive, operators must use the AGS STAX Table Game Progressive System v1.0.1 or higher hardware and software. If operators chose not to offer either the 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive, or 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive they would use the non-progressive paytables and felt.
a. Operators cannot allow wagering limits to exceed the authorized limits set out in WAC 230-15-040 and WAC 230-15-140.
b. Electronic shuffler or dealing shoe may be used with this game. If the game is to be hand dealt using a dealing shoe, dealers will shuffle according to house procedures. The dealer then follows the house dealing procedures. The dealer must comply with WAC 230-15465. If any automatic shuffle machine is used in conjunction with this game, it must be a WSGC approved model, manufactured by a WSGC licensed manufacturer.
c. Jackpot Hold'Em may use the AGS STAX Table Game Progressive System v1.0.1 or higher hardware and software.
d. Side wagers between players are prohibited.

## DESCRIPTION OF BETS

The players must place a minimum wager (Ante Bet) and an equal X-TRA Bonus wager.

The player may make the optional Player Bonus wager.
If Configured, the player may make the optional 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive.

If Configured, the player may make the optional Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive.
The player may make the optional Hole Card Bonus wager

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## RULES OF PLAY

Each player, including the Dealer, will be dealt two cards face down.
The Dealer will then deal the five community cards face down.
The Dealer will then proceed to reveal the first community card ( $1^{\text {st }}$ card of the flop).
The player must make one of the following decisions:
a. Check the hand; or
b. Bet 3 x the Ante Bet (Play Bet)

The dealer will then reveal two additional community cards (remainder of the 3-card flop).
For players who checked the first decision, they must make one of the following decisions:
a. Check the hand; or
b. Bet $2 x$ the Ante bet (Play Bet).

The dealer will then reveal the final two community cards (Turn/River).
For players who have checked both previous decisions, they must make one of the following decisions:
a. Fold. A player that folds their hand will lose the Ante Bet and the X-TRA Bonus Bet. IF the player has made the optional Player Bonus, Hole Card Bonus, or either the 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive wager or 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive wager, the cards shall be placed at the top area of the betting location for resolution against each applicable pay table when all hands are later resolved: or
b. Bet 1 x the Ante bet (Play Bet).

The dealer then reveals their two cards, and the player and dealer will then make the best possible five card poker hand (this can be accomplished by using just the Community cards or a mixture of the Community cards and their hole cards).


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## DEALER QUALIFYING

The Dealer must have a pair or better to Qualify.

In the event the Dealer does not hold a qualifying hand, the Ante wager will receive no action and be pushed back to the Player. The play wager remains in play. All other bonus wagers do not take into account whether or not the Dealer has a qualifying hand and will be paid based on their paytables.

## WINNING AND LOSING HANDS

The ANTE, X-TRA Bonus, Play, Player Bonus, Hole Card Bonus and 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive wagers or 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive wagers will be resolved as follows:
a. The Play wager wins and is paid 1 to 1 if the player's hand ranks higher than the Dealer's hand. It shall lose and be collected if the Dealer's hand ranks higher than the player's hand. It shall push if the hands are of equal rank. If the Dealer hand qualifies, the Ante wager is resolved the same way as the Play wager.
b. The X-TRA Bonus wager wins and is paid according to the posted pay table if the player's hand is higher than the dealer's hand. If the player's hand is higher than that of the dealer's hand, but the player's hand is not a straight or higher, the X-TRA Bonus wager shall push. It shall lose and be collected by the dealer if the Dealer's hand is higher than that of the player. It shall push if the Dealer and the player have equal ranking hands. (Refer to "X-Tra Bonus" paytables)
c. The Player Bonus wager wins if a player's best five cards is three of a kind or better (this can be accomplished by using just the Community cards or a mixture of the Community cards and their hole cards). Players will be paid according to the posted pay table regardless of the X-TRA Bonus and Play results, AND regardless of whether the player has folded their hand, AND regardless of whether their hand beats the Dealer. (Refer to "Player Bonus" paytable)
d. The Optional Hole Card Bonus wager wins if the players first 2 dealt cards are any of the following:
a. Pair of Aces
b. Ace and Face Card, Suited
c. Ace and Face Card
d. Pair
e. If the Optional 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive is offered, the optional 5 Card Poker STAX Progressive wager wins if the player's 2 -hole cards and the $1^{\text {st }}$ three community cards (the flop) are any of the following:
a. Royal Flush Progressive (Diamonds)


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b. Royal Flush Progressive (any Suite other than Diamonds)
c. Straight Flush Progressive
d. Four of a Kind Progressive
e. Full-House Progressive option
i. Refer to STAX Progressive paytables for payout scale
f. Flush
g. Straight
h. Three of a Kind
i. Two Pair
j. The STAX progressive system is configured for a $\$ 5.00$ or $\$ 1.00$ progressive wager.
k. All odds based pays will be paid from the chip tray. Progressive's pays are paid from the displayed metered prizes.

1. When using the STAX system, upon completion of the round the dealer will touch "End Round" on the dealer terminal. This will start the next round.
m . See STAX Jackpot approval process for additional payout procedures.
n. Progressive jackpot accumulation and prizes must follow WAC 230-15-680 and WAC230-15-720 and must be identified in the operator's internal controls.
f. If the Optional Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive is offered, the optional Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive wager wins if the player's hand achieves any of the following:
a. Royal Flush in Diamonds
i. Obtained from the player's initial two cards and the three flop cards.
b. Royal Flush
i. All 7 Cards
c. Straight Flush
i. All 7 Cards
d. Four of a Kind
i. All 7 Cards
e. Full House
i. All 7 Cards
f. Flush
i. All 7 Cards
g. Straight
i. All 7 Cards
h. The STAX progressive system is configured for a $\$ 5.00$ or $\$ 1.00$ progressive wager.
i. All static based payouts will be paid from the chip tray. Progressive's pays are paid from the displayed metered prizes.
j. When using the STAX system, upon completion of the round the dealer will touch "End Round" on the dealer terminal. This will start the next round.
k. See STAX Jackpot approval process for additional payout procedures.
2. Progressive jackpot accumulation and prizes must follow WAC 230-15-680 and WAC230-15-720 and must be identified in the operator's internal controls.

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## Paytables

| XTRA BONUS PAY TABLE |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Player Hand | Pay to 1 |
| Royal Flush | 500 |
| Straight Flush | 50 |
| Four of a Kind | 10 |
| Full House | 4 |
| Flush | 2 |
| Straight | 1 |
| Other | PUSH |
| HE per Initial Wager | $1.32 \%$ |

Player hand must be higher than
Dealer hand.

| PLAYER BONUS PAY TABLE |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Player Hand | Pay to $\mathbf{1}$ |
| Royal Flush | 100 |
| Straight Flush | 40 |
| Four of a Kind | 30 |
| Full House | 8 |
| Flush | 7 |
| Straight | 4 |
| Three of a Kind | 3 |
| H.E. | $3.34 \%$ |

Player uses any combination of cards.

## Hole Card Bonus

| Outcome | Paytable 1 | Paytable 2 | Paytable 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pair of Aces | 30 to 1 | 25 to 1 | 30 to 1 |
| Ace and Face Card, Suited | 20 to 1 | 20 to 1 | 20 to 1 |
| Ace and Face Card | 10 to 1 | 10 to 1 | 10 to 1 |
| Pair | 5 to 1 | 5 to 1 | 4 to 1 |


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## STAX 5 Card Poker Progressive Paytables (\$5)

The following are recommended configurations of our \$5.00 Paytables. 5 Card Stud Poker STAX Progressive Paytable designed to work on a link with different games all linked together or Standalone. If operators choose to connect progressive jackpots on different card games, each card game must have the same probability of winning the jackpot prize and the same winning hand as outlined in WAC 230-15-685 (6). These paytables define a 5 -card winning hand from a standard 52 card deck. The underlying game theme's rules do not change from the approved games rules.

| Paytables |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Hand | Paytable 1 | Paytable 2 | Paytable 3 | Paytable 4 | Paytable 5 |
| Royal Flush - | Star | Star | Star | Star | Star |
| Diamonds | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive |
| Royal Flush - | Spade | Star | Spade | Star | Spade |
| Other Suit | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive |
|  | Heart | Spade | Heart | Spade | Heart |
| Straight Flush | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive | Progressive |
| Four of a Kind | Diamond <br> Progressive | Heart <br> Progressive | Diamond <br> Progressive | Heart <br> Progressive | Diamond <br> Progressive |
| Full House | 50 for 1 | Diamond <br> Progressive | 60 for 1 | Diamond <br> Progressive | Club <br> Progressive <br> Flush 330 for 1 |
| Straight | 20 for 1 | 20 for 1 | 40 for 1 | 50 for 1 | 50 for 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 10 for 1 | 4 for 1 | 30 for 1 | 30 for 1 | 30 for 1 |
| Two Pair | 4 to 1 | Loss | Loss | Loss 1 | 10 for 1 |
| All other hands | Loss | Loss | Loss | Loss | Loss |

Progressive Configurations

## Paytable 1

| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 10,000$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 5,000$ | $3 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 1,000$ | $4 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 500$ | $3 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |

The Seed, Increment Rate, and Reserve meters are configurable by the operator, the above are just recommended. The operator may choose to make adjustments as long as the RTP stays within the posted regulations.

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| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | Paytable 2 |  |  |  |
| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |  |
| Star Progressive | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 10,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 1,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 500$ | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 100$ | $6.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |

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| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Paytable 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |  |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 10,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 5,000$ | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 1,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 500$ | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |

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| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Paytable 4 |  |  |  |  |
| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |  |
| Star Progressive | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 10,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 1,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 500$ | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 100$ | $6.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |

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| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | Paytable 5 |  |  |  |
| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |  |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 50,000$ | $6.0 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 10,000$ | $6.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 5,000$ | $4.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 1,000$ | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Club Progressive | $\$ 250$ | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |

The Seed, Increment Rate, and Reserve meters are configurable by the operator, the above are just recommended. The operator may choose to make adjustments as long as the RTP stays within the posted regulations.

## STAX 5 Card Poker Progressive Paytables (\$1)

The following are recommended configurations of our \$1.00 Paytables. 5 Card Stud Poker STAX Progressive Paytable designed to work on a link with different games all linked together or Standalone. If operators choose to connect progressive jackpots on different card games, each card game must have the same probability of winning the jackpot prize and the same winning hand as outlined in WAC 230-15-685 (6). These paytables define a 5 -card winning hand from a standard 52 card deck. The underlying game theme's rules do not change from the approved games rules.

| Paytables |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Hand | Paytable 1 | Paytable 2 |
| Royal Flush - Diamonds | Star Progressive | Star Progressive |
| Royal Flush - Other Suit | Spade Progressive | Star Progressive |
| Straight Flush | Heart Progressive | Spade Progressive |
| Four of a Kind | Diamond Progressive | Heart Progressive |
| Full House | 100 for 1 | 100 for 1 |
| Flush | 50 for 1 | 50 for 1 |
| Straight | 25 for 1 | 25 for 1 |
| Three of a Kind | 10 for 1 | 10 for 1 |
| All other hands | Loss | Loss |


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| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Paytable 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |  |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 5,000$ | $5 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 2,500$ | $4 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 500$ | $4 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 200$ | $4 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |

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| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Paytable 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Progressive Name | Seed Value | Increment Rate | Reserve Meter |  |
| Star Progressive | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 5,000$ | $8 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 1000$ | $4 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 200$ | $4 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |  |

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## Poker 5 out of 7 STAX Progressive Paytables

| Paytables |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hand Type | Cards | Paytable 1 (\$5) | Paytable 2 (\$1) |
| Royal Flush in Diamonds | Player's Cards and Flop | Star Progressive | Star Progressive |
| Royal Flush | All 7 Cards | Spade Progressive | Spade Progressive |
| Straight Flush | All 7 Cards | Heart Progressive | Heart Progressive |
| Four of a Kind | All 7 Cards | Diamond Progressive | Diamond Progressive |
| Full House | All 7 Cards | $\$ 50$ | $\$ 10$ |
| Flush | All 7 Cards | $\$ 25$ | - |
| Straight | All 7 Cards | $\$ 20$ | - |


| Progressive Configurations |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Paytable 1 (\$5) |  | Paytable 2 (\$1) |  |
| Progressive | Seed | Inc. Rate | Seed | Inc. Rate |
| Star Progressive | $\$ 10,000$ | $5 \%$ | $\$ 2,000$ | $10 \%$ |
| Spade Progressive | $\$ 1,000$ | $3 \%$ | $\$ 400$ | $8 \%$ |
| Heart Progressive | $\$ 500$ | $4 \%$ | $\$ 200$ | $7 \%$ |
| Diamond Progressive | $\$ 100$ | $3 \%$ | $\$ 100$ | $6 \%$ |


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Jackpot Hold'Em without STAX


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Jackpot Hold'em with Hole Card Bonus no STAX


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