



STATE OF WASHINGTON
GAMBLING COMMISSION

"Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest"

July 6, 2015

Kerrie Kimball
AGS, LLC
5475 S. Decatur Blvd.
Suite 100
Las Vegas, NV 89118

RE: War Blackjack

Dear Ms. Kimball,

Thank you for requesting approval to market the card game "War Blackjack" to Washington State commercial card rooms and Tribal casinos. Based on our review of the documentation we received from American Gaming Systems, 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 "War Blackjack – 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 "War Blackjack – 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

Enclosure

cc: Mark Harris, Agent in Charge, Regulatory Unit
Cathy Harvey, Agent in Charge, Tribal Gaming Unit
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DEALING PROCEDURES

War Blackjack is an exciting Blackjack variation that combines traditional War and Blackjack. The game of War Blackjack is played with standard decks of 52 standard playing cards, no jokers and dealt from one, two, four, six or eight decks.

Recommended Rules

War Blackjack is standard house-banked Blackjack but with an optional War bonus wager. All rules pertaining to standard Blackjack as posted on the WSGC's website remain the same except as listed in these rules of play:

- Optional War bonus wager based on the player's first card and the dealer's upcard.
- High card in War wins even money (1 to 1) and players have the option to keep the War winnings on the War bonus wager betting spot or take the War winnings and the original War bonus wager. If a player elects to leave his or her War winnings on the War bonus wager spot, the original War bonus wager will be returned to the player. If a player opts to leave his or her War winnings on the War bonus wager spot, the War bonus wager spot and Blackjack spot are considered separate wagers and are decided upon the outcome of the Blackjack hand.
- In War, Aces play as a value of 1 for dealer and player.
- In War, house wins all ties.
- All normal splits allowed.
- Regular doubles allowed on two-card hands.
- Dealer hits on soft-17.
- Blackjack pays 3-to-2.
- Dealt from 1, 2, 4, 6, or 8 decks.

WAR BLACKJACK BETTING

A round of War Blackjack begins with each player placing two (2) separate bets on the table, (1) in the War bonus wager circle or logo directly in front of the player (note: this bet is optional) and (2) in the Blackjack wager circle directly in front of player (this bet is mandatory, See Table Game Layout).

The player may wager any amount (subject to table limits) on the War hand and any amount on the Blackjack hand, so long as both bets together do not exceed table limits. For example, a player may wager \$295.00 on War and \$5.00 on Blackjack if the Table Max is \$300.00. A player can also wager \$150.00 on War and \$150.00 on Blackjack if the Table Max is \$300.00. Operators cannot allow wagering limits to exceed the authorized limits set out in WAC 230-15-040 and WAC 230-15-140.

Once the above two wagers are placed, the dealer will deal each player and himself one (1) card face up for the player and dealer's War hand which will also be the first card of the Blackjack hand.

WAR WAGER

At this stage, the War bonus wagers are settled, with the highest card / hand designated the winner between the player and dealer. The Ace plays low, as a value of one (1), for player(s) and dealer, and dealer wins all Ties. Cards play at face value and by usual poker ranks, King being the highest and ranked as follows: K, Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, Ace, which is 1.

If players lose the War hand, they lose only their War bonus wager in the game and can continue on with the Blackjack hand.

If players win the War hand, they win even money (1 to 1) on their War bonus wager. The dealer will then ask players (from right to left) if they want to take all of the winnings from their War bonus wager (and the original War bonus wager) or choose to leave all of the War winnings on the War bonus wager betting spot. If the player elects to leave the War winnings on the War bonus wager spot, the dealer will push back the original War bonus wager back to the player.

Once all the War bonus wagers are settled, the game proceeds to the next phase, being Blackjack, and the dealer delivers to each player his second Blackjack card, face up and one card face down to himself, thereby completing the initial player and dealer two card Blackjack hands.

If a player receives a winning War bonus wager payout, he can choose to leave all of the winnings on the War bonus wager betting spot. The War bonus wager spot and Blackjack spot are considered separate wagers and are decided upon the outcome of the Blackjack hand. Thus, if he eventually splits, the player may match the entire War bonus wager and Blackjack wager. If

he doubles down, he may match the entire War bonus wager and Blackjack wager (unless he chooses to 'double down for less' as per casino rules).

The Blackjack hand is now played out as traditional Blackjack using house rules.



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Ties lose in War
Only War Winnings can be added on to BJ bet.

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