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Procedures & Training Guidelines for 3 Way-Action®

PLAYING THE GAME

3 Way Action is a casino game that can be played with a single deck of 52 standard poker type cards or a 6-8 deck shoe. It is played on a table shaped like a standard Blackjack table. In front of each player and the dealer there are three spots marked **High Card, Blackjack, and Poker Bonus**. The game begins with each player must make a bet on each of these three spaces. The bets do not have to be equal.

When all bets are placed the dealer deals one card to each player and himself, face up, on the space marked High Card. If the player's card is higher in rank than the dealer's card the player is paid even money on the High Card space. If the dealer's card is higher in rank than the player's card the dealer collects the player's High Card wager. If the cards are equal in rank, half of the player's wager is returned to the player and the house retains the other half.

Once the High Card wager is settled the dealer deals a second card to each player, face up. The dealer also deals a second card to himself face down. The player's two cards represent the initial two cards in the player's Blackjack hand and the dealer's two cards represent the initial two cards in the dealer's Blackjack hand, the first dealt card representing the dealer's up card and the second card being the dealer's hole card.

The players and then the dealer each complete a Blackjack hand with the following rules. The dealer may or may not hit soft seventeen, house rules apply. The players may double on their first two cards, and may split any pair. Basic Blackjack house rules will apply. All of the hands are settled as in regular Blackjack including busted hands.

The third game is 3 Card Poker Bonus. This wager is resolved as soon as the player receives their third card. If the player takes a hit in Blackjack the player's first hit plus his first two Blackjack cards will make his 3 Card Poker Bonus hand. When the player's make a 3 Card Poker Bonus hand that meets the posted pay table, dealer will settle this wager automatically by pushing the bet off of the betting circle. If the player does not have a winning bonus hand the dealer will simply take the player's wager. In the case that a player only has two cards after the dealer has settled all of the Blackjack wagers, the dealer will simply deal an additional third card to complete and resolve all remaining 3 Card Bonus hands.

BETTING FOR THE DEALER

Management at each casino will make the determination on bets for the dealer.

HOW IS THE GAME DEALT

The dealer may use a shuffle machine or shuffle the deck(s) using the appropriate house procedure. The shuffled cards are either dealt from the hand or are placed into a shoe. The dealer deals left to right giving each participating player one card face up and one card to himself face up. After all players and the dealer receive their first card and the High Card wager is settled, each player receives a second card face up, the dealer deals his second card to himself, face down. The dealer, again dealing left to right, will hit players until they stand or bust, leaving all cards on the layout. Once all the Blackjack hands are finalized and resolved the dealer once again, starting from left to right, deals out an additional card to each player who has not yet completed the 3 Card Bonus. The dealer will then settle any bonus wagers using the posted pay table. Once all bonus wagers are settled the dealer will collect all the cards and begin a new round of play.

NEW DECK

The casino supervisor will bring new decks of cards to the table, remove the cellophane, and break the seal in front of the dealer. The supervisor and dealer examine the decks for duplicates, omissions, flaws, or marks.

DECK IN PLAY

Once the cards have been put into play, it is the dealer's responsibility to insure that they are kept in good condition.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE TABLE AND EQUIPMENT

The 3 Way-Action table is a semi-circle playing surface. The table includes:

- A padded rail attached to the circular outer edge of the table.
- A felt playing surface (containing miscellaneous logos) and having six betting positions.
- A chip rack (with clear security cover) located on the straight edge of the table.
- A playing card discard holder.
- A table limit sign.
- A dealer tip box (*optional*).
- A dealing shoe (*optional*).

OPENING THE TABLE FOR PLAY

A casino supervisor will unlock the rack that holds the value chips. A form (opener) will be used to obtain signatures from the dealer and supervisor when the bank has been verified. If a discrepancy exists, a form (error notification) indicating the nature of the discrepancy will be filled out by a supervisor and signed by both the supervisor and dealer. A casino supervisor will bring cards to the table. The decks are opened at the table and checked for imperfections.

- a) After receiving new decks of cards at the table, the dealer will inspect and shuffle the cards in accordance with established house procedures.
- b) Cards will be changed at regularly scheduled intervals throughout the gaming day.

POKER: HAND RANKINGS

The permissible poker hands in the game of 3 Card Poker Bonus, in order of highest to lowest rank will be:

- a) **“Straight Flush”** is a hand consisting of three (3) cards of the same suit in consecutive ranking.
- b) **“Three-of-a Kind”** is a hand consisting of three (3) cards of the same rank regardless of suit.
- c) **“Straight”** is a hand consisting of three (3) cards of consecutive rank, regardless of suit
- d) **“Flush”** is a hand consisting of three (3) cards of the same suit.
- e) **“One pair”** is a hand consisting of two (2) cards of the same rank, regardless of suit.

WAGERS

- a) All wagers in 3 Way-Action are made with gaming chips.
- b) The casino establishes the betting limits for all wagers.
- c) Only players who are seated at a 3 Way Action table may wager at the game. Once a player has placed a wager and received cards, the player will remain seated until the completion of that round of play.

PROCEDURES FOR COMPLETION FOR A ROUND OF PLAY

- a) Each player that bets at 3 Way Action will be responsible for his own hand. No other persons, other than the player and dealer, may touch the cards of that player. Cards must be kept within the parameters of the table and in full view of the dealer at all times.
- b) The player's first card constitutes the card to use for settlement of the High Card wager. Bets are taken or paid accordingly. Winning bets to be paid and pushed out of the circle.
- c) Once all High Card wagers are settled, the dealer continues to deal a standard blackjack round and bets are taken or paid accordingly.

- d) After all Blackjack wagers are settled the dealer deals out an additional card to each player who has not yet completed the 3 Card Bonus. The dealer will then settle any bonus wagers using the posted pay table.
- e) Once all poker hands are set, the dealer settles any bonus wagers using the posted pay table.
- f) All cards are then picked up, placed in the discard rack, and bets are placed for the next hand.

PAY TABLES AND PERCENTAGES

3 Card Poker Bonus Bet

3 Way Action 3-card Bonus Bet "3WA-A" Paytables (all pays "to 1")

Please note paytables A1, A2 and A3 are single deck only.

Hand	Probability	Paytable 3WA-A1	Paytable 3WA-A2	Paytable 3WA-A3
Straight Flush	0.002172	40	40	40
3 of a Kind	0.002353	30	25	30
Straight	0.032579	6	6	6
Flush	0.049593	4	4	3
One Pair	0.169412	1	1	1
House Advantage		2.3167%	3.4932%	7.28%

3 Way Action 3-card Bonus Bet "3WA-A" Paytables (all pays "to 1")

Paytable A4 is for a 6-8 deck shoe only.

Hand	Probability	Paytable 3WA-A4
Straight Flush	0.002068	9
3 of a Kind	0.005248	9
Straight	0.031021	9
Flush	0.047221	9
House Advantage		3.24%