
Advantage Play Analysis of "Bet the Bust" **Blackjack** Bonus Wager

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Rules for Bet the Bust 21

Bet the Bust is standard house banked blackjack but with an optional bonus wager. All rules pertaining to standard blackjack as posted on the WSCG's website remain the same and are not altered in this game"

1. Bet the Bust is a blackjack bonus wager, available for blackjack dealt from 1, 2, 6 or 8 decks.
2. The player must place a blackjack bet in order to play the Bet the Bust bonus wager.
3. Wagers on Bet the Bust are placed after the dealer and all players have received their cards and the dealer has delivered his up card.
4. In the case that the dealer's up card is either a Ten, Jack, Queen, King or Ace, the Bet the Bust wager is allowed after the dealer's hand has been checked to see if it is a blackjack.
5. After viewing the up card of the dealer, if the dealer does not have blackjack, the player can choose to participate in the Bet the Bust bonus wager.
6. If a player chooses to participate, an additional Bet the Bust wager is placed in the designated area on the layout.
7. The Bet the Bust bonus wager is resolved based on the final result of the dealer's hand.
8. The player wins the Bet the Bust bonus wager if one or more players remain in the hand and the dealer busts his hand. The wager is then paid according, to the designated pay table for the specified rules of the game and dealer up card. See figure 1.
9. The Bet the Bust bonus wager is a push if no players remain in the hand to compete against the dealer after all players resolve their hands. In this case the dealer does not draw cards.
10. The player loses the Bet the Bust bonus wager if one or more players remain in 'the hand and the dealer makes his hand (achieves a total of 17, 18, 19, 20 or 21).
11. The Bet the Bust wager will win if the dealer's hand busts and the players hand does not exceed a 28 or the players hand does not result in a 28.

12. The player is paid according to the pay table given in figure 1. We denote the rule where the dealer hits on soft-17 by 1117. We denote the rule where the dealer stands on soft-17 by S17. Note that the pay tables are the same for H-17 and S-17 with the exception of the pay for an Ace up card.

Bet the Bust		
Up card	Pays 1117	Pays S17
A	7-to-2	9-to-2
2	3-to-2	3-to-2
3	3-to-2	3-to-2
4	1-to-1	1-to-1
5	1-to-1	1-to-1
6	1-to-1	1-to-1
7	5-to-2	5-to-2
8	3-to-1	3-to-1
9	3-to-1	3-to-1
T	3-to-1	3-to-1

Figure



DEALER MUST HIT SOFT 17
 BET THE BUST PAYS

3,5
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