

## Match The Dealer Blackjack Rules and Dealing Procedures

In addition to the regular 21 bet, casinos may offer either a single side wager: a Match The Dealer Up Card wager, or they may offer two side wagers: a Match The Dealer Up Card wager and a Match The Dealer Down Card wager.

A Match The Dealer Up Card wager is a wager that one or both of a player's original two cards of the hand will exactly match the dealer's up card in rank. A Match The Dealer Down Card wager is a wager that either of a player's original two cards of the hand will exactly match the dealer's down card in rank. There are two payoff amounts for each respective wager, a suited rank match and an unsuited rank match. In order to play one or both Match The Dealer wagers, the player must make a regular 21 wager. In order to make a Match The Dealer Down Card wager for a particular hand, a player must also make a Match The Dealer Up Card wager for that same hand. The house determines the Match The Dealer minimum and maximum bet sizes.

The dealer deals two cards face up to each player and two cards to himself, with one of the dealer's cards exposed as the up card and the non-exposed card as the dealer's down card. The dealer first checks the cards of all players with the Match the Dealer Up Card wager to see if either of the player's original two cards match the dealer's up card in rank. Players are paid for each card where there is a match, if both of the player's original two cards match the dealer's up card both cards are paid. The dealer then deals the 21 game. If the house offers the Match The Dealer Down Card wager, after the 21 game is played and as the dealer is settling the 21 game wagers, the dealer checks the original two cards of all players with the Match the Dealer Down Card wager to see if either of the player's original two cards match the dealer's down card in rank. Players are paid for each card where there is a match, if both of the player's original two cards match the dealer's down card both cards are paid.

Payouts for each card match will be made according to the following payout schedule.

Blackjack	Win Frequency	Unsuited Match Payout	Suited Match Payout	House Advantage
2 deck	13.2%, 1 in 7.6 hands	4:1	19:1	3.31%
4 deck	14.0%, 1 in 7.1 hands	4:1	12:1	4.84%
5 deck	14.2%, 1 in 7.1 hands	3:1	15:1	4.76%
6 deck	14.3%, 1 in 7.0 hands	4:1	11:1	4.06%
8 deck	14.4%, 1 in 6.9 hands	3:1	14:1	3.67%