

April 21, 2015

Wayne Hong eTable Games Inc. 2208 Encinal Ave. Alameda, CA 94501

RE: 4 Card Split

Dear Mr. Hong,

We have reviewed the changes made to 4 Card Split. Based on our review of the documentation we received from eTable Games Inc., 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 "4 Card Split Rules of Play" you provided on April 6, 2015 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.

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> 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.

Any modifications to this game may affect this approval. 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,

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Licensing Operations Division

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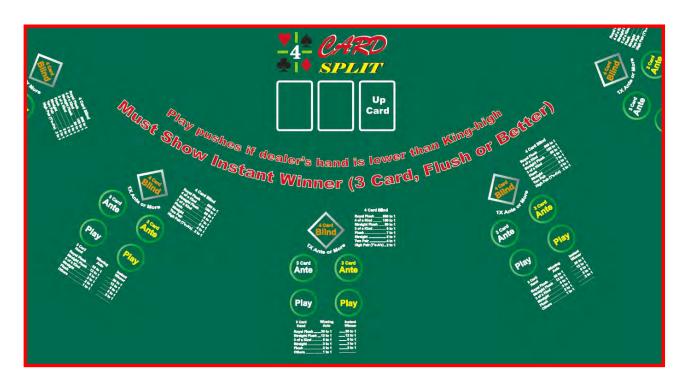
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# 4 Card Split Version 2

Instant Winner for 3-Card, Flush or Better



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PATENT PENDING

#### 4 CARD SPLIT (V2)

# Getting Extra Cards to Play 2 hands of 3-Card Poker Instant Winner for 3-Card, Flush or Better

Each player MUST place 2 equal Ante bets and a 4-card Blind bet in order to begin play. The Blind bet must be equal to or greater than the Ante bets.

Each player, and the dealer, will be dealt 4 "hole" cards. The dealer will show one card, face up.

Players will inspect their cards, and place them face-up on table.

- If a player's 4 "hole" cards contain a pair of 10's or better, the 4-Card Blind bet will be paid according to the payout table.
- If a player's 4-card hand does not contain a pair of 10's or better, then the 4-Card Blind bet is lost.

Once the dealer resolves the 4-Card Blind bet, players must decide how to split their 4-card hand into two separate hands corresponding with the two Antes.

Players may split their 4-card hand in two ways:

- i. a 3-card hand and a 1-card hand
- ii. two 2-card hands

3-Card Instant Winner Exception: If a player's initial 4-Card hand contains a 3-Card Instant Winner, an instant payout is made to one of the Antes according the 3-Card payout table and the winning cards collected. Hands that form 3-Card Instant Winners must be split according the winning hand and cannot be split into other forms. For example, a 4-card hand of A-K-Q-2 must be split into a 3-card hand of A-K-Q and a 1-card hand of 2. The dealer will pay the 3-Card Instant Winner hand according the payout table.

Once a player has split the initial 4-card hand, the two new hands are placed beside the separate Ante bets, face up.

A player may choose to play or fold either or both hands once they have been split.

- If a player chooses to play a hand, the player must place an additional Play bet that is equal to the Ante bet.
- If a player chooses to fold a hand, then the Ante bet is lost.

Players who continue play will be dealt additional cards to form two 3-card hands. For example, 2-card hands will be dealt 1 additional card and 1-card hands will be dealt 2 additional cards. Note: Players may not swap any cards between the two split hands.

The dealer will form the best 3-card poker hand using the face-up card, and 2 of the 3 remaining "hole" cards.

Dealer Qualifying Hand exception: The dealer's hand must contain a King or higher in order to "qualify." If the dealer's hand is not qualified, then all Play bets are first returned and all Ante bets remain in play.

Each player's hand is resolved against the dealer's hand.

- If a player's hand beats the dealer's hand, the active Play bet is paid 1:1.
- If a player's hand beats the dealer's hand with a 3-card Flush or higher, the Ante bet is paid according the payout table. For all other winning hands, the Ante bet is paid 1:1.
- If a player's hand loses, the Ante and Play bets are lost.



# **4 Card Split Paytables and House Edges**

## **Ante Bet - Payouts**

3 Card Hand	Instant and Draw Winners
Royal Flush	30
Straight Flush	12
3 of a Kind	8
Straight	3
Flush	2

# **4 Card Blind Payouts**

Outcome	Comb	Frequency	P1	P2	Р3	P4	P5	Р6	P7	P8	Р9
ROYAL FLUSH	4	0.0015%	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
FOUR OF A KIND	13	0.0048%	100	150	150	150	100	200	150	150	150
STRAIGHT FLUSH	40	0.0148%	50	80	50	50	50	80	80	60	50
THREE OF A KIND	2,496	0.9220%	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	8	8
FLUSH	2,816	1.0402%	7	7	7	6	7	6	6	6	6
STRAIGHT	2,772	1.0239%	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
TWO PAIRS	2,808	1.0372%	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Pair A-T	31,680	11.7019%	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
		15.7462%									
Pair 9-2	50,688	18.7231%	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
HIGH CARD	177,408	65.5307%	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Player Net	270,725	100.00%	-0.269%	-0.609%	-1.053%	-1.171%	-1.293%	-1.409%	-1.649%	-1.945%	-2.093%

Outcome	Comb	Hands/hit	P10	P11	P12	P13	P14	P15	P16	P17	P18
ROYAL FLUSH	4	67,681	300	300	400	300	300	300	400	400	300
FOUR OF A KIND	13	20,825	150	100	150	150	150	100	150	120	150
STRAIGHT FLUSH	40	6,768	50	50	50	50	50	50	80	80	50
THREE OF A KIND	2,496	108	8	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	8
FLUSH	2,816	96	7	7	7	7	6	7	6	6	6
STRAIGHT	2,772	96	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
TWO PAIRS	2,808	96	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
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Player Net	270,725		-0.324%	-0.564%	-1.200%	-1.348%	-1.466%	-1.588%	-1.797%	-1.941%	-2.388%

# 4 CARD SPLIT DETAIL RULES OF PLAY AND DEALING PROCEDURE

- (1) Every player places 2 equal Ante wagers and one mandatory 4 Card Blind wager of at least equal to Ante; every player and the dealer each gets 4 cards; dealer shows one card face up;
  - Play with one deck of 52 cards, no joker.
  - Each player places 2 equal Antes and the mandatory 4-Card Blind bet. The 4-Card Blind bet must be at least equal the Ante.
  - Dealer gets 4 hole cards and each player is dealt 4 hole cards. Dealer shows one card face up.



- (2) Players show all 4 cards to the dealer and the dealer collects non-winning 4 card wagers and pays the 4 card winning bonuses.
  - Dealer and player check each player's bet on 4 Card Blind. If a player's initial 4 card hand is on the Blind payout list, the corresponding payout bonus is paid. Otherwise, the Blind wager is collected.
  - 4 Card Blind bonuses are paid according to one of the payout tables:
  - Any player's Blind wager can be resolved as soon as the player's 4 cards have been revealed to the dealer. There is no need to resolve the Blind bets in sequence.

- (3) Every player splits 4 cards into 2 Ante hands, face-up. The 3 cards that make an Instant Winner (i.e. Natural) must be put together as one hand, no raise, and collecting winning. After split, the player then decides and acts to play or fold the active hands.
  - Each player inspects his own 4 hole cards for 3-Card Instant Winner, including 3-card Royal Flush, Straight Flush, 3-of-a-Kind, 3-card Straight and 3-card Flush. If the player has a 3-Card Instant Winner, he MUST split the 4 cards into 3 and 1 for the 2 Antes; the 3 cards that form an Instant Winner must be placed together as one hand. For example, A-K-Q-2 must claim winning of [A-K-Q], cannot be split into other forms and continue to play.

In this case, the player will have only one hand with the remaining single card left; the player can decide to play or fold this hand.

- If a player's 4 hole cards do not have any 3-card Instant Winner, the player can fold the 4 cards or split the cards into two 2-card hands or one 3-card and one 1-card hands, and then play two hands. E.g. {A-A-K-2} can be split into {[A-A-2], [K]} or {[A,A], [K,2]}, or any other 2 hands and continue to play.
- After the player has split his cards, he must show his playing hands face-up.
- For the split hands, the player can play or fold one or both hands. He can place a Play bet equal to 1x Ante to play the respective hand. If the player decides to fold, he can use a hand signal or places cards face down. If he folds a hand, the corresponding Ante is lost.

NOTE: Once players have split their cards and placed their Play bets or folded, PLAYERS MAY NO LONGER MANIPULATE THEIR CARDS BEYOND THIS POINT.

- (4) The dealer (4a) collects all folded cards and losing Antes from all players and (4b) pays every 3-card Naturals with odds and collects the Natural cards;
  - \*Note (2) (4) could be executed together whenever the player is ready.
  - The dealer collects the folded cards and the corresponding Antes. If the folded cards are made face-down by the player, the dealer could inspect them as a courtesy, ensuring the player does not inadvertently miss any 4-card bonus.
  - The dealer pays all 3-card Instant Winners. The winning Ante and the payouts are pushed to the
    player and the winning cards are collected. The 3-Card Instant Winners are paid according to
    the following table.

3 Card Instant Winner	<u>Payout</u>
Royal Flush	30 to 1
Straight Flush	12 to 1
3 of a Kind	8 to 1
Straight	3 to 1
Flush	2 to 1

- Any player's folded hands and Instant Winners can be resolved as soon as the player's cards have been shown to the dealer. There is no need to resolve them in sequence.
- (5) The dealer deals supplementary cards to every player's active hands so that every player's hand will have 3 cards;
  - The dealer then deals every active hand additional supplementary cards face-down, so that every active hand has 3 cards. That is, every 1-card hand receives 2 more cards, every 2-card hand receives 1 more card and every 3-card hand receives no extra cards.
- (6) The dealer uses the upcard and 2 of the 3 hole cards to form the best 3-card poker hand; if the hand is lower than Kinghigh (i.e., does not qualify), every "Play" wager is returned to the player;
- (7) The dealer resolves every active 3-card poker hand.
  - The dealer resolves each player's 3-card hand(s) against the dealer's hand. The dealer reveals every player's face-down cards one player at a time, from his right to left.
  - If the player's 3-card hand is lower than the dealer's hand, the bets are collected. If the player's hand is the same as the dealer's, the bets are returned.
  - The winning payout for Play bet is always even money.
  - The player's Ante bet is always in action, regardless whether the dealer's hand qualifies or not. If the player's hand is higher than the dealer's hand, the payouts for the Ante bet are:

Winning Ante Bet	<u>Payout</u>
Royal Flush	30 to 1
Straight Flush	12 to 1
3 of a Kind	8 to 1
Straight	3 to 1
Flush	2 to 1
Others	Even Money

(8) Game ends.

# 4 Card Split

Instant Winner for 3-Card, Flush or Better



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PATENT PENDING

#### 4 CARD SPLIT

#### Instant Winner for 3-Card, Flush or Better

Card room operators must not allow wagering limits to exceed the authorized limits set out in WAC 230-15-040 and WAC 230-15-140.

Each player places 2 equal Antes and the mandatory 4-Card Blind bet. The 4 Card Blind bet must be at least equal the Ante.

Each player is dealt 4 hole cards and dealer gets 4 hole cards. Dealer shows one card face up. If a player's 4 hole card hand is a pair of 10's or better, a payout is made. Otherwise, the Blind wager loses.

If a player's 4 hole cards contain one of the 3-card hands on the following list, an INSTANT payout is made to one of the Antes according to the pay table.

3 Card Instant Winner	<u>Payout I</u>	Payout II
Royal Flush	30 to 1	40 to 1
Straight Flush	15 to 1	15 to 1
3 of a Kind	8 to 1	8 to 1
Straight	3 to 1	2 to 1
Flush	2 to 1	2 to 1

If the player has a 3-Card Instant Winner, he MUST split the 4 cards into 3-1 for the 2 Antes; the 3 cards that form an Instant Winner must be placed together as one hand.

Note that every player MUST show instant winner and claim the winning if he has it. For example, A-K-Q-2 must claim winning of [A-K-Q], cannot be split into other forms and continue to play.

			4 Card I	Blind
		Rov	al Flush	500 to
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Note that after the player has split his cards, he must show his card(s) face-up. If a player folds his hand, the card(s) should be placed face-down for the dealer to collect.

Then the corresponding payout is made on the winning Ante, and this Ante and the winnings are pushed to the player and the 3 winning cards are collected. In this case, the player will have only one hand with the remaining single card left; the player can decide to play or fold this hand.

Otherwise, the player can split the 4 hole cards into two 2-card hands or one 3-card and one 1-card hands, and then choose to play or fold one or two hands. When the player's hand is folded, the **Ante** is lost; when the player chooses to play, the player must place a **Play** bet equal to 1x **Ante**.

The dealer deals every active hand additional supplementary cards to make every active hand a 3-card hand: every 1-card hand receives 2 more cards, 2-card hand receives 1 more card and 3-card hand receives nothing.

The dealer selects 3 out of his 4 hole cards to make the best 3-card poker hand. If the dealer's 3-card hand is lower than Q-high (i.e., does not qualifies), all players' Play bets are returned.

The dealer resolves each player's 3-card hands against the dealer's hand. If the player's hand wins, Play wins even money. Regardless whether the dealer's hand qualifies or not, the Ante bet is always in action. If a player wins with 3-card Flush or better, the payouts for the Ante bet include multipliers.

# **4 Card Split Paytables and House Edges**

### **Ante Bet - Payouts I**

3 Card Hand	Draw Winner	<b>Instant Winner</b>
Royal Flush	30	30
Straight Flush	15	15
3 of a Kind	8	8
Straight	3	3
Flush	2	2

# 4 Card Blind Payouts - Set I

4 Card Hand	Payout 1a	Payout 1b	Payout 1c	Payout 1d
Royal Flush	500	500	500	600
Four of a Kind	200	200	200	200
Straight Flush	60	80	100	100
Three of a Kind	10	10	10	10
Flush	9	9	9	9
Straight	7	7	7	7
Two Pair	5	5	5	5
High Pair (T's - A's)	2	2	2	2

## **Overall House Edge with Optimal Strategy**

All Bets	<b>1</b> a	1b	<b>1</b> c	1d
Blind + Ante + Play	0.9636%	0.6681%	0.3726%	0.2248%

# **Ante Bet - Payouts II**

3 Card Hand	<b>Draw Winner</b>	<b>Instant Winner</b>
Royal Flush	40	40
Straight Flush	15	15
3 of a Kind	8	8
Straight	3	2
Flush	2	2

# 4 Card Blind Payouts - Set II

4 Card Hand	Payout 2a	Payout 2b	Payout 2c
Royal Flush	800	1000	1000
Four of a Kind	300	300	300
Straight Flush	200	200	200
Three of a Kind	12	12	12
Flush	10	9	10
Straight	8	8	8
Two Pair	6	6	6
High Pair (T's - A's)	2	2	2

# **Overall House Edge**

All Bets	<b>2</b> a	2b	2c
Blind + Ante + Play	2.2319%	2.9766%	1.9364%

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- 4) Dealer and player check each player's bet on 4 Card Blind. If a player's initial 4 card hand is on the 4 Card Blind payout list, the corresponding payout is paid. Otherwise, the Blind wager is collected.
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Flush	2 to 1	2 to 1

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- 6) If a player's 4 hole cards do not have any 3-card Instant Winner, the player can fold the 4 cards or split the cards into two 2-card hands or one 3-card and one 1-card hands, and then play two hands. E.g. {A-A-K-2} can be split into {[A-A-2], [K]} or {[A,A], [K,2]}, or any other 2 hands and continue to play.
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- 7) For the split hands, the player can play or fold one or both hands. He can place a Play bet equal to 1x Ante to play the respective hand. If he folds a hand, the corresponding Ante is lost.
- 8) The dealer then deals every active hand additional supplementary cards face-down, so that every active hand has 3 cards. That is, every 1-card hand receives 2 more cards, every 2-card hand receives 1 more card and every 3-card hand receives no extra cards.
- 9) The dealer reveals the dealer's 4 cards and selects 3 of those cards to make the best poker hand. If the dealer's 3-card hand does not qualify (lower than Q-high), all players' Play bets are returned.
- 10) The dealer resolves each player's 3-card hand(s) against the dealer's hand. The dealer reveals every player's face-down cards.

If the player's 3-card hand is lower than the dealer's hand, the bets are collected. If the player's hand is the same as the dealer's, the bets are returned.

The winning payout for Play bet is always even money.

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Royal Flush	30 to 1	40 to 1
Straight Flush	15 to 1	15 to 1
3 of a Kind	8 to 1	8 to 1
Straight	3 to 1	3 to 1
Flush	2 to 1	2 to 1
Others	Even Money	Even Money

#### 11) Game ends.





#### **4 Card Blind**

Royal Flush	500	to	1
4 of a Kind	150	to	1
Straight Flush	. 50	to	1
3 of a Kind	8	to	1
Flush	<b>7</b>	to	1
Straight	5	to	1
Two Pair	4	to	1
High Pair (T's-A's)	2	to	1

3 Card Ante 3 Card Ante

Play

**Play** 

3 Card	Winning	Instant
Hand	Ante	Winner
Royal Flush	30 to 1	30 to 1
Straight Flush		12 to 1
3 of a Kind		8 to 1
Straight		3 to 1
Flush		2 to 1
Others	1 to 1	



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