

# CNE CASINO

## HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

### Qualifying Tournament Rules

- ◆ All Tournament Rules will be clearly posted.
- ◆ Players will purchase tournament tickets from the *Poker Cage*.
- ◆ Buy-in and administration fees will be clearly posted (non-refundable).
- ◆ All payouts will be posted including prizes, runner-up bonus payouts and the projected final prize money for the “Poker Tournament Final” with adjustments being made once any additional moneys from potential buy-ins have been divided as per the posted pay table.
- ◆ Included with each satellite registration, a one-time entry to an online poker tournament hosted NAPT / PokerStars.
- ◆ Players will register at the *Poker Tournament Registration (Brush) Desk* once they have a poker tournament ticket.
- ◆ Maximum 10 players per table.
- ◆ Start times on an as filled basis.
- ◆ Players will be called to a tournament table once the *Poker Tournament Registration (Brush) Desk* has 10 players registered. Players will be called and will go to the *Poker Tournament Pit Stand* and hand in their tournament ticket. They will then be seated where their tournament chips will be waiting.
- ◆ Tournament players receive an equal amount of non-refundable tournament chips for the daily freeze-outs.
- ◆ All tournament chips must always remain on the table.
- ◆ The winner of each qualifying round will receive a seat in one of the posted semifinals.
- ◆ As posted, runner up Player(s) may receive a bonus payout, which will be deducted from the overall prize pool.

- ◆ Qualifying tickets do not hold any redemption value, and the date of the semi- final on the ticket is valid only for the date indicated. These dates are pre-set before entering any of the qualifying rounds.
- ◆ Semi-Finals and Final dates will be clearly posted.
- ◆ All semi-finalists will receive the same amount of non-refundable tournament chips.
- ◆ All qualifying players from each of the semi-final rounds will earn a seat at the finals. Each player will start at the final table with their winnings from the semi-finals. **Photo ID required for all finalists.**
- ◆ All finalist tickets are non-transferable and do not hold any redemption value. The date of the final is pre-set prior to the tournament commencing.
- ◆ Blinds and breaking formats for the qualifying rounds and the finals will be clearly posted but can change at the discretion of the poker tournament coordinator.
- ◆ Where tournaments include Rebuys, they will only be available once all the semifinal seats have been filled. The amount of chips received, all related rules and the costs will be clearly posted, and the fee will be subject to a 20% administration fee. (Non-Refundable).
- ◆ Dealer remains at the table during all breaks.
- ◆ All tournament chips must always remain on the table during the tournament.
- ◆ All players will remove their own chips when seated at a new table.
- ◆ Cards are dealt to all positions where there are chips, even if the seat is not physically occupied.
- ◆ All blinds must be paid in regular sequence, even if the player is not present.
- ◆ Players must stay in assigned seats until moved by the Tournament Coordinator.
- ◆ Players moved to a new table will not post their blind prior to receiving cards unless the new player is moved into Big blind position.
- ◆ Blinds will be increased under the direction of the Tournament Coordinator.
- ◆ All players must be at the table before the blinds are increased for the initial time. Players still absent will be removed from the tournament and their administration and tournament fees will be forfeited.
- ◆ Any player caught showing their hand to another player during play will have their hand declared dead, and any bet previously will be forfeited.

- ◆ Any player caught cheating will be removed from the tournament, and his chips will be removed from the tournament. All fees paid will be forfeited.
- ◆ Players must move to new tables and seat when requested by Tournament Coordinator.
- ◆ The tournament clock will be under the supervision of the Tournament Coordinator who will control the play and stop the time at his/her discretion.
- ◆ Standard Hold'Em Poker Rules apply unless posted otherwise for poker tournament play.

## **TOURNAMENT PLAY**

### **SEATING & SEAT CHANGES:**

- ◆ For single table tournaments seats will be decided by the drawing of cards by the players in the order in which they paid.
- ◆ For semi-final tournaments seats will be chosen at random by Poker Room staff and assigned in order of the list of winners.
- ◆ For the final tournament players will draw cards for seat assignments starting with the chip leader and continuing in descending order. If the player is not present a card will be drawn for them by Poker Room staff.
- ◆ The number of players at the table will be kept equal within reason. When required, the big blind will be moved to the smaller table in either the big blind position, or the first available seat clockwise from the big blind.
- ◆ For the semi-final and final tournaments, the final table will be determined when there are ten players or fewer. Each player will randomly select a card for their seat at the final table.
- ◆ If the last two tables are split six players and five players, play will proceed hand for hand simultaneously.

### **WAGERS**

- ◆ The minimum raise for tournament play will be the minimum incremental.
- ◆ In the event of an "all-in", the blinds will take precedence over the ante.

- ◆ The big blind is the minimum bet regardless of “all-ins”.
- ◆ For tournament play, all players are entitled to an unobstructed view of an opponent’s chips, so as to have a reasonable estimation of their chip count. The Tournament Coordinator will have sole discretion over the arrangement of the players’ chips to ensure this requirement is met.
- ◆ During heads up play, the button is the small blind and acts first. The button may need to be adjusted to ensure no player pays the big blind twice.

### **Tournament Irregularities**

- a) If a player is missed in the deal, and the cards are unable to be rotated into their proper position, the hand will be declared a misdeal. Button and blinds will remain in the same position.
- b) If a premature turn or river card is dealt with no substantial action, then it is a forced check for the players and the card remains.
- c) If a player receives too many cards, and the last card is unable to be identified, it will be declared a misdeal.
- d) If cards are dealt to an unoccupied spot, it will be declared a misdeal.
- e) A player must remain within an arm’s length of their own chips when the first card of the hand is dealt in order to participate in that round.
- f) **All the other poker rules and irregularities are same as Hold’Em poker.**