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# Caribbean Stud

**Caribbean Stud is a game in which players use poker hands to try and beat the dealer. On winning hands, players are paid out depending on their hand.**

## **Terminology**

**Hand: Refers to the players cards for the round of play.**






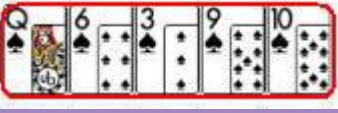
**Ante: The initial bet (set by the table) required prior to the dealer dealing out the players' cards.**

**Call: An additional wager equal to exactly twice that of the ante bet and required for a player to play his hand against the dealers.**





**Fold: To forfeit ones ante and hand.**

## Poker Hands and Their Payouts

Caribbean stud uses poker hands, so it is useful to familiarize yourself with the various hands and their payouts.

Hand	Rank	Payout	Description	Example	
<b>High Card</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>The highest valued card of the hand</b>	<b>10♠ is the high card</b>	
<b>Pair</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1:1</b>	<b>Two cards of the same value</b>	<b>A pair of kings</b>	
<b>Two Pair</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2:1</b>	<b>Two different valued pairs</b>	<b>A pair of jacks and a pair of aces</b>	
<b>Three-of-a-Kind</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3:1</b>	<b>Three cards of the same value</b>	<b>A three-of-a-kind with queens</b>	
<b>Straight</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4:1</b>	<b>A five card hand composed of consecutive cards</b>	<b>A five to nine straight</b>	
<b>Flush</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5:1</b>	<b>A five card hand composed of cards of the same suit</b>	<b>A flush with spades</b>	



<b>Full House</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7:1</b>	<b>A five card hand composed of a three-of-a-kind and a pair</b>	<b>A three-of-a-kind with kings and a pair of sixes</b>	
<b>Four-of-a-Kind</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20:1</b>	<b>Four cards of the same value</b>	<b>Four aces</b>	
<b>Straight Flush</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>50:1</b>	<b>A straight composed of cards from the same suit</b>	<b>A straight flush from five to nine in hearts</b>	
<b>Royal Flush</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>100:1</b>	<b>A straight flush composed of a 10, Jack, Queen, King and Ace of the same suit</b>	<b>A royal flush in clubs</b>	



## Ranks of Hands

The hand with the higher rank is the winner.

### Example

**Hand 1 (Pair of 10's)**

**10♠ 10♣ 7♥ K♣ 2♥**

**Hand 2 (Full House)**

**K♦ K♠ K♥ 4♣ 8♣**

- The two hands are compared and the winner is determined by the rank
  - Hand 1: Pair of 10's – Rank 2
  - Hand 2: Full House – Rank 7
- Hand two has the higher rank and therefore is the winner

In the case of a tie, the highest card from each will be compared, with the highest being the winner. If these two are a tie, the next highest card will be used and this process repeated until a winner is decided. If all five cards are the same, the two hands are a tie.

### Example

**Hand 1 (Pair of 10's)**

**10♠ 10♣ 7♥ K♣ 2♥**

**Hand 2 (Pair of 10's)**

**10♥ 10♦ K♦ Q♣ 4♣**

- The two hands are compared
  - Hand 1: Pair of 10's – Rank 2
  - Hand 2: Pair of 10's – Rank 2
- The two hands are equal, so the first highest card values in each hand are compared
  - Hand 1 – King
  - Hand 2 – King
- The first highest cards are equal, so the second highest from each hand are compared
  - Hand 1 – 10
  - Hand 2 – Queen
- Hand 2 has the larger second highest card and is therefore the winner



## Playing The Game

- 1. Each player must place down an ante bet at least equal to that set by the table.**
  - **No more bets are permitted after cards are dealt, signaled by the dealer declaring “no more bets”**
  - **Players are permitted to only play one hand at a time**
- 2. Once all ante's are placed, the dealer will deal each player and themselves five cards face down. The dealer will then flip over one of his cards.**
  - **In case of a misdeal to the player (incorrect number of cards), only that player will have a dead hand (wager returned and cards discarded).**
  - **If the dealer is dealt 4 cards instead of 5, an additional card will be dealt to the dealer. Any other misdeal results in all hands being void and the cards shall be reshuffled.**
  - **Players are not permitted to share their hand information with any other player. Any player caught doing so will have their hand and ante forfeited.**
- 3. Starting from the dealers left, the players may make the following options:**
  - **Call: If the player wishes to continue play, they must place an additional bet wager equal to exactly twice his ante.**
  - **Fold: If the player does not wish to continue play, they may fold their hand and forfeit both their hand and ante bet**
- 4. Once all players have played the dealer will compare his hand with the players and payouts occur as follows:**
  - **If the dealer does not have at least an Ace and King high cards in his hand, the players are paid their ante (1:1) and the bet wager is a push (it is returned to player)**
  - **If the dealer has at least an Ace/King, then the highest hand wins.**
    - **If the dealer wins, the player loses both their ante and bet wager**
    - **If the player wins, they are paid their ante (1:1) and their bet wager (at the payouts previously listed)**
- 5. Following play, all cards will be reshuffled and play will restart with the ante bets.**