

Texas Hold'em Team Tournament Rules

Object of the game:

Players compete to win chips from one another. Cash prizes shall be distributed among the top finishers of the tournament, as determined by the tournament staff. Prizes and distribution shall be determined based on the prize pool and number of total entries after registration has closed.

Rules of the game:

The tournament shall be governed by Tournament Director Association (TDA) rules and comply with house rules in cases not covered by the posted TDA rules.

Players will be made aware of the prize pool distribution, rules, and regulations of the room by posted material on site.

Players will receive starting chips and a seat assignment upon paying an entry fee. They will be made aware of rebuy options before they begin playing, if rebuy options are available.

Equipment:

Each dealer will have starting chips for all active seats at the table (typically 9), two different colored decks of cards, & a cut card.

Method of Play:

The two players to the left of the dealer button will put out blind bets. The player directly left of the dealer button posts the small blind, while the player two positions to the left of the dealer button posts the big blind.

Every player receives two cards face down. These are called 'hole cards' or 'pocket cards'.

The first action falls on the player to the left of the big blind, who can either call the bet, raise, or fold. Betting continues around the table clockwise.

After the betting is completed, three cards are dealt face up in the center of the table. The first three cards are called 'the flop'. These are 'community cards', meaning all players may use them in combination with their hole cards to make the best poker hand possible.

Betting after the flop begins with the player to the left of the button. This player may check or bet.

After this round of betting has completed, a fourth card is dealt face up alongside the flop. This card is called 'the turn'. In the same fashion, a betting round follows this card.

Upon completion, a final card is dealt to the center beside the turn. This card is called 'the river'. The last betting round then takes place.

Once complete, the remaining players show their cards and the player who tables the best

five-card hand using their hole cards and the community cards, wins.

Buy-ins & Wagers:

Tournament buy-ins are variable and are posted on site as well as in all promotional collateral for the events.

An optional "staff bonus" may be offered during registration. Separate from the buy-in, a staff bonus is a predetermined amount of additional chips given in return for an optional \$5 gratuity to be distributed to the BBC tournament staff (\$10 for \$250 events).

Betting for Texas Hold'em tournaments is No Limit, unless otherwise specified.

Payout & Prize Structure

Every player in the tournament will register as part of a 3-person team. There will be two separate prize structures that dictate the prize payouts, 'team' and 'individual'. All prizes will be posted after tournament registration closes.

The 'individual' prize structure will be paid based on the finishing place of each individual player. The last player remaining will win first prize and so forth.

The 'Team' prize structure will use the finishing place of each individual player to determine the winning team. The finishing place of each player on the team will be added up to come up with a team total, the team with the lowest total will win 1st prize, the next lowest will win 2nd prize, and so on.

Example:

Team 1

Tom (1st place)
Cindy (13th place)
Jim (21st place)

$$1+13+21= 35$$

Team 2

Rob (14th place)
Tina (4th place)
Alice (19th place)

$$14+4+19=37$$

In this example, the individual finishing places of team 1 adds up to 35, which is lower than 37, the finishing places of team 2. Team 1 would win in this case, with Team 2 getting 2nd place.

Any ties in team scoring will cause the prizes to be split evenly among the tying teams.

Team prizes can be claimed by any player on the team on behalf of their team. It is not the responsibility of BBC&C to distribute the team prizes to the individuals on the team.