

Amendment to the Rules of Casino Table Games – Division 2 Blackjack

Pursuant to section 367 of the Gambling Act 2003 the following amendments to Division 2 of the Rules of Casino Table Games (Blackjack) were prescribed on 2 November 2012.

These amendments take effect from the day after notification in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Division 2 – Blackjack

1. Within the contents section, the title "Section 17 Blackjack (Style A)" is inserted.
2. Within rule 3.1, the number "7" is deleted and replaced with the number "9".
3. Rule 3.2(b) is deleted and replaced with the following:
 - "(b) bear inscriptions specifying:
 - (i) the relevant blackjack payscale,
 - (ii) when the dealer is required to draw additional cards, and
 - (iii) the insurance payscale; and"
4. Rule 3.2(c) is deleted and replaced with the following:
 - "(c) be marked in a manner substantially similar to that shown in appendix 1 or appendix 2 or appendix 3 or appendix 4 (with up to 9 boxes);"
5. Within rule 5.4 the first sentence is deleted and replaced with "All winning wagers made in accordance with rule 5.1 shall be paid at odds of 1 to 1 with the exception of blackjack, which (subject to rule 10.3) shall be paid at the odds inscribed in the layout."
6. Rule 5.8 [including (a) and (b)] is deleted and replaced with the following:
 - "5.8 The casino operator may limit any person to wagering on only one box and placing the minimum wager applicable to the table."



7. Rule 10.1 is deleted and replaced with the following:

"10.1 If the dealer's first card is a 2 to 9 inclusive and a player has blackjack, the dealer shall on completion of the initial deal pay the blackjack in accordance with the odds specified on the layout and remove the player's cards to the discard rack before any further cards are dealt."

8. Rule 10.1A is inserted:

"10.1A The blackjack odds specified on the layout shall be in accordance with one of the following options:

Blackjack pays 3:2
Blackjack pays 6:5
Blackjack pays 1:1"

9. The first sentence of rule 10.3 is deleted and replaced with the words "Only when the blackjack payscale of 3:2 is in place and if the dealer's first card is an ace and a player has a blackjack:"

10. Section 17.0 is inserted:

"17.0 Blackjack (Style A)

17.1 Where Blackjack Style A is adopted the approved rules of Blackjack will apply except where the rules are inconsistent with rule 17.2 in which case rule 17.2 will prevail.

17.2 Additional cards shall be drawn to the dealer's hand until a hard total of 17, 18, 19, 20 or 21 or a soft total of 18, 19, 20 or 21 is achieved, at which point no additional cards will be drawn."