

1. **Buy-In** - All entrance fees are paid before play begins.
2. **Seat Assignment** - Your seat will randomly be assigned to you.
 - For Sit and Go - 10 cards will be dealt and those numbers will align with seating.
 - Multiple tables - Table and seat will be randomly chosen.
3. **Starting Stacks** - When you arrive at the table your starting stack will be at your seat.
 - Tournament chips have no cash value and you cannot cash out at any point during the tournament.
 - Double check your chips against the posted starting stack to make sure you have the correct amount of chips.
 - The total amount of your starting stack varies based on tournament.
4. **Blind Levels** - Blinds increase at regular intervals.
 - This is to force play and get the action going. You can usually get a sheet from a floor person that tells you the schedule of blind increases and what the blinds will be.
 - Blind structure will be at tournament location.
5. **The Deal** - The deal proceeds exactly as it does in a cash game. The two players to the left of the button are the small blind and the big blind. After each hand the button moves one seat to the left. The button is determined in the first hand completely randomly.
6. **Absent Players** - All players must be dealt into the hand and their blinds/antes forced into the pot whether they are at the table or not. If the player is not present by the time his second card is dealt, his hand will be ruled dead.
7. **Breaking Tables** - As players are eliminated the following occurs:
 - Sit and Go - Next waitlist player will replace the eliminated player. See Rebuys
 - Multi table games - Game manager will start breaking tables in a pre-determined order. If your table breaks, you will be assigned randomly to an empty seat at one of the remaining tables.
8. **Rebuys** - As players are eliminated the following options are available:
 - Depending on tournament specific rules; a player can rebuy multiple times before the rebuy cutoff often referred to as cutthroat.
 1. FULL rebuy = original buy-in amount for full starting stack amount
 2. ½ rebuy (tournament specific) = ½ original buy-in amount for ½ starting stack amount
9. **All-in Bets** - A player who declares himself all in plays for all of the chips in front of him. If the other player has more, he is only entitled to an amount equal to his own stack. The same goes for an all-in player that has less than his required blind. He is only entitled to what he put in.
10. **All-in confrontations** - When two players or more are all in and the action is completed, *all hands must be exposed face up before the rest of the board is run.*
11. **Calling the Clock** - A player can request a player to choose an action in a set amount of time (typically 60 seconds). If the player fails to act in that time, his or her hand is folded. Only a player seated at the table at the time the current hand was dealt can call the clock.
12. **Multiple Busts** - If two players go broke on the same hand the player with the greater amount of chips at the start of the hand finishes in the higher position.
13. **Inappropriate play** - Inappropriate play such as swearing, coaching, exposing cards and or throwing cards is punishable by a penalty.
14. **Hand-for-hand play** - As play approaches the bubble (when the money starts) play may go hand for hand. This means that all tables will deal a hand and the next hand will not be dealt until all tables have completed their hand.
15. **Heads up** - When two players are left you have reached heads up play. In this scenario the small blind is the button and acts first.
16. **Deal-making** - Players are allowed to make a deal to distribute the remaining prize money at any point. All players must be in agreement as to the altered payouts, which are usually distributed according to ICM or each player's remaining amount of chips. Based on the remaining players, it is possible to leave a small percentage of the prize pool aside to play for and to determine an ultimate champion of the tournament.

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