

## **EDC Championship rules v1.3**

### **As adapted for ECA European Dealer Championship**



#### **General**

The ECA reserves the right to promote and provide reportage of the championship via various broadcast mediums such as radio, television, internet, newspapers, etcetera, or to report (live) on the championship itself on the internet or through other media. Participants may be named or pictured in such report or upon registration. By registering for this event participants declare to agree to this unconditionally and irrevocably.

Participating dealers are requested to be dressed in full uniform of their respective casinos. English is the official language of communication at the championship tables. A participant may be disqualified if found to contravene any of the rules of the Championship.

In the event of a dispute relating to these rules, the decision of the Championship Director will be final and the Championship will not proceed until the dispute is settled. ECA and the Championship Director reserve the right to amend these Rules at any time.

In the event that the Rules are amended ECA will inform all participating casinos as soon as possible after the amendments are introduced.

It will be the responsibility of the participating casinos to inform their team members of the rules and any amendments.

A copy of these rules will be available beforehand and at the Championship.

Should the number of entries be less than the minimum requirement of 16 contestants, ECA reserves the right to (i) cancel the Championship or (ii) invite national runners up to enter the Championship in order to meet the minimum requirement of 16 contestants.

ECA reserves the right to cancel the Championship without any liability.

All prizes are to be supplied by ECA (and/or sponsors).

All prize winners will be awarded the prizes published in the prize list for the Championship.



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#### **Conditions of Competition**

Tournament chips do not represent cash value.

The judges on the table will be responsible for placing wagers.

On Black Jack boxes shall be played with a minimum of € 10 and a maximum of € 500 (in units of €10).

On Roulette a maximum of 100 colour chips per player shall be permitted on the inside layout.

The minimum on the inside bets shall be € 5. The maximum on the inside bets shall be:

Straight up: 100 - Split: 200 - Street: 300 - Corner: 400 - Sixline: 600

The minimum on the outside bets shall be € 500 to a maximum of € 5.000 (in units of € 500).

Colour chips will not be permitted on the outside bets.

General rules of Black Jack and Roulette shall apply, with the addition of supplementary Championship rules.

Give tips during the game is not allowed.

#### **Drawn Results**

If there is a drawn result between contestants, which may cause more than the allotted number of contestants to advance to the next round, or poses a problem to determine the winner of the Championship, each criterion of that round will be reviewed and tallied in the following order:

- (1) Hospitality
- (2) Technical skills
- (3) Control of the game

The participant with the highest score for hospitality will advance to the next round or be awarded as the winner. If there is still a drawn result, the next criterion will be reviewed and tallied. In the event that all the cumulative scores are drawn, the participants will take part in a practical mathematical exercise to determine the person to advance, or the winner.

# Side events



**Best Mathematician** : calculate the payout of the winning color on the two winning numbers, write down the answer on the paper and give it to the inspector. The competitor who has the correct result in the fastest time will be the winner.

**Best Chipper** : sort 300 color chips of 3 different colors, by stacks of 20, as quickly as possible and replace them around the wheel track.  
+5 seconds of penalty for each cheap mixed

**Best Card-handler** : deal 5 minutes the initial deal at blackjack : 2 cards on seven boxes + 1 for the dealer, as quickly and properly as possible. All cards have to be placed under the insurance line, all card numbers have to be visible. Dealer has to clap his hands at the end of the 5 turns so that the inspector knows to stop the stopwatch.  
+2 seconds penalty for each card mistake or not well placed

**Best Cutting chips** : drop-cut chips from both stacks of two different colors on a new one. Starting with 1 on 1, then 2 on 2 until 5 on 5. The dealer is allowed to correct a cut during the session.  
+4 seconds penalty for each chip not placed accurately

**Best pushing stacks** : push with one hand, from 2 stacks to 8 stacks, around the layout, each group of stacks has to touch each other at the end, if the stack falls the dealer has to correct it. The time will be stopped as soon as every stack is pushed.

## Roulette rules

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#### Definitions

"Championship Director" means a person, or that person's designee, appointed by ECA for the overall control of the Championship.

#### Table Layout and Equipment

- The layout cloth will also contain a print of the roulette wheel. This print can be used for neighbour bets and/or serie bets.

#### Wagers

- The wagers defined in this rule shall be the permissible wagers by a player at the game of Roulette:
  - Low - (1-18), High - (19-36), Even, Odd, Red, Black; The player only loses half of their original wager if "0" is spun
- Acceptable multiple piece wagers are defined as:
  - Neighbour bets (three, five or seven-piece wager) - Series 5/8 (six-piece wager) - Orphans (five-piece wager) - Grand Series 0/2/3" (nine-piece wager).
  - Zero Game (four-piece wager).
- All wagers shall be made by placing value chips and/or colour chips on the appropriate playing areas of the roulette layout. In the case of neighbour bets the dealer may also choose to use the 'neighbour print'.
- A wager cannot be withdrawn, placed or changed after the dealer has called "No more bets".

#### Play of the Game

- The ball shall be spun by the dealer in a direction opposite to the rotation of the wheel and shall complete at least seven revolutions around the track of the wheel to constitute a valid spin.

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#### Irregularities

- If the ball is spun in the same direction as the wheel is rotating, the dealer shall announce "No spin" and attempt to remove the ball from the wheel prior to it coming to rest in one of the compartments.
- If the dealer anticipates that the ball will not complete seven revolutions around the track of the wheel, the dealer shall announce "No spin" and attempt to remove the ball from the wheel prior to it coming to rest in one of the compartments.
- If a foreign object enters the wheel prior to the ball coming to rest the dealer shall announce "No spin" and attempt to remove the ball from the wheel prior to it coming to rest in one of the compartments.
- If the ball fails to fall into one of the compartments the dealer shall announce "No spin".
- If the ball is propelled or falls out of the wheel, the dealer shall announce "No spin". Upon retrieval the dealer shall examine the ball before replacing it in the wheel.
- If any person interferes with the ball or the rotation of the wheel, the dealer shall announce "No spin".
- Once the dealer has announced "No spin", it shall be an invalid spin regardless of whether or not the ball comes to rest in one of the compartments prior to the dealer's attempt to remove the ball from the wheel.
- After a "No spin" the dealer shall return the ball to the previous winning number compartment and re-spin.

## Blackjack rules

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#### Wagers

- Up to four players may wager on any one playing area of the Blackjack layout.
- Where more than one player wagers on a playing area the decisions with regard to the cards dealt to that area shall be called by:
  - The player who is seated at the playing area;
  - Where there is no seated player, the player with the highest wager in the box;
  - Where all wagers are of equal value, the player whose wager is nearest the dealer.
  - The dealer shall, prior to the commencement of a round of play, ascertain the player who shall call the decisions with respect to any playing area.

#### Interim Settlement

Upon completion of the initial deal and before the subsequent deal;

- Where a player has a Blackjack and the dealer's card is an ace, the dealer shall, at the players' request, pay the player in settlement an amount equal to the initial wager. In this instance, any insurance wager made by the player shall be void and returned to the player.

#### Doubling

- A player may elect to double, by wagering an amount equal to their original wager, on the first two cards dealt to their hand or the first two cards of any split pair providing that:
  - The point total of the first two cards equals 9, 10 or 11
  - The player doesn't have a Blackjack
  - One, and only one, card is dealt to the hand.
- Where a player elects to double, the one additional card received shall be dealt face upwards and placed sideways on the layout.

#### Splitting

- After a second card is dealt to a split hand, the dealer shall announce the point total of that hand and the player shall indicate their decision to stand, draw, split again (in case of a second identical card) or double with respect thereto except that:
  - A player can split the hand as many times as the cards are identical in value.
- If the player controlling a playing area decides to split, any other player who has placed a wager on that playing area shall either:
  - Make an additional wager on the split hand(s) so formed of an amount equal to their original wager; or
  - Have their original wager placed on the first hand so formed.

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- A card found turned face upwards in the shuffling device shall be burned by placing it in the discard rack.
- A card dealt or burned in error shall be dealt to the players or the dealer as though it were the next card from the shoe or shuffling device. A player who refuses to accept the card shall not receive any additional card during that round of play. Where the card is refused by all players, it shall become the dealer's next card.
- A card exposed and dealt in error to the dealer's completed hand shall be burned by placing it in the discard rack.
- Should any round of play contain an error caused by the incorrect dealing of a card, every effort must be made to reconstruct that round of play in such a way as to cause the sequence of cards dealt to be as it should have been had the error not occurred. However, should every effort to reconstruct the round of play fail, the Championship Director may then authorise that the round be declared void and the wagers shall then be returned to the players.