

1 **Title 36 STATE LOTTERY AND**
2 **GAMING CONTROL AGENCY**

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4 **Subtitle 05 TABLE GAMES**

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6 **Chapter .09 Four Card Poker Rules**

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8 **Authority: State Government Article, §§ 9-1A-02(b), 9-1A-04(d), Annotated Code**
9 **of Maryland**

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11 .01 - .11 (text unchanged)

12 **.12 Payout Odds; Envy Bonus; Rate of Progression.**

13 A. A facility operator shall pay each winning Ante Wager and Play Wager at odds of 1 to
14 1.

15 B. Regardless of whether a player's Four Card Poker hand outranks the dealer's hand, a
16 player placing an Ante Wager and a Play Wager shall be paid a bonus on the Ante Wager
17 at the odds in the following payable,:

18 (1) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 25 to 1;

19 (2) For a Straight flush the payout is 20 to 1; or

20 (3) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 2 to 1.

21 C. A player placing an Aces Up Wager shall be paid at the odds in one of the following
22 paytables selected by the facility operator in its Rules Submission:

23 (1) Paytable A:

24 (a) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 50 to 1;

25 (b) For a Straight flush the payout is 30 to 1;

26 (c) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 9 to 1;

27 (d) For a Flush the payout is 6 to 1;

28 (e) For a Straight the payout is 4 to 1;

1 (f) For a Two pair the payout is 2 to 1; or

2 (g) For a Pair of aces the payout is 1 to 1;

3 (2) Paytable B:

4 (a) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 50 to 1;

5 (b) For a Straight flush the payout is 30 to 1;

6 (c) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 7 to 1;

7 (d) For a Flush the payout is 6 to 1;

8 (e) For a Straight the payout is 5 to 1;

9 (f) For a Two pair the payout is 2 to 1; or

10 (g) For a Pair of aces the payout is 1 to 1;

11 (3) Paytable C:

12 (a) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 50 to 1;

13 (b) For a Straight flush the payout is 40 to 1;

14 (c) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 8 to 1;

15 (d) For a Flush the payout is 5 to 1;

16 (e) For a Straight the payout is 4 to 1;

17 (f) For a Two pair the payout is 3 to 1; or

18 (g) For a Pair of aces the payout is 1 to 1;

19 (4) Paytable D:

20 (a) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 50 to 1;

21 (b) For a Straight flush the payout is 40 to 1;

1 (c) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 8 to 1;

2 (d) For a Flush the payout is 6 to 1;

3 (e) For a Straight the payout is 4 to 1;

4 (f) For a Two pair the payout is 2 to 1; or

5 (g) For a Pair of aces the payout is 1 to 1;

6 (5) Paytable E:

7 (a) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 50 to 1;

8 (b) For a Straight flush the payout is 30 to 1;

9 (c) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 8 to 1;

10 (d) For a Flush the payout is 6 to 1;

11 (e) For a Straight the payout is 4 to 1;

12 (f) For a Two pair the payout is ~~2~~ 3 to 1; or

13 (g) For a Pair of aces the payout is 1 to 1;

14 (6) Paytable F:

15 (a) For a Four-of-a-kind the payout is 50 to 1;

16 (b) For a Straight flush the payout is 40 to 1;

17 (c) For a Three-of-a-kind the payout is 7 to 1;

18 (d) For a Flush the payout is 5 to 1;

19 (e) For a Straight the payout is 4 to 1;

20 (f) For a Two pair the payout is 3 to 1; or

21 (g) For a Pair of aces the payout is 1 to 1.

1 D. If a facility operator offers a Progressive Payout Wager:

2 (1) A player placing a Progressive Payout Wager shall be paid at the odds in one
3 of the following paytables selected by the facility operator in its Rules
4 Submission:

5 (a) Paytable A:

6 (i) For Four aces the payout is 100 percent of meter;

7 (ii) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is 300 for 1;

8 (iii) For a Straight flush the payout is 100 for 1; or

9 (iv) For Three-of-a-kind the payout is 9 for 1;

10 (b) Paytable B:

11 (i) For Four aces the payout is 100 percent of meter;

12 (ii) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is 300 for 1;

13 (iii) For a Straight flush the payout is 100 for 1; or

14 (iv) For Three-of-a-kind the payout is 15 for 1;

15 **(c) Paytable C:**

16 **(i) For Royal Flush the payout is 100 percent of meter;**

17 **(ii) For Straight Flush the payout is 10 percent of meter;**

18 **(ii) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is 300 for 1;**

19 **(iii) For a Full House the payout is 50 for 1;**

20 **(iv) For Flush the payout is 40 for 1;**

21 **(v) For Straight the payout is 30 for 1; or**

22 **(vi) For Three-of-a-kind the payout is 9 for 1.**

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(2) A player shall receive the payout for only the highest ranking Four Card Poker hand formed.

(3) A facility operator shall include in its Rules Submission:

(a) The rate of progression for the meter used for the progressive payout in subsection (1) of this section; and

(b) The initial and reset amount, which shall be at least:

(i) \$5,000 for Paytable A;

(ii) \$1,000 for Paytable B; **and**

(iii) \$10,000 for Paytable C.

(4) Winning Progressive Payout Hands shall be paid the amount on the meter when it is a player's turn to be paid as allowable under Regulation .11 of this chapter.

E. Envy Bonus payouts shall be:

(1) Based upon the amount of the Progressive Payout Wager placed by the player receiving the Envy Bonus; and

(2) Made according to one of the payouts for Envy Bonus Qualifying Hands that was designated by the facility operator in its Rules Submission.

F. An Envy Bonus payout for \$1 Progressive Payout Wager shall be paid according to:

(1) Paytable A Envy Bonus:

(a) For Four aces the payout is \$100;

(b) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is \$10; and

(c) For a Straight flush the payout is \$5; or

For Commission June 27, 2013. The proposed amendments would adjust paytables for the table game of Four Card Poker. The original regulations did not include all paytables offered by the game patent holder.

1 (2) Paytable B Envy Bonus:

2 (a) For Four aces the payout is \$100; and

3 (b) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is \$25; **or**

4 **(3) Paytable C Envy Bonus:**

5 **(a) For Four aces the payout is \$1000; and**

6 **(b) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is \$300.**

7 G. An Envy Bonus payout for \$5 Progressive Payout Wager shall be paid according to:

8 (1) Paytable A Envy Bonus:

9 (a) For Four aces the payout shall be \$500;

10 (b) For Four-of-a-kind the payout shall be \$50; and

11 (c) For a Straight flush the payout shall be \$25; or

12 (2) Paytable B Envy Bonus:

13 (a) For Four aces the payout shall be \$500; and

14 (b) For Four-of-a-kind the payout shall be \$125; **or**

15 **(3) Paytable C Envy Bonus:**

16 **(a) For Four aces the payout is \$5000; and**

17 **(b) For Four-of-a-kind the payout is \$1500.**

18 **.13 Irregularities.**

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