

## HOLLYWOOD CASINO-AURORA

### SATURDAY NO-LIMIT TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT

Following approval from the Administrator, Licensee will conduct its No Limit Texas Hold'em Tournament each Saturday (hereinafter "Saturday Tournament") starting September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, until the end of the calendar year 2024.

- The Saturday Tournament is open and advertised to the public.
- The approved tournament format will not be changed without the approval of the Illinois Gaming Board Administrator
- The minimum number of players is eight (8) to start the tournament.
- The maximum number of players is one hundred-ten (110) (plus replacements and late entries-see below)
- The poker tournament will be conducted on the casino floor.
- Security will be present on the casino floor per standard operating procedure.
- The poker tournament areas have surveillance coverage in compliance with IGB rules. Tapes from the tournament will be retained per IGB record retention rules.
- Licensee reserves the right, at Licensee's sole discretion, to hold open a required number of tournament spots to accommodate requests from select patrons.
- Complimentary fees will be handled via a paid-out at the casino cage in compliance with Licensee's Approved System of Internal Controls.
- No refunds will be granted.
- On the day of the tournament, participants will report to the registration table on the casino floor or guest pavilion and draw a table and seat number. After being seated at the tournament table, the patron must present a paid receipt, prior to receiving \$25,000 in non-value tournament chips.
- Tournament start time is 1:00pm. Registration will remain open until the start of the 9<sup>th</sup> round. Licensee may allow new players (replacements) and late entries to be seated until the start of the 9<sup>th</sup> round to replace eliminated players.
- Registered players are to be seated before the tournament starts.
- Employees of Hollywood Casino Aurora, Inc and their immediate family are not eligible. The immediate family is defined as a spouse, parent, siblings, child or stepchild.
- Titles and responsibilities of employees involved in the tournament:
  - Surveillance agent: Surveillance monitoring and recording the tournament.
  - Dealer: Dealing of game, assist the tournament director as required.
  - Casino Supervisor: Designated Tournament Director. Supervise registration, administration of the tournament, awarding of prizes and overall tournament conduct.
  - Executive Casino Host manager, Executive Casino Host: Assist the tournament director with the registration process.

**REGISTRATION:**

Buy-in = \$180

Re-entry = \$180

**PRIZE POOL/ FEE:**

**\$15 – Dealer appreciation fee for every registered entry.**

\$140 - Of total monies collected as Buy-in, re-entry will be placed into the Saturday Tournament prize pool.

\$25 - House fee retained by licensee. Pursuant to IGB rule 614 (a)(2), the cost of entry fees for the tournament may not be subtracted from Gross receipts in determining AGR.

Players receive \$25,000 in non-value tournament chips.

- All patrons participating in the Saturday tournament are permitted unlimited re-entries and add-ons up to the start of the 9<sup>th</sup> round.
- **Chip buy-ins:**

Starting tournament chips: \$25,000 (Nonvalue tournament chips)

Re-entry for \$180: \$25,000 (Nonvalue tournament chips)

- **Distribution of Prizes:**

<u># of Patrons</u>	<u># of Places Paid</u>
8 - 9	1
10 -- 18	2
19 -- 24	3
25 -- 32	4
33 – 40	5
41 -- 48	6
49 -- 56	7
57 -- 64	8
65 -- 72	9
73 -- 96	10 - 12
97 -- 110	13 - 16

**\*\*\* NEW BLIND STRUCTURE \*\*\***

<b>ROUNDS</b>		<b>Small Blind - Big Blind - &amp; Ante</b>
<b>1<sup>ST</sup></b>		<b>\$100-\$100-\$100</b>
<b>2<sup>ND</sup></b>		<b>\$100-\$200-\$200</b>
<b>3<sup>RD</sup></b>		<b>\$200-\$300-\$300</b>
<b>4<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$200- \$400-\$400</b>
<b>10- MINUTE BREAK</b>		
<b>5<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$300 -\$600- \$600</b>
<b>6<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$400 - \$800- \$800</b>
<b>7<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$500- \$1,000-\$1,000</b>
<b>8<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$600- \$1,200- \$1,200</b>
<b>10-MINUTE BREAK</b>	<b>COLOR UP \$100 CHIPS</b>	
<b>9<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$1,000- \$1,500- \$1,500</b>
<b>10<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$1,000-\$2,000- \$2,000</b>
<b>11<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$1,500- \$3,000-\$3,000</b>
<b>12<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$2,000-\$4,000-\$4,000</b>
<b>10- MINUTE BREAK</b>	<b>COLOR UP \$500 CHIPS</b>	
<b>13<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$3,000-\$6,000-\$6,000</b>
<b>14<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$4,000- \$8,000- \$8,000</b>
<b>15<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$5,000- \$10,000- \$10,000</b>
<b>16<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$6,000- \$12,000- \$12,000</b>
<b>5 MINUTE BREAK</b>	<b>COLOR UP AS NEEDED</b>	
<b>17<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$10,000-\$15,000-\$15,000</b>
<b>18<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$10,000-\$20,000-\$20,000</b>
<b>19<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$15,000-\$30,000-\$30,000</b>
<b>20<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$20,000-\$40,000-\$40,000</b>
<b>5 MINUTE BREAK</b>		
<b>21<sup>ST</sup></b>		<b>\$30,000-\$60,000-\$60,000</b>
<b>22<sup>ND</sup></b>		<b>\$40,000-\$80,000-\$80,000</b>
<b>23<sup>RD</sup></b>		<b>\$50,000-\$100,000-\$100,000</b>
<b>24<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$70,000-\$140,000-\$140,000</b>
<b>5-MINUTE BREAK</b>		
<b>25<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$100,000-\$200,000-\$200,000</b>
<b>26<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$150,000-\$300,000-\$300,000</b>
<b>27<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$200,000-\$400,000-\$400,000</b>
<b>28<sup>TH</sup></b>		<b>\$250,000-\$500,000-\$500,000</b>

## TOURNAMENT RULES

1. The amount of the buy-in as well as the percentage of the prize monies paid will be made available to the patrons at the time of entry registration.
2. The structure of the antes, blinds, forced bets and limits will be made available to the players at the time of entry registration.
3. Tournament chip control and movement will be conducted pursuant to section C-4.1 of the approved System of Internal Controls for Licensee. The poker room Rules contained at Section D-10.25 to D-10.27 of the Approved System of Internal Controls for Licensee will apply to the tournament play, except as noted below:
  - A. No rake will be taken.
  - B. Non-value tournament chips will be utilized. A tournament request for fill slip is completed for the main tournament table. The tournament director, or his designee, will place the non-value tournament chips at each tournament table. As tables are reduced, the tournament director, or his designee, will return the chips to the tables still in play or place them in the chip transporter. A tournament request for credit slip is completed at tournaments end.
  - C. No limit to the betting structure.
  - D. Each round will be limited to Twenty (20) minutes.
  - E. Straddle bets are not permitted.
  - F. An absent player must be dealt a hand each deal and have antes, blinds and forced bets put in the Pot from their stack as required. The dealer will be responsible for ensuring the proper amounts of chips are put into the pot. Any player that is absent from the tournament for more than one-half hour will be disqualified from the tournament play and forfeit their tournament entry. No refunds will be granted.
  - G. An exposed card on the initial card dealt to each player will constitute a misdeal.
  - H. If a player lacks sufficient non-value chips for a blind, the player is entitled to get action on whatever amount of non-value chips they have remaining. A player who posts a short blind and wins does not need to make up the blind. When a player is short chips when they are the big blind/ante they will first pay the big blind if it is possible and then the remaining chips will be posted for their ante. When a player is all-in for less than the required blind, the remaining players will have the following options:
    - i. Fold
    - ii. Complete the Blind.
    - iii. Raise
  - I. Decks of cards will be alternated prior to each round or at the discretion of the tournament director.
  - J. If the signal sounding the end of a round goes off, any hand partially complete or underway will be finished. A hand is said to have begun on the first riffle of the shuffle. New limits apply on the first hand of the next round.
  - K. Initial seating assignments are done by the player drawing a table and seat number during registration.
    - i. The tournament director may move players during the tournament to “balance” the number of players at each table. The best efforts will be made to place a player in the same position as before the move.

- ii. When tables are “broken” (remaining players at the table are all reseated at the other tables), players will again draw their table and seat assignment for the next table. A player moving into a seat assumes any obligations or benefits of the seat unless that seat is between the small blind and the button.
  - iii. Players will redraw their table and seat assignment the same way when the field is reduced to a final table.
  - iv. “High carding” will be utilized at the beginning of the tournament and again when the field is reduced to a final table in order to determine a dealer button.
- L. Players are eliminated when they have lost all their non-value tournament chips. The winner is the player at the final table with all the non-value tournament chips.
- M. A player who declares himself all-in, loses the pot, and then discovers that one or more non-value tournament chips are hidden, is not entitled to benefit from concealment. The tournament director in their sole discretion will rule on each case.
- N. An odd non-value tournament chip will be awarded to the player closest to the button starting at the left of the button when splitting the pots.
- O. No person will be permitted to take another player’s chips once that person has participated in tournament play.
- P. When the field has been reduced to two (2) tables, the following shall apply:
  - i. If two or more players go broke on the same hand, the player starting the hand with the larger amount of non-value tournament chips finishes in the higher tournament place.
  - ii. At the final table when a three-handed game loses a player, the player due for the big blind must take it. This means that a player may have to take the little blind twice in a row or must take the big blind immediately after taking the little blind. Proper assignment of the big blind take’s precedent. When only two players remain, the small blind is on the button.
- Q. A casino supervisor will be the designated tournament director. The tournament director will be the final arbiter for the interpretation and applicability of the tournament rules. Anyone caught cheating will be disqualified and forfeit all claims to the prize money and their chips will be removed from play. An Illinois dockside agent will be immediately notified.
- R. The winning player will be responsible for any tax payments on said prize award.
- S. Hollywood Casino Aurora may alter or change any portion of the tournament at any time and for any reason, subject to IGB approval. The approved tournament format will not be changed without the approval of the IGB administrator. Notification of any changes will be made available to participants on hand. Further, Hollywood Casino Aurora may cancel or discontinue the tournament at any time, subject to IGB approval. Further, in the event of inclement weather, power failure, labor dispute, act of civil or military authority, war, act of God, or other circumstances beyond reasonable control of the Licensee, the tournament may be cancelled.