

# FACE UP PAI GOW POKER



Pai Gow Poker combines elements of the ancient Chinese game of Pai Gow and the American game of poker. The game is played with a traditional deck of 52 playing cards, plus one joker. The Joker can be used only to complete any straight or any flush or as an ace.

Just like in Traditional Pai Gow Poker each player at the table is dealt seven cards, which the player arranges to make two hands; a two-card hand and five-card hand. The five-card hand must always rank higher than the two-card hand. To win the wager, the player's two-card hand must rank higher than the dealer's two-card hand and the player's five-card hand must rank higher than the dealer's five-card hand. If the player's hand wins, the player will be paid even money. Should a player's hand rank exactly the same as the Dealer's hand, this is a tie. Ties are also called copy hands and the Dealer wins all copy hands. If the player wins one hand but loses the other, this is considered a "push" and no money is won or lost. The difference between traditional Pai Gow Poker and Face Up Pai Gow Poker is the Dealer sets their hand prior to the players setting their hands. Also, Players are not charged commission on a win but if the Dealer has an Ace High Pai Gow hand all hands in play are a "push".

Once the player has set their high and low hands and placed them face down on the layout, the player may not touch the cards again. Players are not allowed to show or discuss their cards with other players, while setting their hands. Any player's hand set incorrectly (e.g. the two-card hand ranks higher than the five-card hand, or the player puts three cards in one hand and four cards in the other) is an automatic loser or "fouled hand". Players are responsible for arranging their own hand and should do so with care. Players may also ask for assistance from the dealer to set their hand, the dealer will set their hand in accordance with the "house way". The dealer must set their cards according to "house ways". If an error is found, the hand must be reset according to the house way. Fortune Pai Gow is an optional bonus game that considers the best possible hand among the player's seven cards. A Fortune Bonus wager of at least \$5 qualifies for "Envy Bonus" payouts. Players win the Envy Bonus when someone else at the table receives a four-of-a-kind or higher.

## ACE HIGH BONUS

To begin each round, players make their standard Pai Gow wagers and the optional Fortune Bonus wager, players also have the option of making an Ace High Wager. If a player wagers on the Ace High wager and the dealer has an Ace High Pai Gow without the Joker, the player will be paid 5 to 1 on their Ace High wager. If the dealer has an Ace High Pai Gow with the Joker the player will be paid 12 to 1 on their Ace High wager. If the dealer and player both have an Ace High Pai Gow with or without the Joker the player will be paid 40 to 1 on their Ace High Wager. All other outcomes the Ace High Wager loses. Note: If a player has elected to place an optional bonus wager, Ace High or Fortune Bonus, they are not permitted to surrender their hand.

HAND	PAYS
Dealer & Player Ace-High	40 to 1
Dealer Ace-High (with Joker)	12 to 1
Dealer Ace-High (No Joker)	5 to 1

## FORTUNE BONUS

Fortune Pai Gow is an optional bonus game that considers the best possible hand among the player's seven cards. A Fortune Bonus wager of at least \$5 qualifies for "Envy Bonus" payouts. Players win the Envy Bonus when someone else at the table receives a four-of-a-kind or higher.

To begin each round, players make their standard Pai Gow wagers and the optional Fortune Bonus wager. If a player wagers at least \$5 on the Fortune Bonus, the dealer will place an "envy button" next to it. The dealer then follows house procedures for Pai Gow Poker. While reconciling the standard Pai Gow wagers, the dealer also reconciles Fortune Bonus bets.

If the player's hand qualifies for payouts, the dealer pays him according to the posted pay table (see table below for qualifying hands). If the player's hand does not qualify the dealer takes his Fortune wager. The dealer pays any Envy Bonuses at the end of the round. If at least one player has a four-of-a-kind or higher, all players with envy buttons win an amount based on the Envy Bonus pay table.

Note: A player cannot win Envy Bonuses for his or her own hand(s) or the dealer's hand.

HAND	PAYS	ENVY
7 Card Straight Flush (No Joker)	5,000 to 1	\$3,000
Royal Flush + Royal Match (Royal Flush with King/Queen of Same Suit)	2,000 to 1	\$1,000
7 Card Straight Flush (with Joker)	1,000 to 1	\$500
5 Aces	400 to 1	\$250
Royal Flush	150 to 1	\$50
Straight Flush	50 to 1	\$20
Four-of-a-Kind	25 to 1	\$5
Full House	5 to 1	-
Flush	4 to 1	-
Three-of-a-Kind	3 to 1	-
Straight	2 to 1	-

*\*\$50,000 Max Aggregate Payout per player, per round.  
Does not apply to Progressive or Envy Bonus Payouts.*



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