

## Tournament Conditions

### Weekly Wednesday

#### Tournament Structure

A maximum of ten players on each table, subject to change at the discretion of the Tournament Supervisor. At the end of the first blind level all the available seats that have not been allocated will have their table stake removed, and then every player who buys-in to the tournament prior to the end of the first break will be considered an alternate.

Any player that is considered an alternate will be seated with a full starting stack when their seat becomes available.

The Tournament Supervisor will move players to facilitate the balancing and/or breaking of tables to ensure the efficient running of the tournament.

Tables will be balanced in order to maximize the number of players and to regulate approximate even numbers of players on each table as player and table numbers reduce.

The method of balancing tables will be: a player who is closest to the left of the big blind on a table with more players will fill the seat closest to the left of the big blind on a table with fewer players in order to even out player numbers.

As players are eliminated (lose all their chips) from the tournament, the Tournament Supervisor will break tables from play in order to maximize the number of players at each table.

Tables will be broken in a pre-set order, with those players being assigned to empty seats at other tables as needed to ensure reasonable balancing.

A player (a) who starts at the wrong table/seat with the correct chip stack will remain at that table/seat. The player (b) who seat that has been taken will now be seated a player (a) seat. I.E Players will have switched seats. Player (a) will be awarded a 1 round penalty from the next hand that the error has been discovered.

Players seated on the new table assume all responsibilities of that position and shall be dealt in immediately. The only variation to this shall be if a new player to a table takes up a position between the small blind and the button, in this case they must wait until the button has passed.

The final table shall consist of up to 10 players and will be played until there is only one player remaining. That player shall be declared the overall tournament winner.

#### **(b) Tournament Chips**

Each player shall be issued with 10,000 in non-value tournament chips prior to the start of the tournament.

The order of wagering will be in accordance with The Star Poker Rules.

Any player removing tournament chips from the table will be disqualified from the tournament and excluded from any further tournaments at The Star.

#### **(c) Allocation of Wagering Areas**

Allocation of wagering/seat positions will be done by a manual or electronic system after payment has been made. A player who has not taken their seat by the commencement of the second break will be disqualified and their remaining chips will be removed from play. If player (a) starts at the wrong table/seat with the correct chip stack, that player will remain at that table/seat. Player (b), whose seat has been taken, will now be seated in player (a) seat. I.E Players will have switched seats. Player (a) will be awarded a 1 round penalty from the next hand after the error has been discovered.

#### **(d) Wagers**

There is no maximum limit to the size or number of raises permitted in each round of play. The minimum raise must not be lower than the table minimum and must not be less than any previous bet or raise in the betting round, except where a player goes all-in.

Blind levels will be in increments of **30 minutes**. The Tournament Supervisor shall increase the blinds at their discretion, providing all players are advised prior to the round of play in which the blinds are to be increased and no wagers have been placed or cards dealt prior to the announcement. Any increase to the blinds will follow the order, as set out below, though may not necessarily progress to the maximum.

#### **(e) Time Restriction**

The Tournament Supervisor may impose a time restriction on any player deemed to be taking too long to make a decision. On being advised by the Tournament Supervisor that the time limit is being imposed the player shall then be given 40 seconds to make and act on their decision. A player who fails to make a decision within the 40-second time limit will have their hand declared dead unless they have the option of check in which case their hand will be considered check.

#### **(f) Entry and Buy-in**

Cost of participating in the tournament is \$330, comprising a buy-in of \$300 and an entry fee of \$30, payable to the Casino operator (together, **Fees**). Players may buy-in to the tournament up until the end of the first break.

## **(g) Eligibility for Entry**

Only persons entitled to enter the casino and gamble, that are Star Club or Sovereign Room members are eligible to enter the tournament. The Tournament Supervisor may, at their discretion, permit entry to the tournament for non-members. Entries are non-transferable.

## **(h) Prizes**

Prize money will be paid in full by cheque or cash by the casino operator at the cage following the conclusion of the tournament. The number of entries will be multiplied the buy-in, and the cash component of the prize pool will be broken down and paid in accordance with the Cash Payout Breakdown\*. The prize pool amounts may be rounded up or down at the discretion of the Tournament Supervisor. Should the entries for the tournament total less than 20, The Star reserves the right to cancel the tournament. A disqualified player will not be entitled to any refund of any buy-in or fees paid and will not be eligible for any part of the prize pool. The casino operator may refuse any application.

**Tournament Conditions may be altered or amended including prize pool without notice at the discretion of the Tournament Supervisor.**

### **Player Conduct – during a round of play.**

- 1 Players are entitled to a reasonable estimation of an opponent's chip count; thus, chips should be kept in countable stacks. Highest denomination chips must be visible and identifiable at all times.
- 2 Players seated at a table at which a round of play has not concluded must not:
  - (a) use or refer to any tool, instrument or artificial aid, including electronic devices, except their own wristwatch, and only insofar as the watch is used only for displaying the time;
  - (b) obtain or seek the advice or assistance of other players, bystanders or the Promoter when making decisions about their play (i.e. "one player to a hand");
  - (c) place foreign chips on the table, other than a maximum of one foreign chip that is being used as a card protector;
  - (d) alter, supplement or tamper with the whole or part of any chips on any table, except pursuant to an authorised re-buy or add-on;
  - (e) disclose or reveal a live or folded hand, or a hand that has not yet been tabled;
  - (f) miscall a hand;
  - (g) weaken or forfeit their own prospects in a round of play in order to benefit themselves or any other player (i.e. "chip dumping");
  - (h) refrain from competing against any other player for the purpose of benefiting any player (ie "soft play");
  - (i) advise, criticise or otherwise comment on play;
  - (j) leave their seat while their action is pending;
  - (k) fail to perform a compulsory ante, blind or minimum bet;
  - (l) attempt to increase table stakes other than as expressly permitted in these Championship Conditions and the Rules; or
  - (m) Deliberately hide or conceal chips.

## **Player Conduct – all times during a Tournament**

- 3 At all times during a Tournament, players must not carry or otherwise remove any chips from a table unless:
- (a) the player is following the Promoter’s express instructions to take a seating position at a different table; or
  - (b) The tournament director (i.e. not merely any representative of the Promoter) expressly authorises the player to do so.
  - (c) Under these circumstances a chip tray (rack) must be used to transfer the chips

*Note: All chips used for play during the Tournament are the property of the Promoter.*

At all times during a Tournament, players must not:

- (d) offer unsolicited advice to players participating in a round;
- (e) ask the dealer to reveal the cards that would have come if a player had decided to play their hand (i.e. “rabbit hunt”);
- (f) behave unlawfully;
- (g) abuse other players or the Promoter or otherwise behave disruptively, anti-socially or in such a manner as to bring any player, the Promoter or the Tournament into disrepute;
- (h) engage in collusive activity relating to the Tournament;
- (i) speak any language other than English during a round of play;
- (j) display any thing, including advertising material or a thing forming part of their apparel, that the Promoter regards as inappropriate;
- (k) without limiting paragraph (j) or the Deed, display any logo pursuant to a sponsorship arrangement that has not been notified to the Promoter; or
- (l) Avoid paying a blind when moving from a broken table.

## **Investigations and Penalties**

- 4 The Promoter may undertake any lawful act to investigate whether these Tournament Conditions, the Rules or any law has been contravened by any player or bystander in relation to any Tournament. For the avoidance of doubt, the Promoter may count a player’s chips or read any unexposed cards.
- 5 It is a condition of a player’s ongoing entitlement (if any) to participate in a Tournament that the player performs all their obligations contained in these Tournament Conditions. Subject to the express provisions of these Tournament Conditions and the Rules, the Promoter may remedy the absence (if any) of a player’s ongoing entitlement to participate in a Tournament by imposing a range of penalties on the player, including penalties that have effect retrospectively.
- 6 The penalties that the Promoter may impose pursuant to include immediate disqualification from the Tournament, which includes the forfeiture of all chips, Fees and prizes (or entitlements to them).
- 7 The Promoter may impose penalties from the following range of penalties. The penalised player’s blinds, antes and / or forced bets will be forfeited for:
- (a) one round;
  - (b) 2 rounds;
  - (c) 3 rounds; or
  - (d) 4 rounds.
  - (e) 10 minutes

In each case, the forfeiture remains in effect until the button returns to the same position it was in when the penalty was imposed after the applicable number of rounds has passed. The conduct of the Tournament will be governed by these Tournament Conditions (as amended), the current edition of the Rules and, where applicable, the laws of New South Wales. In the event of an irreconcilable inconsistency between these Tournament Conditions and the Rules, the Rules will prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

- 8 Except insofar as these Tournament Conditions expressly provide otherwise, any decision that the Promoter may or must make in relation to the Tournament, including pursuant to any provision of these Tournament Conditions, will be made by the Promoter at its sole and absolute discretion in every respect (including timing) and without imposing any obligation on the Promoter to have or provide reasons for the Promoter's conduct in this regard.
- 9 To the extent that circumstances arise for which these Tournament Conditions or the Rules make no provision or in relation to which the relevant provisions of the Tournament Conditions or Rules are unclear, the Promoter may make a decision regarding those circumstances.
- 10 All decisions made by the Promoter are final and binding. No correspondence will be entered into.
- 11 To the maximum extent permitted by law, and without affecting any rights that cannot be excluded by law, the Promoter is not liable for any loss, damage or injury suffered or sustained (including direct or consequential loss or loss arising from negligence) arising directly or indirectly out of or in connection with the conduct of the Tournaments, including the making, substance and merits of any decision of the Promoter.
- 12 Subject to the Deed, by entering a Tournament, each player authorises the Promoter, subsidiary companies or a third party to unconditionally use of the player's name, address, image and likeness (including as embodied or communicated in any photograph, cinematograph film, broadcast or any other medium) for the purpose of promoting and advertising the Promoter, the Promoter's subsidiaries, the Promoter's venues or any third party, without further consideration, notice, review or consent.
- 13 In these Tournament Conditions:
  - (a) all monetary values expressed in this document are expressed in Australian currency;
  - (b) words used in the singular do not exclude the plural, and vice versa; and
  - (c) Italicised notes do not have operative effect.
  - (d) "**The Promoter**" of the Tournament is The Star Pty Ltd ABN 25 060 510 410 of 80 Pyrmont Street, Pyrmont NSW 2009

Level	Small Blind	Big Blind	Ante
1	50	100	
2	75	150	
3	100	200	
4	150	300	25
20 Minute Break			
5	200	400	50
6	300	600	50
7	400	800	100
8	500	1000	100
10 Minute Break			
9	700	1400	200
10	1000	2000	200
11	1500	3000	300
12	2000	4000	400
10 Minute Break			
13	3000	6000	500
14	4000	8000	500
15	5000	10000	1000
16	7000	14000	1000
10 Minute Break			
17	10000	20000	2000
18	15000	30000	3000
19	20000	40000	4000
20	30000	60000	5000
10 Minute Break			
21	40000	80000	5000
22	50000	100000	10000
23	70000	140000	10000
24	100000	200000	10000
10 Minute Break			
25	150000	300000	10000

Blinds shall then double until the conclusion of the Tournament.

**Cash Payout Breakdown\***

# Places	0-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-90	91-120	121-150	151-180
1	100	60	50	45	37.5	37.5	35	34	32	30	28	27
2		40	30	30	23.18	23.2	21.629	21.037	19.777	18.542	17.306	16.686
3			20	15	16.14	15.2	14.341	13.848	13.844	13.202	12.492	12.011
4				10	12.51	10.5	10.152	9.694	10.084	9.59	9.179	8.803
5					10.67	7.7	7.643	7.184	7.419	7.104	6.862	6.566
6						5.9	6.097	5.618	5.542	5.363	5.217	4.983
7							5.138	4.624	4.445	4.125	4.033	3.846
8								3.995	3.705	3.231	3.168	3.017
9									3.184	2.576	2.529	2.406
10-12										2.09	2.05	1.95
13-15											1.688	1.604
16-18												1.341

# Places	181-210	211-240	241-270	271-300	301-330	331-360	361-450	451-540	541-630	631-720	721-810	811-900
1	26	25	24.5	24	23.5	23	22	21.5	21	20.5	20	19.5
2	16.061	15.452	15.138	14.832	14.53	14.219	13.595	13.293	12.989	12.685	12.33	12.05
3	11.597	11.246	10.937	10.762	10.553	10.373	9.934	9.711	9.498	9.304	9.09	8.876
4	8.517	8.317	8.049	7.94	7.795	7.694	7.376	7.199	7.048	6.919	6.775	6.624
5	6.363	6.247	6.03	5.955	5.852	5.796	5.562	5.414	5.303	5.215	5.117	5.008
6	4.835	4.765	4.595	4.538	4.463	4.433	4.257	4.13	4.045	3.983	3.915	3.835
7	3.735	3.69	3.56	3.512	3.457	3.44	3.306	3.195	3.128	3.082	3.033	2.974
8	2.933	2.9	2.803	2.76	2.718	2.708	2.604	2.507	2.452	2.416	2.379	2.335
9	2.34	2.313	2.242	2.202	2.169	2.162	2.08	1.995	1.948	1.918	1.889	1.856
10-12	1.897	1.872	1.821	1.783	1.757	1.749	1.684	1.609	1.568	1.542	1.518	1.493
13-15	1.562	1.537	1.502	1.465	1.444	1.435	1.382	1.316	1.278	1.255	1.235	1.215
16-18	1.306	1.279	1.258	1.221	1.204	1.193	1.15	1.09	1.055	1.034	1.017	1.001
19-21	1.108	1.079	1.07	1.032	1.018	1.005	0.969	0.915	0.882	0.862	0.847	0.834
22-24		0.923	0.923	0.885	0.873	0.858	0.827	0.778	0.747	0.727	0.714	0.703
25-27			0.808	0.769	0.759	0.742	0.715	0.67	0.64	0.621	0.609	0.599
28-30				0.678	0.669	0.65	0.626	0.585	0.555	0.536	0.525	0.516
31-33					0.597	0.576	0.555	0.517	0.488	0.468	0.458	0.45
34-36						0.517	0.498	0.463	0.434	0.414	0.404	0.397
37-45							0.452	0.419	0.39	0.37	0.36	0.354
46-54								0.384	0.355	0.334	0.324	0.319
55-63									0.327	0.305	0.295	0.29
64-72										0.28	0.271	0.267
73-81											0.249	0.246
82-90												0.226

# Places	901-990	991-1080	1081-1170	1171-1350	1351-1530	1531-1710	1711-1890	1891-2070	2071-2250	2251-2500	2501-2750	2751-3000
1	19	18.5	18.25	17.75	17.25	16.75	16.25	15.75	15.25	14.75	14.5	14.25
2	11.752	11.438	11.272	11	10.7	10.376	10.099	9.936	9.454	9.28	9.026	8.807
3	8.674	8.5	8.376	8.073	7.841	7.83	7.526	7.31	7.124	6.959	6.872	6.754
4	6.49	6.39	6.3	6.1	5.961	5.95	5.702	5.549	5.44	5.359	5.306	5.232
5	4.917	4.859	4.797	4.655	4.538	4.53	4.368	4.257	4.196	4.163	4.127	4.108
6	3.772	3.738	3.696	3.583	3.495	3.48	3.382	3.301	3.268	3.25	3.235	3.221
7	2.929	2.909	2.881	2.79	2.723	2.71	2.647	2.587	2.57	2.56	2.556	2.543
8	2.303	2.29	2.271	2.198	2.146	2.13	2.093	2.049	2.041	2.04	2.035	2.021
9	1.832	1.824	1.81	1.752	1.711	1.7	1.673	1.639	1.637	1.653	1.634	1.626
10-12	1.475	1.47	1.459	1.412	1.38	1.37	1.351	1.325	1.32	1.31	1.3	1.29
13-15	1.202	1.198	1.189	1.151	1.125	1.12	1.102	1.082	1.081	1.08	1.07	1.06
16-18	0.991	0.987	0.98	0.949	0.927	0.926	0.908	0.892	0.891	0.89	0.88	0.871
19-21	0.826	0.822	0.816	0.791	0.773	0.772	0.756	0.743	0.742	0.74	0.73	0.721

22-24	0.696	0.692	0.687	0.666	0.651	0.65	0.636	0.625	0.624	0.622	0.612	0.602
25-27	0.593	0.589	0.584	0.567	0.554	0.551	0.54	0.531	0.529	0.524	0.515	0.506
28-30	0.511	0.507	0.502	0.488	0.477	0.472	0.463	0.455	0.453	0.45	0.437	0.429
31-33	0.445	0.441	0.436	0.424	0.415	0.408	0.401	0.394	0.391	0.386	0.373	0.366
34-36	0.392	0.388	0.382	0.373	0.365	0.356	0.35	0.344	0.34	0.334	0.321	0.315
37-45	0.349	0.345	0.338	0.331	0.324	0.314	0.309	0.304	0.299	0.291	0.278	0.273
46-54	0.314	0.31	0.302	0.297	0.291	0.28	0.275	0.271	0.265	0.255	0.243	0.239
55-63	0.286	0.281	0.273	0.269	0.264	0.252	0.247	0.244	0.237	0.226	0.214	0.21
64-72	0.263	0.257	0.249	0.246	0.241	0.229	0.224	0.221	0.214	0.201	0.19	0.186
73-81	0.242	0.236	0.229	0.226	0.222	0.21	0.205	0.202	0.195	0.181	0.17	0.166
82-90	0.223	0.217	0.211	0.208	0.204	0.193	0.188	0.186	0.179	0.164	0.153	0.15
91-99	0.205	0.2	0.194	0.191	0.188	0.178	0.173	0.171	0.164	0.15	0.139	0.136
100-108		0.184	0.178	0.176	0.173	0.164	0.159	0.157	0.15	0.138	0.127	0.124
109-117			0.164	0.162	0.159	0.151	0.159	0.157	0.15	0.138	0.127	0.124
118-126				0.149	0.146	0.139	0.146	0.144	0.138	0.138	0.127	0.124
127-135				0.149	0.146	0.139	0.146	0.144	0.138	0.127	0.127	0.124
136-144					0.134	0.128	0.134	0.132	0.138	0.127	0.117	0.114
145-153					0.134	0.128	0.134	0.132	0.127	0.127	0.117	0.114
154-171						0.118	0.123	0.121	0.127	0.117	0.117	0.114
172-180							0.113	0.121	0.117	0.117	0.108	0.105
181-189							0.113	0.111	0.117	0.108	0.108	0.105
190-198								0.111	0.117	0.108	0.108	0.105
199-207								0.111	0.108	0.108	0.108	0.105
208-216									0.108	0.108	0.099	0.097
217-225									0.108	0.099	0.099	0.097
226-243										0.099	0.099	0.097
244-252										0.099	0.091	0.097
253-279											0.091	0.089
280-297												0.089