The poker cheat sheet

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Texas Hold'em on one page: what beats what, the odds, where you sit, what a call costs and what to raise.

1 Hand rankings

1	Royal flush	A♠ K♠ Q♠ J♠ 10♠
2	Straight flush	9♥ 8♥ 7♥ 6♥ 5♥
3	Four of a kind	7♣ 7♦ 7♥ 7♠ K♥
4	Full house	Q♠ Q♥ Q♦ 8♣ 8♠
5	Flush	A♣ J♣ 7♣ 6♣ 2♣
6	Straight	8♦ 7♠ 6♥ 5♣ 4♦
7	Three of a kind	9♥ 9♦ 9♣ Q♠ 4♥
8	Two pair	J♦ J♣ 4♥ 4♠ A♣
9	One pair	10♠ 10♣ K♥ 7♦ 3♠
10	High card	A♥ Q♣ 9♦ 6♠ 3♣

Suits never break ties. Only your best five cards count, and matching hands split the pot.

2 Odds worth knowing

AFTER THE FLOP	OUTS	NEXT CARD	BY THE RIVER
Flush draw	9	19%	35%
Open-ended straight draw	8	17%	31%
Two overcards	6	13%	24%
Gutshot straight draw	4	9%	16%
Pocket pair to a set	2	4%	8%

Outs × 2 = your chance on the next card. **Outs × 4** = your chance on the flop with two cards still to come.

3 Position, six-handed

SEAT	NAME	ACTS AFTER THE FLOP
BTN	Button	Last
CO	Cutoff	5th
HJ	Hijack	4th
LJ	Lojack	3rd
SB	Small blind	1st
BB	Big blind	2nd

Seats count back from the button. Add players and the under-the-gun seats appear in front of the lojack.

4 Pot odds

your call ÷ the pot after your call = the equity you need

YOU NEED TO WIN					
Half the pot	25%	Two-thirds of the pot	29%	The whole pot	33%

$100 pot, they bet $50, you call $50 to make it $200. That is 25%, so win one time in four and the call breaks even.

5 Before the flop, six-handed

		RAISE THESE FIRST IN
1. From any seat	14%	22+ ATs+ A5s-A2s KTs+ QTs+ JTs T9s 98s AJo+ KQo
2. Add from the cutoff	25%	A9s-A6s K9s-K5s Q9s Q8s J9s J8s T8s 97s 87s 76s 65s 54s ATo A9o A8o KJo KTo QJo
3. Add on the button	43%	K4s-K2s Q7s-Q4s J7s J6s T7s T6s 96s 95s 86s 85s 75s 64s A7o-A2o K9o K8o QTo Q9o JTo J9o T9o 98o

Nobody has entered the pot yet. Everything else is a fold. s = suited, o = offsuit, + = that hand and every stronger one.

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