Texas Hold'em Poker Cheat Sheet

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1. HAND RANKINGS, BEST TO WORST

#	HAND	EXAMPLE	BY THE RIVER
1	**Royal flush** Ace-high straight flush	A♠ K♠ Q♠ J♠ T♠	1 in 30,940
2	**Straight flush** Five in a row, same suit	9♥ 8♥ 7♥ 6♥ 5♥	1 in 3,590
3	**Four of a kind** Four cards of one rank	Q♠ Q♥ Q♦ Q♣ 4♠	1 in 595
4	**Full house** Three of a kind plus a pair	J♠ J♥ J♦ 8♣ 8♠	1 in 39
5	**Flush** Five cards of one suit	A♦ J♦ 8♦ 6♦ 2♦	1 in 33
6	**Straight** Five in a row, mixed suits	T♠ 9♦ 8♥ 7♣ 6♠	1 in 22
7	**Three of a kind** Three cards of one rank	7♠ 7♥ 7♦ K♣ 3♠	1 in 21
8	**Two pair** Two different pairs	A♠ A♦ 9♥ 9♣ 5♠	1 in 4.3
9	**One pair** Two cards of one rank	K♠ K♦ T♥ 6♣ 2♠	1 in 2.3
10	**High card** None of the above	A♠ J♦ 8♥ 5♣ 3♠	1 in 5.7

"By the river" is how often you make that hand as your best five cards from seven.

2. WHICH HANDS TO OPEN, BY SEAT

AA	AKs	AQs	AJs	ATs	A9s	A8s	A7s	A6s	A5s	A4s	A3s	A2s
AKo	KK	KQs	KJs	KTs	K9s	K8s	K7s	K6s	K5s	K4s	K3s	K2s
AQo	KQo	QQ	QJs	QTs	Q9s	Q8s	Q7s	Q6s	Q5s	Q4s	Q3s	Q2s
AJo	KJo	QJo	JJ	JTs	J9s	J8s	J7s	J6s	J5s	J4s	J3s	J2s
ATo	KTo	QTo	JTo	TT	T9s	T8s	T7s	T6s	T5s	T4s	T3s	T2s
A9o	K9o	Q9o	J9o	T9o	99	98s	97s	96s	95s	94s	93s	92s
A8o	K8o	Q8o	J8o	T8o	98o	88	87s	86s	85s	84s	83s	82s
A7o	K7o	Q7o	J7o	T7o	97o	87o	77	76s	75s	74s	73s	72s
A6o	K6o	Q6o	J6o	T6o	96o	86o	76o	66	65s	64s	63s	62s
A5o	K5o	Q5o	J5o	T5o	95o	85o	75o	65o	55	54s	53s	52s
A4o	K4o	Q4o	J4o	T4o	94o	84o	74o	64o	54o	44	43s	42s
A3o	K3o	Q3o	J3o	T3o	93o	83o	73o	63o	53o	43o	33	32s
A2o	K2o	Q2o	J2o	T2o	92o	82o	72o	62o	52o	42o	32o	22

Under the gun or later (12% of hands) · Hijack or later (17% of hands) · Cutoff or later (24% of hands) · Button or later (42% of hands) · Fold

Six-handed, 100 big blinds, when everyone before you has folded. Suited hands are above the diagonal, offsuit below. Raise the hands in your seat's colour and every colour before it. Fold the rest. Play tighter at a nine-handed table.

3. OUTS: CHANCE YOUR DRAW COMES IN

OUTS	DRAW	NEXT CARD	TURN + RIVER	RULE OF 2 / 4
2	Pocket pair to a set	4%	8%	4% / 8%
4	Gutshot straight draw	9%	16%	8% / 16%
6	Two overcards to a pair	13%	24%	12% / 24%
8	Open-ended straight draw	17%	31%	16% / 32%
9	Flush draw	20%	35%	18% / 36%
12	Flush draw + gutshot	26%	45%	24% / 48%
15	Flush draw + open-ender	33%	54%	30% / 60%

Shortcut: outs x 2 with one card to come, outs x 4 with two.

4. POT ODDS: EQUITY YOU NEED TO CALL

BET YOU FACE	POT ODDS	EQUITY NEEDED
1/3 pot	4.0 to 1	20%
1/2 pot	3.0 to 1	25%
2/3 pot	2.5 to 1	29%
3/4 pot	2.3 to 1	30%
Full pot	2.0 to 1	33%
2x pot	1.5 to 1	40%

Call when your chance of winning is higher than "equity needed".

5. COMMON ALL-IN MATCHUPS BEFORE THE FLOP

SITUATION	EXAMPLE	WIN %
Pair vs lower pair	KK vs 77	80 / 20
Pair vs two overcards	QQ vs AK suited	54 / 46
Pair vs two undercards	AA vs KQ offsuit	86 / 14
Dominated hand	AK vs AQ	74 / 26
Two live cards	AK vs JT suited	59 / 41
Small pair vs overcards	22 vs AK	53 / 47

6. ORDER OF PLAY

1. **Blinds.** Two players post the small and big blind.
2. **Pre-flop.** Two cards each, face down. Betting starts left of the big blind.
3. **Flop.** Three shared cards. Betting starts left of the button.
4. **Turn.** A fourth shared card, then a bet round.
5. **River.** The fifth shared card, then the last bet round.
6. **Showdown.** Best five cards from your two plus the five shared wins.

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