

HOW PAI-GOW HANDS ARE PLAYED BY THE HOUSE

NO PAIR -- USE THE HIGHEST CARD IN THE HIGH HAND AND THE SECOND AND THIRD HIGHEST IN THE LOW HAND.

(A K Q 10 7 6 5 = A 10 7 6 5 -- K Q)

↑ 5+6's - always split

ONE PAIR -- PAIR ALWAYS PLAYS AS HIGH HAND.

(A J 7 8 5 2 2 = 2 2 7 8 5 -- A J)

↓ 6's+5's - always keep together

TWO PAIR:

WITH ACES AND ANY OTHER PAIR -- ALWAYS SPLIT.

(A A 2 2 x x x = A A x x x -- 2 2)

anything else always split unless you have an A (Ace top + two pair on bottom)

WITH A PAIR OF K's, Q's OR J's AND ANY OTHER PAIR, SPLIT THE TWO PAIR.

(J J 6 6 A x x = J J A x x -- 6 6)

THE EXCEPTION TO THIS RULE IS IF THE OTHER PAIR IS 5's, 4's OR 2's AND THE HAND CONTAINS AN ACE --- PLAY THE TWO PAIR IN THE HIGH HAND AND THE ACE IN THE LOW HAND.

(J J 5 5 A x x = J J 5 5 x -- A x)

WITH A PAIR OF 7's, 8's, 9's OR 10's AND ANOTHER PAIR OF 9's OR BELOW -- SPLIT THE TWO PAIR.

(7 7 2 2 x x x = 7 7 x x x -- 2 2)

THE EXCEPTION TO THIS IS IF THERE IS AN ACE -- THEN PLAY THE TWO PAIR IN BACK AND THE ACE IN FRONT.

(10 10 9 9 A x x = 10 10 9 9 x -- A x)

WITH ANY TWO PAIRS OF 6's, 5's, 4's, 3's OR 2's ALWAYS KEEP THE TWO PAIR IN THE HIGH HAND (NEVER SPLIT).

(6 6 5 5 x x x = 6 6 5 5 x -- x x)

THREE PAIR -- ALWAYS USE THE HIGHEST PAIR IN THE LOW HAND.

(A A 10 10 2 2 x = 10 10 2 2 x -- A A)

THREE OF A KIND --- ALWAYS KEEP AS HIGH HAND.

(K K K x x x x = K K K x x -- x x)

THE EXCEPTION IS ALWAYS SPLIT THREE ACES.

(A A A x x x x = A A x x x -- A x)

TWO THREE OF A KIND --- PLAY THE LOWEST THREE OF A KIND AS HIGH HAND
AND SPLIT HIGHER THREE OF A KIND.

(A A A 2 2 2 x = 2 2 2 A x -- A A)

STRAIGHT:

ALWAYS KEEP AS HIGH HAND.

(10 J Q K A x x = 10 J Q K A -- x x)

EXCEPT WITH A 6 CARD STRAIGHT -- USE THE HIGHEST CARD IN
LOW HAND.

(9 10 J Q K A x = 9 10 J Q K -- A x)

EXCEPT WITH A 6 CARD STRAIGHT WITH PAIR ON EITHER END --
USE THE PAIR AS LOW.

(4 4 5 6 7 8 9 = 5 6 7 8 9 -- 4 4)

SPLIT A STRAIGHT --

WHEN HAVING A PAIR OF J's, Q's OR K's WITH A PAIR OF 6's OR
ABOVE.

(7 7 8 9 10 J J = J J 8 9 10 -- 7 7)

WHEN HAVING A PAIR OF A's AND ANY OTHER PAIR.

(A A 2 2 3 4 5 = A A 3 4 5 -- 2 2)

WHEN HAVING TWO PAIRS WITH AN ACE -- FOLLOW 2 PAIR RULE.

(A 2 2 3 3 4 5 = 2 2 3 3 4 --- A 5)

(4 4 5 5 6 7 JOKER = 4 4 5 5 6 -- JOKER 7)

FLUSH:

ALWAYS KEEP AS HIGH HAND.

EXCEPT WITH 6 CARD FLUSH USE HIGH CARD IN LOW HAND.

EXCEPT WITH 6 CARD FLUSH WITH A PAIR -- USE PAIR IN LOW HAND.

SPLIT A FLUSH THE SAME AS STRAIGHT.

CHOOSE A STRAIGHT OVER A FLUSH WHEN AN ACE OR KING CAN BE PLAYED IN THE LOW HAND.

FULL HOUSE:

ALWAYS SPLIT.

(K K 3 3 3 x x = 3 3 3 x x -- K K)

EXCEPT WHEN LOW PAIR ARE 2's AND HAND CONTAINS AN ACE AND KING.

(8 8 8 2 2 A K = 8 8 8 2 2 -- A K)

FOUR OF A KIND:

ALWAYS KEEP AS HIGH HAND IF 6's OR BELOW.

(4 4 4 4 x x x = 4 4 4 4 x -- x x)

SPLIT 7's AND ABOVE.

(7 7 7 7 x x x = 7 7 x x x -- 7 7)

EXCEPT 7's, 8's, 9's AND 10's WITH AN ACE OR WITH ANY PAIR.

(7 7 7 7 A J x = 7 7 7 7 x -- A J)

(7 7 7 7 2 2 x = 7 7 7 7 x -- 2 2)

SPLIT FOUR A's, K's, Q's OR J's WITH ANY PAIR.

(J J J J 2 2 x = J J 2 2 x -- J J)

EXCEPT WITH 7's OR ABOVE.

(Q Q Q Q 7 7 x = Q Q Q Q x -- 7 7)

STRAIGHT FLUSH:

SPLIT A STRAIGHT FLUSH THE SAME AS A STRAIGHT.

PLAY THE STRAIGHT OR THE FLUSH INSTEAD OF THE STRAIGHT FLUSH
WHEN THE HAND CONTAINS AN ACE OR KING TO PLAY IN LOW HAND.

ROYAL FLUSH --- ALWAYS KEEP UNLESS:

THERE ARE TWO PAIRS OF 10's OR ABOVE -- THEN SPLIT.

FIVE ACES --- ALWAYS SPLIT.

(A A A A JOKER x x = A A A x x -- A JOKER)

UNLESS THERE IS A PAIR OF KINGS.

(A A A A JOKER K K + A A A JOKER -- K K)

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