

# Mississippi Stud

After placing an Ante bet, each player receives two cards; these combine with three communal cards to make a five-card poker hand. Before each communal card is revealed, you may fold (forfeiting prior bets) or continue by betting an additional 1x to 3x the amount of the Ante. Based solely on your own hand (not competing with anyone else), all wagers earn these payoffs:

Royal flush	500:1	3-of-a-Kind	3:1
Straight flush	100:1	Two pair	2:1
4-of-a-Kind	40:1	High pair JJ-AA	1:1
Full house	10:1	Medium pair 66-TT	Push
Flush	6:1	Low pair 22-55	Lose
Straight	4:1	No pair	Lose

Once you have a pair **66** or better, you should raise 3x your Ante on all remaining bets, since you cannot lose, but will win if the hand improves; otherwise, use the rules on the reverse side of this card. Note that favorable hands deserve the full 3x the Ante, while weak hands require the minimum 1x to continue; never raise 2x the Ante.

Two common plays on 5<sup>th</sup> Street are actually dead-even between calling 1x and folding: offsuit HHLL (two High cards and two Low) and HMML, but calling is better if there was a previous raise.

The strategy on the reverse side of this card will not give you an advantage. Betting \$10 on the Ante, at -4.915%, expect to lose nearly \$15 per hour (30 rounds).

- 3x raise *any* pair, even **22** thru **55**
- 1x call with any High card
- 1x call with no Low cards
- 1x call with suited **65**

3rd  
Street

**If suited**, call 1x except these raises:

- 3x raise suited **765** or higher with no gaps
- 3x raise if Straight flush or Royal flush possible with two (or three) High cards
- 3x raise these suited hands: **QT9 JT8 J98**

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**If not suited**, fold all hands except these:

- 1x call with no Low cards
- 1x call with a High *and* a Medium, or better
- 1x call with two (or three) High cards
- 1x call with offsuit **654** or higher with no gaps
- 1x call with these offsuit hands: **764 875**
- 1x call with any small pair **22** thru **55**

- 3x raise any suited hand, else:
- 3x raise offsuit **8765** or higher with no gaps, except:
- 1x call with **AKQJ** or any other possible Straight
- 1x call with two (or more) High cards
- 1x call with a High *and* two (or three) Medium
- 1x call with any small pair **22** thru **55**
- 1x call with three Medium and a Low and no Straight possible, *if* you raised 3x previously

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