

## REV YOUR ENGINES

and feel the thrill of the speedway with the newest—game on the market, Race to 9, a blazing-fast casino game that keeps—the action roaring all the way to the finish line! Race to 9 is played with a standard 52 card deck in a 6 or 8 deck shoe. Both the player and dealer will successively draw cards, trying to achieve the highest total score for their hand. The house edge for this game is 2.03%.

## HOW TO PLAY THE GAME

The player will place their initial mandatory wager on the Play wager spot. The player may also place optional "Dealer's Hand" and 'Nine Insurance" bonus side bets at this time. Each player will recieve one card face up. The player may decide to stop there; however, they have the option to obtain up to three additional cards after that. The player can decide to stop anytime, but they must stop after their fourth card. The score will be tallied by adding the pips of each card. Tens and face cards equal zero, aces equal one, and the last digit is used as the final total. The closest to 9 wins. 9 is the highest score while 0 is the lowest.

Adding to the excitement of the game, the player also has the option to split or double down. Players may double down at any time. After doubling, there is no requirement to stop after one additional card, and redoubling is allowed.

Splitting two cards with the same value may also be allowed if an extra wager is made, as long as the split hands recieve one or more additional cards. If the casino offers double downs and splits, this reduces the house edge by 0.2%.

Players may also surrender half their bet after 1, 2, or 3 cards.

## OPTIMAL PLAYER STRATEGY

Here are the suggested guidelines for optimal play:

- · Stand on an 8 after 1 card, a 7 after two cards, and a 6 after 3 cards
- · Never Double Down or Surrender
- · Split on a Pair of 7s, 0s, or 1s

If the player copies the dealer's strategy and stands on a 7, the house edge will increase to 2.66%.