Six Deck Shuffle Procedure

When to Shuffle:

- 1. When a table first opens for play.
- When a new set of cards are put into play.
- When the cut card appears during the course of play.
- 4. Whenever the cards have been spread and the game is to resume.
- When instructed to do so by a Floor Supervisor.
- 6. AT NOT TIME WILL THE DEALER SHUFFLE AT A PLAYER'S REQUEST.

When new cards are placed on the game:

- The floorperson will open the decks and inspect the cards. They will then spread
 the cards across the layout for the dealer to check. Be sure to squeeze the "Ace of
 Hearts" to make sure that no additional Jokers are stuck there. Be aware of the
 condition of the cards while in play and while changing them. If you see any
 defects of unusual marks, call for the Floor Supervisor immediately. When
 changing decks, check that all decks are complete.
- After inspecting the deck, pick up the deck and strip the deck Top, Bottom, Top, Bottom, Top, and place in the discard rack, alternately criss-crossing the decks as they stack.
- Repeat this until all of the decks have been inspected and stripped.
- 4. After you have finished inspecting and stripping the decks, take half of the decks and spread them on the layout. Proceed to "wash" the cards for about 30 seconds.
- 5. Gather up and stack the cards on the left side of the table next to the shoe.
- 6. Repeat this with the remaining cards and stack on top of the other cards when finished with the "wash".
- 7. WHEN CALLING OUT "SHUFFLE", USE THE FLOOR SUPERVISOR'S FIRST NAME. Say it in a loud, clear voice, holding the cut card in your right hand. DO NOT TURN AWAY FROM YOUR GAME to see where your Floor Supervisor is standing. Repeat a second time, and then shuffle.
- 8. The shuffle is to be completed in an efficient manner consistent with accepted shuffling procedures.
- 9. Maintain constant control (physical and visual) of the cards at all times while the cards are out of the shoe.
- 10. Once you have completed the last round of play after the cut card has appeared, remove the remaining cards from the shoe and bring them next to the discard rack. Take 1/3 of the remaining stack and insert it 1/3 of the way from the bottom of the stack in the discard rack. Take an additional 1/3 of the short stack and insert it 2/3 the way down the larger stack. Take the remainder of the short stack and insert it 1/3 from the top of the other stack. Take the remainder of the short

- stack and insert it 1/3 from the top of the other stack. Then take approximately two decks off of the top and place in the middle of the stack.
- 11. To begin, the cards will be separated into two equal stacks of approximately three decks each [pile left (A) and pile right (B)]. Pile left will be cut in half. Pile right will then be rotated a half turn.
- 12. Approximately ³/₄ of a deck will be taken from each stack and shuffled together one time, then striped top bottom, top bottom, top. That pile will be placed between and slightly above the two stacks (pile C).
- 13. Approximately ½ of a deck of what was just shuffled (pile C) is taken along with ¾ of a deck from the left stack (pile A). The cards will always be shuffled one time only and striped. When that is completed, it will be placed on the just shuffled/stripped pile (pile C).
- 14. Again, take ½ of what was just shuffled (pile C) and take ¾ of a stack from the right stack (pile B), shuffle/strip and place on the middle stack (pile C).
- 15. This alternate pattern will continue until all the cards are shuffled/striped and from one pile. This step consists of approximately seven shuffles.
- 16. At this point, the cards will again be separated into two equal stacks. Pile right will be cut in half. At this time you will place the cut card in the center of the layout so you can stack the laced cards on top of it.
- 17. Approximately ¾ of a deck will be shuffled together from each side and left laced (not squared up). Immediately after the cards are shuffled, they will be placed in the center, above the shuffling area. The shuffled cards are not be pressed together (laced) and should overlap each other by approximately 2/3 of the length of the cards.
- 18. Continue to take ³/₄ of a deck from each side shuffle and stack together (laced) in the center above the shuffle area until all the cards are shuffled (this step consists of four to five shuffles).
- 19. There should now be one stack of cards shuffled and laced. Before the deck is rolled, call out "ROLLING". Wait for an acknowledgement from your Floor Supervisor before continuing. Call the floorperson by name at least twice before proceeding.
- 20. After you have rolled, square up all of the cards by placing them against the shoe, pushing the laced cards towards the shoe, so that they are no longer laced.
- 21. NEVER PUSH THE CARDS OUT PAST THE INSURANCE LINE WHILE SHUFFLING.

Cutting the Deck:

- Upon completion of the shuffle, the decks must be cut. Cards are to be pushed out so the front of the cards face the player, protecting the sides.
 The player to cut the cards shall be:
 - a. The first player to the table if the game is just beginning.
 - b. With two or more players, rotate the cut in a clockwise fashion. IF a player refuses to cut, offer the cut to the next player.
 - c. If all players refuse to cut the cards, the dealer must do so. (Let your supervisor know first.)

- Place the remaining cut card flat on top of the deck and offer it to the player who will cut. Do not push the deck out past the insurance line and hold them snug enough that cards will not be exposed while the cards are being cut.
- The deck will be cut only once. At least one deck must be cut from either end of the deck.
- 4. Maintain physical and visual contact with the cards at all times while the deck is out of the shoe.
- If the cut is unsatisfactory, the cut card must be removed and offered again for recut in the same fashion.
- 6. Once the player has inserted the cut card, take all cards in front of the cut card and place them at the back of the stack. Remove the cut card from the back of the deck and insert the cut card in a position approximately a deck and a half in from the back of the shoe, unless instructed to do otherwise by the Floor Supervisor.
- 7. With the shoe in the middle of the table, place the cards in the shoe.

Burning a Card:

- A card will be burned when the shuffle is over and after the cards have been put into the shoe.
- 2. The burned card shall be burned face down and not shown.
- 3. If a card is not burned for any reason, or two cards are burned, continue to deal normally. If a dispute arises, call a Floor Supervisor immediately.

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