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GAMBLING COMMISSION

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March 22, 2016

Michael Templeman
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RE: Lucky Stiff Blackjack

Dear Mr. Templeman,

We have reviewed the changes made to Lucky Stiff Blackjack. Based on our review of the documentation we received from Paradigm Table Games, Inc., the Washington State Gambling Commission will approve the game under the conditions listed below:

- The game shall be played and operated under the terms and conditions set forth under the “Lucky Stiff Blackjack Rules of Play” you provided on February 9, 2016 and are enclosed.

Commercial Card Rooms

- Commercial card room operators seeking to operate this game must first submit their internal controls and receive approval from the Commission prior to implementing.
- Manufacturers and distributors of graphic layouts and/or any other equipment associated with the game must be licensed by the state prior to the sale of the equipment.

Tribal Casinos

- Each Tribal Gaming Operation must request and obtain approval from their respective Tribal Gaming Agencies (TGA).
- Before TGA allows your game to operate, they will seek concurrence from our agency as well.
- In addition to your approved rules, the Tribal submission to us must include all supplemental information required by Tribal-State Compact Appendix A, Section 18.




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- Manufacturers and distributors of graphic layouts and/or any other equipment associated with the game must be certified by the state and licensed by the Tribe prior to the sale of the equipment.

Any modifications to this game may affect this approval. If you have any questions on commercial implementation, please contact Jess Lohse at (425) 277-7017. If you have any questions on Tribal implementation, please contact Kelly Main at (206) 423-4260.

Thank you for your cooperation and willingness to comply with the gambling laws of Washington State.

Sincerely,



Tina Griffin
Assistant Director
Licensing, Regulation, and Enforcement Division

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Training Manual

Version 5.0

Washington State Version

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Overview

Lucky Stiff™ is an optional bet designed for regular blackjack (single deck, double deck, six deck or eight deck) that uniquely combines elements of both luck and skill. When making the optional Lucky Stiff wager, a player is betting on getting a blackjack or "stiff" hand using the first two cards. After the initial deal, the Lucky Stiff wager wins immediately if player gets a blackjack or Stiff Pair (66, 77, or 88), and qualifies to win if player gets any unpaired stiff hand. Alternate pay tables have players "Push" on a blackjack and pay higher odds on a Stiff Pair if the dealer's up card also matches the Stiff Pair in rank. If the player is not initially dealt a blackjack, stiff pair or an unpaired stiff hand, the Lucky Stiff wager loses and is collected.

Lucky Stiff wagers on qualified unpaired stiff hands win based on the outcome of the player's blackjack hand. After the player and dealer's hands are played out according to house rules, if the player's hand beats the dealer's hand in the main blackjack game after starting the hand with an unpaired stiff hand, the player's Lucky Stiff wager will win. If the player's hand loses to the dealer's hand on the main game, the player's Lucky Stiff wager will lose. If the player's hand pushes with the dealer's hand on the main game, the player's Lucky Stiff wager will push.

NOTE: A "stiff" hand is defined as any HARD total of 12 through 16 made with the player's first two cards. A stiff pair is a pair of 6's, 7's or 8's on the initial blackjack deal. An unpaired stiff hand is any other initial two card total of HARD 12 through 16.

Lucky Stiff Rules

(Payouts per Pay Table #1)

1. Lucky Stiff is standard blackjack with an optional bonus wager. All rules pertaining to blackjack as posted on the WSGC website will remain the same and are not altered in this game except as noted in these rules of play.
2. Player makes an optional wager on the Lucky Stiff betting spot at the same time the required wager is made on the main game, before the initial two cards are dealt.

3. After the initial deal:
 - (a) If the player has a Stiff Pair (66, 77, 88), the player's Lucky Stiff wager wins 10-1. Alternate pay tables pay higher odds if the player's Stiff Pair also matches the rank of the dealer's up card.
 - (b) If player has a blackjack, the player's Lucky Stiff wager wins and is paid 1 to 1. Alternate pay tables "Push" on a player blackjack.
 - (c) If the dealer has a blackjack and the player does not have a Stiff Pair or a blackjack, the player's Lucky Stiff wager loses.
 - (d) If the dealer does not have a blackjack and the player has an unpaired stiff hand, the player's Lucky Stiff wager qualifies to win and will be resolved based on the outcome of the player's blackjack hand.
 - (e) If the dealer does not have a blackjack and the player doesn't have a blackjack, Stiff Pair or an unpaired stiff hand, the player's Lucky Stiff wager loses and is collected after the initial deal.
4. Following the initial deal, blackjack resumes in the normal house manner. If the player wins the main blackjack wager, player's remaining Lucky Stiff wager (that qualified after the initial deal) also wins and is paid 5 to 1. If the player's main blackjack wager loses, the player's Lucky Stiff wager also loses. If the player's main blackjack wager pushes, the player's Lucky Stiff wager also pushes.
5. When offering Lucky Stiff, Card Room operators must not allow wagering limits to exceed the authorized limits set out in WAC 230-15-040 and WAC 230-15-140.

Dealing Procedures

(Pay outs per Pay Table #1)

1. Follow regular blackjack house shuffle and bet casing procedures.
2. After the initial deal, check for player blackjacks and player stiff pairs (66, 77 or 88):
 - (a) If a player has a blackjack, pay the player's Lucky Stiff optional wager 1 to 1 and push the Lucky Stiff wager and the winnings back to the player. Alternate pay tables push on a player blackjack, in this case, push the Lucky Stiff wager off the betting spot and back to the player.
 - (b) If the player has a Stiff Pair (66, 77 or 88), pay the player's Lucky Stiff optional wager 10 to 1 and push the Lucky Stiff wager and the winnings back to the player. Alternate pay tables require the dealer to check if their up card also matches the rank of the player's Stiff Pair and pay higher odds when a match occurs.

3. If the player does not have a blackjack, Stiff Pair or an unpaired stiff hand (a hard total of 12 through 16), collect the player's Lucky Stiff wager.
4. After all initial wins and losses of Lucky Stiff wagers have been resolved, resume the normal house procedures for offering insurance on dealer up cards of Ace and checking for dealer blackjack on dealer up cards of ten.
5. After checking for dealer blackjacks, continue dealing blackjack in the normal house manner. When dealer's hand is completed, resolve all remaining wagers (main and Lucky Stiff bet) in the normal fashion, taking losers and paying winners. Lucky Stiff winners based on beating the dealer after starting the hand with a hard 12 through 16, are paid 5 to 1.

Pay Tables

Pay Table #1 Pay Table #2 Pay Table #3 Pay Table #4 Pay Table #5

INSTANT WINNERS

Stiff Pairs (66, 77, 88)	10-1	9-1	8-1	10-1	10-1
Stiff Pairs & Dealer Match	10-1	9-1	8-1	40-1	30-1
Blackjack	1-1	1-1	1-1	Push	Push

BEAT THE DEALER

Stiff Winner	5-1	5-1	5-1	5-1	5-1
House Edge (6D/Hit Soft 17)	4.05%	5.76%	7.47%	5.18%	6.39%



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PAYS 2 TO 1
BLACKJACK PAYS 3 TO 2
Dealer Hits Soft 17
INSURANCE PAYS 2 TO 1



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