

20:18:15:30.07. Variations of the play -- Buster Blackjack. Buster blackjack is a variation of blackjack which may only be played on tables designated by the licensee for the play of Buster blackjack. The game shall be dealt and played following the standard rules of blackjack in this chapter, except as follows:

(1) Buster blackjack features a side bet that allows the player to bet that the dealer will bust. Buster blackjack may be dealt using one to eight decks of cards. Prior to the dealing of any cards, all players shall make a mandatory blackjack wager up to the posted table limit. In addition to the blackjack wager, the player also has the option to make a "dealer buster" side bet. The side bet allows the player to win odds if the dealer's hand busts;

(2) After all bets have been made, the dealer deals himself or herself and each player two cards. The dealer shall expose one of the dealer's cards as the up card. Each player then plays out the hand according to the standard rules of blackjack;

(3) If the dealer does not or cannot have a blackjack and the player has a blackjack, the player is paid and the player's cards are put away. The dealer buster bet remains in action whether or not the player busts or is dealt a blackjack;

(4) After all players have made their decisions, the dealer reveals the dealer's hole card and plays out the hand. If the dealer busts, the dealer must pay all the dealer buster side bets according to the posted buster blackjack pay table. The payoff odds vary with the number of cards in the dealer's busted hand. The more cards in the dealer's busted hand the higher the payoff. If the dealer does not bust, the dealer collects all dealer buster bets;

(5) If there are no blackjack bets remaining as each player has busted out or received a blackjack, the dealer must complete the dealer's hand, if the hand is not 17 or greater, as long as there is any buster side bet; and

(6) Lammers may be used in one of the following ways:

(a) The dealer shall place a dealer buster lammer on top of the side bets after the players have placed their side bets and before the dealer deals a card to any player; or

(b) The dealer shall place a dealer buster lammer on top of the side bets after the players receive a blackjack or after they bust;

(7) If lammers are used the lammers must be removed by the dealer when either of the following occurs:

(a) The dealer does not bust and collects all of the dealer buster side bets; or

(b) The dealer busts and pays all of the dealer buster side bets.

The dealer shall place the lammers in front of the side bet area between each hand;

(8) Buster blackjack wagers shall be paid in accordance with one of the following pay tables:

(All payouts are "to 1")

Number of Cards in Dealer's Busted Hand	H1	H2	H3	S1	S2	S3
3	2	2	1	2	2	1
4	2	2	2	2	2	2
5	4	3	8	5	4	9
6	15	12	20	15	12	20
7	50	50	50	50	50	50
8 or more	250	250	250	250	250	250

Number of Cards in Dealer's Busted Hand	H4	H5	H6	S4	S5	S6
3	2	2	1	2	2	1
4	2	2	2	2	2	2
5	4	3	8	5	4	9
6	20	15	20	20	15	20
7	40	50	50	50	50	50
8 or more	100	100	100	100	100	100

Number of Cards in Dealer's Busted Hand	H7	H8	H9	S7	S8	S9
3	Push	Push	Push	Push	Push	Push
4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	8	8	8	9	9	9
6	20	15	15	25	20	20
7	50	50	50	50	50	50
8 or more	150	250	500	150	250	500

and;

(9) Buster blackjack bonus is a free bonus that may be offered by the casino operator as a promotion. Buster blackjack bonus may only be played on tables designated by the licensee for the play of buster blackjack bonus. The game shall be dealt and played following the standard rules of buster blackjack, except as follows:

- (a) The casino operator may impose restrictions on the game such that the bonus is paid only if the player's buster blackjack bonus side bet is at least a predetermined minimum, such as five dollars. The buster blackjack bonus side bet may not exceed the player's blackjack bet; and
- (b) If a player has a blackjack and the dealer busts with seven or more cards, in addition to the regular payoff for the player's buster blackjack bet, the player shall receive a bonus

in an amount to be determined by the casino operator. A bonus example is as follows and must be posted on table:

Number Cards in Dealer's Hand	Pays
8 or more	\$8,000
7	\$1,000

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