## **Pai Gow Poker Rules**

- 1. The deck will consist of 53 cards, which includes a joker. The joker is wild when used in straights, flushes, and straight flushes. If used alone the joker becomes an ace.
- 2. Minimum and maximum betting limits and payout odds will be posted at the table.
- 3. The object of the game is to beat the banker. Each player and banker will receive 7 cards that will be used to construct two separate hands of 2 cards and 5 cards.
- 4. Normal poker rankings will be used. The 5-card hand must always outrank the 2-card hand.
- 5. In order for the player to win, both his 2-card hand and 5-card hand must be higher in value than the opposing bankers.
- 6. If only one hand is higher (either hand), the player pushes (will not win or lose).
- 7. If neither hand is higher, the player will lose.
- 8. The Clearwater Casino reserves the right to charge a 5% commission. The commission, if being charged, will be posted at the table.
- 9. Dice are used only to determine which player will receive the first set of 7 cards. The game is dealt and played counter clockwise.
- 10. The Clearwater Casino reserves the right to allow a Player Banker. During the time a Player Banker is being offered, it will be posted at the table.
- 11. Pai Gow Poker Hand Ranking:

Five Aces (4 Aces plus the Joker)

Royal Flush (A-K-Q-J-10 of any one suit)

Straight Flush (5 consecutive cards of any one suit)

Four-of-a-kind

Full House

Flush

Straight (highest Straight is A-K-Q-J-10, second highest Straight is A-2-3-4-5)

Three-of-a-kind

Two Pair

One Pair

High Card

- 12. Side betting between and amongst players, with or against the house is prohibited.
- 13. Players may not look at each other's hands or discuss them until all hands have been set. Any violation may result in a dead hand and forfeiture of all bets.