

RESPONSIBLE GAMING

Casino gaming is a fun entertainment activity that is responsibly enjoyed by most people. However, for some people gaming can cause harm.

The key to responsible gaming is to stay in control and remember it's just entertainment.

Responsible Gaming Tips

Treat gaming as entertainment. The odds of any gaming product mean that over a period of time, the casino - not the player - comes out ahead.

Set a budget and stick to it. Do not borrow money or use money intended for everyday expenses.

Set a time limit and stick to it.

Accept losses as the cost of entertainment - don't 'chase' them. All gaming products are based on odds and the outcome of the game can't be controlled.

Balance gaming with other entertainment activities.

Gaming Machines

Gaming Machines are designed to provide entertainment, not make players money. You might sometimes have a win, but over time the odds will favour the casino.

What has happened in previous games makes no difference to the game you are playing.

It doesn't matter if:

- You play a machine straight after someone has had a big win

- You play a machine that hasn't had a big payout for a long time

- You play at certain times of the day or night

- You play on certain days of the week

- You press the buttons a certain way.

The machine decides whether you win or lose. The player has no control over it.

Table Games

As with Gaming Machines, the odds on all Table Games favour the casino.

Skill can influence the outcome of some games, including blackjack and poker. However, the odds still favour the casino, even for the most skilled players.

On other Table Games, including baccarat and money wheel, outcomes are based purely on chance and randomness. In each game you have as much chance of winning as the next player, regardless of how skilled you think you may be. Overall, the odds still favour the casino.

As with Gaming Machines, gaming on the tables is about entertainment. Treat your losses as the cost of a great time out.

Take advantage of the Learn to Play brochures and ask staff if you have any questions about how to play Table Games.

Luck

Superstitious gamblers are not necessarily problem gamblers. However, for some people, holding false beliefs about luck can have negative consequences.

Examples of false beliefs include "The machine is due to pay out; I need to continue"; "Here is my lucky dealer; I always win with him"; and "Today I feel good; it must be my lucky day."

All casino games are based on chance and randomness and, over time, the odds always favour the casino. You cannot gain an edge or advantage over other players or the casino by doing this.

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