

### General Rules

Five card draw, the game played by 19th Century riverboat gamblers and cowboys, is experiencing a resurgence.

### Beginning the Game in Five Card Draw

The game begins with the player to the left of the dealer putting in usually half, of a bet, called the small blind. The player to his left then puts in a full bet, called a big blind. Each player then receives five cards. The objective is to make your best five-card poker hand. Proceeding clockwise from the big blind, players have the option to either call, raise or fold. Once the action goes around the table, the big blind has the option to check or raise, or call, raise or fold if there has been a raise already.

### The Draw in Five Card Draw

Starting to the left of the dealer ("the button") players now discard as many cards as they wish. Once all players have discarded and received replacements for their discards, there is another round of betting. When all players have called all bets or folded, there is a showdown and the best five card hand wins the pot.