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Since online gaming environments mimic those in real life, it makes sense to bring over many of the strategies that have already been proven successful. Rules and strategy for playing hardly change even when you bring the experience online with games like online blackjack. A lot of [blackjack strategy](#) can be carried over, however this is not the case for all and this can alter the way that you would normally play in an online game.

One of the things to go is the old strategy of counting cards. Since in real life the dealer only refreshed the deck every so often, a player employing the counting cards strategy would simply count off the cards that have already been played and use this to his advantage. However to ensure a fair hand each time, online blackjack virtually shuffles the deck each time.

Online casinos such as William Hill and Bet365 are just some of the most reputable so try to pick one using the same criteria. Since you are playing through a legitimate company this will minimize the risk of being cheated and plays into your strategy. If you choose one that has been verified by watchdog associations such as the Off Shore Gaming Association (OSGA), even better. If a site doesn't offer competitive long term bonuses to match their first deposit bonuses, then avoid falling for them.

When choosing a particular version of online blackjack, look for one that has the most favourable rules for you as a player. The way that a player can play the game becomes so much more flexible with rules like multiple splits, doubling after splitting, doubling on any two cards, and surrender. There are also additional rules that help make the virtual dealer much more predictable such as standing when the hand is valued at 17 or more. Such rules can reduce the house edge anywhere from 6% down to just 1.5%.

The strategies are ultimately the same save for card counting whether you are playing the online version or sitting at a live casino table. The dealer's "up card" is the one that will always give you an idea of what it's actual hand is and should influence your decision whether to hit, stand, double your bet or split it. You can determine the next steps that you should take from there.

Set a specific limit for how much you can comfortably lose and try to discipline your spending. Due to its simplicity, the game of blackjack can be a very addictive one. Those who are more disciplined are much more likely to save themselves until they are able to hit a hot streak.

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