

POKERSTARS LAUNCHES FOUR NEW OMAHA GAMES

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – March 21, 2013 – PokerStars today announced the launch of four new Omaha games – [5 Card Omaha](#), [5 Card Omaha Hi/Lo](#), [Courchevel](#) and [Courchevel Hi/Lo](#) – which are being rolled out across PokerStars' shared liquidity and segregated market sites over the next couple of days and will be available to play for real and play money. It is the first time new games have been added to the client since Badugi was introduced in October 2008.

PokerStars is innovating to provide the greatest range of games online to players of all levels and these latest offerings build on the increased popularity of Omaha and mixed games. All four games will be available at 6-Max tables across the following stakes:

- Pot Limit – \$0.10/\$0.25 to \$200/\$400
- Fixed Limit (5 Card Omaha Hi/Lo and Courchevel Hi/Lo) – \$1/\$2 to \$1,000/\$2,000

Team PokerStars Pro Johnny Lodden, who is a 5 Card Omaha specialist, said: “Hopefully these games will be a great success and more people around the world will find them fascinating. A good tip for beginners in 5 Card Omaha is to fold low cards as it can turn out to be an expensive mistake – you will often flop a part of the board but very often will not draw to the nuts.”

Team PokerStars Pro David Williams, who has played in some of the biggest private 5 Card Omaha games in the world, said: “One tip: make the nuts! Drawing to the second-best hand is a fast way to lose your chips!”

Introduction to 5 Card Omaha and 5 Card Omaha Hi/Lo

In these two variants, five hole cards are dealt to each player instead of the usual four in Omaha, but players must still use exactly two from their hand and three community cards to make the best five-card hand. Both games will be available at Pot Limit tables, while Hi/Lo will also be spread at Fixed Limit.

How to play Courchevel and Courchevel Hi/Lo

Very common in dealer's choice games, Courchevel differs from other community card-based games in that each person is dealt five cards and the first card of the flop is then dealt face up before the first round of betting. The game then reverts to regular 5 Card Omaha with each player using exactly two of their five hole cards to make the best five-card hand. Both games will be available to play in Pot Limit betting format, while Courchevel Hi/Lo will also be spread at Fixed Limit tables

Want to learn more about the games? Check out the following short strategy videos from online poker training sites CardRunners and Deuces Cracked...

- [Introduction to 5 Card Omaha](#) with Andreas 'skjervoy' Torbersen
- [Introduction to Courchevel](#) with Benjamin 'foldngst8n' De'Ath
- [Introduction to Courchevel](#) with 'Danzasmack' and 'Entity'
- [5 Card Omaha Game Theory](#) with Matthew Janda
- [5 Card vs 4 Card Limit Omaha H/L](#) with Mike 'schneids' Schneider

For more information about how to play these new games and more at PokerStars, go to <http://www.pokerstars.com/poker/games/> or download the latest client to get straight into the action.

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