The method and apparatus for a card tournament with elimination hands is presented. The method and apparatus of the present invention provides for a multi-round blackjack tournament with periodic hands wherein players with the lowest chip or point total are eliminated from the game. A home/portable edition implementation is also provided for, allowing players to conduct a card game tournament in venues outside of the traditional casino environment.
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