

MONOPOLY[®]

GAMEPLAY GUIDE

AGES 8 AND UP | 2–6 PLAYERS

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Folding game board, 16 Chance cards, 16 Community Chest cards, 28 Title Deed cards, 6 tokens, 32 houses, 12 hotels, 2 dice, 1 pack of MONOPOLY[®] money, and a built-in banker's tray.

SET IT UP

Locate the Houses and Hotels in the banker's tray. Place the money (in value order) in the separate sections of the banker's tray. Shuffle the **COMMUNITY CHEST** cards and place face down on the allotted space on the center rolling area. Shuffle the **CHANCE** cards and place face down on the allotted space on the center rolling area.

Each player chooses a **token** and puts it on the **GO** space.

THE BANKER

Choose a player to be the Banker who will look after the Bank and take charge of auctions. It is important that the Banker keeps their personal funds and properties separate from the Bank's.

THE BANK

- Holds all money and Title Deeds not owned by players.
- Pays salaries and bonuses to players.
- Collects taxes and fines from players.
- Sells and auctions properties.
- Sells houses and hotels.
- Loans money to players who mortgage their property.

The Bank can never 'go broke.' If the Bank runs out of money, the Banker may issue as much as needed by writing on ordinary paper.

Each player starts the game with:

2 x \$500, 4 x \$100, 1 x \$50, 1 x \$20, 2 x \$10, 1 x \$5, 5 x \$1

HOW TO PLAY

HOW DO I WIN?

Be the only player left in the game after everyone else has gone bankrupt. Remember: your aim is not just to get rich. To win you must make every other player **BANKRUPT!**

Do this by: buying properties and charging other players rent for landing on them.

Collect groups of properties to increase the rent, then build houses and hotels to really boost your income.

WHO GOES FIRST?

Each player rolls the two dice. The highest roller takes the first turn.

ON YOUR TURN

1. Roll the two dice.
2. Move your token clockwise round the board the number of spaces shown on the dice.
3. You will need to take action depending on which space you land on. See *Where Did You Land?* on page 2.

- If your move took you **onto** or **past** the **GO** space, collect \$200 from the Bank.
- Doubles:** If you roll a double, move your token and complete your turn. Then roll the dice again and have another turn. **Watch out!** If you roll doubles **3 times** on the same turn, you must **Go to Jail**.
- When you finish your move and action, **pass the dice to the player on your left**.

WHERE DID YOU LAND?

1: AN UNOWNED PROPERTY

There are three types of property: **Sites, Railroads and Utilities**.

You can **buy** the property you land on for the **listed price** on the board space. Pay the Bank, then take the Title Deed card that matches the property and place it near you, face up.

If you **don't** want to pay the listed price, the property goes up for **auction**.

When buying property you should plan to acquire groups. For example: if you buy a green site, you should try to get the other two green sites during the game. Owning groups earns you more rent when other players land on them and lets you build on your sites for even bigger profits.

2: A PROPERTY OWNED BY ANOTHER PLAYER

If you land on another player's property you must **pay rent** to them as shown on the Title Deed card. You do not pay rent if the property is mortgaged (its Title Deed is face down). **Important:** the owner must **ask** you for the rent before the player to your left rolls the dice. If they forget to ask, you don't have to pay!

Sites: The rent for an **unimproved** site is printed on the matching Title Deed card. This is **doubled** if the owner owns all sites in its color group and none of them are mortgaged. If the site is **improved** with houses or hotels, the rent will be much higher – as shown on the Title Deed card.

Railroads: Rent depends on how many railroads the other player owns.

Railroads:	1	2	3	4
Rent:	\$25	\$50	\$100	\$200

Utilities (Water Works and Electric Company)

Roll the dice and multiply the result by **4** – this is the rent you must pay.

If the owning player owns both utilities, multiply the result by **10!**

3: CHANCE OR COMMUNITY CHEST

Take the top card from the appropriate pile, follow the instructions on it immediately, then return it face down to the bottom of the pile. If it is a *Get Out of Jail Free* card, keep it until you need to use it or sell it to another player.

4: INCOME TAX / LUXURY TAX

If you land on one of these spaces, you must pay the Bank the amount shown.

5: GO TO JAIL

If you land on this space, you must move your token to the **Jail** space immediately.

Important: You do **not** collect \$200 for passing GO if you are sent to Jail. As soon as you are sent to Jail, your turn ends – pass the dice!

Other ways to end up in Jail...

- Draw a Chance or Community Chest card that tells you to *Go to Jail*.
- Roll three doubles in a row on your turn.

Q: How do I get out of Jail?

A: You've got 3 options...

- i. **Pay \$50** at the start of your next turn, then roll and move as normal.
- ii. **Use a Get Out of Jail Free card** if you have one or buy one from another player. Put the card to the bottom of the appropriate pile, then roll and move.
- iii. **Wait there for three turns**, rolling the dice on each turn to try to roll a double. If you roll a double on any turn, move out of Jail using this dice roll. After you have waited three turns, you must move out of Jail and pay \$50 before moving your token according to your dice roll.

6: JAIL (JUST VISITING)

Don't worry! If you finish your normal move on the Jail space, nothing happens. Make sure you put your token on the JUST VISITING section.

7: FREE PARKING

Relax! Nothing bad (or good) happens.

8: A PROPERTY THAT YOU OWN

Nothing happens. But you're not making any money!

BETWEEN ROLLS

You can do the following even when it isn't your turn – even if you're in Jail!

1: COLLECT RENT

If another player lands on one of your unmortgaged properties, you can demand rent from them as shown on the Title Deed – see *A Property Owned by Another Player* on page 2.

2: AUCTION

The Banker holds an auction when...

- A player lands on an unowned property and decides **not** to buy it for the listed price.
- A player goes **bankrupt** and turns over all their mortgaged properties to the Bank, which are auctioned unmortgaged (face up).
- There is a **building shortage** and more than one player wants to buy the same building(s).

Auction bids can only be made in cash. Any player can start the bidding for as little as \$1. If no one makes a higher bid, the last player to bid must buy the property.

3: BUILD

When you own all the sites in a color group, you can buy **houses** from the Bank and put them on any of those sites.

- i. The listed price of each house is shown on the site's **Title Deed**.
- ii. You must build **evenly**. You cannot build a second house on a site until you have built one on each site of its color group.
- iii. You can have a maximum of **4 houses** on a single site.
- iv. When you have 4 houses on a site, you can exchange them for a **hotel** by paying the listed price on the Title Deed. You can only have one hotel per site and cannot build additional houses on a site with a hotel.

Important: you cannot build on a site if any site in its color group is mortgaged.

Building shortage? If there are no buildings left in the Bank, you must wait for other players to sell theirs before you can buy any. If buildings are limited and two or more players wish to buy them, the Banker must auction them off to the highest bidder.

4: SELL BUILDINGS

Buildings can be sold back to the Bank at **half** the listed price. Houses must be sold evenly in the same way that they were bought. Hotels are sold for half the listed price and immediately exchanged for 4 houses.

5: MORTGAGE PROPERTIES

If you're low on cash or don't have enough to pay a debt, you can mortgage any of your unimproved properties. You must sell all buildings on a color group to the Bank before you can mortgage one of its sites.

To **mortgage** a property, turn its Title Deed card face down and collect the listed value (shown on the back of the card) from the Bank. To **repay** a mortgage, pay the **listed value plus 10%** to the Bank then turn the card face up. Rent cannot be collected on mortgaged properties.

6: DO A DEAL

You can do a deal with another player to **buy** or **sell** unimproved property. You must sell all buildings on a color group to the Bank before you can sell one of its sites.

Property can be traded for any combination of cash, other property or *Get Out of Jail Free* cards. The amount is decided by the players making the deal.

Mortgaged property can be sold to another player at any agreed price. After buying a mortgaged property, you must either **repay** it immediately or just **pay 10%** of the listed value and keep the card face down; if you later decide to repay to the Bank the mortgage, you **will** have to pay the 10% fee again.

Remember: your aim is not just to get rich. To win you must make every other player **BANKRUPT!**

HELP! I'M IN DEBT!

If you ever owe the Bank or another player more cash than you have, try to raise the money by **selling buildings** and/or **mortgaging properties**.

If you still owe more than you have, you are **BANKRUPT** and **out of the game!**

- Pay whatever money you were able to raise.
- If the debt is to another player – give them all your mortgaged properties and any *Get Out of Jail Free* cards. The player must pay 10% interest on each mortgaged property, even if they don't want to pay off the mortgage yet.
- If your debt is to the Bank – all your mortgaged properties must be put up for **auction**. These are sold unmortgaged (face up). Return any *Get Out of Jail Free* cards to the bottom of the appropriate piles.

PLAY IT RIGHT

Many players like to devise their own 'house' Monopoly rules. This is fine, but such rules often make the game last longer. In the official rules players may never loan each other money or trade 'promises' not to charge rent in the future, etc. All tax and penalty fees are payable to the Bank and should not be stored under the Free Parking space or anywhere else!

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