



MAH JONGG
POP QUIZ
ROUND 3

An interactive questions game!
The questions increase in difficulty each round.
National Mah Jongg League Rule Play

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ROUND 3 - QUESTION 1

**For three player Mah Jongg,
what is the official rule regarding the Charleston?**

A.

only the first passes
of the Charleston are done
(right over left)

B.

the entire Charleston
is mandatory

C.

the Charleston is
omitted

ANSWER 1

**For three player Mah Jongg,
what is the official rule regarding the Charleston?**

C.

**the Charleston is omitted.
East discards to begin.**

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QUESTION 2



Who must remain quiet during a game?

- A. The bettor
- B. A player with a hand Declared dead that agrees their hand is Dead
- C. The fifth player, that is not the bettor or currently playing
- D. All of the above
- E. A and B

ANSWER 2

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The rules provide that the bettor and a player with a hand Declared dead remain quiet. Also, it is proper etiquette for the fifth player - even if not betting - to not talk about the hands during the game.

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QUESTION 3

**True or False?
You can exchange
a Joker at any time
during the game.**

ANSWER 3

That statement is False!

The correct statement:
It must be your
turn to exchange a Joker.
Therefore, you must first pick
or call (or your hand is Dead!)

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QUESTION 4

True or False?

You can exchange as many Jokers as possible on your turn.

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ANSWER 4

True!

You can exchange as many Jokers as possible on your turn.

And from as many player's exposures including your own at one time.



QUESTION 5

Fill in the blanks:

The first Charleston is
_____ unless East is
dealt a _____ Hand.

ANSWER 5

Fill in the blanks:

The first Charleston is **MANDATORY** unless East is dealt a **HEAVENLY** Hand.

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QUESTION 6

Which of the following are reasons that a hand can be declared Dead:

- too many or too few tiles during the Charleston
- too many or too few tiles after East discards the first tile
- player exchanged a Joker before calling or picking a tile
- from exposures player's can tell there is no such hand, illegal exposures or Mah Jongg in Error for exposing tiles when playing a Concealed hand
- calling a tile and then saying you don't want the tile
- using the wrong called tile on your rack with your exposure and then discarding
- unwinnable hand based on tiles in your rack
- unwinnable hand based on exposures and discards
- picking out of turn
- using a Joker in a pair, as singles or grouping of singles
- pushing out the wrong wall
- picking from the wrong end
- exposing Mah Jongg in Error

ANSWER 6

Which of the following are reasons that a hand can be declared Dead:

- too many or too few tiles during the Charleston - *Not a reason to be declared Dead. A hand cannot be Dead until the game officially starts when East discards the first tile.*
- too many or too few tiles after East discards the first tile - *Dead Hand*
- player exchanged a Joker before calling or picking a tile - *Dead Hand*
- from exposures player's can tell there is no such hand, illegal exposures or Mah Jongg in Error for exposing tiles when playing a Concealed hand - *Dead Hand*
- calling a tile and then saying you don't want the tile - *No. Can change your mind!*

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ANSWER 6 CONTINUED

Which of the following are reasons that a hand can be declared Dead:

- using the wrong called tile on your rack with your exposure and then discarding - *Dead Hand*
- unwinnable hand based on tiles in your rack - *Not a Dead Hand*
- unwinnable hand based on exposures and discards - *Dead Hand*
- picking out of turn - *Dead Hand*
- using a Joker in a pair, as singles or grouping of singles - *Dead Hand*
- pushing out the wrong wall - *Dead Hand if pushes out wrong wall, picks and racks*
- picking from the wrong end - *Dead Hand if picks and racks*
- exposing Mah Jongg in Error - *Dead Hand*

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QUESTION 7

If a Player A discards and misnames the tile and Player B calls it for an exposure and places it on their rack, which statements are true:

- a. the tile cannot be claimed until correctly named.
- b. Player A's hand is Dead.
- c. if the miscalled tile is wanted for an exposure by Player B, it cannot be called unless the tile is wanted for Mah Jongg, the game ends. Player A pays four times the value of the hand. Others do not pay.
- d. if Player B didn't realize it was the wrong tile and they exposed tiles from their hand and then can't use the actual Discard, their hand is Dead.

ANSWER 7

If a Player A discards and misnames the tile and Player B calls it for an exposure and places it on their rack, which is true:

a. the tile cannot be claimed until correctly named. TRUE!

b. Player A's hand is Dead. NOT TRUE!

c. if the miscalled tile is wanted for an exposure by Player B, it cannot be called unless the tile is wanted for Mah Jongg, the game ends. Player A pays four times the value of the hand. Others do not pay. TRUE!

d. if Player B didn't realize it was the wrong tile and they exposed tiles from their hand and then can't use the Discard, their hand is Dead. TRUE!

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QUESTION 8

TRUE OR FALSE?

If a Player A discards and misnames the tile and has the tile they named in hand, they replace the Discard.

ANSWER 8

That statement is False!

The correct rule is that if a Player A discards and misnames the tile and has the tile they named in hand, they **cannot** replace the Discard.

For example, Player A placed down a South but said 2 Dot. They have a 2 Dot in hand. The South remains discarded and Player A is committed to discarding the South. They must correctly name the tile South. Down is down.

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QUESTION 9

When Discarding a Joker, a player can say:

- a. Joker
- b. same
- c. the tile previously discarded
- d. all of the above
- e. a and c



ANSWER 9

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QUESTION 10

A claimed Discard must be placed on the flat part of the rack. This is:

- a. a rule and if a Player places it in the sloping portion of their rack, their hand is Dead
- b. a rule, however, no penalty if the player places it in the sloping portion of their rack
- c. only a Tournament rule

ANSWER 10

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a. a rule and if a Player places it in the sloping portion of their rack, their hand is Dead - (No - the penalty portion is a House Rule!)

b. a rule, however, no penalty if the player places it in the sloping portion of their rack

c. only a Tournament rule - *Check with Tournament Director!*

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