

6 PRO-LEVEL CALLING CHARTS

LEARN THE RANGES TO CALL WHEN SOMEONE ELSE SHOVS



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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the MTT Poker School '6 Pro-Level Calling Charts'. This guide was written to be the perfect companion to the FREE '6 Pro-Level Push Fold Charts' that you can pick up from mttpokerschool.com if you haven't already done so. By now you should have a solid understanding of the basics of shoving or folding when you reach 15 Big Blinds (BBs) or below. This eBook teaches you things from the other side and shows you what hands you can call with when someone else shoves instead.

Just like the '6 Pro-Level Push Fold Charts', these charts avoid the break-even suggestions that other charts and apps might recommend, and instead give you profitable ranges you can use straight out of the box.

Thanks again for being part of MTT Poker School and we wish you every success in your game. We value your feedback, so if you loved this guide or have some suggestions for improvement, please email us at support@mttpokerschool.com.

USING THE CHARTS

You see a sub 15BB stack move all in and you're sitting there with AJs and want to know if you should call – well these charts are here to help. There are computer programs now that can mathematically suggest ranges of hands to call shoves at different stack sizes from different positions.

The charts in this guide were calculated using Holdem Resources Calculator

(<http://www.holdemresources.net/h/products/hrc.html>), with a focus on ranges that are more than just break-even or what we might consider marginal. All the hands in these ranges will produce a +cEV (chip EV) result.

WHAT IS CHIP EV?

Chip EV, with the EV standing for expected value, is essentially how many tournament chips you expect to win or lose in any given play. If the way you play a hand is profitable, it is said to be +cEV. If it is a losing play then it's -cEV. All of the hands in the charts below are +cEV and therefore profitable. Please be aware that chip EV is very different from \$EV (dollar EV or real money EV) and while the two are very similar at the start of the tournament, the gap between the two grows the closer you get to a money bubble and again when approaching the final table bubble and the final table itself. With that said, these charts are great to use when you are far from the money.

WHAT IS M?

The M-Zone was first referenced in Dan Harrington's 'Harrington on Hold 'em Volume II: The Endgame' to compare your stack size to the size of the pot. To calculate M you should take your stack size and divide it by the total size of the pot (the blinds and all the antes).

$M = \frac{\text{The effective stack size}}{\text{The total size of the pot}}$

Let's look at an example:



As you can see, Villain 5 shoves for 13,899 and the decision is on our Hero. As Villain 5 has fewer chips than us, his is what we call the *effective stack*. The total size of the blinds and the antes is 5,000 (2,000 in antes + 1,000 small blind + 2,000 big blind). This means that Villain's M is $13,899 / 5,000 = 2.78$.

Rather than give you the ranges for different ante sizes (10%, 12.5%, 16.67% etc.), our charts take a more simplified approach. Work out your M, look up the position of the shover, look up your position at the table and hey presto! There's the range you can call, laid out in an easy to read format.

The beauty of these charts is that you don't have to rely on the chart for its suggestion of Villain's shoving range. If you think that he's tighter than 37% of hands like the example below then just go up to a tighter range, like the MP1 23.1% and you'll see the tighter range that you can call off with.

We recommend trying to work out what your opponent is shoving before you go along that row to find your calling range. Our suggestions are based on the same ranges we provided in the '6 Pro-Level Push Fold Charts'. If you think someone is a good player, then use our suggestions. If you think they are a weaker player, then go a few ranges tighter.

Armed with the knowledge that Villain has an M of around 3 and is shoving from the CO and we are sitting in the Small Blind, we can call with the following hands:

KEY:

22+ means any pair Deuces and better (all the way to pocket Aces)

Ax means any hand with an Ace

K6s means the two cards MUST be suited

K9o means the two cards can be unsuited

Q9s+ means any suited Queen with a Nine or better

Your position → Shover's position ↓	UTG+1	UTG+2	MP1	MP2	HJ	CO	BTN	SB
UTG 14.6%, 44+ A7s+ A5s ATo+ K9s+ KQo QTs+ J9s+ T9s	7.8%, 77+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	7.8%, 77+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	7.8%, 77+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	8.3%, 66+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	8.3%, 66+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	8.3%, 66+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	8.3%, 66+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	11.5%, 55+ A8s+ ATo+ KJs+ KQo
UTG+1 16.9%, 33+ A4s+ ATo+ K9s+ KJo+ Q9s+ J9s+ T9s		8.3%, 66+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	8.3%, 66+ ATs+ AJo+ KQs	8.6%, 66+ A9s+ AJo+ KQs	10.0%, 55+ A9s+ ATo+ KQs	10.0%, 55+ A9s+ ATo+ KQs	11.2%, 55+ A8s+ ATo+ KQs KQo	13.7%, 44+ A5s+ A9o+ KJs+ KQo
UTG+2 20.1%, 22+ A2s+ A8o+ K9s+ KJo+ Q9s+ J9s+ T9s 98s			10.0%, 55+ A9s+ ATo+ KQs	10.3%, 55+ A9s+ ATo+ KJs+	10.3%, 55+ A9s+ ATo+ KJs+	11.0%, 44+ A8s+ ATo+ KJs+	11.9%, 44+ A8s+ ATo+ KJs+ KQo	15.7%, 33+ A4s+ A9o+ KTs+ KQo QTs+ JTs
MP1 23.1%, 22+ A2s+ A7o+ K9s+ KTo+ Q9s+ QJo J9s+ T8s+ 98s				11.5%, 55+ A8s+ ATo+ KJs+ KQo	11.9%, 44+ A8s+ ATo+ KJs+ KQo	13.1%, 44+ A8s+ A9o+ KTs+ KQo	13.7%, 44+ A7s+ A5s A9o+ KTs+ KQo	18.3%, 22+ A2s+ A8o+ KTs+ KJo+ QTs+
MP2 26.7%, 22+ A2s+ A4o+ K7s+ KTo+ Q9s+ QJo J9s+ T8s+ 98s 87s					13.7%, 44+ A7s+ A9o+ KTs+ KQo QJs	14.0%, 44+ A7s+ A5s A9o+ KTs+ KQo QJs	15.7%, 33+ A5s+ A8o+ KTs+ KQo QJs	20.7%, 22+ A2s+ A7o+ K9s+ KTo+ QTs+ JTs
HJ 33.0%, 22+ Ax K5s+ K9o+ Q8s+ QTo+ J8s+ JTo T8s+ 97s+ 87s 76s						17.5%, 33+ A3s+ A8o+ KTs+ KJo+ QTs+	20.2%, 33+ A2s+ A7o+ K9s+ KTo+ QTs+ JTs	26.1%, 22+ A2s+ A3o+ K7s+ KTo+ Q9s+ QJo JTs
CO 37.0%, 22+ Ax K2s+ K8o+ Q6s+ Q9o+ J8s+ JTo T7s+ 97s+ 86s+ 76s							22.9%, 33+ A2s+ A5o+ K9s+ KTo+ QTs+ QJo JTs	29.7%, 22+ Ax K6s+ K9o+ Q9s+ QTo+ J9s+ T9s

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