

## WHAT IS LIVEHANDS?

LiveHands is a hand-logging app (iOS and Android) for live tournament players. It lets them log hand details — cards, bets, positions, outcomes — between deals and export them after the session for study in analysis software like PokerTracker 4, Holdem Manager 3, and Hand2Note. Think of it as a digital notepad for poker hands: the same information a player would write on paper, in a format that can be exported afterward. All data is manually entered by the player and stored locally on their device.

## AT A GLANCE

<b>When it's used</b>	Between hands, after a hand concludes — never during live action
<b>What it records</b>	Cards, bet sizes, positions, outcomes — all manually entered by the player
<b>What it does NOT do</b>	No odds, no solver, no coaching, no strategic advice of any kind
<b>External communication</b>	None. No data sent to or received from outside parties during play
<b>Game speed impact</b>	None — same time window where players already use phones between deals

## TDA RULE 5 COMPATIBILITY

**TDA Rule 5 (Electronic Devices and Communication)** governs device use at the table. LiveHands is designed to operate fully within this framework:

TDA Rule 5 Provision	How LiveHands Complies
<i>5-C: Players with live hands may not operate electronic devices</i>	LiveHands is used between hands, after action concludes. Not during live hands.
<i>5-D: Betting apps, charts, and strategy tools may not be used at the table</i>	LiveHands is a recording tool, not a strategy tool. No odds, no charts, no ranges, no advice.
<i>5-A: Devices must not delay the game or create competitive advantage</i>	Logging takes 30–60 sec between deals. Drafts autosave if interrupted. No competitive advantage — records past events only.

## HOW PLAYERS USE IT

- A hand concludes.** The player waits for the hand to fully resolve.
- Between deals,** the player taps through a guided flow to record the hand (30–60 seconds).
- If a new hand is dealt** before the player finishes, the draft autosaves automatically — they can resume later.
- After the session,** the player exports hand histories for study at home in tools like PokerTracker 4 and Holdem Manager 3. The app is never used during a live hand.

## QUICK ANSWERS FOR FLOOR STAFF

- "Does this give an unfair advantage?"** No. It records what already happened — the same info a player could write on paper. No odds, no strategy, no advice.
- "Is the player communicating with someone outside?"** No. All data is stored locally on the player's device. No data is transmitted during play. Export happens after the session.
- "Is it recording other players?"** No audio, video, or photos. Players manually type hand details. Opponents are recorded by table position only (button, cutoff, etc.), not by name.
- "What if they're using it during a live hand?"** That's a Rule 5-C violation — same as texting during a hand. LiveHands is designed for between hands. Standard enforcement applies.
- "Does it slow down the game?"** No. Players log in the dead time between deals (30–60 sec). If a new hand is dealt before they finish, the draft autosaves and the player resumes later.
- "Should I ask the player to stop?"** If your policy allows phone use between hands (standard under TDA rules), LiveHands between hands is within policy — same as texting or using the phone's notepad.