

# BANKRUPTCY: THE CARD GAME

## STOCK PORTFOLIO RULES VARIANT

### Object of the Game

The object of the game is to declare Bankruptcy by selling all the Stock Share cards from your Stock Portfolio. The first player with no Stock Share cards remaining in their Stock Portfolio is bankrupt and wins the game.

### Game Setup

1. Separate all Stock Share cards from the deck.
2. Shuffle the Stock Share cards together and set as the Stock deck.
3. Shuffle the remaining cards together and set as the Action deck.
4. Deal four Stock Share cards from the Stock deck face up to each player. These cards make up their starting Stock Portfolio.
5. Deal five cards from the Action deck face down to each player. These cards make up their starting hand.

### Game Play

During each player's turn, that player may either play one card from their hand or discard one card from their hand. At the end of each player's turn, every player either draws cards from the Action deck into their hand or discards cards from their hand to bring the total number of cards in their hand to five. Every player should have five cards in their hand at the beginning of each player's turn. If at any time there are no cards in a draw deck, reshuffle the appropriate discard pile in to the deck.

### Variant Card Rules

**Bull Market** cards may be played in two ways:

1. Play a Bull Market card on any other player to 'buy' stock from their Stock Portfolio. Take the listed number of Stock Share cards (not Stock Share card values) from that player's Stock Portfolio and place them face up into your own Stock Portfolio.
2. Play a Bull Market card on any player to force that player to draw the listed number of cards from the Stock deck and place them face up into their Stock Portfolio. You may play a Bull Market card on yourself in this manner.

**Bear Market** cards may only be played to 'sell' the listed number of Stock Share card values from your Stock Portfolio. The sum total of Stock Share card values must exactly match the listed Bear Market card value (i.e., a Bear Market card with a value of 6 can be used to discard one Stock Share card with a value of 6 or any number of Stock Share cards with a total value of 6, but cannot be used to discard one Stock Share card with a value of 5). All 'sold' Stock Share cards are placed in the Stock discard pile.

**Special Edition** cards should be reworded as follows:

- **CEO Suspected of Insider Trading:** You may look at either the top five cards of the Action deck or the top five cards of the Stock deck. You may choose to take one of those cards, then return all untaken cards in the same order as they were drawn.
- **Company Announces Outsourcing of Jobs:** Select half of the number of cards (rounded down) in either your hand or your Stock Portfolio and give them to one other player.
- **Company Announces Stock Split:** Choose one other player. That player must draw a number of cards from the Stock deck equal to the number of Stock Share cards currently in their Stock Portfolio and place the drawn cards face up into their Stock Portfolio.
- **Company Cooks the Books:** Change the value of one Stock Share card currently in your Stock Portfolio to any other valid value (1-10) for the remainder of your turn. Discard a Bear Market card from your hand, and discard Stock Share cards from your Stock Portfolio as though you played the discarded Bear Market card.
- **Company Declares Chapter 11:** Discard all the cards in your hand and draw the same number of cards from the Action deck to replace them.
- **Company Merger Approved:** Choose two players. Shuffle all cards in both player's Stock Portfolios together face down, then deal them back out face up alternating into those player's Stock Portfolios.
- **Hostile Takeover:** Choose any other player. Trade Stock Portfolios with that player.
- **Inflation Strikes the Nation:** Each player draws one card from the Stock deck and places it face up into their Stock portfolio. The player playing this card draws the first card. Successive drawing is done in the order of play.
- **Nation in the Grip of Deflation:** Each player discards one Stock Share card of any value from their Stock Portfolio. The player playing this card discards the first card. Successive discarding is done in the order of play.
- **SEC Conducts Investigation:** Choose any other player. Look at that player's hand. You may take one of that player's cards into your hand.