



Bandai Organized Games Tournament Rules and Guidelines
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1. Introduction

This policy is to be applied to all Bandai tournaments and followed for all games. The purpose of this policy to create a consistent organized game atmosphere for Bandai tournaments.

a. Supported Games

Currently, Bandai will sanction official tournaments for the following games:

- Digimon CCG
- Navia Dratp CMG
- Gundam War CCG
- Teen Titans CCG

Each of these games has their own rules and can be found on the Bandai Organized Games website

b. Game Player Eligibility

In order to play in a Bandai-sanctioned tournament, a player is eligible by these criteria:

- Must have valid and current Bandai Game Player number
- Must not be on the Bandai Suspended Player list
- Player may not be the Game Organizer, any of the Game Referees or a volunteer for the tournament
- Any employee of Bandai

2. Tournament Responsibilities

The following is the requirements for all participants in a tournament. A Game Player CANNOT be the Game Organizer or a Game Referee for a tournament. But a Game Organizer can be a Game Referee. Therefore, some participants may fall into one or more of the following categories.

a. Game Player Responsibilities

Each player is expected to follow these guidelines when at a Bandai tournament:

- Be respectful and courteous of players, referees, organizers and tournament staff
- Know the current rules and up-to-date game text of the game being played
- Bring the materials needed to participate in a tournament (paper and writing instruments to keep score if needed, counters for game mechanics, etc)
- Bring a valid Bandai Game Player number
- Abide by all decisions made by the organizers, referees and tournament staff

b. Game Organizer Responsibilities

The Game Organizer (GO) of the event is the person responsible for the operation of the tournament before, during and after the event. The Game Organizer may be the Main Referee or any of the Game Referees for the tournament. The GO is responsible for the following:

- Ensure the site is reserved for the date of the tournament. Also make sure that the location is appropriate for the number of players attending
- Provide all material necessary to run the tournament (chairs, tables, scorekeeping devices, extra membership cards for new players, etc.)
- Staff the tournament with the appropriate personnel (Game Referees, Scorekeepers, volunteer staff, etc)
- Report the results of the tournament in a timely fashion (within 7 days).
- Keep records of all tournaments for at least 1 year after the event
- Inform all players of tournament rules prior to the start of tournament
- Advertise the tournament in advance

c. Game Referee Responsibilities

A Game Referee (Game Ref) for a tournament is responsible for making sure the games are being played within the rules as designated. For tournaments with multiple Game Refs, one Game Ref will serve as the Main Ref. All Game Refs should act in a mature, responsible manner at all times and follow these guidelines when judging an event:

- Have high-level knowledge of up-to-date game rules and tournament policy
- Efficiently resolve any rules errors or disputes
- When a player appeals a non-Main Game Ref ruling, notify the Main Game Ref immediately.

- Verify match results with both players and report them quickly to the scorekeeper
- Maintain an impartial demeanor that does not favor any individuals
- Do not offend or insult any players or other tournament staff
- When there are multiple Game Refs, the designated Main Ref has overall authority and all rulings by the Main Ref are final.

d. Spectator Responsibilities

Spectators (including Press personnel) must maintain respectful behavior at all times. During matches, they must maintain as much silence as possible as not to interfere with the games being played. If a spectator notices a rules error, please notify a tournament official immediately but do not interrupt any of the participants or Game Refs involved in the game in-progress.

3. Tournament Procedures and Guidelines

a. Cards / Gamepieces Guidelines

All cards and/or gamepieces are subject to the following guidelines: Have high-level knowledge of up-to-date game rules and tournament policy

- **Proxy Cards and Gamepieces:** Proxies are not allowed at any sanctioned tournament unless the original card was damaged or deemed unusable during the tournament and a proxy was approved by the Main Referee.
- **Marked Cards:** Cards may not be marked in any way, intentionally or not, to differentiate it from other cards in their deck. Backs of cards must be uniform and any worn or marked cards must be replaced. Card fronts may not be altered in any way.
- **Card Sleeves:** Like card backs, card sleeves must be uniform and not have any distinguishing marks. Cards sleeves must be of the same length and width of all other sleeves. Players will be required to change sleeves if necessary to conform to these rules.
- **Card and Gamepiece Game Text Rulings:** Card and gamepiece rules override game rules. Any interpretation made by the Head Game Ref is final.

b. Shuffling

Shuffling must be done in a randomized pattern. Decks cannot have cards inserted in any order prior to shuffling (also known as “see ding”). Decks must be shuffled face down and multiple shuffling techniques are recommended such as rifle shuffling or pile shuffling. Once a player deems his deck thoroughly randomized, he must present his deck to his opponent for further shuffling and/or cutting.

If a player does not feel that his opponent has sufficiently shuffled his deck, he may call over a Game Ref who will decide if the deck(s) have been properly shuffled and randomized. Players may be subject to penalties if the Game Ref decides he/she has not shuffled sufficiently.

All players are expected to shuffle quickly. Pre-game shuffling must be no longer than 2 minutes and 30 seconds. In-game shuffling is limited to 30 seconds.

c. Time Limits

Each game has its own policy in regard to Time Limits. As soon as time is called, all players are expected to abide by the end of time procedures as outlined by the respective policy. Any violation is subject to penalties.

d. Wagering

Players and Tournament officials may not wager, ante or bet on the outcome of any portion of an organized game event.

e. Concessions and Bribery

A player may concede a game or match at any time. He/she may only do this if he/she was not coerced or offered any compensation for such action. Any persons caught offering compensation or bribes will be penalized accordingly.

f. Appeals

Any rulings or game disputes may be appealed to the Main Ref. The Main Refs' decision is final and may not be overruled by anyone.

g. Penalties

Please refer to the Penalties section for each game.

4. Ratings and Rankings

Each game has its own rating system. Please refer to the Game Policy for each game to determine what type of rating system it uses.

5. Official Games Sanctioning

Bandai Organized Games uses an online game sanctioning system. The Game Organizer for the tournament must pre-sanction any tournament prior the event. Procedures for sanctioning an Organized Game are outlined in the Game Organizer section on the Bandai Organized Games website.

6. Changes and Modifications to the Organized Games Policy

Any procedures or policies that were overlooked in this document will be added as an ongoing process. Decisions made by the Game Organizer and/or Main Ref at a tournament that are not covered under this policy will be considered final.