# DRAGON BALL SUPER CARD GAME Tournament Organizer Guide Version 1.0

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This document covers detailed rules for officially supported organized play events for the Dragon Ball Super Card Game. Tournament Organizers, Judges, and Players should familiarize themselves with this document in full and understand the rules to the best of their ability.

Tournament Organizers should be familiar with the Judge Guidelines and Comprehensive Tournament Rules to ensure that the standards within those documents are upheld by the staff managing the event.

To ensure that the fairness and integrity of events is maintained, we ask for your full cooperation in following these rules. This enables the smooth operation of events, and helps to provide a satisfying, consistent organised play experience for all players.

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## 1. TOURNAMENT REQUIREMENTS

# 1.1 Tournament Organizer Role

The Tournament Organizer is responsible for the following aspects of the event's organization:

- Securing enough space for the event to take place;
- Correctly announcing the event details as early as possible;
- Gathering enough staff to manage the event;
- Supplying enough materials as required for the event;
- Providing a safe environment for players, judges and tournament staff;
- Ensuring the tournament results are reported correctly.

# 1.2 Judge Staff

Judges must pass the online exam to be certified as Judges. Store owners are encouraged to have an official Judge at each event they host.

All high-level events (Regional Championships or higher) must have an appropriate number of Judge staff depending on anticipated number of participants. Consult the table below to determine how many Judges you should recruit for high-level events.

Players Expected	Judges
513 - 1024	10
257 - 517	8
181 – 256	6
129 – 180	4
65 – 128	3
33 – 64	2
Under 32	1

One Judge must be designated the Head Judge. All other Judges at the event will be referred to as Floor Judges. The Head Judge will be responsible for any escalated ruling calls, and any other disputes that may arise during the course of play in the Tournament. The Head Judge's decision is final once it is made, even if their rulings may be inconsistent with the rules or Official Q&A. All participants and Floor Judges are to follow the instruction of the Head Judge.

Different levels of events may require certain level of Judges in attendance. As a minimum, the level of judges for events are:

- Shop Tournaments (Any local store level event)
  - Head Judge: Level 1 (or higher)
- Regional Championships (or equivalent):
  - o Head Judge: Level 2

- Floor Judges: Level 1 (or higher)
- National Championships (or equivalent):
  - Head Judge: Level 2
  - Floor Judges: 50% of the Floor Judges at the National Championships event must be Level 2.

In regions where Level 2 exams are not available, Level 1 Judges may be utilised instead. Please seek Bandai's approval if you are unable to meet these minimum requirements.

# 1.3 Tournament Prizing Requirements

All officially supported tournaments completed with prizes either partially or fully supplied by Bandai must ensure that these prize guidelines are met to ensure that a consistent experience is provided for all players.

Bandai encourage store owners to supplement tournament kits with additional prizes, including Dragon Ball Super booster packs, accessories, BCC promos, Dash Pack promos, etc. Tournament kits may be allocated by store owners as they see fit to ensure they are meeting the requirements of their player communities.

No cash prizing may be provided to players competing in officially supported tournaments. Cash Prize tournaments may not be run alongside officially supported events. This includes tournaments run on the same weekend at the same location as an official event.

Special events, including Shop Championships, Pre-Releases and Release Championships, must follow the prizes as outlined within the event calendar available on the official Dragon Ball Super Card Game website.

Prizes provided to Tournament Organizers by Bandai must be distributed in full to the player community. The sale of official tournament support is strictly prohibited. Any Tournament Organizer identified selling prizes meant for players will be excluded from future support.

### 1.3 Pre-Tournament Announcements

Before play commences, the Tournament Organizer should announce the following information to players:

- Expected number of rounds;
- Round times and end of round procedures;
- Top Cut details;
- Specifics on player prizes;
- Information on restrooms, food, any scheduled breaks in play;
- How to request a Judge call;
- Any other information pertinent to the event.

### 2. Event Formats

There are a number of different event formats available for Tournament Organizers to utilise, including the following:

- Constructed;
- Draft;
- Sealed;
- Team (3 vs 3) Battle.

Rules for each Event Format can be found on the official Dragon Ball Super Card Game website.

Tournament structures available to Tournament Organizers include:

- Swiss
- Single Elimination
- Swiss followed by Single Elimination
- Round Robin

Guidance on Tournament Structure can be found within the Floor Rules document.

# **Appendix**

Bandai Co., Ltd., reserves the right to amend the rules within this document, together with the rules outlined within other official tournament guides. Any amendments, clarifications, interpretations can change, with or without notice.