

# BANDAI Organized Play 2024 Store Regionals

## Terms & Conditions

### 1. Purpose and Definition

Local game stores are the foundation of our gaming community, and BANDAI Organized Play aims to continue and improve our brick-and-mortar store support through a variety of events, promotions, and tournaments. Store Regionals are a new type of event in 2024 that aims to bring the excitement, prestige, and prizing of large regional events to a select number of TCG+ Stores after an application and approval process. After all applications are reviewed, successful stores will be provided information to create an event through TCG+ and provided prizing to run events free of charge. Stores must follow through on their commitment to running the event and properly reporting the participants. With the exception of Battle Spirits Saga, Store Regional events are only scheduled for North American stores due to their inclusion of an invitation to a future event as prizing.

### 2. Application Method and Requirements for Stores

TCG+ stores may apply to host Store Regionals by filling out the [Questionnaire on their TCG+ Organizer Account \(Bandai TCG Event Manager Web\)](#) by the application deadline. Applications will not be accepted after the established deadline or via methods outside of TCG+. To host an event, Organizers must agree to all Terms and Conditions in this document. Failure to comply with these Terms and Conditions may result in sanctions against the Organizer, such as losing the ability to host Store Regionals or BANDAI Organized Play events.

Stores must meet the following requirements in order to apply to host an event. Stores not meeting any of these requirements will be immediately disqualified from the selection process.

#### **Store/Tournament Requirements:**

- Event Space for 64 Players available for Store Regional
- Have properly reported events for two or more BANDAI Card Games through TCG+
- Can run a tournament using TCG+
- Ensure Judges certified by the Official Organized Play Discord judge the tournament
- The store must remain open to the public, and maintain a clean, safe, welcoming environment that remains so throughout the duration of the event
- Welcoming to participants of any background, belief, or circumstance
- Satisfies any applicable local laws
- Ensure the security of prize materials before and during the event
- Properly distribute prize materials
- Stores are required to make one social post on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram showcasing the tournament.
- Stores must provide a photo of the winner with the 1st place prize as part of the post-event report.
- Stores must ask tournament participants to respond to a survey before they leave the tournament.
- Must provide a valid store Discord ID via your application to receive the correct permissions within the Bandai Organized Play discord server.

\*Exempt for Europe Battle Spirits Saga Store Championships

### 3. Organizer Responsibilities

Store Regionals are the highest level of tournaments that can be organized by a store and are part of BANDAI CARD GAMES' Championship Season. It is imperative that these events are

operated to the highest standard. Every effort should be made to preserve the integrity of the event and provide the highest level of satisfaction for the players.

### **3.1 Tournament Registration and Operations**

Once all stores are determined, the store list will go live on the TCG+ app for users and BANDAI's official websites and social media pages will be updated with this information. Once this information is public, please advertise the event as soon as possible to ensure a suitable turnout for your event. User event registration will be lottery based to ensure an equal chance for participation. Stores may have a free (no-charge) waitlist to account for no-shows on the day of the event. However, stores may not provide any preferential treatment to specific players to join this event.

All tournament operations, including deck list submission, check-in, pairings, and post-event reporting must take place through the TCG+ app. Each participant must have a valid TCG+ account used to participate in the event. Please confirm that users are in good standing and not on the [Banned Player List](#). Stores should prepare an alternate method to run the tournament in the unlikely event that the TCG+ app encounters a problem such as an unknown error or server issue during the tournament. If any issues occur, they must be documented and submitted to BANDAI Organized Play on the same day for investigation. Please submit any concerns or issues to [BOP@Playtcg.gg](mailto:BOP@Playtcg.gg).

### **3.2 Event Staffing**

The Organizer is responsible for ensuring that the tournament is run according to the rules and procedures as described in this and other documents distributed by BANDAI such as the Tournament Rules Manual and all Official Game Rules Manuals. Organizers are also responsible for gathering event staff such as Judges certified by the Official Organized Play Discord to support the event, ensuring it is run smoothly, fair, and in-line with all rules. Stores must ensure that all judges are certified by having passed their respective Judge Exam. If you are unsure if your judge staff have valid credentials. You may validate their credentials with the Bandai Organized Play staff in the BOP discord.

#### **3.2.1 Staff Remuneration**

Judge Packs and Participation Prizing will be provided for a total of 2 (two) Judges for these 64-person events. BANDAI Organized Play makes no further recommendation regarding the compensation of event staff. Organizers must follow all applicable labor laws and regulations regarding compensation and hours worked for these event staff. Judge Packs and Participation Prizing are provided by BANDAI to thank judges for their assistance with the event and are not a replacement for proper compensation.

### **3.3 Tournament Reporting**

Tournament results must be reported through the BANDAI TCG+ tool upon completion of the event to allow processing of event information and proper distribution of Invites to future events. If an organizer fails to submit their tournament report they may receive reminders to submit their tournament reports. Continued failure to report may result in sanctions against the Organizer, such as losing the ability to host Store Regionals or BANDAI Organized Play events.

## **4. Store Regional Prizing**

Prizing will be supplied to Store Regional organizers for use at the designated event. Contents of these Regional kits will be communicated in advance to allow the organizer to prepare and communicate the event details accordingly.

Such promotional material may NOT be sold, traded, or used otherwise by any organizer or member of staff, in any capacity.

#### **4.1 Misuse of Prizing Materials**

The improper usage or distribution of Organized Play materials is a severe infraction. This includes, but is not limited to:

- The selling/trading of event materials, such as participation promos/packs, judge packs, or other prizing.
- The opening of prize packs to sell/trade/distribute individual cards.
- Selling free promotional materials provided by Bandai for the purpose of store Organized Play.
- Collusion with event participants to resell prizing as store inventory or otherwise.
- Withholding of prizing from event participants or the misrepresentation of accounts to do so.

Failure to adhere to these rules may result in sanctions being placed on the organizer, depending on the number of infractions and the severity of those infractions, as determined by Bandai Organized Play.

#### **4.2 Leftover Tournament materials**

If any tournament materials are left after the successful conclusion of a tournament for which these items were intended, organizers may use the remainder of these materials for other local Organized Play activities at their discretion. Otherwise, these items must be returned to Play!TCG at the following address with tracking sent to [BOP@playtcg.gg](mailto:BOP@playtcg.gg):

Play!TCG  
ATTN: Store Regional Prize Returns  
  
7601 Blvd 26  
  
Unit B07  
  
North Richland Hills, TX 76180

If any judge packs are left after the conclusion of a tournament for which they were intended, they may be used to give to judges at future store events. Judge packs are not to be used as prizing for events.

#### **4.3 Adding Additional Prizing**

Organizers must provide prizing as dictated by BANDAI and are not able to add additional prizing (including cash prizing or participation prizing) to the event to prevent discrepancies in prize quantities that may affect attendance.