# How to Host a Yugioh Tournament



For: Stronghold Comic and Cards

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Introduction

## <u>Introduction</u>

In the recent Yugioh tournaments that Stronghold has hosted, many rules have been violated by the participants and the employees. Stronghold has yet to hire a proper official who can monitor the duels and enforce the rules on the contenders. There also seems to be some confusion on the matter of creating a proper tournament bracket. The slots are never even on either sides and the number of participants is unknown until the day on which the tournament is supposed to take place. All the problems that Stronghold has with the organization of a Yugioh tournament can be narrowed down to the manual that they are following or do not have. Therefore this manual will guide the stronghold employees step by step on how to host a proper Yugioh tournament with little to no errors if the instructions and recommendations are followed properly.



# Fly Chapter One





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## **Hiring Yugioh Officials**

#### 1. Finding available Officials

In order to find well-qualified official flyers should be made with a detailed position of employment and the contact information and directions to the Stronghold Comics and Cards shop. The flyers should be put up weeks in advanced of the Yugioh tournament. By doing so the time of error is easy to handle and the official who might want the job can set up their appointment to accommodate the date and time on which they will work. Besides flyers another form of advertisement can be through online. By communicating with people via social media and email the possibilities of finding a perfect candidate are multiplied many times over.

#### 2. Setting up Appointments

After a few weeks of posting the advertisement for an official, those who want the job will contact the store or will walk in for more information. In order to set up adequate appointments the needs of the individual should be placed first, since

Stronghold is in need of an official. The best method is to host the appointments in the store itself, since it is convenient for the employees and the applicant. A few snacks should be laid out in order to accommodate the applicant.

#### 3. Hiring the right Official

During the interview or the appointment a series of questions should be asked in order to check the qualifications of the applicants. The questions should concern rules of the game; since the official's job is to monitor the duels and recognize illegal moves and actions. Furthermore some applicants may not know the rules to well and will not be fit for the job. On the other hand the applicants that know the game well should be given a series of situation in which they can prove themselves to be worthy of the position. After interviewing each applicant the employees should discuss on which applicants were most knowledgeable about the rules of the game. When considering an individual for the job of an official one must always remember to hire a person who is reliable and can work under pressure. After discussing with all the

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employees a choice should be made and the desired applicants should be notified on the status of their application. Keep in mind the size of the stronghold; a few officials should be hired based on the amount of participants and space available in the card shop.



# **Fly Chapter Two**





## **Organizing the Tournament Brackets**

#### 1. Advertising the Tournament

The Yugioh Tournament should be held on a weekend since it's a day were most Americans have an off day from their daily jobs. Of course announcing the idea of a tournament should be posted in the interior and exterior of the card shop in order to notify customers and by passers. Also the approach of flyers and online social media should be taken in consideration in order to catch other people's attention that do not visit the store or have no idea that where to obtain more information on the matter. The advertisements should have decorations that invoke passionate duelist's interest and should also catch the attention of people who do not find Yugioh interesting, but can lose themselves in the contrast of colors and design of the flyers. The stores address should be posted on the flyer along with contact information where more information about the tournament can be provided.



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#### 2. Setting up a deadline to enroll

Normally the Stronghold allows participants to sign up on the day of the tournament which throws off the organization of the bracket. Therefore in order to prevent such disaster a deadline should be announced. By doing so the Stronghold can have time to organize the number of rounds in the tournament. The deadline should be a week before the main event and participants should leave their contact information in case the tournament is postponed or cancelled due to any inconvenience. The dead line should be attached in all the advertisement flyers along with detailed descriptions on how to sign up.

#### 3. Calculating the number of participants

After the deadline of enrolling the employees should tally up the number of participants. The tournament bracket should be made where half the participants will be in two distinct different blocks. After doing so a number of rounds should be proportional to the amount of people in each block. Also the final round should be between the last two participants of different blocks. In the

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worst case scenario an odd number of participants can be dealt with if the planning of the brackets is done to where by the third round the number of people is diminished to an even number. Yet the base case scenario is an even amount of participants are present and the brackets can be filled in smoothly and the tournament can take its course easily.



# Fly Chapter Three





## <u>Setting up</u>

#### 1. Decorations

The interior of the Stronghold should be decorated with the theme of Yugioh. Posters should be hoisted on the walls and on the entrance of the store. The lighting of the building should be dimmed a bit in order to create a soothing environment. The posters should portray monsters that are well known by most "duelist"

#### For example;

- Blue Eyes White Dragon
- Sliver the Sky Dragon
- Dark Magician
- The Winged Dragon of Ra

The decorations should be dark colors, since they go with the overall theme of Yugioh and will not distract the participants during their duels. Flashy colors like orange, pink, light



green...etc. would cause distractions and will not go well with the lighting of the building.

#### 2. Snacks

The tournament will last for a few hours and the contestants will get hungry. Hunger can affect a person's thinking and mood. Therefore during the course of the tournament snacks should be provided. Foods that are not messy and do not stain are the best choice, since no one wants to dirty their cards with chocolate or caramel. Chips, cookies, popcorn, and hard candy should be enough. The amount of snacks purchase should always be more than the amount of contestants present for the event. Usually people try to estimate the amount of food needed, but in this situation it's better to overestimate the amount of food than having to go buy more snacks during the tournament. Drinks should also be provided in order to wash down the snacks. The best option should be canned cokes. They are easy to distribute and they are cheaper when bought in large amounts. The stronghold should stay away from freshly made punch, due to risk of spills and the

amount of paper cups needed. Also snacks should be distributed to the participants who await their turn to duel. No participant should be allowed to duel with a soda or chips since they will be distracted and will for sure make a mess that will sabotage the duel.

#### 3. The Banned list

By this point the tournament is probably a few hours from initiating and the last bit of touch ups are being completed. The tournament cannot commence without the officials possessing copies of the "banned list". The list can be obtained from the official Yugioh website (www.Yugioh.com). The list is up to date with the cards that cannot be used in tournaments. The officials are supposed to inspect the participating duelist decks and look for cards that are not allowed in tournaments. If none are found the duelist can commence with their duels, but if cards are found the officials should confiscate the cards until the end of the tournament. All the participants have to allow the inspection of their decks in order to compete in the tournament. No participant



How to Host a Yugioh Tournament can have any cards in their pockets unless they are part of the deck.
Furthermore once the banned list is at hand and the officials are
prepared the duels can commence.

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