

Code of conduct
Rise TCG

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1. Introduction

Rise TCG is appreciated for its complex strategies, entertaining characters and friendly competitive atmosphere. To ensure this atmosphere, **Rise TCG** has developed the following standards of conduct for all persons participating in **Rise TCG**, as :

- ✓ **Competitors**
- ✓ **Judges and organizers**
- ✓ **Spectators**

It is the responsibility of all **Rise TCG** members to familiarize themselves with these standards, and to promote and demonstrate them during their participation in the program.

These standards apply **regardless of the circumstances** in which a person participates in a **Rise TCG** event. For example, when an online platform is used, these rules also apply to **virtual interactions** between participants.



2. Spirit of the game

While one of the aims of a **Rise TCG** tournament is to determine the skill level of each and every competitor, it's just as important that **all participants have fun**.

It's this state of mind that **Rise TCG** wants to promote in its tournaments.

Adherence **to the spirit of the game** guarantees that all participants, including :

- ✓ **Competitors**
- ✓ **Spectators**
- ✓ **Event staff**

...can **fully** participate in every **Rise TCG** tournament and have an enjoyable experience.

The spirit of the game must guide the behavior of any **competitors and Rise TCG organizers** when applying the rules.

3. Community behavior

This section defines the **behaviors expected** in all **Rise TCG** events, as well as situations that may call into question **an individual's ability** to remain a member of the program.

Monitoring and reporting

♦ **Rise TCG** does not and will not seek to monitor a member's activity on any platform or in any environment other than an official event.

⚠ **However**, a complaint about a member's conduct **outside** an event may result in **disciplinary** action, if his or her behavior threatens **Rise TCG's values** or prevents an other person from fully participating in the program.

✅ **Example:** It is legitimate for a player to feel **uncomfortable** participating in a tournament alongside a person associated with one of the prohibited behaviors listed below.

Illegal activities

Program members **must neither** promote or engage in any illegal activity, nor make available **any content encouraging or explaining** how to engage in such activity.

Examples of prohibited activities:

🚫 Practicing or encouraging **drug** use, **sexual assault**, **solicitation of minors** or **theft of information**.

🚫 **Impersonating** a **Dark Screen** employee or representative.

🚫 **Counterfeit** or distribute **unofficial** or **pirated** products.

➡ **Any member who witnesses illegal activity at a Rise TCG event must :**

☎ **Immediately contact the appropriate local authorities.**

✉ **Report the incident to Rise TCG**

⚠ Harassment and bullying

All program members must respect **other players and participants**. **Harassment, intimidation, threats or abuse** will not be tolerated.

Examples of prohibited behavior:

- 🚫 **Use of discriminatory language, messages, images or symbols** based on race, religion, origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or economic status.
- 🚫 **Violation of Rise TCG's Inclusion Policy.**
- 🚫 **Targeted harassment**, including personal attacks, repeated and unwanted contact, or disclosure of private information **without consent**.
- 🚫 **Threats** or dissemination of images of **violence, harm or retaliation**.
- 🚫 **Trolling**, i.e. provocative statements designed to **incite hatred or division**.

💡 **Participants also need to exercise judgement** in their discussions.

◆ **A joke between friends can be misinterpreted** in a **diverse, multicultural** environment.

✖ Flagrant violation of Community standards

Program members **must not** behave in a way that prevents **others** from fully enjoying their **Rise TCG** experience.

Examples of serious violations:

- 🚫 **Distribution or promotion of obscene, pornographic, sexually explicit or violent content.**
- 🚫 **Abusive trading**, i.e. **deceiving or manipulating** inexperienced players to **disadvantage** them in an exchange of cards or items.
- 🚫 Software **piracy**, promotion of illegal content or modification of official video games.
- 🚫 **Scamming or deceiving** another program member.

4. Conduct of Rise TCG Judges and Organizers

Rise TCG Judges and Organizers are expected to **behave in an exemplary** manner, even more strictly than other **Rise TCG** members.

✓ **Their role is essential** to the smooth running of events and respect for the game's values.

✓ They must **embody and promote** the fundamental principles of **Rise TCG** throughout their involvement.

Core values of a Rise TCG judge or organizer

Honesty

The integrity of the program is based on a **reputation for trust and honesty**.

💡 If the honesty of a **Judge or Organizer** is questioned, it calls into question their judgments and the fairness of the events in which they participate.

In addition, **Rise TCG** may occasionally call upon a Judge to :

✦ **Verify a participant or event location.**

✦ **Supervise official decisions.**

🚨 **A Judge or Organizer with a reputation for dishonesty would compromise the integrity of the program.**

Integrity

A judge must always be **fair and impartial**, whether he is :

✓ **Refereeing a tournament.**

✓ **Resolving a conflict.**

⚠️ **Personal emotions must never influence decisions.**

✦ In case of a dispute involving **competitors, spectators or staff**, a judge must be able to **stand back and apply the rules objectively**.

Liability

Rise TCG Judges and Organizers have **major responsibilities**, including:

✦ **As judges**, they must take **accurate** decisions and stay updated **about the latest rule updates**.

✦ **As organizers**, they must ensure that :

- 📄 All event reports are submitted on time.
- 🏆 Prizes and awards are distributed in accordance with the rules.

📄 Publications and comments concerning decisions or sanctions must be written in a responsible manner, avoiding definitive statements.

Professionalism

A Rise TCG judge or organizer must adopt a professional attitude during all events.

🚫 Unacceptable behavior:

✗ Vulgar or inappropriate language.

✗ Public heckling, provocation or arguing.

✗ Excessive consumption of alcohol or illegal substances during an event.

◆ Every participant, regardless of gender, orientation, religion or ability, must be treated with respect and courtesy.

Privacy

During a **Rise TCG** event, Judges and Organizers may have access to **non-public information**.

🔔 Disclosing such information prior to the official Rise TCG announcement constitutes a breach of confidentiality and may result in disciplinary action.

Examples of violations:

✗ Revealing dates of regional championships before official announcement.

✗ Publishing photos of the inside of a championship site before it opens to the public.

✗ Sharing confidential documents provided by Rise TCG.

5. Disciplinary sanctions

Eligibility to participate in **Rise TCG** is a **privilege, not a right**.

 **Each member of the program must respect a friendly, welcoming and inclusive environment. Rise TCG reserves the right to take disciplinary action** against any person whose behavior is contrary to these values.

If a disciplinary sanction is applied, the member concerned will receive an **official e-mail** containing :

-  **The file number**
-  **Duration of sanction**
-  **Effective date**
-  **A copy of the appeal procedures** (if an appeal is possible)

 **The Rise TCG Rules Compliance Team has the final decision on a member's eligibility for the program.**

Types of disciplinary sanctions

Written warnings

 An official warning is sent to the member concerned, pointing out that his or her behavior does **not comply with program standards**.

This warning may be preceded by an **e-mail requesting explanations**.

Suspension from the Judge or Organizer program

 Suspension results in **the loss of all associated roles**, including the ability to:

-  **Sanction other players**
-  **Organize tournaments**

 The list of suspended Judges and Organizers is available on the **official Rise TCG discord**.

♦ **Cancellation of invitations to events** ✖✍

If a Judge receives a disciplinary sanction, **his/her invitation to an event may be cancelled.**

This applies in particular to events where his or her presence as staff **could send an inappropriate message to other program members.**

♦ **Suspension from the Rise TCG program** ✖🚫

Suspended members **may not** :

- Participate in or attend **Rise TCG events**
- Be **spectators, competitors or judges**

📋 The list of suspended players is available on the official discord.

♦ **Lifetime suspension** 🚫🔔

In certain serious cases, a **lifetime suspension with no possibility of appeal** may be imposed.

📋 This sanction is applied if Rise TCG considers that the member will never be able to regain full membership.

♦ **Cancellation of travel allowances** ✖🛫

A suspended player may **lose his invitations and/or travel allowances** for Rise TCG events if the suspension covers the tournament period.

📌 However, **Rise TCG will not seek to reverse any actions taken prior to the sanction.**

Appeal procedure

♦ **Except in the case of lifetime suspension**, any member sanctioned may **appeal against the decision** by e-mail to bastien@riseCARDgame.com.

✚ **While the appeal is being examined, the suspension remains active.**

📁 **Documents required for an appeal :**

✓ **Player ID**

✓ **File number (mentioned in the sanction e-mail)**

✓ **If the person is suspended as a Judge, he/she must include the ID of another Judge who can give a second opinion on his/her return to the program.**

💡 **The main text of the appeal should not exceed 500 words.**

📎 **Additional documents (screenshots, testimonials) may be attached as appendices.**

✖ **If the appeal is rejected**

🔔 **If the appeal is rejected**, the person concerned will receive notification specifying :

✚ **The date by which a new appeal may be submitted** (if applicable).

✚ **Whether he/she can no longer submit an appeal** due to the duration of his/her suspension.

Incident reporting

📁 **Program members are encouraged to report any incidents that violate the Rise TCG Standards of Behavior.**

✉ **Reports should be addressed to Rise TCG Customer Service.**

♦ **The identity of the person making the report will remain strictly confidential.**