

A GAME OF THRONES™

THE CARD GAME



CARD LEGALITY FOR STANDARD MELEE FORMAT v1.9 (16/10/23)

This document contains a reference for information necessary to build standard-legal decks within organized play events for *A Game of Thrones: The Card Game*. Card legality is divided into three sections: **Banned List**, **Pod List**, and **Restricted List**, with each applying specific rules to deckbuilding - these rules will be outlined within that respective section. All changes and additions to this document since the previous version are marked in blue (with ~~striketrough~~ for removals).

New Content (v1.9): Changes to Pod List & Restricted List.

BANNED LIST

Cards are banned for a variety of reasons, including when a Redesigned version of that card is meant to be used instead. All other changes will be explained in the update that adds them to this list.

When building a deck, a player may not include any banned cards in their deck.

- ◆ All cards from “The Things We Do For Love” pack, with the exception of the agendas:
 - ◆ *Aloof and Apart* ◆ *Dark Wings, Dark Words* ◆ *Knights of the Realm* ◆ *The Long Voyage*
- ◆ Original versions of all cards in the “Redesigns” pack.

POD LIST

Pods are used to either: prevent unhealthy or unintended interactions between cards that, on their own, are not otherwise overpowered and do not otherwise cause problems; or specifically target a deck that is overperforming, without unnecessarily punishing the individual cards that make it so effective.

When building a deck, a player may not include more than 1 card from within each pod in their deck. They may include any number of copies of those cards in their deck, as specified by the regular game rules or on the cards themselves.

 <p>Pod 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Winter Festival◆ Karhold	 <p>Pod 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Valyrian Steel Armor◆ Varys (Core)	 <p>Pod 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Saltcliffe Sailor◆ Someone Always Tells◆ A Mummer's Farce◆ The Smith
 <p>Pod 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ The Many-Faced God◆ Bribery (R)	 <p>Pod 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Summerhall◆ The Silver Steed	
 <p>Pod 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Battle of the Trident◆ Desperate Attack		 <p>Pod 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ <i>Aloof and Apart</i>◆ <i>At the Gates</i>◆ <i>Gulltown</i>

RESTRICTED LIST

Cards are restricted because they are either: overpowered, and need to be restricted in order to lower the overall power level of the deck they are in; or they are too widely played, and are warping the meta to a point where deck diversity is suffering. In either case, as the meta changes, cards may be released from the list when they are no longer considered to be a problem.

When building a deck, a player may not include more than 1 card from the restricted list in their deck. They may include any number of copies of that card in their deck, as specified by the regular game rules or on the card itself.

BARATHEON

- ◆ Robert Baratheon (LMHR)
- ◆ Azor Ahai Reborn

GREYJOY

- ◆ Rise of the Kraken (TtB)
- ◆ Drowned Disciple (R)
- ◆ Victarion Greyjoy (R)
- ◆ King of Salt and Rock
- ◆ Corpse Lake
- ◆ Great Kraken
- ◆ Nagga's Ribs
- ◆ Sea Song

LANNISTER

- ◆ Cersei Lannister (LoCR)
- ◆ *Ser Boros Blount*

MARTELL

- ◆ Doran's Game (R)
- ◆ We Guard the Way
- ◆ *To The Spears!*

STARK

- ◆ Eddard Stark (WotN)
- ◆ Robb Stark (Core)
- ◆ Riverrun
- ◆ Catelyn Stark (WotN)
- ◆ Winter is Coming

TARGARYEN

- ◆ Daario Naharis
- ◆ Khal Drogo (Core)
- ◆ Plaza of Pride
- ◆ Barristan Selmy (FtR)
- ◆ Queensguard

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- ◆ Mace Tyrell (R)
- ◆ Randyll Tarly (Core)
- ◆ Randyll Tarly (JS)
- ◆ All Men Are Fools (R)
- ◆ Lady Sansa's Rose
- ◆ Goldengrove

- ◆ The Lord of the Crossing
- ◆ Trading With Qohor
- ◆ Heads on Spikes
- ◆ You Win Or You Die
- ◆ "The Song of the Seven"
- ◆ Relentless Assault
- ◆ Superior Claim
- ◆ Battle of the Trident
- ◆ A Clash of Kings
- ◆ A Tourney for the King
- ◆ The Starry Sept