

A GAME OF THRONES™

THE CARD GAME



CARD LEGALITY FOR STANDARD MELEE FORMAT v2.1 (01/07/26)

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**, **Restricted List**, and **Pod 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 strikethrough for removals)**.

New Content (v2.1): Changes to Restricted List & Pod 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.

- ◆ The Last Greenseer
- ◆ ~~Queensguard~~
- ◆ ~~Goldengrove~~
- ◆ Sparrows
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Original versions of all cards in the “Redesigns II” pack.

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

- ◆ Azor Ahai Reborn
- ◆ Robert Baratheon (LMHR)
- ◆ Robert's Rebellion

GREYJOY

- ◆ Corpse Lake
- ◆ Drowned Disciple (R)
- ◆ Great Kraken
- ◆ King of Salt and Rock
- ◆ Rise of the Kraken
- ◆ Victarion Greyjoy (R)
- ◆ Balon Greyjoy (CtA)

LANNISTER

- ◆ Cersei Lannister (LoCR)
- ◆ Myrcella Baratheon (ATT)
- ◆ Ser Boros Blount

MARTELL

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

STARK

- ◆ Catelyn Stark (WotN)
- ◆ Eddard Stark (WotN)
- ◆ I Am No One (R)
- ◆ Riverrun
- ◆ Robb Stark (Core)
- ◆ Winter is Coming
- ◆ Karhold
- ◆ ~~Above the Rest~~

TARGARYEN

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

TYRELL

- ◆ All Men Are Fools (R)
- ◆ Lady Sansa's Rose
- ◆ Randyll Tarly (Core)
- ◆ Randyll Tarly (JS)
- ◆ ~~Megga Tyrell~~
- ◆ ~~Knight of Flowers (AtG)~~
- ◆ ~~The Bounty of Highgarden~~
- ◆ ~~Chivalry of the South~~

NEUTRAL

- ◆ “The Song of the Seven”
- ◆ A Clash of Kings
- ◆ A Tourney for the King
- ◆ Battle of the Trident
- ◆ Battle on the Green Fork
- ◆ Heads on Spikes
- ◆ Relentless Assault
- ◆ Superior Claim
- ◆ The Lord of the Crossing
- ◆ The Starry Sept
- ◆ The White Book
- ◆ The White Swords
- ◆ Trading With Qohor
- ◆ You Win Or You Die
- ◆ Uniting the Realm

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.

Pod 1

- ◆ Battle of the Trident
- ◆ Desperate Attack

Pod 2

- ◆ Valyrian Steel Armor
- ◆ Varys (Core)

Pod 3

- ◆ Saltcliffe Sailor
- ◆ Someone Always Tells
- ◆ A Mummers Farce
- ◆ The Smith

Pod 4

- ◆ Aloof and Apart
- ◆ At the Gates
- ◆ Gulltown

Pod 5

- ◆ The Silver Steed
- ◆ Trading With Qohor

Pod 6

- ◆ The Lord of the Crossing
- ◆ The Crone

Pod 7

- ◆ Greensight
- ◆ The Warden of the East