

PARTY IN POWER

THE TONGUE-IN-CHEEK CARD GAME OF POLITICS, STRATEGY and POLITICAL STRATEGY

General FAQ Sheet

Q: When do Parties have to discard their excess cards?

A: Parties should ensure that they have no more than the allowed number of Cards at the end of each Day. The penalty for non-compliance is to discard down to the correct number of cards, and a loss of five Votes in the next Election the Party participates in.

Q: Where do Parties discard their cards to?

A: Each Deck has its own corresponding Discard pile, where all discarded cards are placed face up. It is allowed to look through Discard piles, but also good etiquette not to take too long going about it.

Q: What happens when a Deck runs out of cards?

A: Simply shuffle the corresponding Discard pile and use it to form a new Deck.

Q: What happens to the Candidates used to change the Prevailing Issue on Campaign Day?

A: They are moved to the appropriate Discard pile (Talent Discard pile for PIP Candidates, and Grassroots Discard pile for Opposition ones) at the end of Polling Day for that Election.

Q: Should each Party know the number of cards held by other Opposition Parties?

A: Yes. Any Opposition Party must clearly state the number of cards in its Asset Bank (hand) when asked. It is good etiquette to display all the cards in one's Asset Bank (face down) as much as possible, so other Parties can get this information without explicitly asking for it.

Q: What happens if the PIP and one or more Opposition Parties are tied on Votes in any Election?

A: The PIP wins. Duh!

Q: What happens if there are insufficient NCMP or Victory Point cards?

A: In the extremely unlikely event that this happens, please use some other counters to represent them, or keep track of the tally on paper.

Q: How many cards are drafted from the Grassroots Deck by the Opposition Parties during Nomination Day?

A: Four cards if there are two Opposition Parties or fewer, three cards if there are three to five Opposition Parties, and two cards if there are more than five Opposition Parties. The Opposition Power for the Party of Nature is scaled accordingly, so if Parties can draft four cards, the Party of Nature can draft five cards from the private Grassroots Deck on its first Draft turn, and then skip its remaining turns.

Q: The public Grassroots Deck is being clogged with junk Candidates with zero Popularity!

A: Blame the Opposition for being selfish.

Q: How does Sacrificial Lamb work?

A: It is the only Reaction card that operates from the Asset Bank, and protects more valuable Assets from being forced to be discarded.

Q: I don't have time to play a full game, what can I do to speed up the game?

A: You may set up a Quick Game with 10 GRCs and 8 SMCs, using only the PM, SM and 6 Cabinet Ministers. A Blitz Game is even faster, with only 5 GRCs and 4 SMCs, and uses only the PM and 4 Cabinet Ministers.

Q: My question is not covered here!

A: Argue loudly, and then defer to the owner of the game, in Munchkins tradition.