

Remote Duel: Sanctioning Guide

Remote Duel can currently be used for four (4) types of tournaments. Each digital game has additional requirements, so please review the attached guides prior to running digital tournaments.

Tournament Type	Code for Sanctioning	How to play
Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME (TCG)	TCG	Regular Dueling with Decks using webcams, phone or other method to allow both Duelists to see each other's field.
Yu-Gi-Oh! Duel Links	Duel Links	Players compete using the Duel Links game on smartphones, tablets or PC.
Yu-Gi-Oh! Legacy of the Duelist	LOD	Players compete using the Yu-Gi-Oh! Legacy of the Duelist game on their gaming system (PS4, Xbox One, or PC).
Yu-Gi-Oh! Legacy of the Duelist: Link Evolution	Link Evolution	Players compete using the Yu-Gi-Oh! Legacy of the Duelist: Link Evolution on their gaming system (Switch, PS4, Xbox One or PC).

Remote Duel Tournaments are Sanctioned through the Konami Card Game Network (KCGN). Once Sanctioned, you may use either KCGN or Konami Tournament Software (KTS) to run your event. **Please note that all tournaments hosted using KTS must still be Sanctioned via KCGN and then uploaded to KCGN after the conclusion of the event.**

To set up Remote Duel tournaments in KCGN for Sanctioning, please use the following format:

As an example, a tournament taking place at Hobby Store 123 using Yu-Gi-Oh! Duel Links on April 25, 2020 would have an event name of: **Remote Duel – Duel Links - Hobby Store 123 - Apr 25, 2020**

	Remote Duel - In KCGN
Tournament Name	Remote Duel - <i>Code for Sanctioning</i> - <i>Store Name</i> - <i>Date of Tournament</i>
Card Game	Yu-Gi-Oh!
Event Type	Tier 1 - Other
Event Date and Start Time	Scheduled Date, Scheduled Time
Time to Start Accepting Entries	Do not complete
Tournament Structure	Swiss System
Classification	No age restriction
Tournament Style	Constructed - Advanced
Prospective Participants	Please provide the Expected Attendance
Reservation Cap	Do not complete
Contact Person	Name of Tournament Organizer or Event Manager
Notifications	This is information your players will have access to view via KCGN. Please enter tournament details, as needed.
Tournament Location	Please create a new Tournament location in KCGN for Remote Duel. Ideally "Store Name – Online Tournament" **See Note below
Remarks	Complete if you wish to provide KDE-US with additional information.

** When adding a new Tournament location in KCGN you will need to provide address information. The State, Country and Phone Number should be correct for your OTS location. For the Street Address, please put “Online Only” so Duelists search KCGN for events do not think the event is taking place at our store.

Official Tournament Stores maintain their right to set the entry fees for Remote Duel Tournaments. OTS are required to provide commensurate prizing if they choose to charge an entry fee. Commensurate prizing must be of equal or greater value than that of the entry fee and distributed in the form of Yu-Gi-Oh! TCG product. For your reference, one OTS Tournament Pack booster is treated as \$5.00 USD for the purpose of commensurate prizing. OTS Tournament Pack boosters may not be sold.

OTS can deliver commensurate prizing (as well as any additional prizing they choose to add to the tournaments) to the Duelists using appropriate means available to them within the COVID-19 requirements of their local, state and federal governments. This includes tracking the prizing and holding it at the OTS until they resume normal business, offering curbside pickup or utilizing their online store (via mail service). When utilizing an online store and shipping prizing, the OTS can charge an appropriate shipping fee but this cannot be part of the entry fee, and the Duelist needs to also be offered the opportunity to pick-up the product at the OTS at a later date if they would prefer not to have it shipped.

Sales tax may not be charged on top of the entry fee for Remote Duel. If a region requires sales tax to be charged on entry fees, then the current entry fees should be considered to already include the sales tax.

Remote Duel does not require registered Konami judges, but judges are highly recommended for Yu-Gi-Oh! TCG tournaments. Providing a judge is good customer service for Duelists and helps provide them with the best event experience. It is the responsibility of the OTS to comply with all applicable legal requirements related to OTS’ employment or retention of OTS’ judge staff working at local level events run by the OTS. This includes but is not limited to payment of wages and other compensation, minimum wage and overtime requirements, and classification of employees and independent contractors under federal and state laws. If KDE-US learns an OTS has failed to comply with OTS’ obligations under applicable federal and state employment laws with respect to OTS’ event staff (including judges), KDE-US may revoke the store’s OTS status.

If using a registered Konami judge for Remote Duel (Remote Duel judge), the judge will need to have access to the voice and video channels the OTS is using for Remote Duel matches.

The Remote Duel judge would clearly identify themselves as the judge for the Tournament. In Discord this can be done by changing their display name on their account -for example, “Judge-[Username]. The Remote Duel judge will inform all Duelists to direct message the judge, if an issue arises. From there the judge will join the Remote Duel Video chat and using the Voice Chat feature, assist the Duelists using the Voice Chat feature.

If the judge needs to speak to individuals privately during the course of an investigation, the judge should use direct messaging.

The Remote Duel judge will help Duelists solve complex game state and ruling questions. The judge should help encourage a friendly play experience for everyone in the tournament.

The Remote Duel Judge may also be able to assist Duelists getting their Remote Duel video set up before the tournament starts, helping with issues like getting the field in frame, angle and lighting.

The current schedule of this Remote Duel event is a Tier 1 event, conducted as Advanced Constructed Format, Swiss round events.

Number of Participants*	Number of Swiss Rounds	Playoff Top Cut*
4 - 8	3 Rounds of Swiss	None
9 - 16	4 Rounds of Swiss	Top 4
17 - 32	5 Rounds of Swiss	Top 4
33 - 64	6 Rounds of Swiss	Top 8
65 - 128	7 Rounds of Swiss	Top 8
129 or more	7 Rounds of Swiss	Top 16

**A Playoff Top Cut is optional and the use of a Playoff Top Cut and how many players advance should be advertised prior to the start of the event. If you are hosting an event using a Playoff Top Cut, it is recommended that you run your event using KTS.*

Your role in hosting a Remote Duel is to ensure your Duelists know when your event occurs, how to join, issue pairings, and record results as you would an in-store event.

Each OTS should utilize the communication method with their Duelists that works best for them. To help promote the social aspects of playing Yu-Gi-Oh! and allow the Duelists to interact with one another outside of just the playing the game, we suggest using Facebook Group Rooms, Discord channel or video conferencing applications such as Zoom. Many of these applications are providing their services at no charge during the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information on how your OTS can be listed on the Official Yu-Gi-Oh! Discord server, please refer fill out the Remote Duel Survey found at the link below:

<https://yugiohcard.wufoo.com/forms/z1rvxtfi0wqjz6d>

An OTS can also just use a basic communication option such as Messenger, What's App or other messenger apps.

As these tournaments require more logistics and coordination between the Duelists playing remotely, the OTS sets the timing for the results of each round to be reported. For example, if you want to have your first round start at 11:00 AM you could send out an announcement along the lines of "You have from 11AM until 12:45PM to coordinate with your opponent and complete the Duel and report the results. Round 2 will start at 1 PM."

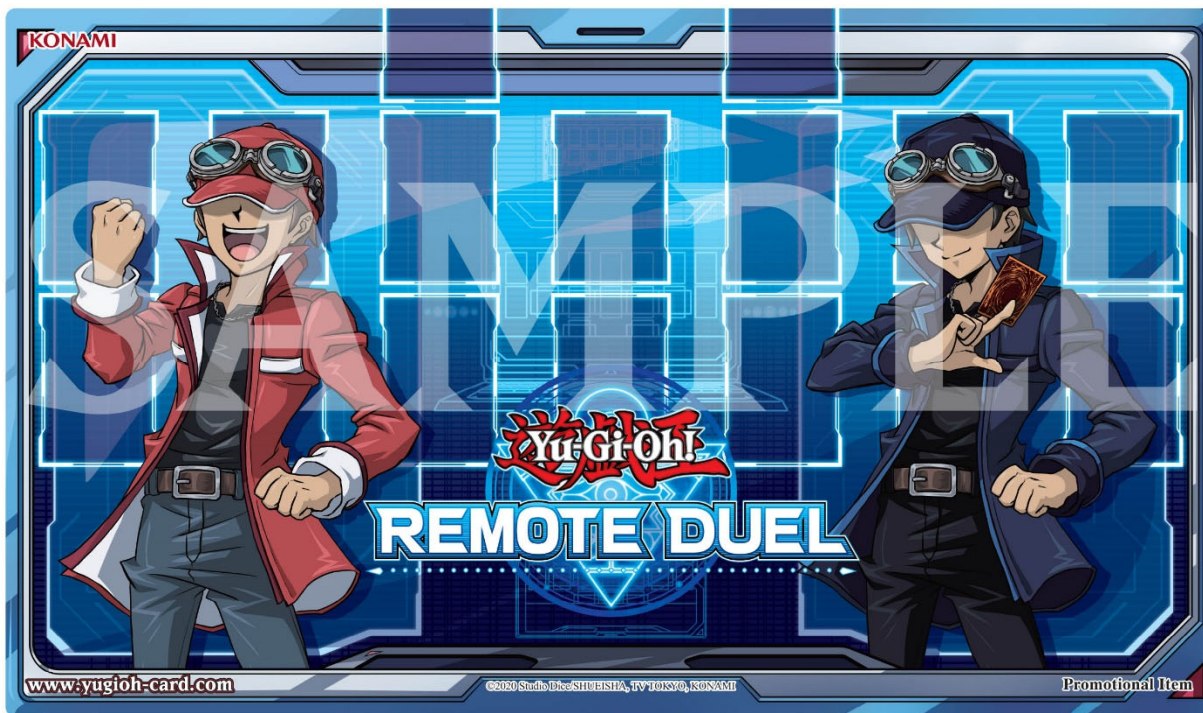
Each OTS and their community may have different timing requirements, so we wanted to make this as flexible as possible. Multiple day tournaments are acceptable for Remote Duel.

OTS will submit/upload the electronic results via KCGN within ten (10) days of completion. This can be accomplished either through the KCGN system or by running an event with KTS and uploading your results

via the KCGN site when completed. Please review the KTS User Guide and the KCGN User Guide for additional information; both can be found on the KCGN Home Page, under the “Manual” tab.

Remote Duel Tournaments contribute towards your allocation of OTS Tournament Packs. Additionally, we are sending out an exclusive Game Mat and Mini Mat to OTS for participating in Remote Duel that can be used by your OTS for a future in-store event when normal business resumes.

OTS Remote Duel Game Mat



OTS Remote Duel Mini Mat

