

マッチ売りの大富豪

Matchstick Tycoon

The Matchstick Puzzle Card Game

Instruction Manual

Number of Players: 2-6 players Playing Time: 20 minutes Recommended Age: 8 and up

Overview

The basic rules are the same as the card game Tycoon, also known as President or Daifugo, in Japanese. But...

This game is "Super Tycoon," where you can change the numbers!



For example, you can change 3 to 9 or 7 to 3.

With the matchsticks you receive each time you pass, you can strengthen your weak hand!


You may even be able to start a "Revolution"

But be careful... If you hoard too many matchsticks, you might get burned!


A revolutionary card game is born here, combining the thrill of matchstick puzzles with the strategy of Tycoon!



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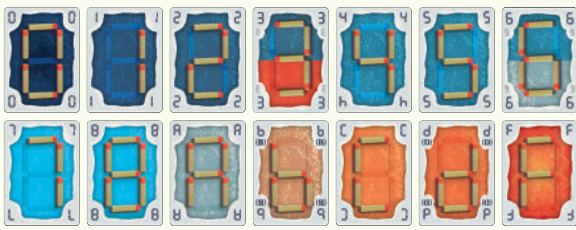
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Components



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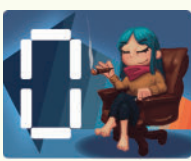
Front Side (Numbers)

56 Number Cards (63mm × 88mm)

There are 14 types: 0, 1, 2, 3(E), 4, 5, 6(9), 7, 8, A, B, C, D, F, with 4 copies of each.

The 3 and E, as well as the 6 and 9, are interchangeable. When flipped upside down, "3" becomes "E," and "6" becomes "9."


In this game, the letters 'A' to 'F' are also considered numbers. Note that the letters 'b' and 'd' are in lowercase.




Strength Indicator Sheet
1 piece



Matchstick Tokens
40 pieces



Quick Reference Sheets
6 pieces



Instruction Manual
1 copy

Objective of the Game

The goal is to play all your cards and matchsticks!

This game is a card game with rules similar to Tycoon, where the goal is to play all your cards as quickly as possible. The player who plays all their cards and matchsticks first becomes the "Winner" (Agari) and the game continues until only one player remains. The player who becomes the first Winner is ranked 1st (Champion), followed by 2nd, 3rd, and so on.

Game Setup

Let's deal the cards according to the table below.

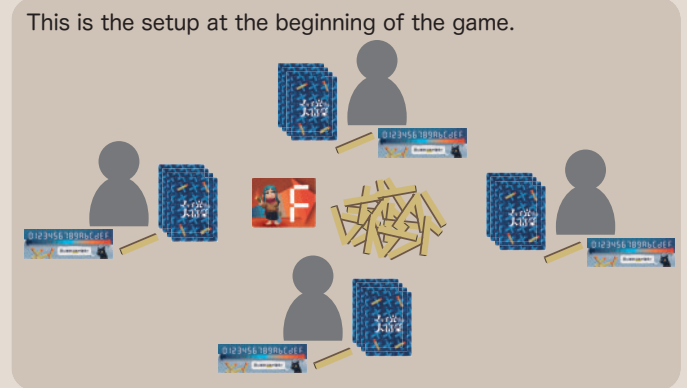
The dealt cards are your hand, and you should keep them hidden from other players.

Number of Players	2	3	4	5	6
Number of Cards to Deal	15 cards		Deal all the cards.		

For 5 or 6 players, there may be a difference of one card, but this is not a problem. If it concerns you, you may adjust the number of cards to make them even.

Let's distribute the "Matchstick Tokens" and "Quick Reference Sheets."

- Give one Quick Reference Sheet to each player.
- Give one matchstick to each player, and place the remaining matchsticks in the center of the table.
- Place the "F" side of the Strength Indicator Sheet face up in the center of the table. This represents the strongest number, and the initial strength order is as follows: "0 < 1 < 2 < ... d < E < F" (from weakest to strongest).



Let's decide who the dealer (banker) will be

The player who recently lit a match (or won a game of rock-paper-scissors) will be the first dealer (parent).

Starting the Game

The game starts with the dealer (parent), and players take turns in clockwise order. On each turn, a player can either "play a card" or "pass."

Play a Card
Or
Pass

Play a Card


Parent's First Turn

You can play one up to five cards of the same strength (refer to the diagram below) at the same time. By playing five cards at once, a "Revolution" (described later) will occur.

Subsequent Turns

On subsequent turns, you must play the same number of cards as the dealer just played, and the combination of cards must have higher numbers than the previously played cards.

Example:



Pass

If you cannot or do not want to play a card, you must pass and **take one matchstick from the center of the table**. If your turn comes after passing, you can either play a card or pass again. (This is called a "Soft Pass.")

You cannot choose not to take a matchstick. You cannot pass on the dealer's first turn.

If all players except the last one to play a card choose to pass, the cards played so far are cleared (set them aside on the edge of the table), and the last player to play a card becomes the next dealer. All matchsticks placed on the cards are returned to the center of the table. If there are not enough matchsticks, you may substitute them with chips or similar items.

If you play the strongest card, F (or 0 during a revolution), all other players are forced to pass. After receiving one matchstick each, the cards are cleared and the turn passes.

Card Strength


At the start of the game, "0" is the weakest, and "F" is the strongest. When a "Revolution" (described later) occurs, the strength of the numbers is immediately reversed.



Card Changes


When playing a card, you can flip the card upside down or place as many matchsticks as you like on top of the card to change its number. For "3" and "E," or "6" and "9," you must declare the number when you play the card. The number must satisfy the format shown on the quick reference sheet.

The card's number can be changed!



Place 2 matchsticks on the 4 card to change it to a 9!

Example:



Flipping the card is OK.

Flipping and placing the card is OK.

Stacking cards is not allowed.

Revolution

A Revolution occurs when you play five cards at once. You can play up to five cards.

Revolution!!

The strength of the numbers is reversed!



Flip over.

Strong ← 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F **Weak**

After that, if another player plays five cards at once following the new strength order, a "Revolution" will occur again, and the strength will be reversed (Revolution Return).

Example 1: If a "Revolution" occurs with an 8, the next player can start a Revolution with numbers from 0 to 7.

Example 2: If a "Revolution" is triggered with an 8, it can be followed by another "Revolution" with a 3, then an A, and finally a 9. Multiple "Revolutions" can occur in succession.

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Winning (Agari) and Game End

You win (Agari) when you have 0 cards and 0 matchsticks!
If you have matchsticks remaining, you can return one matchstick during your turn.

The player who has 0 cards and 0 matchsticks becomes the "Agari" (winner).

However, if a player has 0 cards but still has matchsticks remaining, they are not considered "Agari." On their turn, they must return one matchstick at a time. Once all matchsticks are returned and they have 0 matchsticks, they become "Agari."

The game ends when all players, except one, have become "Agari."

Special Situations

If you play all your cards while still having matchsticks left, and all other players pass, the cards played so far are cleared (set aside), and you become the next dealer. All matchsticks placed on the cards are returned to the center of the table.

Example for 3 players

①

Player A

Out of cards!



← Matchsticks remaining

②

Player B

Pass



Take a matchstick

③

Player C

Pass



Take a matchstick

④

Player A
Dealer

The dealer has no cards!

In this case, if the dealer has no cards on their first turn, the following actions will take place:

1. The dealer returns one matchstick.
2. The next player (in this case, Player B) becomes the new dealer.

After this, the game proceeds as usual.



Rules that are easy to forget or make mistakes with

- If the strongest card, F (or 0 during a revolution), is played, all other players are forced to pass, and after receiving one matchstick each, the cards are cleared.

- The dealer cannot pass on their first turn.

- When passing, you cannot choose not to take a matchstick.

- If there are not enough matchsticks, you may substitute them with chips or other items.

- This is a soft pass.

- Cards cannot be played in sequences such as "2, 3, 4" or "9, A, B, C" (no straight flushes).

- There are no special rules like the "8 cut" or "falling from grace" that are commonly found in Daifugo (except for the revolution).

- You cannot create numbers like -1, L, P, etc., which do not exist in this game.

- Cards cannot be played as "b" or "Q" for 6 or 9. You must play them according to the quick reference sheet.

- A revolution occurs when five cards are played simultaneously (not four).

- You cannot play six or more cards at once.

- In this game, for example, you cannot play 2-5 cards when 1 card is played, or 4-5 cards when 3 cards are played. Always follow the number of cards played by the dealer.

- You are free to rearrange your hand.

- When a revolution occurs, flip the strength indicator sheet.
Example: If a revolution happens with five 8s, a "Revolution Return" can occur with five cards from 0 to 7.

Hints

- 2 cannot be used to create any other number, and the only number that can be created from 2 is 8. It is likely the most difficult number to use.

- 7 cannot become F.

- The only number that can become F is 1.

- The quick reference sheet also serves as the matchstick storage area. Please place the matchsticks you take on top of the quick reference sheet.

Message from the Creator

- This game can even be played with 7-8 players! Since you may run out of matchsticks, please substitute them with other items.

- Feel free to modify the rules, such as making a revolution occur with 4 cards, and try out different variations!

- For a different experience, try mixing or swapping the separately sold first expansion cards, "G, H, = (Equals), and Blank (White)," into the game. The creator's recommendation is to add 2 G cards and 2 H cards to make a total of 60 cards. Give it a try once you're familiar with the game!

- Playing with all 16 cards and 7-8 players creates a chaotic, fun atmosphere—it's a different kind of experience (laughs)!

- A big thank you to everyone who helped with playtesting! Thanks to you, we were able to create something great.

HEY!

Introduction to Past Works



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どっちが強い?

Game Design: Unamu Hiduki

Number of Players: 2-8 players

Playing Time: 10 minutes or more

Recommended Age: 6 and up

Sold Out



七人の騎士の魔術
SEVEN KNIGHTS BEWITCHED

論理パズル × 議論しない正体隠匿

Game Design: Kamomeno Jona

Number of Players: 3-8 players

Playing Time: 10 minutes × 3 rounds

Recommended Age: 9 and up

Sold Out



ここで装備していくかい?
地下99階の商人たち

ライル配置 ドラフト パズルゲーム

Game Design: Toshi Kadota

Number of Players: 1-4 players

Playing Time: 20-30 minutes

Recommended Age: 10 and up