

## *Merciless Syndicate*

### **Devon Rules**

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*Welcome to the Merciless Syndicate and thanks for joining our event! If there are unforeseen conflicts between our rules and Devon's, their rules shall usurp ours. These rules ensure that our International Community will have a smooth event. Tag us on Discord if you have any questions.*

### **0.Devon Corporation Rules (Devon Events)**

- [Devon Official Rules](#)
- [Devon Known Issue Guide](#)
- [Devon How to run a tournament](#)

### **1.Technical Dispute Procedures (Devon Events)**

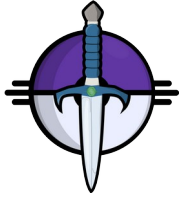
*First off, we only evaluate your dispute if you provide video evidence. When you have such a dispute:*

- *Trainer shall DM opponent immediately after the battle in question and let them know of the dispute and request a provisional rematch*
- *Trainer shall tag @judges in #devon-coordinate stating "Have technical dispute, need Judge"*
- *For the provisional rematch, non-disputing trainer gets choice of same leads (backlines may be same or vary) OR same leads and backlines.*
- *There's no requirement to play out lag to the point where it failed*
- *Trainers may not retro-actively dispute battles after later games are played; all disputes must be made immediately after the battle in which the technical error occurred.*
- *Video must be submitted within 4 hours of being DMd by the Judge or the dispute is invalidated*
- *Merciless Syndicate Staff reserves the right to adjust or edit these procedures as per their discretion*

### **2.Non-Technical Dispute Procedures (Devon Events)**

*First off, we only evaluate your non-technical dispute if you provide screenshots. When you have such a dispute:*

- *Trainer shall DM opponent that they are disputing the issue (no show, no response, etc.)*



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- *Trainer shall tag @judges in #team-captains stating "Have non-technical dispute, need Judge"*
- *Screenshots must be submitted within 4 hours of being DMd by the Judge or the dispute is invalidated*
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*Please allow 4-8 hours for a Judge to respond and open a ticket. Once a Judge contacts you, be prepared to provide video, timestamps of lag/issue, screenshots of communication attempts, and other artifacts related to the incident.*

### **3.Tournament Timelines & Penalties (Devon Events):**

#### Round Start Time:

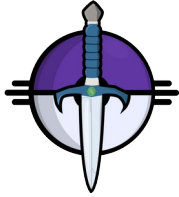
*As stated in #ind-coordinate*

#### Round Length:

*48 hours from the Round Start Time post stated in #ind-coordinate*

*And/Or as stated in #ind-coordinate*

- *When the round starts, trainers should tag their opponent in #devon-coordinate and follow up with timezone and availability in DMs*
- *Trainers who fail to tag and/or DM within 24 hours of round start, or Friday 8pm UTC-06, are issued a g1 loss*
- *Trainers who miss an appointment shall be given a one-time warning and must accommodate remaining times of their opponent*
- *Trainers who miss an appointment a second time, will be given a g1 loss, and must accommodate remaining times of their opponent*
- *Trainers who miss the second time will receive a 0-3 match loss*
- *In cases where both sides failed to communicate properly and/or simply could not negotiate a time within the window, a 0-0 outcome shall be issued*
- *Always provide your time zone in DMs, and please use UNIX time stamps <https://discordtimestamp.com/> when locking in battle times*
- *Trainers must have reasonable amounts of time to play on every day within the window*
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#### **4.Coordination Templates (Devon Events)**

##### Initial DMs

*Trainer A - "Hi there, my time zone is UTC-XX, and I am available from 6-8am, 10-11am, and 9-10pm on 04-05-24 and from 8am-1pm and 7-9pm on 04-06-24. Please let me know if any of these times work."*

*Trainer B - "Sounds good, my time zone is UTC-XY. What about April 5th at 1pm your time? Also, I am available 5-10pm UTC-XY on both April 5th and 6th."*

##### Response/Confirmation

*Trainer A - "Sounds good, so just to be sure we are agreeing on <t:1712343600:f>?"*

*Trainer B - "Yes, that's right."*

*Note: You are not permitted to agree by emote; please use a clear yes/no answer and/or re-negotiate.*