

# *Modern Format*

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Constructed decks must contain a minimum of sixty cards. There is no maximum deck size; however, you must be able to shuffle your deck with no assistance. If a player wishes to use a sideboard, it must have fifteen or fewer cards.

With the exception of basic land cards, a player's combined deck and sideboard may not contain more than four of any individual card, counted by its English card title equivalent. All cards named Plains, Island, Swamp, Mountain, and Forest are basic. (The five *Ice Age* block snow-covered lands -- Snow-Covered Plains, Snow-Covered Island, Snow-Covered Swamp, Snow-Covered Mountain, and Snow-Covered Forest -- are also basic lands. Note that snow-covered lands are permitted only in formats that allow expansions from the *Ice Age* block to be used.)

**The following card sets are permitted in Modern tournaments:**

- *Eighth Edition*
- *Mirrodin*
- *Darksteel*
- *Fifth Dawn*
- *Champions of Kamigawa*

- *Betrayers of Kamigawa*
- *Saviors of Kamigawa*
- *Ninth Edition*
- *Ravnica: City of Guilds*
- *Guildpact*
- *Dissension*
- *Coldsnap*
- *Time Spiral*
- *Planar Chaos*
- *Future Sight*
- *Tenth Edition*
- *Lorwyn*
- *Morningtide*
- *Shadowmoor*
- *Eventide*
- *Shards of Alara*
- *Conflux*
- *Alara Reborn*
- **Magic 2010**
- *Zendikar*
- *Worldwake*
- *Rise of the Eldrazi*
- **Magic 2011**
- *Scars of Mirrodin*
- *Mirrodin Besieged*
- *New Phyrexia*
- **Magic 2012**
- *Innistrad*
- *Dark Ascension*
- *Avacyn Restored*
- **Magic 2013**
- *Return to Ravnica*

- *Gatecrash*
- *Dragon's Maze*
- ***Magic 2014*** (effective July 19, 2013)
- *Theros* (effective September 27, 2013)

The following cards are **banned** in Modern tournaments:

- **Ancestral Vision**
- **Ancient Den**
- **Bitterblossom**
- **Blazing Shoal**
- **Bloodbraid Elf**
- **Chrome Mox**
- **Cloudpost**
- **Dark Depths**
- **Dread Return**
- **Glimpse of Nature**
- **Golgari Grave-Troll**
- **Great Furnace**
- **Green Sun's Zenith**
- **Hypergenesis**
- **Jace, the Mind Sculptor**
- **Mental Misstep**
- **Ponder**
- **Preordain**
- **Punishing Fire**
- **Rite of Flame**
- **Seat of the Synod**
- **Second Sunrise**
- **Seething Song**
- **Sensei's Divining Top**
- **Stoneforge Mystic**
- **Skullclamp**

- Sword of the Meek
- Tree of Tales
- Umezawa's Jitte
- Vault of Whispers
- Wild Nacatl

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Official information about Constructed formats and the Modern format can be found in the:

**Magic: The Gathering** Tournament Rules.