

MLB THE SHOW 21 EXHIBITION TOURNAMENTS

OFFICIAL RULES

By participating in MLB THE SHOW 21 Exhibition Tournaments (the “Promotion”), each entrant (each, an “Entrant” or “you”) unconditionally accepts and agrees to comply with and abide by these Official Rules and the decisions of Sony Interactive Entertainment LLC (“Sponsor”) and Battlefy (“Administrator”), which shall be final and binding in all respects. Administrator will facilitate the collection and scoring of entries and the overall administration of the Promotion. Entrants shall look solely to the Administrator with any questions, comments or problems related to the Promotion.

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** The Promotion is only open to legal residents of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and Canada, age thirteen (13) or older at time of entry who have all of the following at the start of the Promotion Period (as defined below):

- Access to MLB The Show 21 on the PS4 console, the PS5 console, Xbox One, or Xbox Series X|S,
- Access to a PS4 console, PS5 console, Xbox One, Or Xbox Series X|S,
- A valid account on PlayStation®Network (“PSN Account”) and an associated PSN ID, or a valid account on Xbox Live (“Xbox Live Account”) and an associated Gamertag (“Xbox Live Gamertag”),
- A valid subscription to PlayStation®Plus if competing on a PS4 or PS5 console, or have a valid subscription to Xbox Live Gold if competing on an Xbox One or Xbox Series X|S,
- A valid Battlefy registration, and
- At least 5mbps of internet bandwidth to broadcast.

Employees and representatives of Sponsor and its parent companies, Administrator, “MLB Entities” (as defined below), Microsoft Corporation, affiliates, subsidiaries, and related companies, agencies, and the judging panel and immediate families (defined as parents, children, siblings and spouse and their respective spouses, regardless of where they reside) and those living in the same household or with whom they are otherwise domiciled, whether or not related, are not eligible to enter or win. The “MLB Entities” shall mean the Office of the Commissioner of Baseball (“BOC”), its Bureaus, Committees, Subcommittees and Councils, the Major League Baseball Clubs (“Clubs”), MLB Advanced Media, L.P., Major League Baseball Properties, Inc., The MLB Network, LLC, each of their parent, subsidiary, affiliated and related entities, any entity which, now or in the future, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Clubs or the BOC and the owners, general and limited partners, shareholders, directors, officers, employees and agents of the foregoing entities. Void in Puerto Rico, all U.S. territories and possessions and overseas military installations and where prohibited or restricted by law.

Entrants must read these Official Rules, including the Code of Conduct attached hereto as Appendix A, and Sponsor’s privacy policy, accessible at <https://www.playstation.com/en-us/legal/privacy-policy/> (the “Privacy Policy”). Information collected in connection with the Promotion will be collected in accordance with Sponsor’s Privacy Policy and as explained below in Section 12 (“Collection, Use and Sharing of Information”) of these Official Rules. By entering the Competition, each Entrant agrees to be bound by the Official Rules, Code of Conduct and Privacy Policy.

2. **TIMING:** The Promotion begins on July 19, 2021 at 8:00 AM PT and ends on August 15, 2021 at 9:00 PM PT (the “Promotion Period”) but will be broken into four separate tournament days (each, a “Stage”), as detailed below.

Stage	Registration Start Date and Time	Registration End Date and Time	Stage Start Date and Time	Stage End Date and Time
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1	7/19/21 at 8:00 AM PT	7/31/21 at 8:59 AM PT	7/31/21 at 9:00 AM PT	7/31/21 when all rounds are complete
2	7/19/21 at 8:00 AM PT	8/1/21 at 8:59 AM PT	8/1/21 at 9:00 AM PT	8/1/21 when all rounds are complete
3	7/19/21 at 8:00 AM PT	8/14/21 at 8:59 AM PT	8/14/21 at 9:00 AM PT	8/14/21 when all rounds are complete
4	7/19/21 at 8:00 AM PT	8/15/21 at 8:59 AM PT	8/15/21 at 9:00 AM PT	8/15/21 when all rounds are complete

3. HOW TO ENTER AND PARTICIPATE

3.1. How to Enter: Entrants must link their PSN Account or Xbox Live Account to their Battlefy account by registering for the event on the Battlefy landing page, accessible at <https://battlefy.com/mlbtheshow>, and provide the following information: date of birth, PSN ID or Xbox Live Gamertag, e-mail address, Discord username for Stage as outlined in the table in Section 2 of these Official Rules (each Promotion entry, an “**Entry**”).

3.2. How to Play: Visit the Battlefy Tournament page, accessible at <http://battlefy.com/mlbtheshow>, to access the match schedule and PSN ID or Xbox Live Gamertag of each opponent. Each Entrant must play all assigned matches. Each Entrant who plays all assigned matches until such Entrant is eliminated and who is not disqualified will receive 1,000 MLB The Show 21 Stubs (ARV: \$1 USD).

3.3. Required Settings: The following configuration shall be the settings for each match. Entrants may report any opponent’s non-compliant settings to the Administrator prior to the match.

Innings: nine, unless there is a tie at the end of the ninth inning and the game goes into extra innings

Cross play: ON (network setting)

Add friends: ON (network setting)

Messaging: ON (network setting)

Mode: Diamond Dynasty

Hitting: Hall of Fame

Pitching: Hall of Fame

Guess Pitch: OFF

Quick Counts: OFF

Strike Zone: ON

Hot Zone: OFF

Balks: OFF

Umpire Accuracy: Perfect

Umpire close plays: OFF

Ejections: OFF

Injuries: OFF

Presentation mode: Fast Play

Created ballplayers are not permitted.

- 3.4. Stadiums: All MLB and Minor League Stadiums are allowed but created stadiums are not permitted. The higher seeded Entrant will be the home team for the first game. If multiple games are played, Entrants will alternate Home/Away status.
- 3.5. "Play vs. Friends" and Squad Construction: To "Play vs. Friends" in Diamond Dynasty, Entrants must add the registered Entrant friend's PSN ID or Xbox Live Gamertag to their Friends List, then challenge the friend to a match. The following squad compositions are required for eligibility in the Promotion (Community Parallel and Inside Edge boosts count towards overall ratings):
- Position Players:
 - 3 x 95+ overall ratings players (or below)
 - 3 x 85-94 overall ratings players (or below)
 - The rest 84 or below overall rating
 - Starting Pitchers Limit:
 - 2 x 95+ overall rating starters (or below)
 - 1 x 85-94 overall rating starter (or below)
 - The remaining 2, 84 or below overall rating
 - Bullpen Limit:
 - 2 x 95+ overall rating bullpen pitchers (or below)
 - 2 x 85 - 94 overall rating bullpen pitchers (or below)
 - 4 x 84 or below overall rating bullpen pitchers
- 3.6. Win/Loss Reporting: Both Entrants must report results of match the Administrator's match event page. Entrants are advised to upload a screenshot of the final score and both Entrants' IDs and keep all screenshots in case of dispute. Simulating or manipulating the game results reporting images is forbidden and grounds for disqualification. If match results are not uploaded to the Administrator, either or both Entrants may be disqualified.
- 3.7. Tournament Structure: Tournaments in each Stage will take place using Diamond Dynasty game mode with random player seeding, one on one format and the Swiss tournament system. The number of rounds played will vary depending on the number of Entrants and results of each round. However, no more than 6 rounds will be played per tournament Stage. Entrants will be eliminated after two losses.
- 3.8. Tiebreakers
- 3.8.1. Tiebreaker 1: The Entrant's Opponent's Match Win Percentage. An Entrant's match-win percentage is that Entrant's accumulated match points divided by the total match points possible in those rounds. If this number is lower than 0.33, use 0.33 instead. The minimum match-win percentage of 0.33 limits the effect low performances have when calculating and comparing opponents' match-win percentage.
 - 3.8.2. Tiebreaker 2: The Entrant's Game Win Percentage. Similar to the match-win percentage, an Entrant's game-win percentage is the total number of game points he or she has earned divided by the total game points possible (generally, 3 times the number of games played). Use 0.33 if the actual game-win percentage is lower than 0.33.
 - 3.8.3. Tiebreaker 3: The Entrant's Opponent's Opponent's Match Win Percentage.
 - 3.8.4. Tiebreaker 4: Total runs scored. Whichever player scored more runs in their matches.
- 3.9. Disputes and Disqualifications: If any disputes arise during a match an Entrant must report them via Administrator's match support or a discord notification and provide proof of match results using screenshots of

each victory or video replays uploaded to Youtube or Twitch. Each Entrant has ten minutes from the scheduled start time to start a match. If an Entrant is ten or more minutes late for a match, that Entrant forfeits the match. Once a match has started, delay of play may lead to disqualification. If an Entrant sees the message “Game Session has ended,” or is disconnected from a game, that Entrant forfeits the match. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, **Administrator’s decisions are final and binding in all matters relating to the Promotion.**

4. **JUDGING:** The following factors will be used to judge each Entry by Administrator: Entrant who scores the most runs in each game and wins the game. Promotion winners will be determined as described in Section 3 of these Official Rules (“**Judging Criteria**”). Judging will begin at 9 AM PT the day after each Stage in Administrator’s offices (2900 – 550 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada, V6C 0A3). Administrator’s representatives will score each Entry based on the Judging Criteria. The 16 Entrants who receive the highest scores in each Stage will win either Grand Prize, First Place Prize, Second Place Prize, Third Place Prize or Fourth Place Prize. Entrants are subject to verification that they are qualified participants as defined by these rules.

5. **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:** Each Entry submitted (i) must be in keeping with the Sponsor, MLB Players (as defined below), and Major League Baseball’s image (as Sponsor, the MLB Players or the MLB Entities determine in their sole discretion), as applicable, (ii) may not be inappropriate, offensive, libelous or defamatory, pornographic, sexually explicit, contain nudity, unlawful or plagiarized, (iii) must not be harassing, abusive, threatening, harmful, vulgar, profane, obscene, excessively violent, racially, ethnically or otherwise objectionable or offensive in any way, (iv) may not violate or encourage others to violate any law, statute, ordinance or regulation, (v) may not defame or invade publicity rights or privacy of any person, living or deceased, or otherwise infringe upon any person’s personal or property right or any other third party right, (vi) may not contain commercial or corporate advertising, including display of corporate logos, brand names and slogans, other than those relating to Sponsor, (vii) may not include references to alcoholic beverages, tobacco, drug paraphernalia, firearms or any depiction or representation thereof and (viii) may not include any virus, worm, corrupt file, Trojan horse or other forms of corruptive code or content that may harm or compromise Sponsor’s or Administrator’s web site or the proper conduct of the Promotion. Administrator reserves the right to verify the accuracy or truthfulness of any information contained within a submitted Entry. Administrator has the right in its sole discretion to determine if any Entry is not appropriate for any public release and if an Entry is in compliance with these Official Rules. Administrator reserves the right to disqualify an Entry for any reason. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, Administrator’s decisions are final and binding with respect to all matters relating to this Promotion.

6. **PRIZES:**

For each Stage of the Promotion (four stages in total) the following prizes will be awarded:

- Grand Prize: One winner will receive 600,000 MLB The Show 21 Stubs (ARV: \$400 USD)
- First Place Prize: One winner will receive 300,000 MLB The Show 21 Stubs (ARV: \$200 USD)
- Second Place Prize: Two winners will receive 150,000 MLB The Show 21 Stubs (ARV: \$100 USD)
- Third Place Prize: Four winners will receive 67,500 MLB The Show 21 Stubs (ARV: \$50 USD)
- Fourth Place Prize: Eight winners will receive 24,000 MLB The Show 21 Stubs (ARV: \$20 USD)

Total ARV for the prizes in each Stage is \$1160 USD; total ARV for the Promotion is \$6960 USD. Prize fulfillment is based on availability. Please allow 90 days for prize delivery. Taxes on prize, if any, are solely the responsibility of the winner. Winners of a prize valued at \$600 or more will receive a Federal Tax Form 1099. We recommend that you consult with your tax advisor if you have further questions. Administrator reserves the right to substitute a prize of equal or greater value in its sole discretion, unless such substitution is prohibited by law. Administrator may

disqualify a winner and select an alternate winner based upon application of the Judging Criteria to such alternate winner(s) if any prize is returned undeliverable. Prizes are non-transferable and not convertible to cash. Administrator need not substitute a prize based on the winner's request.

7. **WINNER SELECTION:** Winners will be selected at the offices of the Administrator (Battlefy, 2900 – 550 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada, V6C 0A3) on the dates and at the times specified in Section 4 above based on the Judging Criteria from valid Entries received during the Promotion Period. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, Administrator's decisions will be final and binding. Winner information can be found on the MLB The Show 21 Leaderboard (theshow.com). Each winner will be notified via email sent to the e-mail address provided in the Entry, which such email will include a voucher code with which the winner can download their prize. Canadian selected entrants may, at the Administrator's discretion, be required to correctly answer, unaided, a time-limited mathematical skill-testing question posed by the Administrator at a mutually convenient time prior to being declared a confirmed winner.
8. **LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY:** Sponsor, Administrator, the MLB Entities, the MLB Players and their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, parent corporations, advertising and promotional agencies, and all of their officers, directors, shareholders, employees, and agents are not responsible for: any incorrect or inaccurate Entry information; human errors; technical malfunctions; failures, omissions, interruptions, deletions, or defects of any telephone network, computer online system, computer equipment, servers, providers, or software, including any injury or damage to Entrant's or any other person's computer relating to participation or inability to participate in the Promotion; inability to access the Site or upload information or data; theft, tampering, destruction, or unauthorized access to, or alteration of, Entries; data that is processed late or incorrectly or is incomplete or lost due to telephone, computer, or electronic malfunction or traffic congestion on telephone lines or the Internet or any website (including the Site) or for any other reason whatsoever; printing or other errors; or any combination thereof. Proof of uploading information or data or entering information at the Site is not considered proof of delivery or receipt. Illegible, duplicate and incomplete Entries will be disqualified. False, fraudulent, or deceptive Entries or acts shall render Entrants ineligible and all associated Entries will be void. As used herein, "MLB Players" means the Major League Baseball Players Association ("MLBPA"), MLB Players, Inc. ("MLBPI"), all Major League Baseball players, each of their respective parents, subsidiaries, affiliated and related entities, any entity which, now or in the future, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the MLBPA and/or MLBPI, and the owners, general and limited partners, shareholders, directors, officers, members, employees and agents of each of the foregoing entities.
9. **INDEMNITY:** Each Entrant shall indemnify and defend Sponsor, the MLB Entities, the MLB Players, their parent companies, each of their advertising agencies, and the officers, directors, employees, and agents of all of the foregoing and the successors and assigns of each of them from and against actions, claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable counsel fees related to (i) such Entrant's use of any prize, (ii) the Sponsor's use of any of the materials submitted by such Entrant in connection with this Promotion, (iii) any intentional misconduct or negligence by such Entrant in connection with this Promotion or (iv) Entrant's violation of these Official Rules.
10. **RELEASES:** As a condition of participating in the Promotion, each Entrant agrees, to the extent allowable under applicable law, to release Sponsor and its parent, subsidiaries, agencies, divisions and affiliates, and the MLB Players, from any and all liability for loss, harm, damage, injury, cost or expense whatsoever, including, without limitation, property damage, personal injury and death, that may or does occur in connection with such Entrant's preparation for, travel to, or participation in the Promotion, or possession, acceptance or use of prize or participation in any Promotion-related activities and claims based on publicity rights, copyright or trademark infringement, defamation or invasion of privacy and merchandise delivery.

11. **GENERAL CONDITIONS:** Potential winning Entrants are subject to Administrator's verification. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, Administrator's decisions are final and binding in all matters related to the Promotion. Potential winners must comply with the Official Rules, and receipt of prizes is contingent upon fulfilling all requirements. Sponsor and the MLB Entities and the MLB Players are not responsible for technical, hardware or software failures, malfunctions, lost or unavailable network connections or failed, incomplete, garbled or delayed computer transmissions or unforeseen schedule changes that may limit an Entrant's ability to participate in the Promotion, even if caused by Sponsor's, Administrator's or the MLB Entities' or MLB Players' negligence. Administrator (with the consent of the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux in Quebec) has the sole discretion to modify, cancel or suspend this Promotion should viruses, bugs, unauthorized human intervention or other causes beyond Sponsor's or Administrator's control affect the administration, security or proper play of the Promotion or Sponsor or Administrator otherwise become incapable of running the Promotion as planned. Sponsor and Administrator are not responsible for changes to Entrant's contact information. Limit 1 Entry per person per Stage. If more than 1 Entry per person per Stage is received or if any person attempts to submit more than 1 Entry by using the same, multiple or different names or email addresses, such Entries may be deemed void and that person may be disqualified from the Promotion. No illegible, incomplete, forged or altered Entries will be accepted. Administrator has the sole discretion to disqualify Entrants who violate these Official Rules, tamper with the operation of the Promotion or engage in any conduct that is deemed, in Sponsor's and Administrator's discretion, to be harassing, detrimental or unfair to Sponsor or Administrator, the Promotion or any other Entrant.
12. **COLLECTION, USE AND SHARING OF INFORMATION:** Sponsor shall collect, use and share your information in accordance with Sponsor's Privacy Policy and to provide the Promotion to you, which will include player matching, result analysis and posting, tournament ranking, and distribution of prizes. By participating in the Promotion, each Entrant agrees to the terms of Sponsor's Privacy Policy. Sponsor will share Entrant's information with the MLB Entities and MLB Players in order to facilitate distribution of prizes. Entrants' PSN ID or Xbox Live Gamertag and performance data will be published publicly on Sponsor's leaderboards and social media, including at <https://www.theshow.com>. Please note that if you choose to participate in the Promotion, your information will be displayed publicly regardless of any choice you made to hide MLB: The Show in your Account for PlayStation Network or console privacy settings. Further note that since this information is publicly posted, other parties may view and retrieve it.
13. **WINNER LIST:** To obtain a winner list by mail, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to "MLB the Show 21 Exhibition Tournaments", Attn: Battlefy, P.O. Box 42009 Fremont Village PO Port Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada V3B 0G0. Administrator will send requested winner lists within 4-6 weeks after all prizes are awarded. Requests for the winner list must be received by September 28, 2021.
14. **GOVERNING LAW:** All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules or the rights and obligations of entrants or Sponsor in connection with this Promotion are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules (whether of the State of California or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of any other state's laws. Entrants hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Federal and State Courts in San Mateo, California for the purposes of any suit related to the Promotion and waive any claim that they are not subject personally to the jurisdiction of said courts or that any such suit or other proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum or improper venue
15. **QUEBEC RESIDENTS:** Any litigation respecting the conduct or organization of a publicity contest may be submitted to the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux for a ruling. Any litigation respecting the awarding of a prize may be submitted to the Régie only for the purpose of helping the parties reach a settlement.

16. **SPONSOR:** Sony Interactive Entertainment LLC, 2207 Bridgepointe Parkway, San Mateo, CA 94404.

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APPENDIX A: CODE OF CONDUCT

This Code of Conduct (“**Code**”) applies to all Entrants who participate in the Promotion. Violation of this Code can lead to disqualification from the Promotion or the deduction of Promotion points. This Code applies to conduct in the Promotion, on social media and activity on live streams. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, **Administrator’s decisions are final and binding in all matters relating to the Promotion.**

- Use of vulgar or offensive language is prohibited.
- Abusive behavior, including harassment and threats, is prohibited.
- Physical abuse, fighting or any threatening action, directed at any Entrant, Administrator or any other person, is prohibited.
- Any action that interferes with play of a game, including breaking a console, interfering with power, and abuse of in-game pausing, is prohibited.
- Gambling, including betting on the outcome of games, is prohibited.
- The acceptance of any gifts, rewards, or compensation for services that relate to participation in the Promotion is prohibited.