

Section 1 – Preface

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This current rulings document is an official rules supplement to the Comprehensive Rulebook v3.0. All rulings made prior to May 2004 can be found in that Comprehensive Rulebook

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Section 2 – X-List

The following cards may not be played in Standard format tournaments for The Lord of the Rings™ TCG:

ELROND, LORD OF RIVENDELL	1 R 40
GALADRIEL, LADY OF LIGHT	1 R 45
OTTAR, MAN OF LAKETOWN	1 R 80
NO STRANGER TO THE SHADOWS	1 U 108
SAVAGERY TO MATCH THEIR NUMBERS	1 R 139
RELICS OF MORIA	1 R 195
ÚLAIRÉ NERTÉA, MESSENGER OF DOL GULDUR	1 U 234
FORCES OF MORDOR	1 C 248
STING	1 R 313
FLAMING BRAND	2 R 32
ARAGORN, HEIR TO THE WHITE CITY	3 R 38
HORN OF BOROMIR	0 P 5 AND 3 R 42
THE PALANTIR OF ORTHANC	3 R 67
SARUMAN, KEEPER OF ISENGARD	3 R 68
BILL THE PONY	0 P 2 AND 3 U 106
FRYING PAN	3 C 108
STEADFAST CHAMPION	7 U 49
GONDORIAN CAPTAIN	7 C 96
AGGRESSION	8 C 1
Δ MORDOR FIEND	10 C 91

Section 3 – Cards with Errata

No cards have received an erratum since the release of Comprehensive Rulebook 3.0.

Section 4 – Cards with Clarifications

O ELBERETH! GITHONIEL! 2 R 108

As skirmishes involving the Ring-bearer cannot be cancelled, the skirmish action of this condition can only be used to take off The One Ring.

SMÉAGOL, BEARER OF GREAT SECRETS 9 R+ 30

You do not add a burden when you start this card as your Ring-bearer. (Your Ring-bearer is placed on the table, not played.)

GOLLUM, MAD THING 10 R 21

Gollum's game text does not apply if a Shadow player assigns him to a skirmish.

Section 5 – Other Clarifications

"is about to" actions

Some actions are performed when a described situation "is about to" happen. Typically, only one such action can be performed in a given situation, because its effect will "prevent" that situation or replace it with another effect "instead."

Example: Isildur is wearing The One Ring, Answer to All Riddles. ("While wearing The One Ring... each time he is about to take a wound in a skirmish, add a burden instead.") The Free Peoples player has Sapling of the White Tree in play. (Response: If a [Gondor] Man is about to take a wound, discard this artifact to prevent that.) Isildur loses a skirmish and is about to take a wound. Because the required action of The One Ring causes a burden to be added "instead" of a wound, the optional action of Sapling of the White Tree cannot be used, as the situation it responds to no longer exists.

playing Shadow cards

A Shadow player cannot play a Shadow artifact on another Shadow player's minion

The Rule of 9

Each copy of a companion in play or in your dead pile counts as a separate companion, whether it is unique or non-unique.