

# KAMIZA

Yakuza Role-Playing Battle Game

The news reporting the death of the president of *Ban-yu-kai*, the largest *yakuza* syndicate in Japan, shook the underworld of Japan. *Ban-yu-kai* subsidiary group members who have gathered at the president's funeral are casting covetous eyes on the presidential succession. A battle is about to begin quietly.

Players: 3-4 (4 recommended) Playing Time: 10-20 mins

※The same rule applies to both 3-player and 4-player games.

## ●Contents (JPN ver)

1 manual sheet (with a board sheet for playing KAMIZA and sample phrases on its back)

16 YAKUZA cards: 4 cards × 4 sets (of different colors).

each set comprised of 1 組長 (*kumicho*/boss) card, 1 若頭 (*waka-gashira*/underboss) card,

1 鉄砲玉 (*teppo-dama*/hit man) card, and 1 手入れ (*te-ire*/police raid) card

Score chips: 1-point and 5-point score chips

## ●Preparation

Each player shall hold a set of YAKUZA cards (of the same color) in his hand with the front (numbered side) of the cards concealed from other players.

Spread the KAMIZA sheet (back of the JPN manual) in the center of the table.

## ●Outline of the Game

- (1) From the start player, each player shall play a YAKUZA card face down in his desired position on the KAMIZA sheet.
- (2) After all the players have played their cards, the start player shall flip all cards to face up in the order he likes.
- (3) Judge the battle results and each player shall receive corresponding score chips.
- (4) Play it for 3 rounds until each player shall have only 1 card left in his hand.
- (5) Play the game comprised of (1) to (4) three times. The player who has gained the highest score in total after 3 games shall win (and be the next president!)

## ●How to Play

### 1. Choosing the start player

The most chivalrous player (regardless of the gender) shall be the start player.

### 2. Playing cards and bluffing

組長 (*kumicho*/boss) and 手入れ (*te-ire*/police raid) cards can be placed only at the kamiza (top) side, demonstrating their pride.

若頭 (*waka-gashira*/underboss) and 鉄砲玉 (*teppo-dama*/hit man) cards can be placed at either the *kamiza* (top) or *shimoza* (bottom) side.

The available side for each card is indicated by the arrow-like icon (comprised of the *kanji* characters 上 [top] and 下 [bottom]) on the card.

Even if the maximum number of cards for which seats are available have been placed on the side you want to play your card, you can still play your card on that side. (It is possible for all players to play their cards on the *kamiza*/top or *shimoza*/bottom side.

In such a case, when you play your card, make sure to utter a threat according to the sample phrase or utter your original threatening phrase. (If you dare to be a *yakuza*, try to come up with a powerful phrase!)

You are free to bluff by uttering a phrase either matching or not matching the card you are playing. In either case, utter it to prevent others from detecting your card's identity.

### 3. Number of available seats

The number of seats that are available for the cards are 1 on the 上座 (*kamiza*/top) side and 2 on the *shimoza*/bottom side.

※Note about the start player:

The player who received the highest score in the previous round shall be the start player of the present round.

However, at the 1st rounds of the 2nd and 3rd games, the start player shall be the player who has received the highest score in total by that time. If none of the players receives any score in a round, the start player of that round shall also be the start player of the next round.



- A. Group emblem
- B. Name and symbol color of the group
- C. Character illustration
- D. Icon indicating by white the available side(s) where you can place the card.
- E. Position
- F. Points to gain by winning