On the Subject of Points of Order

We are playing standard 5-card Berlin Mao. Play begins with me and proceeds in a clockwise direction.

- Welcome to this game of Mao. You joined at just the right time. We've already played five cards in accordance with the current rules of the game.
- You have four cards on your hand. Once you pick up your cards, you must play a valid card within 5 seconds to defuse the module.
- Playing a bad card or failing to play a card within 5 seconds will result in a strike. You will also receive four new cards.

To find out what the current rules of the game are, examine the cards already played and determine which <u>two</u> of the following rules are active and which one is inactive:

1. Examine the first and second character of the serial number. Depending on whether each is a letter or a number, the next card's suit must be one of the following:

First character	Second character	Previously-played suit			
		♦	•	♣	•
Letter	Letter	♠ or ♥	Vor &	♣ or ♦	or 💠
Letter	Number	♠ or ♦	♥ or ♠	♣ or ♥	or ♣
Number	Letter	Vor 🎝	♣ or ♦	or 💠	♠ or ♥
Number	Number	or ♣	♠ or ♦	♥ or ♠	♣ or ♥

- 2. Ranks must alternate between being divisible and not divisible by the alphabetic position of the fourth character of the serial number, modulo 3, plus 3.
- 3. Ranks of consecutive cards must have a difference of x + 2 or x + 3 (with wraparound allowed), where x is the alphabetic position of the fifth character of the serial number, modulo 3.

Ranks are considered to be numbered from 1 (Ace) to 13 (King).

Only one of the four cards in front of you is valid to play under the two active rules.

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