⚡ The Syndicate – Corporation Quick-Start (System Gateway)

🎯 Your Goal

Score 7 agenda points before the Runner steals them—or flatline them by dealing damage when their grip is empty!

Starter deck: Only 6 points needed

🎲 Setup

1. Shuffle your **34-card starter deck** → place as **R&D**
2. Draw 5 cards → your hand is **HQ**
3. Create empty **Archives** (discard pile)
4. Take 🪙 5 credits + blue click tracker
5. **Mulligan:** May shuffle hand back & draw 5 new cards (once)

⚙️ Your Turn Structure

Phase	Actions
Draw	Draw 1 card (mandatory)
Actions (3 clicks)	• ∅ → Gain 🪙 • ∅ → Draw 1 card • ∅ → Play an operation • ∅ → Install a card • ∅ + 🪙 → Advance a card
Discard	Max hand size = 5

🎮 Advancing & Scoring Agendas

**To score:** Install in remote server → advance until counters ≥ advancement requirement → score anytime on your turn

Example: Offworld Office (4/2) needs 4 advances to score for 2 points

> Can advance assets/upgrades to bluff!

🃏 Card Types

- 🟩 **Agendas** – Score for points
- 🟪 **Assets/Upgrades** – Rez anytime paying 🪙
- 🟥 **ICE** – Rez when Runner approaches
- 🟦 **Operations** – One-shot effects from HQ

🛡️ Defending Runs (Timing)

> Declare → Approach → Encounter →
> Pass → Approach next
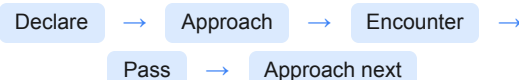
1. **Approach:** You may rez ICE
2. **Encounter:** Subroutines fire if unbroken
3. **Pass:** Continue to next ICE or server
4. **Success:** Runner accesses cards

> **ICE Types:**
> - **Barrier** - Ends the run
> - **Code Gate** - Tricks & penalties
> - **Sentry** - Damage & punishment

🛠️ Installing ICE Costs

Pay 🪙 equal to # of ICE already protecting that server (1st ICE is free, 2nd costs 🪙, 3rd costs 🪙 🪙, etc.)

🚀 Booster Pack Additions

Concept	Impact
Viruses	Purge all: ∅ ∅ ∅ (full turn)
Tags	• ∅ + 🪙 🪙 → Trash resource • Enables cards like *Retribution*
Meat damage	Flatline if Runner must discard from empty grip

📚 Key Terms & Advanced Rules

- **Paid abilities (🔓):** Can use between any game steps
- **Trashing cards:** Trash assets, agendas, or upgrades anytime (face-down if unrezzed)
- **Remote servers:** Create by installing cards in new columns
- **Traces:** You bid first (base + credits) vs Runner's link + bid
- **Deckbuilding:** 40+ cards, 15 influence (●● = out-of-faction)

> 🎯 **Pro tip:** Install agendas in remote servers with ICE. Never advance until you can score next turn!