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## SETUP

Choose a scenario and follow its setup instructions. Shuffle the **Event** card and **Advantage** card decks and place them facedown on the table.

## PLAYING THE GAME

Each game is divided into a series of **rounds**, each of which is divided into 4 **phases** to be carried out in order.

### 1. INITIATIVE PHASE

The Human player rolls as many 6-sided **Action Dice** as he has active warriors. Then select a die for each warrior and place it on that warrior's **Reference card**, thus selecting which **Line of Action** (and which statistics) will be used by that warrior until the beginning of the next Initiative Phase.

The **Redeemer** usually has 2 **Gifts** (see the scenario), which can be added to some of the Lines of Action on his reference card.

#### Exhausted Warriors

If a warrior receives a die score that matches a *cancelled* Line of Action, he is **Exhausted**: he will not be able to act normally during the following Action phase and will have a **DEF of 3** and a **MVT** and **CBT of 0** until the next Initiative Phase. He no longer has any Talents and does not benefit from any of the advantages linked to his Objects (excepting the *Scepter of Command*). He can still be affected by stat bonuses that come from special rules or Advantage cards.

If the Redeemer is Exhausted and the canceled Line of Action is one that triggers one of his Gifts, that Gift is no longer usable.

#### Healing

Certain cards can **heal** a previously canceled Line of Action; remove the corresponding Damage token. If the line that has just been healed is the line designated by the warrior's Action Die in the Initiative phase, he is no longer *Exhausted* and can act normally.

### 2. HUMAN PLAYER ACTION PHASE

The Human player must activate his warriors one at a time. Each warrior must finish his activation before the next warrior can be activated.

During his activation, a warrior can either **move** first and then **engage in combat**, or engage in combat first, then move.

Neither movement nor combat are required. A warrior cannot begin to move, engage in combat, and then finish his movement.

#### Advantage Cards

Each scenario description grants the Human player the use of a number of Advantage cards. These can be used at the time stated in their description, and must then be discarded. The Human player can't draw any more Advantage cards once the game has begun.

#### Objects

Some warriors can carry and use Objects that improve their statistics or give them special abilities. Warriors cannot exchange objects, put them down, pick them up, or destroy them in any way. Objects are removed from play only when their owner is killed or leaves the game.

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### 3. THREAT PHASE

The Demon player rolls 3 6-sided **Dice of Destiny** and positions them in the **Destiny square(s)** of his choice, following any restrictions that may apply, then immediately applies the relevant effects to the chosen Destiny squares.

If a tile or a card allows him to roll a greater number of Dice, then he can place them all on his Board of Destiny.

Abilities printed in **red** can only be selected once per Threat Phase.

The Demon player can then send his warriors into the game. Each Troglodyte costs 1 **Threat Point** (TP). The Demon player can also send in a Demon by paying 5 TP.

These can be placed on one or several tiles, but the **Tunnel Size Rule** and the following restrictions apply:

The tile must have at least one **unexplored** opening.

An opening is considered *unexplored* if it leads to a part of the catacombs that is not yet represented by a tile.

The tile must be empty of Human warriors.

Warriors that are sent into play during the Threat phase can act normally during the following Action phase.

#### Event Cards

The Dark Destiny result of the Board of Destiny allows the Demon player to draw an **Event card**. This can be kept in his hand or used at the time indicated in its description (and must then be discarded).

The Demon player can keep as many Event cards in his hand as desired.

### 4. DEMON PLAYER ACTION PHASE

The Demon player's Action phase is identical to the Human player's Action phase except **the Demon player's warriors can never explore any openings**.

## MOVEMENT

Movement is always optional. Every time a warrior moves, he can spend all or part of his **MVT** score.

Leaving a tile to move to the next tile connected by an opening costs 1MVT, with the following restrictions:

**Tunnel Size Rule:** a tile cannot contain more than 3 warriors from each side.

**Blocking Rule:** a warrior can only leave a tile containing enemy units if there are at least as many warriors from his side as there are enemies.

## EXPLORING

During his movement, a human warrior can spend 1MVT to explore a nearby opening and therefore reveal a new tile. While doing so, they must apply the Blocking Rule.

The Human player draws the first tile from the stack and gives it to the Demon player.

The Demon player places the new tile in contact with the explored opening, any way they like, as long as the new tile is accessible to the warrior exploring it.

The Human player then places his warrior on the new tile. Any effects the tile may have are triggered.

The Human warrior may continue to move if they still have any remaining MVT score.

#### Dead Ends

If, after exploring an opening, the board is left with no more unexplored openings, the last tile to have been placed is discarded and a new tile is drawn, and so on until an unexplored opening appears.

## COMBAT

When a warrior engages in **combat**, follow this procedure:

The player controlling the warrior that initiated the attack must choose which of the enemies on the same tile they are going to **target**. Note that all Troglodytes present on the same tile count as a single target.

Roll a number of **Combat Dice** equal to the warrior's **CBT** score. Each die with a score higher than or equal to the selected target's **DEF** score is counted as a hit.

**No matter what bonuses they have received, a warrior's DEF score can never be higher than 6.**

The player that controls the hit warrior(s) then resolves the hits:

**Troglodytes:** a single hit is enough to kill a Troglodyte; remove the miniature from the game. If several hits are achieved, a Troglodyte is killed for each one.

**Demons:** place a Wound token on the Demon's Reference card for each hit. When the number of Wound tokens is equal to or greater than its Health score, the Demon is removed from the game.

**Human Warriors:** each hit requires the Human player to select a Line of Action which will then be *cancelled*. Place a marker in the relevant Damage square. Once all 6 Lines of Action have been canceled, the warrior is dead and the miniature is removed from the game.

#### Damage Effects

If a canceled Line of Action matches the Action Die that the warrior was given during the Initiative phase, they are not yet considered to be *Exhausted*.

A warrior is only *Exhausted* if they are given an Action Die that matches a previously canceled Line of Action during the Initiative phase.

#### Ranged Combat

Some weapons allow warriors to attack one or more targets on an adjacent tile. For such an attack to be possible, the attacker's tile and the target's tile must be connected by an opening.

## TALENTS

Some warriors have **Talents** which give them extra abilities during the game. **A Human warrior cannot use any Talent while they are Exhausted.**

#### Elusive

The warrior can move without taking into account the number of enemy warriors (*ie.* he is not affected by the Blocking Rule).

#### Frantic

The warrior can re-roll each Combat die once if it did not hit.

#### Bodyguard

Every time an allied warrior on the same tile is hit by an attack, a warrior with this Talent can choose to suffer all or some of the effects of that hit in his place.

#### Impressive

The warrior can prevent one or more enemies from leaving the tile that they are currently on (except for the *Hole in the Ground* tile). If an *Elusive* warrior is on the same tile as one or more *Impressive* enemies, the Talents cancel each other out and the normal Blocking Rule applies to all.

#### Blessed

This warrior can, during the Initiative phase, after the Action Dice have been applied, provide support to another warrior of his choice.

The chosen warrior can choose either a bonus of +1 MVT or +2 CBT until the end of the following Action phase. Place the **Blessing token**, showing the appropriate side, on the relevant warrior's card stand.

If the Line of Action that the warrior was using is canceled, it is immediately healed. **This talent can only be used once per scenario.** Discard the Blessing token at the end of the Action phase during which the Talent was used.

## HANDICAPS

**Human Player (simpler game for the Demon player):**

Remove these 3 cards from the Event deck: 1 *Lost* and 2 *Panic!* cards. The Demon player begins the game with 3 extra TP.

**Demon Player (simpler game for the Human player):**

The Human player draws one extra Advantage card, and can choose one extra Gift for the Redeemer.

## EXPERIENCED PLAYERS

During setup, hold a **reverse auction**, with a starting price of 21 points. The next player to bid must always bid a lower value. The player to bid the lowest value wins the auction, plays the Humans and must assemble a team with the value equal to his winning bid. Costs are as follows:

**Redeemer** (maximum 1): free and mandatory;

**Gifts** (maximum 4): 2 points per Gift;

**Condemned Brute** or **Blade for Hire** (maximum 2 of each): 3 points per warrior;

**Objects** 2 points per card (chosen from all available cards); **Advantage cards** 1 point per card (drawn randomly from the deck of all available cards).

Objects must be given out to the warriors before the game begins. The human player must apply the restrictions stated on each Object's card.

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If a **Redeemer's** canceled LoFA triggers one of his Gifts, that Gift is no longer usable.

## 2. HUMAN PLAYER ACTION PHASE

**Human player** activates his warriors one at a time: **move** then **fight**, or fight then move.

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**Impressive** Can prevent one or more enemies from leaving the tile they are on (except for *Hole in the Ground* tile). On the same tile as *Elusive* enemies, the talents cancel out.

**Blessed** After Action Dice have been applied, can support another warrior of choice: a bonus of either +1 MVT or +2 CBT until the end of the following Action phase. If the LoFA the warrior was using is canceled, it is immediately healed. **This talent can only be used once per scenario.**

## SPECIAL TILES



### Stash

Effects depend on the scenario. If nothing is specified, the tile has no effect.



### Hungry Tunnels

Each time a warrior standing on this tile is hit *in combat*, the effects of that hit are **doubled**. This does not apply to the effects of a Grenade.



### Tight Tunnel

This tile can only hold one warrior from each side instead of the usual 3.



### Flooded Tunnel

A warrior entering this tile must immediately end his movement. Leaving this tile cost a warrior his full MVT potential.



### Booby-Trapped Tunnel

The first time a human warrior enters this tile, the Demon player rolls a die:

- 1 Nothing happens
- 2-3 The warrior suffers 1 hit.
- 4 The warrior immediately ends his move.
- 5 Place a Troglodyte on this tile.
- 6 The warrior suffers 2 hits.



### Demonic Mechanism

In the next Threat phase, the Demon player rolls one extra Die of Destiny. This is only triggered the first time a Human warrior enters this tile.



### Pentacle Room

This tile can hold 5 warriors per side instead of the usual 3.



### Exit

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### Lair

The Demon player can always make Troglodytes appear on this tile.



### Hole in the Ground

When played, the Demon player must place a **Hole marker** on another tile already in play. Troglodytes can spend 1MVT to move between a tile with a Hole to another tile that has a Hole. This is a movement, but the *Blocking Rule* and the *Impressive* Talent have no effect on it.

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