RENEGADES

CREATE YOUR SQUAD



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This is the **Create Your Squad** handbook, a supplement to the **RENEGADES** rulebook!

This document contains all of the game's *soldiers*, *equipment* and *squad masteries*. To use it with a wide range of different miniatures, here are a few tips & tricks.

♦ Find the right rules

The *soldiers* and *equipment* in this document may sound unfamiliar at first, but may have rules that fit your miniatures extremely well!

♦ Create your own specialists

Use combinations of weapons and *items* to create specialist *soldiers*. For example, use a *sniper rifle* and *chameleon weave* to get a sneaky sharpshooter!

♦ Use "counts-as"

Occassionally, the rules for one thing are well-suited to represent something else (e.g. a terrifying claw can use the rules of a *big melee weapon*).

♦ Keep it consistent

To keep things clear and less confusing, apply the rules consistently across your squad's miniatures.



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SOLDIERS

▼ MINIONS: Evasive and hard to pin down. Excellent harassers.



MINION

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creature, not capable of heroics... or?

Evasive Rascal - Gains a permanent +2 defense from their small body type and, once per activation, after Fighting, Firing or Interacting, they may perform a free "Scamper!" Move (even if they have Moved). It allows them to Move D6" and retreat without consequences - but not charge.

Low Standing - May only equip non-rare equipment.

+ UPGRADE: BIG LIL' SOLDIER

+ 3

Small abhumans or aliens that punch above their weight.

Big Personality - Gains Vitality 2. Can equip rares.

+ UPGRADE: EXTRA SLOT

+]

+1 Slot: Gains an additional inventory slot.



HOVER DRONE





Light, hovering automata serve as scouts or gun platforms. At times skull-based.

Evasive Rascal - Shared rule, see Minion profile.

Anti-Grav Motor - Gains leap movement. Its "Scamper!" Move becomes 6" (instead of D6).

+ UPGRADE: TARGETING SCANNER

Short-range scanners expose enemies and their weakpoints.

Exposed Target - While the drone is within *proximity* (3") of enemies, they can't gain the benefit of *cover*, *defense* or the *items* chameleon weave and cloaking field.

+ UPGRADE: ADVANCED COMBAT DRONE

+ 4

A large, levitating killing machine.

XL Drone - Gains Vitality 2 and Slots 3.



HOUND





Man's best friend. Or, when tracked by one, his worst enemy.

Evasive Rascal - Shared rule, see Minion profile.

Clenching Bite - A hound has a single **1** *damage* biting *strike*. When a *target* takes *damage* from it, they cannot *retreat* and count as *shaken* until the hound is *taken out*, *retreats* or *targets* a different enemy. Hounds use *grounded* movement and can't equip anything.

+ UPGRADE: **DIREHOUND**

+ 4

Large, ravenous pooch of xenos, cybernetic or demonic origin.

Killer K9 - Gains Vitality 2. The bite becomes piercing.



SWARM





Vile critters that swarm endlessly, unless they are stamped out decisively.

Evasive Rascal - Shared rule, see Minion profile.

Pesky Swarm - Each point of a swarm's *vitality grants it a* 1 *damage fluke strike*. Gains *regen*, but takes **double** *damage* from *flame* and *blast* weapons. Can't equip anything.

+ UPGRADE: **SOARING SWARM**

+ 3

Some swarms have the ungodly blessing of wings or similar.

Airborne Vermin - Gains 9" (+D6) leap movement.



TROOPER





The common infantryman (or alien), ready to reinforce the frontlines.

Reinforcements! - Once per game, in game turn 4 or later, a player may bring back any lost troopers as reinforcements. This is always done before first activation, starting with the player who won the initiative. The troopers are redeployed within proximity (3") of any friendly reinforcement site. However, if any enemy soldier is within proximity (3") of a site, reinforcements are blocked from using it.

+ UPGRADE: HARDENED

+ 3

Tough as nails troopers. Famously used by the "tomb legions".

Hardened - Gains the hardened universal special rule.

+ UPGRADE: L.E.A.P DEVICE

+ 4

Few troopers have great agility or jetpacks, but it does happen.

Leap Into Battle - Gains leap movement 9" (+D6).

+ UPGRADE: MOUNT

+ 6

Blessing of Speed - Gains *grounded* **9" (+2D6)** movement. Can't *Defend*, but gains **+1** *defense* when *Moving* (1 AP) and **+2** *defense* when *Dash Moving* (2 AP).

+ UPGRADE OPTION: MOUNT-ATTACHED GUN

+ 2

Servo Gun - Allows a *ranged weapon* to be bought and attached to the mount as a *servo gun*.

+ UPGRADE: **EXTRA SLOT**

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+1 Slot: Gains an additional inventory slot.



GUN CREW ★





A dedicated duo that specialize in defensive gun positions. Vulnerable up close.

Reinforcements! - Shared rule, see Trooper profile.

Big Bulky Gun - May use the *Fire action* **twice** per *activation*. However, the crew uses *grounded* movement and can't *Fire* after *Moving* in a *game turn* (*reinforcing* counts as *Moving*). They can't equip *items* or *melee weapons* and the *strike difficulty* to *Fight against* them is fixed at **1**.

+ UPGRADE: GUN SHIELD

+ 3

It ain't much, but it's better than nothing.

Bit of Protection - Gains a permanent +1 defense buff.



ELITE

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Experienced soldiers of action. Here's a tip: don't mess with them.

Instinctive Reactions - After elites have been targeted by a futile Fire or Fight action, i.e. an attack that doesn't cause any hit or shaken effect, they may perform a 1 AP action of choice as a reaction, but any rolls are desperate.

+ UPGRADE: HARDENED

+ 7

Elites in power armour or similarly advanced protection.

Hardened - Gains the hardened universal special rule.

+ UPGRADE: L.E.A.P DEVICE

+ 5

These rapid-respone elites have some kinda jetpack or similar.

Leap Into Battle - Gains leap movement 9" (+D6).

+ UPGRADE: MOUNT

+ 7

Elite "cavalry", usually on bikes. Spearhead specialists.

Blessing of Speed - Gains grounded 9" (+2D6) movement. Can't *Defend*, but gains +1 defense when *Moving* (1 AP) and +2 defense when *Dash Moving* (2 AP).

+ UPGRADE OPTION: MOUNT-ATTACHED GUN

+ 3

Servo Gun - Allows a *ranged weapon* to be bought and attached to the mount as a *servo gun*.

+ UPGRADE: HYPER ELITE ★

+ 5

These keen, ninja-like warriors have incredible reflexes.

Hyper-Active - Gains *AP* **4**. Becoming *shaken* reduces the *soldier* to **2** *AP*, instead of 1. *Reactions* caused by **Instinctive Reactions** no longer use *desperate* rolls.

+ UPGRADE: EXTRA SLOT

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+1 Slot: Gains an additional inventory slot.



Unstoppable Juggernaut - Heavies are hardened and have breach and grounded movement. They don't get shaken, except from squad abilities.

+ UPGRADE: BATTLESUIT ★

+ 18

Advanced battlesuits are heavies with superior mobility.

Thrusters & Stabilizers - Gains leap movement 9" (+D6) and all equipped ranged weapons gain hip fire.

+ UPGRADE: TACTICAL IRONCLAD ARMOUR *

+ 18

Use piercing weapons against these heavy, high-TEQ warsuits!

Ironclad - Piercing weapons must roll hardened rolls against ironclad armour, while non-piercing weapons must use fluke rolls for their hardened rolls! Also, dash rolls are reduced to **D3**.

+ UPGRADE: ATTACHED GUN (2x allowed)

Servo Gun - Allows a ranged weapon to be bought and attached to the heavy as a servo gun.

+ UPGRADE: **EXTRA SLOT** (2x allowed)

+1 Slot: Gains one additional inventory slot.

MISSING SOMETHING?

This is the end of the soldiers section! Is there a type of soldier that you feel is missing? Please get in touch to give feedback on changes or additions!

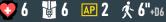
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MONSTROSITY ★★







An imposing, otherwordly behemoth, capable of great feats.

Unstoppable Juggernaut - Shared rule, see Heavy profile. Horrid Physiology - Gains regen. At the start of each activation, select **one** special rule for use this game turn:

- Thunderous Advance: Increases dash roll to 2D6.
- Dreadful Reach: May Fight against any targets within 3 + D6" (roll at start of activation).
- Terrifying Roar: May use a free Interaction (difficulty 0) to shake enemy soldiers within short range (9").
- Fierce Toss: May use a free Interaction (difficulty = target's vitality) where, if succesful, 1 soldier within proximity (3") may be repositioned, and shaken, to a playable surface within short range (9").

+ UPGRADE: LEAPING TERROR *

+ 6

Sinewy muscles or great wings allow the monstrosity to leap.

Movement is changed to leap 9" (+D6).

PROMOTE A LEADER

It is optional to promote a *squad leader*, but what's a squad without a badass in charge?

Pick a <u>single</u> soldier in your squad roster to promote to squad leader. The promotion credit cost is equal to the leader's starting vitality. Once a squad leader is promoted, they may choose **one** leader-ship bonus from this page.



DRILL SERGEANT

A drill sergeant gains the ability to inspire his soldiers using an *Interaction*.

Is That All You Got? (Interaction)

The drill sergeant may target an expended friendly soldier within proximity (3"). The interaction difficulty is 1. If successful, the ally may immediately perform a 1 AP action as a reaction. On a critical success, they may perform a 2 AP action instead.



MASTER TACTICIAN

A master tactician may pause and carefully consider the combat situation at any time.

Tactical Reassessment (Interaction)

The interaction difficulty is 1. If successful, the squad gains 1 additional squad point (SP). On a critical success, the squad gains 2 additional squad points (SP).



These skillful experts automatically succeed when Interacting (1 AP) and automatically critically succeed, if applicable, when Frantically Interacting (2 AP).

MASTER CRAFTER

All weapons and *items* in a master crafter's squad may *reroll* one *shot* and *strike* roll of 1 during each *Fire* or *Fight action*. Additionally, any *rare equipment* that a master crafter equips does <u>not</u> count towards your total amount of *rares*.

CHAMPION

A champion always uses a *strike difficulty* of 1 when *Fighting*. The only exception is when they are *Fighting* another champion, where normal rules are used.



HERALD OF FURY

Friendly soldiers within short range (9") of the herald gain 1 extra strike with an equipped melee weapon (includes the herald).

PATHFINDER

Every game turn, just before the first activation, the pathfinder, and any friendly soldier within short range (9"), may Move D6". This Move counts as a reaction (no AP cost), but may not be used to charge or retreat.



SALVO MASTER

The salvo master reduces the cost of all friendly *Firing actions* within *proximity (3")* by 1 *action point (*includes the master).

LORD PROTECTOR

Friendly soldiers within proximity (3") of the lord gain 1 extra point of defense, up to an unheard of limit of 3 (includes the lord), allowing more defense than normal.

THE FACELESS

Masters of blending in and leading through hushed whispers. A faceless squad leader, and any friendly soldier within proximity (3"), may only be targeted by enemies when they are the closest visible target or when they are within proximity (3") of the enemy attacking.

TRAIN A PSYMANCER

Through training, soldiers can master the psychic and ethereal realm. A <u>single</u> soldier in your squad roster, which can be your squad leader, may be trained as either a psymancer or a master psymancer and gain psychic powers from this page.

Psymancer

May choose **two** *psychic powers*. The training *credit* cost is equal to **twice** the *psymancer's* starting *vitality*.

Master Psymancer

May choose **three** *psychic powers*. Also, the cost of *Interacting* is reduced by **1** *action point* (*AP*) when using a *psychic power*. The training *credit* cost is equal to **three** times the *master psymancer*'s starting *vitality*.

NETHER SHIELD

Using this ability, as an *Interaction* with a *difficulty* of **2**, the *psymancer* provides arcane protection to a friendly *soldier* within *short range* (9"), or themselves. The shield grants +1 *defense* (+2 on a *critical success*) with a *duration* of **2**. Provides immunity to *psychic powers*.

THE EXALTED ONE

The psymancer calls on otherworldly forces to bless a friendly soldier within short range (9"), or themselves, using an Interaction with a difficulty of 2. If successful, the friendly soldier gains 1 extra action point (AP) and 1 extra point of damage to all their shots and strikes during their next activation (place a special effects token next to them). However, if celestial favour is not gained and an interact roll of 1 is scored, the targeted soldier loses 1 point of vitality instead.

SUMMONING CALL

The psymancer may use an Interaction to reposition a friendly soldier to a playable surface within the psymancer's proximity (3"), but outside of melee range (1") of enemies. The ally can be any friendly soldier that is still in the combat zone or a friendly trooper that has been taken out (who's summoned back instead of using the Reinforcements! rule). The interaction difficulty is equal to the summoned soldier's starting vitality.

SHATTER MIND

The psymancer directs violent cosmic energy at a single enemy target within short range (9"), using an Interaction. The interaction difficulty is 2. If succesful, the target takes 1 point of piercing damage (2 if a critical success is scored). This attack doesn't require line-of-sight.

WALL OF TORMENT

Using an Interaction with a difficulty of 4, a psymancer may conjure an infernal, painful barrier which deals 1 point of piercing damage to enemies that Move through it. Choose a start and end point within short range (9") of each other and the psymancer. Use special effects tokens to mark the positions. The wall has a duration of 2. Only one may be active per player.

PUPPET MASTER

Using an *Interaction*, the *psymancer* deviously attempts to influence the movement of a single enemy *target* within *medium* range (18"), without the need for *line-of-sight*. The *interaction difficulty* is equal to the *target*'s current *vitality*. If *succesful*, the target may be moved up to 3" or have their regular *movement distance* reduced to 3" for the rest of the *game turn*.

BLOOD RITUAL

In a dark ritual, an *Interaction* with a difficulty of **3**, the *psymancer* sacrifices a friendly *soldier* within *proximity* (3"). If *succesful*, remove the *soldier* as if they'd been *taken out*, but take note of their current *vitality*. This number may be added to the result of all dice rolls (up to a maximum of 6) performed by the squad for the rest of the *game turn*. May only be used <u>once</u> per game.

SPIRIT SURGE

When the *psymancer* is about to lose their last point of *vitality* and be *taken out*, an immense surge of ethereal energy is released, restoring the *psymancer* back to **1** point of *vitality*. Also, any *soldier*, friend or enemy, within *proximity* (3") of the *psymancer* is knocked back **D6**", becoming *shaken*. This can only happen <u>once</u> per game.

EQUIPMENT

▼ RANGED WEAPONS: If you don't want blood on your hands... deal death from afar!

NAME		4	RANGE	SHOTS	DMG	SPECIAL RULES
Pistol	1	1	Short (9")		1	Hip Fire, Akimbo
Machine Pistol	4	1	Short (9")	.	1	Hip Fire, Akimbo, Suppressive, Desperate I
Plasma Pistol ★	4	1	Short (9")		2	Hip Fire, Akimbo, Piercing
Smelta Pistol ★	5	1	6"	•	4	Hip Fire, Akimbo, Piercing
Shotgun	; 3	2	Short (9")		1	Hip Fire, Desperate Rolls
Smeltagun ★	6	2	Short (9")	•	4	Hip Fire, Piercing
Rifle	3	2	Medium (18")		1	Auto
Carbine	3	2	12"		1	Auto, Hip Fire
Storm Carbine	6	2	12"		1	Auto, Hip Fire, Suppressive
Plasma Rifle ★	7	2	Medium (18")		2	Auto, Piercing
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Machine Gun ★	8	3	Long (∞)		1	Suppressive
Auto Cannon ★	10	4	Long (∞)		2	Suppressive
Whirlwind Cannon ★	13	4	Medium (18")		1	Hip Fire, Suppressive, Split Fire
Marksman Rifle	5	2	Long (∞)		1	Precise
Sniper Rifle ★	9	2	Long (∞)		2	Precise, Piercing
Deathray Laser ★ ★	14	3	Long (∞)		3	Precise, Piercing
Grenade Launcher ★	. 6	2	Medium (18")		1	Blast
Mortar ★	9	4	Long (∞)		2	Blast, Ordnance, Duration 2
Missile Launcher ★	9	3		-		(When Firing, choose a fire mode below
- Blast Missile	-		Long (∞)		1	Blast
- Piercing Missile		+	Long (∞)		2	Piercing
Plasma Launcher ★	12	3	Medium (18")		2	Blast, Piercing
Hand Flamer ★	4	1	6"		1	Flame, Hip Fire, Akimbo
Flamer ★	5	2	Short (9")		1	Flame, Hip Fire
Heavy Flamer ★	8	3	Short (9")		2	Flame, Hip Fire

use the *slots* value of the larger weapon. Voila, you have a multi-weapon, where both weapons gain the *akimbo* rule. They can be *Fired* individually for more accuracy or together for more firepower!

▼ MELEE WEAPONS: Sharp and blunt weapons, not suitable for the faint of heart.

	NAME	2		RANGE	STRIKES	DMG	SPECIAL RULES
	Small Melee Weapon	1	1	Melee (1")		1	-
	Melee Weapon	2	2	Melee (1")		1	-
	Big Melee Weapon	3	3	Melee (1")		1	-
	Massive Melee Weapon	4	4	Melee (1")		1	-
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* 76	Power Blade ★	4	2	Melee (1")		1	Piercing, Riposte
	Big Power Blade ★	6	3	Melee (1")	.	1	Piercing, Riposte
	Massive Power Blade ★	8	4	Melee (1")		1	Piercing, Riposte
* 7	Power Spear ★	4	2	Melee (1")		1	Piercing, Reach
3/	Big Power Spear ★	6	3	Melee (1")		1	Piercing, Reach
	Massive Power Spear ★	8	4	Melee (1")		1	Piercing, Reach
A. C.S.	Power Basher ★	6	2	Melee (1")		2	Piercing, Cataclysmic
1000	Big Power Basher ★	9	3	Melee (1")		2	Piercing, Cataclysmic
	Massive Power Basher ★	12	4	Melee (1")		2	Piercing, Cataclysmic

S JAWS, CLAWS & FISTS

Certain *soldiers* might be feral beasts or grotesque monsters and don't necessarily "carry" *melee weapons* such as blades or spears.

For these types of *soldiers*, use the *melee weap-ons* listed on this page to represent the various jaws, claws and fists that they might have. Use regular *melee weapons* to represent modest natural armaments and let power weapons serve as particularly vicious and deadly limbs (or similar).

€ EMPTY-HANDED?

Remember, soldiers don't have to equip any melee weapons in order to Fight! As per the Fight action rules, soldiers that haven't gained any strikes from equipping melee weapons always get a single desperate strike when Fighting.



MEDPACK





Using an Interaction, a soldier with a medpack can heal allies within proximity (3"). The interaction difficulty is equal to the ally's starting vitality. If successful, the ally gains 1 point of vitality back. On a critical success, they gain 2.



TARGETING SCOPE ★







A targeting scope can be used to expose the weakpoints of an enemy soldier using an Interaction. The enemy must be in line-of-sight and the interaction difficulty is equal to the enemy's current vitality. If succesful, the enemy doesn't gain the benefit of cover, defense or the items chameleon weave and cloaking field for the rest of the game turn.



RALLYING BANNER ★







A glorious banner or icon that inspires soldiers within short range (9") and serves as a beacon for arriving reinforcements. Friendly shaken soldiers that are activated within its range may recover their lost action points (AP) on an even roll of a desperate D6. The banner also serves as a reinforcement site, sharing the rules of one.



COMMS UNIT ★







A comms unit allow squad abilities to be ordered more effectively across the squad. While a soldier with a comms unit is in the combat zone, roll a desperate D6 for each squad point (SP) spent by their squad. On every even roll, an SP is refunded.

MISSING SOMETHING?

Is there a gun or item missing? Get in touch! www.playrenegades.com or playrenegades@gmail.com



TACTICAL SHIELD







A tactical shield, which grants a permanent +1 defense.



BULWARK SHIELD







A big, sturdy shield, which grants a permanent +2 defense and adds a shield bash strike, a strike that can only cause the target to be shaken (instead of causing damage).



GUARDIAN FIELD★









An advanced force field which grants a permanent +2 defense, without the need for any slot usage.



CHAMELEON WEAVE







Sheathed in chameleon weave, soldiers blend right in! They cannot be attacked beyond medium range (18") and attacks beyond short range (9") become desperate.



CLOAKING FIELD ★







High-tech cloaking fields make soldiers near-invisible! They cannot be attacked beyond short range (9") and all other attacks become desperate.

imes variable credit cost

Some items have a credit cost containing an "X". In these cases, simply use the soldier's starting vitality instead of the X to calculate the actual cost.

For example, a soldier with a starting vitality of 3 would have to pay 6 credits to equip an item listed for "2X" and 4 credits for an item listed for "X+1".

SQUAD MASTERIES

▼ GENERAL: A varied mix of masteries that provide combat utility in many different ways.



HUNTERS

"Honor and skill. This must be our path.
Or the lands will eat us alive." - Thulafir, the
pale hunter. Dedicated huntsmen use coordinated attacks
and traps to bring down their prey.



EPIC: **HUNT TARGET**

I SP

During your *activation*, select a single enemy *soldier* and place a *special effects token* next to them. For the rest of the *game turn*, any rolls of

1 against this target count as critical hits.



ף EPIC: **LAY TRAP**

I SP

Allows your active soldier to perform an Interaction (difficulty 1) to lay a trap within their proximity (3"), using a special effects token.

Any enemy that *Moves* within *melee range* (1") of the trap is immediately immobilized, loses any remaining *action* points (AP) and must perform an *Interaction* (difficulty 2) to disarm the trap and regain the ability to *Move*. The trap is removed when triggered. Only 3 traps may be active at once. Cannot be performed while *engaged*.

GRENADIERS Formation of the cost

Few appreciate the art of a finely chucked grenade as much as grenadiers do. Their combat vests and backpacks are usually overloaded with delightful, shrapnel-spewing explosives.



THROW GRENADE

1 SP

Allows your active soldier to throw a grenade using a Firing action, instead of using a normal ranged weapon. A grenade is a ordnance weap-

on with short range (9"), damage 1 and a duration of 1.



EPIC: **THROW BUNDLED GRENADE** 2 SP Works exactly like a regular **GRENADE** (see above), except that *range* is reduced to **3+D3**",

or **3+D6**" when Focus Firing (2 AP), the damage is increased to **2** and the attack becomes piercing. Range is determined before deciding on a target.



DIE-HARDS

There are some squads that simply possess unwavering grit. They will not waiver. They will not yield. They will fight until the very end in the pursuit of their mission.



DESPERATE LAST STAND

1 SF

When a friendly *soldier* is reduced to **0** *vitality* and about to be *taken out*, this ability allows them to perform a final *1 AP action* as a *reac-*

tion, but any rolls become desperate. If this final action triggers a free action of some kind, they may perform that too. If they manage to take out their would-be killer (the enemy soldier who took them out), they are not taken out and are restored back to 1 vitality. Otherwise, they are simply taken out unless CHEATING DEATH succeeds (see below).



PASSIVE: CHEATING DEATH

When a friendly soldier is taken out and about to be removed, roll a fluke roll. On a roll of 6, the soldier survives with 1 vitality remaining. This

roll is performed after any $\mbox{\bf DESPERATE}$ LAST STAND (see above) attempt has been made.

TERR

TERROR TROOPS

Certain armies, warbands and squads have realized that the emotion of fear can be

weaponized to an exceptionally high degree. Some even find twisted joy in becoming their enemies' worst nightmares.



EPIC: **Gruesome Demise**

1SP

When an enemy is taken out at short range (9") or closer, this ability may be used to ensure that the enemy is dispatched with intimidating cru-

elty. Any enemy within **D6** of the *target* becomes *shaken*. Also, raise the *terror level* by **1** (see below), or by **2** if the *target* had a starting vitality of **4** or more.



PASSIVE: UNNERVING PRESENCE

Whenever an enemy soldier is activated within short range (9") of a terror troop soldier, they must roll a **D6** and unless the roll is higher

than the *terror level* they are gripped by fear and count as *shaken* during their *activation*. The *terror level* is initially 1, but is increased by each **GRUESOME DEMISE** (see above). Use a D6 to keep track of the current level. If it becomes 6 or higher, the enemy roll becomes a *fluke roll*.



TOXERS

Vile. Disgusting. Foul. Tox troops are all of the above. Their preferred arsenal consists

of biological weapons, corrosive substances and other horrific tools. Stay safe, stay away.



EPIC: THROW TOX GRENADE

1SP

Allows your *active soldier* to throw a tox nade using a *Firing action* (instead of *Firing* normally). It is thrown to a *location* within *short range*

(9"), which doesn't have to be in *line-of-sight* (measure the range as you would *leap* movement). It has no immediate effect, instead creating **TOXICITY** around its token (see below). Only **3** tox grenades may be active at once. If an additional one is thrown, a prior one must be removed.



PASSIVE: **TOXICITY**

When enemy *soldiers* are *activated* within *proximity* (3") of your tox troops or a **TOX GRENADE**, but before they perform any *actions*, they must

roll a **D6**. Unless they roll <u>higher</u> than the *vitality* of the nearest tox trooper, they take **1** *damage*. **TOX GRENADES** (see above), "count as" having a *vitality* of **3**.



While some squads are incredibly difficult to damage, others have ways of recovering

from it; whether it's through holy or unholy intervention, regenerative tissues or living metal.



EPIC: **RECOVER**

1/2 SP

This ability allows your *active soldier* to heal themselves using a *free Interaction* (difficulty 1). A success restores 1 point of vitality, while a

critical success restores 2 points. The ability costs 2 SP if the healing soldier is hardened.



EPIC: **Cling to life**

2 SF

After a friendly soldier is taken out (and after any special rules/squad abilities have been used to try and prevent this), this ability may be

used to have them cling to life. Instead of removing the soldier from the combat zone as normal, gently tip the model over. The soldier may not perform any actions, except for the **RECOVER** Interaction (see above). While clinging to life, taking any damage results in being taken out. If healed back to at least 1 vitality, the soldier is returned to normal.



ORDNANCE MASTERS

Big guns are cumbersome to move around, so it's not a bad idea to leave them at the

back and direct their fearsome firepower from the frontlines. The delayed response is a small price to pay.



EPIC: **Request Artillery**

2 SF

Allows your active soldier to use a Fire action to request an artillery strike, which functions like an ordnance weapon with medium range (18"),

damage 2 and duration 2. However, the blast radius is determined using 3D3" instead.



EPIC: QUADRANT ERADICATUS

5 QE

Allows your *active soldier* to use an *Interaction* (difficulty 1) to contact high command and request that a combat sector be eradicated. Select

a table quadrant (one corner of the *combat zone*, 1/4th of its total size). Set a *duration* of **2**. After the *duration*, any and all *soldiers* and removeable terrain pieces fully within that quadrant are *taken out*/removed. Can only be used <u>once</u> per game.



TRENCHERS

Trenchers have realized that the calamity and carnage of warfare is best experienced

from a secure, well-built entrenchment. And it all starts with a trusty shovel.



DIG IN!

1SP

This ability allows a *soldier* to perform an *Interaction* (*difficulty 1*), which grants them the benefit of *cover* without needing to be behind

cover in the usual way. Place a special effects token next to the soldier. The ability lasts until the soldier Moves in any way. Cannot be performed while engaged.



EPIC: FIX BAYONETS!

1 SP

When this ability is used, all *soldiers* without a *melee weapon* gain a normal 1 *damage strike* (in addition to their *desperate strike*). However,

as they ready for hand-to-hand combat, their marksmanship is deemphasized and they no longer score *crits* when *Firing*. These effects last for the rest of the *game turn*.



Pushing one's body and mind to the limit is not without its risks - nor without its

rewards. Whether through natural biology or artificial pharmacology, adrenal fiends rely on this risk/reward dynamic.



STIM-BOOST

1SP

Allows the *active soldier* to gain 1 additional *action point* (*AP*) during their *activation*, but if it is used to *Fight* or *Fire*, all rolls are *desperate*.

Also, a desperate **D6** must be rolled. Unless an even roll is scored, the soldier also loses 1 point of vitality.



• EPIC: **SURGE**

2 SP

Allows an expended soldier to be activated again, but any Fight or Fire rolls are desperate and they lose 1 point of vitality. If this reduces

them to **0** vitality, they may first perform their actions and then, if they roll an even number on a desperate **D6**, they survive with **1** vitality, otherwise they are taken out.

GRIZZLED VETERANS

"Sir, sir! They're shooting at us again." "Are they hitting anything?" "Not yet, sir" "Wake

me up when they start hitting something". Remarks by Captain Treyus on the 834th day of the Twilight City siege.



EPIC: **Shrug it off**

1/2 SP

This ability is used when a *soldier* is *activated* and allows them to recover from the *shaken* effect, regaining their full *action points* (AP). This

ability costs **1** *SP* if the *soldier* recovers 1 *AP* by not being *shaken*, and **2** *SP* for recovering 2 *AP* (like elites).



PASSIVE: **COOL UNDER PRESSURE**

When grizzled veterans are about to become *shaken*, roll a *desperate* **D6**. On an even roll, they do not become *shaken*.

▼ RANGED: The following masteries are primarily focused on the art of firing guns.



MARKSMEN

There are levels to everything, including marksmanship. As with most things, it

comes down to practice, dedication and interest - some troops just prefer bashing skulls.



EPIC: MAKE THE SHOT COUNT

1/2 SF

This ability improves the first *shot* roll of a *Firing action* by either 1 or 2, up to a maximum of 6, depending on how many *SPs* are spent (e.g.

a roll of 3 becomes either a 4 or 5). Decide before you roll. If the *ranged weapon* used has multiple *shots*, roll the first one separately (the remaining *shots* are not improved due to recoil). Cannot be used on *desperate* or *fluke* rolls.



PASSIVE: **EAGLE-EYED**

Marksmen can stretch the effective range of their ranged weapons. Weapons that have a shorter range than medium range (18") gain 3"

of range, while medium range (18") weapons gain $\bf 6$ ". Does not apply to flame weapons.



GUNSLINGERS

These steely-eyed shooters have freakish instincts when it comes to rapid gunhandling

in confined spaces. Don't ever be naive enough to think that you've got the drop on them. They'll drop you.



QUICK DRAW

1/2 SP

At short range (9") or closer, after a soldier has completed a Firing action, this ability allows the soldier to Fire (1 AP) again, at no AP cost,

picking a different *target* if desired, but any rolls become *desperate*. This ability costs 1 *SP* when used with *pistol* type weapons and 2 *SP* with any other type of *ranged* weapon. Additionally, this ability may be repeated, after the same original *Firing action*, as many times as your reserve of *squad points* (*SP*) allow if a *pistol* is used (otherwise it may only be used once each time).



PASSIVE: **RIGHT BETWEEN THE EYES**

When gunslingers *target* enemies at *short* range (9") or closer, they can score *critical hits* even if there are rules that normally prevent

them from being scored!

SHOCK TROOPS

Throughout the history of warfare, certain troops have been especially trained to move

up, take ground and break the enemy lines. Shock troops is just one of their many names.



RUN AND GUN

This ability is used after *Moving* and allows the following *Fire* action to be performed as if the weapon used has *hip fire*. If the weapon already

has *hip fire*, the AP cost of *Firing* is reduced by **2** AP instead. Can't be used with *precise* weapons.



EPIC: **THROW SMOKE GRENADE** 1 SP

Allows the active soldier to throw a smoke grenade using an Interaction (difficulty 0). Place a special effects token within short range (9") of

the soldier. Any Firing actions where line-of-sight passes over the token or within proximity (3") of it must use fluke rolls. The smoke has a duration of 2.



MUNITION SPECIALISTS

Some forces greatly value the versatility that specialized ammunition gives them in

the field. They make sure it is acquired and issued, albeit in small quantities - just enough for the right moment.



EPIC: **PIERCING AMMO**

1/2 SP

Used during a *Firing action* to temporarily give a *ranged weapon* the *piercing special rule*. If the weapon is *piercing* already, it becomes

hyper-piercing and may be used to ignore *ironclad* armour. The ability costs 2 *SP* if the weapon has multiple *shots*.



EPIC: **Incendiary ammo**

1/2 SE

Transforms a ranged weapon into a flame weapon with short range (9") and damage 1 during a Firing action. If the weapon used is a flame

weapon already, it becomes hyper-incendiary and increases its range by **3**" and its hit roll by **3** (up to a maximum of 6). The ability costs 2 SP if the weapon has multiple shots.



FIRETEAM

Individual marksmanship is one thing, coordinated firepower something else.

Expertly drilled fireteams know that their teamwork makes the dream work.



RETURN FIRE

1 SF

1SP

If a soldier is within proximity (3") of a friendly soldier targeted by an enemy Firing action, they may use this ability to perform a Firing (1 AP)

action as a reaction against that enemy, provided that the enemy is within range and line-of-sight. Cannot be used if the soldier wishing to return fire was also damaged or shaken by the enemy attack.



EPIC: TARGETING MARKER

1 SP

Instead of *Firing* regularly, a *soldier* may shoot a targeting marker (using the same *maximum range* as an equipped *range* weapon). A target-

ing marker automatically *hits* its *target* but causes no *damage*. Instead, the *targeted* enemy doesn't gain the benefit of *cover*, *defense* or the *items* chameleon weave and cloaking field for the rest of the *game turn*.



GUN FANATICS

The cackling laughter of gun fanatics would be hard to miss on the battlefield, if it wasn't

drowned out by the roaring of their guns. These madmen can only be described as "trigger happy".



EPIC: UNLOAD!

1SP

During a Focus Firing (2 AP) action, this ability can be used to temporarily double a ranged weapon's number of shots, instead of allowing

rerolls, and make the weapon suppressive. If the weapon already is suppressive, this ability extends the range of the suppression effect of the weapon by **D3**".



PASSIVE: QUANTITY OVER QUALITY

When a gun fanatic is *Firing*, any *miss* adds a *fluke shot* to the current *Firing action*. These *fluke shots* cannot generate further *shots*!

BLOODSEEKERS

While most soldiers simply to try to endure the bloodshed of battle, others are drawn to

it, revel in it. These twisted souls find the prospect of close quarters fighting exhilarating, and are energized by it.



RUSH OF BLOOD

1SP

After defeating an enemy in *melee range* (1"), a *soldier* may use this ability to keep the momentum up and *freely Fight* (1 AP) a different

enemy or, if there are no eligible *targets* to *Fight*, they may instead *freely Move* (1 AP) to *charge* a different enemy, including freely *Fighting* (1 AP) that enemy as part of the *charge*. These options are possible even if the *soldier* has already *Fought* and/or *Moved*. Cannot be used if there are no eligible *targets* to either *Fight* or *charge*.



PASSIVE: FRENZY

Bloodseekers caught in bloodshed find it easy to keep going! Whenever a successful *strike* is scored, bloodseekers get to roll an additional

fluke strike with the same weapon that scored the initial strike. This can potentially repeat to create another fluke strike! Yeah, holy crap.

BERSERKERS

Forget about subtlety - berserkers don't understand the concept. They will charge

headfirst into most situations and, while it can be surprisingly effective, their precision often suffers.



RECKLESS CHARGE

1SP

After the movement distance of a Move is determined, this ability can be used to add 3" of distance, provided that the soldier can, and will, but to charge an enemy. If used all strikes in the

use the *Move* to *charge* an enemy. If used, all *strikes* in the subsequent *Fight action* become *desperate* (*strikes* that are already *desperate* or *flukes* simply remain so).



EPIC: **RELENTLESS STRIKES** 1/2/3

When about to *Fight*, this ability allows a *soldier* to gain either 1, 2 or 3 *strikes* with one equipped *melee weapon*, depending on how many *SPs* are

spent, but each added *strike* is *desperate* (or *flukes* if the weapon already uses *desperate* or *fluke rolls*). If the *soldier* has no *melee weapon*, they may use this ability to gain *fluke strikes* in addition to their normal *desperate strike*.

STRIKE DANCERS

Sheer brutality is a common approach in melee combat, but there are those who

try to elevate the art of violence. To them, it is not unlike a carefully choreographed dance - a dance of death!



WIND STRIKES

1 SF

After completing a *Move*, a *soldier* may use this ability to use the *Fight action* to allocate *strikes* against any enemy they passed within *proximity*

(3") of during the previous *Move*, allowing them to effectively attack enemies on the go. May not use *cataclysmic* weapons with this ability.



EPIC: **Dodge**

2 SF

When targeted by an enemy Fire or Fight action or reaction, a skillful dodge allows a soldier to reaction Move up to 3" before any rolls are per-

formed. The enemy *action* is then performed with this new position in mind, which may mean that the dodging *soldier* is behind *cover*, out of *range*, further from a *blast* or out of *line-of-sight* which may make the *action* more difficult or fail outright.

GUARDIANS

"Brothers, dig in your heels and stand fast! Let the enemy tide crash against you like

waves against cliffs." The final rallying cry of Lieutenant Reyes to his fellow 1st Company veterans.



MEET THE ENEMY

1/2 S

When an enemy is about to *Fight*, but before any rolls are made, guardians may use this ability to gain +1 or +2 defense depending on the amount

of *SPs* spent. However, if the charged *soldier* already has +2 *defense* (max amount), they get to *reaction Fight* (1 AP) or *Furiously Fight* (2 AP) before the enemy (depending on amount of *SPs* used), but all *strikes* become *desperate*.



PASSIVE: **TRIUMPHANT DEFENSE**

Whenever they defeat an enemy in *melee range* (1"), guardians quickly resume a defensive posture, gaining +1 *defense*. If they already have +2

defense, they may perform a free 1 AP action.

COMMANDOS

- - Before first light, you will brave the cliffs of the Voityr coast and silence the cannons

of heresy and defiance. Your loyal duty will honor us all. - -Opening words of classified Imperial order 60:253



SCALE OBSTACLE

SP

Allows a *soldier* with the *normal movement type* to temporarily gain the *leap movement type* during a *Move action*. If a *soldier* already has

leap, this allows them to treat any dash roll as **6**. However, if a soldier is grounded, this ability only changes their movement type to normal instead of leap.



• EPIC: **RIG EXPLOSIVES**

2 SP

Allows a *soldier* to plant explosives within their *proximity* (3"), using an *Interaction* (difficulty 1) and a *special effects token*. The explosives have

a duration of **2**, after which they "hit" and function like a blast weapon with damage **1**, except that the blast radius is **2D6**". If the explosives are placed on, or are within melee range (1") of, a removable terrain piece or an objective, they are destroyed and removed from play. Any soldiers standing on the terrain piece are taken out. Enemies can attempt to disarm the explosives using an Interaction (difficulty 4). Usable once per game.

RANGERS

When it comes to unknown and treacherous terrain, rangers lead the way. These masters

of manoeuvring use unexpected flanking paths and determined marching to win the day.



FLANK 'EM!

1SP

When one of your *soldiers* is about to *Move*, this ability allows them to end that *Move* beyond the edge of the *combat zone*, thereby leaving it. In

the next game turn, upon their activation, they can be redeployed anywhere along the same combat zone edge (within melee range (1") of the edge, but outside melee range (1") of enemes). This redeployment does not count as an action and the soldier may spend all of their action points (AP) as normal.



PASSIVE: STEADY MARCHERS

Rangers might not always be the quickest, but they are consistent and reliable on the march. Any time a *dash roll* is about to be performed,

a ranger may choose to treat any die roll as **4** <u>instead</u> of rolling it (for example, 2D6" can be treated as 8"). When a D3 is used, this ability may be used to count it as **2**.



SKYBORNE

When the jump light turns green, skyborne soldiers tend to utter a short prayer. These

daring souls are most commonly dropped far behind the enemy lines.



DROP SOLDIER

1SP

A skyborne squad may opt to <u>not</u> deploy any amount of *soldiers* during the initial *deployment*, instead using this ability to deploy the *sol*-

diers later. At the start of each game turn, any undeployed soldiers may use this ability to be dropped anywhere in the combat zone that is not within proximity (3") of an enemy. Dropped soldiers always count as expended initially. This ability may be used when reinforcing troopers in game turn 4 or later. SP cost is per soldier.



EPIC: REQUEST STRAFING RUN

3 SP

Allows the active soldier to use an Interaction (difficulty 0) to request a strafing run. Place a special effects token anywhere in the combat

zone and a second one within **3D6**" of the first one. The request has a *duration* of **2**. When the *duration* ends, any *soldier* within *proximity* (3") of the *tokens* or the line between them becomes *shaken* and a *fluke roll* is performed for each one - if successful, that particular *soldier* suffers **1** *damage*. Usable <u>once</u> per game.



BREACHERS

Stack up. 3... 2... 1... Breach! Stun out. Move! This is the methodical, extensively drilled

procedure of a breacher. Walls are a minor inconvenience for these room clearing experts.



BREACH!

1SP

Allows a *soldier* to temporarily gain the *breach* movement type when they are about to make a *Move*. Any enemy within **D6"** of the breach

"exit" suffers 1 point of damage. If the soldier already has the breach movement type, this becomes within 6" instead.



EPIC: THROW STUN GRENADE

T SP

Allows a soldier to throw a stun grenade using a free Interaction (AP 1, difficulty 1). The stungrenade functions like a ordnance weapon with

short range (9"), damage **0** and duration **1**. Any target hit by the stun grenade is merely shaken.

GUERILLAS

When facing a numerically superior enemy, many irregular troops turn to guerrilla

tactics. The enemy must be weakened, piece by piece, while their fury must be avoided.



HIT AND RUN

1SP

After a guerrilla soldier Fires or Fights, they may use this ability to Move **D6**" as a free action (even if they have Moved). Any reaction that

their attack or this *free Move* triggers is delayed until after the *Move* is complete, which can make it more difficult or fail (due to lack of *line-of-sight* or so). When a minion uses this ability, it simply adds **D6**" to their scamper *Move*.



EPIC: **SETUP AMBUSH ZONE**

SP

Place a special effects token anywhere in the combat zone to represent your ambush zone. Any enemy that ends a Move within short range

(9") of the token may be reaction Fired (1 AP) upon or reaction charged by 1 friendly soldier within short range (9") of the token (your choice of soldier). If the charge option is selected, your soldier may both Move into melee range (1") with the enemy and Fight (1 AP) freely. Only one ambush zone may be active at once.

INFILTRATORS

Any force that can make shadows their ally will be hugely rewarded, for there is no

shortage of shadows. And the shadows won't betray the infiltrators, for they belong to them.



IN TO / OUT OF THE SHADOWS

1SP

Upon finishing a *Move*, an infiltrator may fade into the shadows and remove themselves from the *combat zone*. The infiltrator must be out of

short range (9") or line-of-sight of any enemy when this ability is used (either is enough). In a later game turn (not necessarily the next), when this ability is used again and the same infiltrator is activated, they may return to the combat zone in any location which fulfils the same restrictions as above. Reappearing counts as a Move (1 AP).



PASSIVE: **LOW PROFILE**

When an infiltrator in *cover* is the *target* of an enemy *Fire action*, roll a **D6**. The *range* of the enemy weapon is reduced by this amount, in

inches, down to a minimum of *short range* (9"). If their *range* becomes insufficient, the *action* fails outright.

DECEIVERS

These tricksters are the masters of doubt and confusion. Where you think they are

weak, they are strong. They make you look ahead when, really... you should look behind you.



MISTAKEN IDENTITY

1/2 SI

When a *soldier* is *activated*, but before they perform any *actions*, this ability can be used to have them swap positions with a friendly *soldier*

within medium range (18"). If both soldiers are of the same basic type (Minion/Trooper/Elite/Heavy) or a **Phantom Identity** is used (see below), the ability costs **1** *SP* to use, but if they are of different types it costs **2** *SP* to use.



PASSIVE: **PHANTOM IDENTITIES**

Tricksters have devious ways of making you think that they are where they are not, or vice versa. During *deployment*, you may deploy a

phantom for every **2** soldiers in your squad (maximum of **3** phantoms). A phantom can be activated like a soldier, but may only *Move* 6" each activation (normal movement type). If an enemy comes within proximity (3") of a phantom, it is destroyed. Use empty bases or special effects tokens to represent phantoms.



SABOTEURS

Unless the enemy's crystal ball is crystal clear, the saboteurs' will become a thorn

in their side. For the saboteurs are always scheming on a thing. I'll tell you now; it's sabotage!



EPIC: CRITICAL SABOTAGE

2 SP

When an enemy *activates* a *soldier*, but before they declare which *actions* that *soldier* will perform, this ability may be used to prevent the

soldier from performing one type of action of your choice during their activation (Move, Defend, Fire Weapon, Fight). Can only be performed once per enemy soldier.



PASSIVE: TRANSMISSION INTERCEPT

Whenever an enemy soldier is within short range (9") of a friendly saboteur, any squad points (SP) your opponent spends have a

chance of being intercepted. Roll a *fluke roll* for each *squad point* (*SP*) the enemy spends this way. On any roll of **6**, the saboteur squad gains an extra *squad point* (*SP*).



HEROES

The brave. The mighty. The outnumbered.

*This mastery cannot be combined with other wildcards.



EPIC: **MOMENT OF TRIUMPH**

SP

Whenever it is time to roll *shots, strikes, dashes* or *initiative*, this ability may be used, before any rolls are made, to **double** the results of all

the dice in that roll, up to a maximum of **6** (e.g. a roll of 2 counts as 4 etc). If this results in an enemy being *taken out*, this ability may be used again in the current *game turn*!



PASSIVE: A HERO'S BURDEN

A heroic squad roster may only cost half as many credits as the agreed upon limit. However, heroes can be activated twice. After all heroes

have been *activated* once, you may start *activating* them again in any order (place a second *expended token* next to a hero that has been *activated* twice). If a hero becomes *shaken*, that state only applies to their next *activation* during the current *game turn*.



CANNON FODDER

Their name is cannon fodder and their number is legion.

*This mastery cannot be combined with other wildcards.



PASSIVE: **ALWAYS ANOTHER WAVE**

In a cannon fodder squad, troopers reinforce the squad <u>every</u> game turn (not just in turn 4). If a reinforcement site is blocked by an enemy

presence, they may still arrive - but count as shaken.



PASSIVE: **POOR COMBAT DISCIPLINE**

All troopers in a cannon fodder squad must use **desperate** rolls when **Firing** or **Fighting**, unless the rolls are **desperate** already, in which case

they become *flukes* (*flukes* simply remain so). Lastly, cannon fodder troopers become *shaken* from <u>all</u> *misses*.



LEAGUE OF PSYMANCERS

A gathering of occult adepts, all capable of unleashing arcane fury.

*This mastery cannot be combined with other wildcards.



EPIC: CONJURE PSYCHIC POWER

Any *soldier* in your squad may use this ability to use a *psychic power*, using the same rules as if they were a normally trained *psymancer* (and

not a master psymancer).



PASSIVE: ARCANE KNOWLEDGE

You may only select **three** *psychic powers* that can be used with **CONJURE PSYCHIC POWER**. These must be presented to your opponent as

part of your squad masteries. However, your squad may also train a psymancer "as normal" (if you so desire), and that psymancer may choose psychic powers that differ from your squad's overall choices.

MISSING SOMETHING?

You've reached the end of the squad masteries section! Is there a flavour or playstyle that this handbook doesn't cater to? Well, you're in luck - this collection will be expanded over time. Please get in touch if you'd like to request something specific or give feedback on something that's already in the game!

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