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INTRODUCTION

"YOU WERE GREAT ONCE. YOU ARE ON THE PATH TO BECOMING GREAT AGAIN. FALTER NOT, AND THE STRENGTH OF THE LEGIONS WILL BE BEHIND YOU WITHOUT QUESTION."

-Executor Thexus, Paragon of Metal,
advises the Republican Commandos.

Guess who's back. Back again. Shas is back. Tell a friend. Now everyone report to the dance floor, to the dance floor, to the dance floor. Now everyone report to the dance floor. Alright, stop. Legion time.

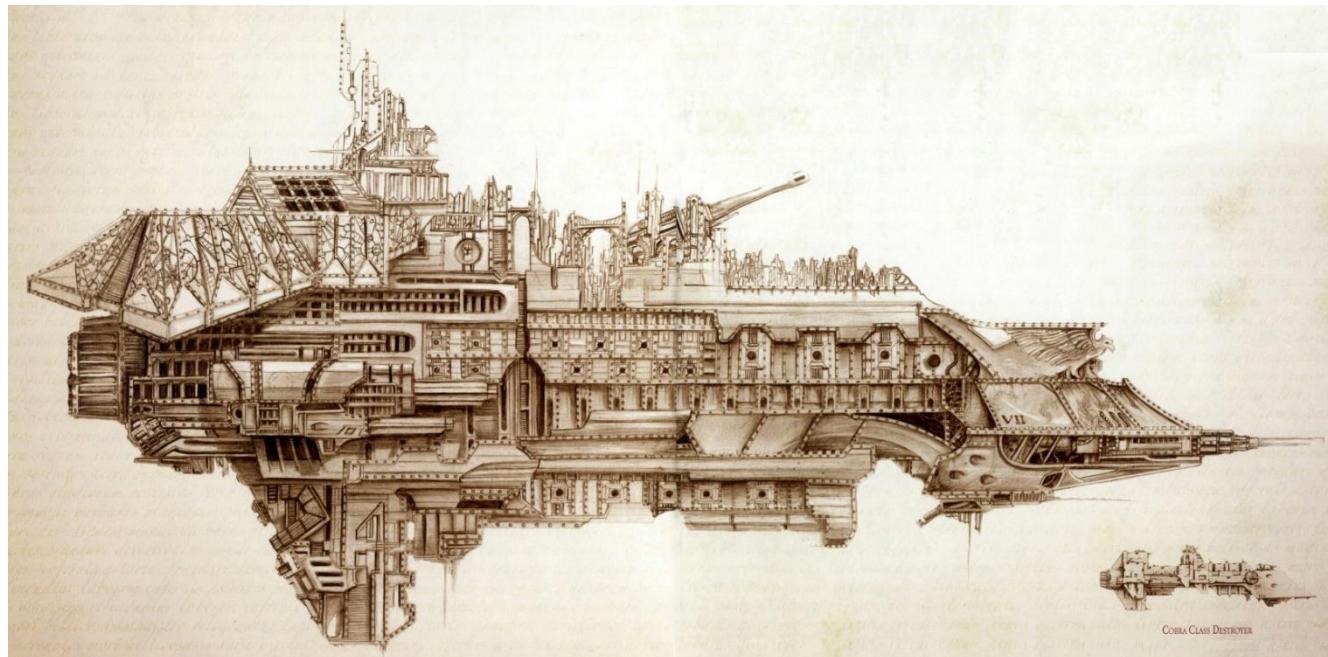
The Good, the Bad, and the Alpha Legion. is an expanded guide to the time of legend known as the Horus Heresy. Functioning primarily as a rules expansion to Deathwatch, this book provides rules for playing as the Legions of the Great Crusade, Loyal and Traitor, as well as gear to outfit them.

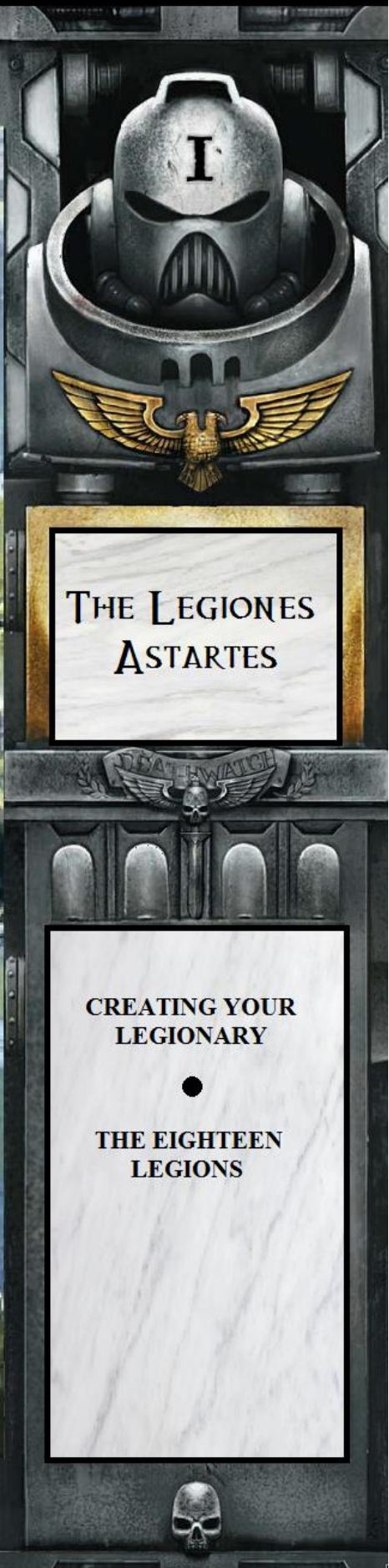
The book begins with a small bit about each of the 18 legions. Don't think you'll find anything about the two lost ones here. Each of the 18 legions has an associated advancement table of skills and talents in the same format as Deathwatch. In fact, some of these (mainly the Loyalists) will be minor variants of what is in the Core book to adjust for

talents and skills that ceased to exist in 40k. The Traitors will receive advancement tables as well – this was the age of equality, after all, before everyone fucked everything up forever.

The book continues with notes on specialties available to the Legionaries of 30k, some of which would be subsumed or disappear as time grinds on to modern 40k. Advanced specialties are included as well, to better kustomize one's Legionary.

Finally, the book will include an armory of arms, armament, cybernetics, and gear available to the Legions. New Assets using the Deathwatch Asset System are provided that will give your Legionary more support options. Finally, since every Legion maintained its own fleet, new Voidships will be provided that are compatible with the starship combat rules of Rogue Trader. Take to the stars, Legionary, and spread Blood in the Void.





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THE EIGHTEEN
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CHAPTER I: THE LEGIONES ASTARTES

"REMEMBER ONE THING, LEGIONARY. THERE WERE NOT LOYAL AND TRAITOR LEGIONS. THERE WERE ONLY LOYAL AND TRAITOR LEGIONARIES."

-Executor Thexus, Paragon of Metal, explains the politics of the Horus Heresy

The Legiones Astartes were the greatest fighting force in the galaxy during the Imperium's infancy. A combined arms force containing its own heavy infantry in the form of the Astartes themselves, a full motor pool consisting of light scout vehicles, medium tanks, and heavy artillery, ordnance, and fixed weaponry, and a limitless pool of auxiliaries to draw from or throw in front of the enemy, depending on the Legion in question, the Legiones Astartes were equipped to deal with every shitter that thought they could take on Mankind. With the objective of spreading Compliance, the self-contained Legions, with assistance from the equally self-contained Excerus Militias, Solar Auxilia, and Mechanicum Taghmatas, were able to face any threat head on with the appropriate weaponry at hand. This was the strength of the Legions. This was what made them so dangerous during the Heresy.

With a Legion containing not only its own armor, but voidships and retainers as well, when half of the Legionaries turned dag-nasty evil, they were able to fight on any battlefield, in any condition, and have the weapons necessary to excel. At the conclusion of the Horus Heresy, when the Traitors bitched out, everyone's favorite Rowboat spearheaded a fix. Ever wonder why there are Infantry regiments, Artillery Regiments, Void

Fighter Regiments, Tank Regiments, and individual Chapters in 40k rather than legions? It's a LOT easier to deal with a rebelling regiment when they lack heavy support, voidship transportation, etc. The Horus Heresy hit the Imperium HARD, and eternal suspicion would be the result. Those Legionaries who remained loyal accepted this as a necessary sacrifice – though mistakes would inevitably be made, and the Administratus, which would become the Adeptus Administratum, may send the wrong type of regiment or supplies, it is an acceptable loss just in case another betrayal happens.

For now, though, rejoice. You get to be a cool guy and play as a Legionary, back when things were awesome and everyone had hope and optimism. Contained in this section are notes on the eighteen Legions available during the Great Crusade. I'm not gonna tell you how to use them or anything, I trust you, the reader, to have the brain cells to figure something out. The Legions that would remain "Loyal" can pretty much be used out of the Deathwatch books straight, with few, if any, changes. The Legions that would become "Traitor" are a little more intensive, each containing an Advancement table, Characteristics, a Solo and Squad Mode, Demeanor, and all the trappings one would expect of a playable legion. Special care will be mentioned of any Advanced Specializations the Legionary can take as a result of his Legion. As a warning, the Black Templars will get a little weird.



CREATING YOUR LEGIONARY

"Indeed we are gods among men, but recent events have made me wonder. What sort of gods are we?"

-Praetor Cordin of the Aurora Chapter, 4th Chapter of the Ultramarines Legion.

During the Great Crusade, there was no such thing as “Loyalist” or “Traitor.” There were only eighteen Legions, each spreading Imperial Compliance to the many isolated worlds of the Galaxy. Each had a storied legacy, each had different tactics and outlooks they preferred. Though many of their histories may yet be shrouded in mystery, each Legion had their crucible, and their demeanors would be shaped by reunification with their Primarchs. During the Horus Heresy, individual legionaries would take up arms as a Loyalist or Traitor, and the lines between legions became blurred.

Creating a Legionary during this time is easy enough. There were documented instances of multiple Legionaries of different legions working together to accomplish goals, separate from their main battle lines in the Forge World Horus Heresy books and the Black Library novels. Be it the Warmaster commanding a multi-legion operation, or the Sigillite ordering a hidden strike, there are plenty of justifications for you and your homeboys to roll up some Legionaries, grab some hookers and blow, and have an enjoyable night of jolly cooperation.



Creating a Legionary is simple and fun!

1. **Generate your characteristics using whatever method the GM deems necessary.** Your Legionary will start with all the normal implants, talents, and traits, but they will NOT start with the Deathwatch Training talent, or have access to the Deathwatch Advance tables. One notable trait a Legionary will NOT start with is “And They Shall Know No Fear.” Legionaries of the Great Crusade did not have the Codex Astartes or the full array of hypno-conditioning to benefit from. The sheer number of Legionaries needed means that some costs had to be cut. Yes, that means that, though resistant, your Legionary can, in fact, feel fear. The “And They Shall Know No Fear” trait is replaced by the “Legiones Astartes” trait.

Legiones Astartes: The Legiones Astartes, though psycho-indoctrinated and tempered for war, nonetheless are influenced more by their Legion and personal idiosyncrasies. In subsequent rounds after failing a Fear test, provided they are conscious, the Legionary may always attempt a Challenging (+0) Willpower test to negate the Shock Table result, even if that effect does not normally allow one to “snap out of it.” This test can never suffer from any penalties the Shock Table result imposes.

2. **Select your Legion.** This will heavily influence your character, granting them further characteristics, combat abilities, Solo modes, Squad Modes, and Drawbacks. While some Solo and Squad Modes remain roughly the same for certain Legions, others will have drastically different Solo and Squad Modes available, representing the nobler times of the Great Crusade. Unlike in modern 40k, your choice of Legion will not restrict your implants – everyone’s geneseed is working 100%, and geneseed degradation common 10,000 years later is unthinkable now. Note also that every Legion will also have a Drawback – a result of the Legions’

insularity and over-reliance on their specialty. Remember to note your Legion Drawback down, since it replaces the Primarch's Curse!

3. **Select your Specialty.** This will define what your character does. In addition to the normal Tactical, Assault, Devastator (Known as Heavy Support in the Great Crusade), Apothecary, and Techmarine, there are new specialties – the Breacher, Destroyer, Recon, and Seeker, all specializations that would disappear or change drastically before the 40th millennium.

Note that some of the standard Specialties (such as Tactical and Heavy Support) are altered with new options for the Great Crusade, and the changes can be found in Chapter 2 of this book. Librarians are not available except through GM allowance – Librarians of the Great Crusade were Consuls, war leaders akin to modern Captains, and wielded power as such.

4. **Generate your Movement, Wounds, Fate, and Experience points as normal.** There is no change from Deathwatch Core here.
5. **Note your Starting Equipment.** Remember to note down your equipment from your specialty. A Legionary can swap out their pattern of bolter and bolt pistol with a variant pattern as desired, as detailed in Chapter 3 of this book. When selecting their armor, a player may generate their armor based on the tables in Chapter 3, or select between Mk2, Mk3, Mk4, and Mk5 armor if the GM allows. Armors do not generate histories - these histories are being newly forged, so they do not yet have the legacies of glory that armor marks 10,000 years later will have. Remember, Mk6 Armor was still in testing phase at this point (and can be made available if the GM deems it okay), and Mk7 and Mk8 power armor was not yet invented!

Legiones Astartes possess the Legion Weapon Training talent, which grants the Legionary proficiency with Bolt, Chain, Melta, Plasma, Volkite, Power, Flame, Primitive, Las, Launchers, Solid Projectile, and Thrown weapons of all classes, as well as wargear unique to that Legionary's particular Legion. This supersedes the Astartes Weapon Training talent.

6. **Handle the Small Details.** Consider what your Legionary looks like, their Demeanor, what kinds of battles they fought in.
7. **Play the game.** Finally! For the Emperor / Warmaster!



THE EIGHTEEN LEGIONS

"HELOTS SHOULD NOT TREAD THE SAME GROUND AS GODS, LEGIONARY."

-Executor Thexus, Paragon of Metal, offers his thoughts on the Republican Commandos' Squat support crew.

The eighteen legions of the Legiones Astartes were specialized in their methodology. Each had their own way of doing things, and certain legions would inevitably be called in for certain jobs. For example, the Night Lords Legion would be called in to pacify a system through fear, while the White Scars Legion would strike with their trademark lightning fast mounted raids.

The Legions available to the player are listed below, as well as a short description of each Legion. Each Legion will be detailed further in this section.

Dark Angels – The baseline template, specializing in swordsmanship and experimental tactics.

Emperor's Children – Duelists and Perfectionists, experts at single challenges and asymmetric warfare.

Iron Warriors – Stoic in the face of adversity, silently railing against their lot as siege breakers.

White Scars – Lightning strikes before the enemy can even mobilize.

Space Wolves – Proto-Legion acting as the Emperor's enforcers.

Imperial Fists – Digging in and fortifying, there is little that can dislodge an Imperial Fist.

Night Lords – Masters of fear and terror tactics, called only when worlds must be made examples of.

Blood Angels – Descending from on high into the bloodbath below.

Iron Hands – Durable specialists in vehicles and technology, to an unhealthy degree.

World Eaters – A legion punished by its Primarch, mindless berzerkers rushing into the fray.

Ultramarines – Organization, discipline, overwhelming force, for as long as the command chain holds.



Death Guard – Toxic environment specialists, for when a world itself must be poisoned.

Thousand Sons – A psychic legion with the best of intentions, drawing from the worst of sources.

Sons of Horus – A legion that excelled in all, but pride comes before the fall.

Word Bearers – All they wanted was a belief, a god to follow. They found four.

Salamanders – Proto-Legion built extra-durable in the fire and flame.

Raven Guard – Stealth-based legion that gradually shifted from domination to liberation.

Alpha Legion – Nobody knows what the Alpha Legion is doing. Not even the Alpha Legion.

Each Legion will have Characteristic Bonuses, a Solo Mode, a Squad Mode, and a Demeanor attached to it. These may be different than what one is used to in modern times – it was during the Great Crusade that the Legions were establishing the traits they would be known for. The World Eaters, for instance, held unrivaled bonds of brotherhood before the coming of Angron, while it took the exile of the Terran Raven Guard to the outer reaches of space for Corax to begin molding his troops into his force of freedom fighters. Regardless, each Legion was an effective fighting force in its own way, each Legionary a one man army in his own right, differing only by Legion traditions and specializations.

Perhaps it is a good thing the Legions were disbanded...

I - THE DARK ANGELS

Ah...the Dark Angels, or “Angelis Tenebraium.” Before they were obsessed with secrets in the 41st Millennium, theirs was a noble outlook. As the First Legion, it was their blessing to have been the personal army of the Emperor as the Great Crusade got started, and as a result, it was their organization and tactics that would be spread like a template throughout the rest of the proto-legions. Their size, the largest of all once, was brought in line through devastating campaigns, such as the mysterious Rangdan Xenocides.

Upon reunification with their primarch Lion El'Jonson on the death world of Caliban, the Legion's culture was reborn, mixing technological capability and invention of experimental tactics with the unyielding and insular culture of techno-barbarian knighthood. The knights of Caliban took to terran weaponry with their typical expertise, while the many fighting styles of the Legion would ultimately condense into six “Wings” – the Dreadwing (Destroyer Operations and Xenotech), Stormwing (Assault and Boarding), Ravenwing (Bike-mounted Operations), Ironwing (Armor and Tanks), Deathwing (Terminator Deployment), and Firewing (Unknown, suspected to be Artillery / Ranged Firepower).

It would often be said that the Dark Angels were the most “typical” of all the Legions, for all tactics originated from them. As a result, the Dark Angels Legionaries are able to do a little bit of everything, but do not truly specialize in any specific form of warfare unless they become part of the six Wings, the Hexagrammaton. Their experimental tactics would see everything tried and tested, from new uses of standard weaponry to even Archeotech and xenotech looted from still warm corpses. Their armor, black as the void, was a terrifying sight to their enemies. Such is their need to prosecute wars to such a complete extent, however, that unless a foe is brought to complete ruin, even a successful operation will be deemed a failure.

DARK ANGELS CHARACTERS

Dark Angels Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Weapon Skill, and +5 to one Characteristic of the players' choice, the Member of the Order Demeanor, the Mastery of the Blade Solo Mode, the Experimental Tactics Squad Mode, and the Covenant of Death Drawback.

Solo Mode: Mastery of the Blade

Rank 1 Effect: When engaged in melee with an enemy with Weapon Skill bonus equal to his own, and with a weapon classified as a sword (such as a power sword, chainsword, combat blade, Terranic Greatsword, Calibanite War blade, Paragon Blade, or other GM-Approved weapon), the Legionary decreases the difficulty of the Weapon Skill test to attack by one step (A Challenging (+0) test will become Ordinary (+10), for instance).

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary ignores all penalties to Weapon Skill tests when wielding a sword. At Rank 5, the difficulty of Weapon Skill tests is decreased by two steps. At Rank 7, the Legionary applies the benefits of his Solo Mode to all attacks with a sword, not just those against enemies with equal Weapon Skill Bonus.

Squad Mode: Experimental Tactics (Attack Pattern)

Action: Full Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him may reroll Damage rolls if they are wielding Exotic or Legion-Specific weapons. The second Damage roll must be accepted.

Improvements: At Rank 5, activating this ability is a Half Action.

Legionary Drawback: Covenant of Death

Effect: If at the conclusion of a mission any kind of enemy is not destroyed and instead escapes the field of battle, despite the squad's best efforts, the Dark Angel Legionary receives one less Renown at the conclusion of the mission. If the enemy escapes as a direct result of the Dark Angels' or the squad's actions, such as being allowed to retreat, the Dark Angel Legionary receives two less Renown instead.

DEMEANOR: MEMBER OF THE ORDER

The Order was an ancient band of knights from the world of Caliban, who were tasked with tracking and destroying the Chaos-tainted “Great Beasts” of the dark forests of Caliban. To take on Chaos Spawn of such prodigious size and ability with but primitive power armor and traditional swords took great skill and courage, and as one’s skill at arms increased, one would be inducted deeper into the Order’s mysteries. When the Primarch Lion El’Jonson destroyed the remaining Great Beasts and united the planet, these hunts would be replaced with crusade fleets of the newly reunited Dark Angels.

With the exception of the Order’s scouts and outriders, the Ravenwing, each knight typically quested alone, separate from other crusade fleets, for only through individual prowess and glory would one ascend the Order’s ranks. Each knight would become a master of many aspects of warfare over time, a dabbler in many fields, drawing upon the Hexagrammaton as needed to bolster weaknesses. The higher one ascended, the greater one’s responsibility in the Dark Angels Legion would be. While those who reached the ranks of Grand Master could count on being a direct voice in their Primarch’s ear, competition would be fierce, and those outside the Dark Angels would grow to gradually see the Legionaries as quiet, secretive, and taciturn, a development that would haunt them over ten thousand years.

DARK ANGELS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Drive (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Drive (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Drive (Choose One)
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	400	Skill	Parry
Pilot (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Choose One)
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Tactics (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Choose One)
Tech Use	200	Skill	
Tech Use +10	400	Skill	Tech Use
Tracking	200	Skill	
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Tracking
Hatred (Mutants)	500	Talent	
Paranoia	500	Talent	
Talented (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Exotic Weapon Training (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Weapon Tech	500	Talent	Tech Use +10, Int 40



III - THE EMPEROR'S CHILDREN

Drawn from the aristocratic population of Europa on Terra, the then cognomen-less Emperor's Children would carry with them an air of royalty wherever they went. Their mental conditioning would instill within them a drive for personal achievement and competition, an overwhelming need to be the individual best. They had the ability to naturally command "lesser" troops, and in time would be the only ones to bear the Palatine Aquila – the Imperial Eagle.

When much of their Gene-seed stocks were destroyed by rogue Selentite Cults and Xenos-engineered virus, the Legion began to die. It was not until the recovery of Fulgrim the Illuminator, that the Legion would recover, and be granted the name "Emperor's Children." Working alongside the Luna Wolves, the Emperor's Children would attempt to learn and refine other Legions' tactics, in an attempt to be the very best. It was with this pride, pride that bred resentment if they were unable to improve, that things began to go wrong. When Fulgrim found the Laer Blade, their fate was sealed.

The III Legion meticulously planned every operation it undertook, a rigid chain of command ensuring that orders were followed to the letter. While proved sufficient for exemplary battles such as the Defense of Tranquility against unknown crystalline xenoforms, and reduced losses significantly, a single mistake or change in conditions would throw everything out of whack, as was seen during the Compliance of the Praxil system.

Organized into Millennials, or chapter equivalents, in their downtime the Emperor's Children would practice their dueling with each other, using all sorts of weapons – even abhuman and xenos weapons were favored at times. There was little spoken, however, of the rampant transgenic blasphemies and outlawed medicae practices the Emperor's Children would perform on themselves at their Warrior Lodges in the name of perfection...

EMPEROR'S CHILDREN CHARACTERS

Emperor's Children Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Weapon Skill, +5 Perception, the Sword of a Thousand Forges Demeanor, the Exemplar of War Solo Mode, the Martial Brotherhood Squad Mode, and the Martial Pride Drawback.

Solo Mode: Exemplar of War

Rank 1 Effect: When engaged in melee with only a single opponent who is not engaged in melee with anyone else, the Legionary may increase his initiative result by his Weapon Skill Bonus.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary scores an additional Degree of Success on all Weapon Skill tests. At Rank 5, the Legionary may increase his charge range by 3x his Weapon Skill bonus. At Rank 7, the Legionary scores an additional d5 Degrees of Success on all Weapon Skill tests instead of 1.

Squad Mode: Martial Brotherhood (Attack Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** No

Rank 1 Effect: Upon declaring this ability, a single Talent from the following list may be chosen and applied to the Legionary and his squad – Assassin Strike, Blademaster, Crippling Strike, Counter-Attack, Wall of Steel. The effects of the talent last until the start of the Legionary's next turn.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the ability may be Sustained, and the Legionary may swap the chosen Talent for another from the list as another Half Action.

Legionary Drawback: Martial Pride

Effect: As a Free Action, the Legionary must always attempt to Challenge the most important enemy on the field, and fight them in single melee combat. If an ally joins a melee with a Challenged enemy, the normal Ganging-Up bonuses are inverted, becoming penalties instead. If the Legionary's kill is INTENTIONALLY stolen by another, or he is defeated in single combat (by being forced to burn fate to live) or surrenders, he suffers a -10 to Willpower tests for the rest of the session, until he can calm his shit down. If there is no clearly important enemy, the Legionary is free to act as he deems necessary.

DEMEANOR: SWORD OF A THOUSAND FORGES

Emperor's Children Legionaries see the duel as a mirror which reflects their essence, where skill, prowess, and aesthetic appreciation were one. No matter their Millennial, all found psychological solace in the equal battle between two combatants. A Legionary's weapon could be anything, sourced from anywhere in the Galaxy. Of note, however, a Legionary of the Emperor's Children would, if encountering a weapon of quality, be it human, abhuman, or even xenos, he would take it as a trophy, use it, master it, and integrate it into himself. An enemy would be defeated physically, but learning and using their own blade better than they ever could was defeating them spiritually. Each Legionary would have a chosen weapon, that he would lead his troops from the front with.

Weapons, tactics, strategies, the source could be anything – what mattered was the quality, and that the Legionary would wield or perform it better than the originator, with all the ostentatious flair the III Legion was known for.

EMPEROR'S CHILDREN LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Evaluate	200	Skill	
Evaluate +10	400	Skill	Evaluate
Evaluate +20	400	Skill	Evaluate +10
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	400	Skill	Parry
Parry +20	400	Skill	Parry +10
Performer (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Performer (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Performer (Choose One)
Performer (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Performer (Choose One) +10
Trade (Remembrancer)	200	Skill	
Trade (Remembrancer) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Remembrancer)
Trade (Remembrancer) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Remembrancer) +10
Blademaster	500	Talent	WS30
Heightened Senses (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Lightning Reflexes	500	Talent	
Sure Strike	500	Talent	WS30
Duelist	500	Talent	WS35, Sure Strike
Inescapable Attack (Melee)	1500	Talent	WS40, Per 35



NEW TALENTS

DUELIST

Through great training and experience, the Legionary has mastered single combat. While engaged in melee with only a single opponent who is not engaged in melee with anyone else, the Legionary counts as scoring an additional two Degrees of Success on his successful Weapon Skill Tests.

INESCAPABLE ATTACK (MELEE)

Such is the Legionary's skill that he can know the enemy's actions before the enemy can even formulate them. Successful melee attacks performed by the Legionary inflict a penalty on the enemy's Dodge and Parry tests equal to 5x the total degrees of success scored on the attack test.

IV - THE IRON WARRIORS

The Iron Warriors are the unsubtle battering ram of the Great Crusade, given over to siege and mass-theater warfare. While outwardly they showed no dissent, within the Legion there was discord from the very beginning. When the first recruits to the IVth Legion, then known as the “Corpse Grinders,” were drawn from the gun-tribes of Sek-Amrak (theorized based on modern linguistics to be between modern Turkey and Iran, below the Caucasus region), they were immediately sent into attritional warfare, where troops were diverted from other Legions to the growing IVth. As the crusade stretched from Venus to Segmentum Solar and onward, the Legion would gradually lose its Terran identity under a tide of dead corpses.

When Perturabo was finally reunited with his legion, and the resultant decimation cleared out any immediate thoughts of dissent or slowdown, the Legion’s stubbornness and ruthlessness would finally take center stage. They were given tasks of siege warfare, they would complete these tasks at any cost, and so were given more tasks. Perturabo and his Legion only destroyed – they were never given the chance to build. Perhaps this would be what led to their eventual fall, their pragmatism and logic providing little defense against moral exhaustion? It matters little.

In the Iron Warriors, the word of the commander is law. Sacrifices are mathematically calculated to ensure the exact amount of force required, a Legion that worked as a unified whole, and reshaped a battlefield to their will. Such was seen in the battle against the mysterious Black Judges, withered former humans kept alive by cybernetic war machines, nonetheless drowned by an overwhelming force of bodies, the accurate firepower of the newly formed Iron Havocs, and the strength of Perturabo himself. Now fighting as one, the newly renamed Iron Warriors would continue their work throughout the galaxy, to equations only they could solve.

IRON WARRIORS CHARACTERS

Iron Warriors Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Ballistic Skill, +5 Intelligence, the Hollow Crown Demeanor, the Wrack and Ruin Solo Mode, the Siege Breaker Squad Mode, and the Bitter End Drawback.

Solo Mode: Wrack and Ruin

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary adds their Intelligence Bonus to the Penetration of weapons used against stationary structures and fortifications.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary becomes immune to Pinning. At Rank 5, the Legionary adds their Intelligence bonus to damage as well as penetration against structures and fortifications. At Rank 7, the Legionary may apply the benefits to missiles and artillery pieces fired. This may stack with the Wrecker talent.

Squad Mode: Siege Breaker (Attack Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him may reroll Damage rolls against enemies in cover. The second Damage roll must be accepted.

Improvements: At Rank 5, for every attack that strikes and damages cover an enemy is in, the cover’s value is reduced by an additional value equal to the Legionary’s Intelligence Bonus.

Legionary Drawback: Bitter End

Effect: An Iron Warriors Legionary must perform a Difficult (-10) Willpower test to disengage from combat, back down from a fight, or retreat from a battlefield when there is an enemy ahead that he has the means to actively combat. Instead of retreating or leaving a battlefield, the Legionary may opt to remain on the battlefield a number of rounds equal to his Willpower bonus, after which he may retreat without test or penalty.

DARE YOU ATTACK
MY DEMONIC
FORTRESS?



DEMEANOR: HOLLOW CROWN

Iron Warrior Legionaries are good at what they do, but is that something to be proud of? Even a superhuman mind has limits, and a Legionary performing the same work over and over, knowing full well his life has little value beyond a number in an equation used to calculate Compliance will eventually begin to dig deep. Not even one's Primarch, a father to be looked up to in other Legions, will offer succor. The eye of Perturabo is fleeting, and those who catch it will often find it, and their fortunes, drift away with but a single mistake. The Legion is unforgiving, there is no relief from the unending siege, and deep down, every Legionary begins to question their purpose – if the thankless work of the Great Crusade is all one has to look forward to, then what comes next?

Perhaps some Legionaries stopped believing in the Great Crusade eventually stopped believing in its righteousness. Maybe some would finally snap under their internal doubts. All that is certain is that all who wear the Hollow Crown will become an empty vessel, filled with uncaring savagery, becoming a reflection of the horrors they perform.

IRON WARRIORS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	300	Skill	
Demolition	200	Skill	
Demolition +10	400	Skill	Demolition
Demolition +20	400	Skill	Demolition +10
Evaluate	200	Skill	
Evaluate +10	400	Skill	Evaluate
Evaluate +20	400	Skill	Evaluate +10
Tactics (Siege Doctrine)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Siege Doctrine)
Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +10
Trade (Armourer)	200	Skill	
Trade (Armourer) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Armourer)
Trade (Armourer) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Armourer) +10
Tech Use	200	Skill	
Tech Use +10	400	Skill	Tech Use
Iron Discipline	500	Talent	WP 30, Command
Wrecker	500	Talent	Int 40
Bombardier	500	Talent	BS40, Tech Use
Steady Hand	500	Talent	
Modify Payload	500	Talent	Tech Use
Storm of Iron	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

BOMBARDIER

The Legionary may make ranged attacks with weapons with the Indirect Quality targeting locations he cannot see as a Half Action instead of a Full Action as normal. When firing a weapon with the Indirect Quality or throwing a grenade, the Legionary rolls twice to determine the direction that his attacks scatters and may choose either result.

STEADY HAND

The Legionary reduces Degrees of Failure on failed Demolition Tests by his Agility Bonus.

MODIFY PAYLOAD

If the Legionary prepares a grenade, missile, or round that has the Blast or Smoke Quality, he may make a Challenging (+0) Demolitions test. If he succeeds, the weapon increases Damage (if it deals Damage normally) and its Blast or Smoke Quality by 1, plus 1 for every three additional Degrees of Success. If he fails by a number of Degrees of Failure greater than his Intelligence Bonus, however, he accidentally triggers the device, causing it to detonate immediately.

V - THE WHITE SCARS

Born of the open steppes of Mundus Planus, or in their terms, Chogoris, the White Scars were known to shun the company of their brother Legions. Preferring to always stay ahead, never in one place for long, the White Scars would outpace their Excerus Imperialis auxiliaries by lightyears, conquering new worlds in the Emperor's name before they could even set up. Such was their aloofness that when the Age of Darkness burned into being, neither Traitor nor Loyalist would know if they could count upon the White Scars.

The recruits of the V Legion were drawn from all over Terra (albeit slowed by the Genesee Crisis that also affected the III and IX), but mainly the Asiatic hive clusters. Trained at first by the Luna Wolves on Luna, it was not until reunification with their primarch Jaghatai Khan that the Legion would take its identity. The Terran recruits did not take to Chogorian culture immediately, and many would find integration into the Khan's ways difficult. This would cause a great schism, as those who were trained by the Luna Wolves would swear loyalty to Horus, and those of Chogoris would rally behind their Khan. It was only once the Khan had purged his Legion of Terrans that a united front could finally be achieved.

Above all, the White Scars applied the horse archery tactics of their homeworld to their Legionary tactica. The hardest conditioning for a Legionary to break was that of "never stepping back." Using Jetbikes and Outrider Attack Bikes, the V Legion's hit and fade style would inflict great damage on an enemy, and retreat, striking at weak points and breaking the enemy. To their credit, praise was given lavishly where deserved, and it could be said there were fewer legions who believed so wholeheartedly in the Great Crusade as they did.

WHITE SCARS CHARACTERS

White Scar Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Agility, +5 Willpower, the Rider of the Talskar Demeanor, the Swift Action Solo Mode, the Eye of the Storm Squad Mode, and the Laugh in Death's Face Drawback.

Solo Mode: Swift Action

Rank 1 Effect: If the Legionary moves his Half Move distance or further from where he began the round (by making a half move, charging, solo modes, etc), he may choose to re-roll the damage result from the first hit he makes that round.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary may choose to increase the value of any protective field he possesses by +15 (Max PR60), instead of rerolling damage. If he does not already possess one, he instead gains a PR20 field that does not overload. The effect lasts until the start of the Legionary's next round. At Rank 5, the Legionary may reroll damage from all attacks he makes that round, not just the first hit. At Rank 7, the Legionary may apply both benefits of the Solo Mode to himself rather than picking one.

Squad Mode: Eye of the Storm (Attack Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him may add the Legionary's Agility Bonus to their Initiative score, and gain a +10 to Command Tests to summon Strategic Assets.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and those within support range of him may move an additional number of meters equal to the value of the Legionary's Agility Bonus, in addition to the benefits above.

Legionary Drawback: Laugh in Death's Face

Effect: The cost of Ground Vehicles and Ground Vehicle Assets without the Skimmer, Flyer, Drop Pod Assault, or Spacecraft special rule (except Bikes and Attack Bikes) are increased by 10%, rounding up.



DEMEANOR: RIDER OF THE TALSKAR

White Scars Legionaries hail from the tribes of Mundus Planus, or Chogoris in their words. Their language, Khorchin, is exceedingly difficult to learn, as it is not fully a written language – it uses vocal inflections and subtle body shifts to complete thoughts. In a way, it mirrors the legion itself – transient, and personalized. It is said that the language is poetic because the people are – with nothing but empty steppes to look upon, what is better than to fill it with the sights of one's imagination? When one finally mastered Khorchin, one could say they had finally become a Chogorian, and gain the honor of riding amongst the Talskar, the Khan's adoptive tribe and masters of all they surveyed on Mundus Planus.

Like their words, the Legionaries of the V would flow and surge across the battlefield. Battle was in its own way poetry, and riding with the wind at your back and deep grinding laughter in your throat, every Legionary found joy in expressing himself. They may have been introverted to other Legions, but the White Scars, to each other, were brethren shaped by their shared adversity and experiences.



WHITE SCARS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Drive (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Drive (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Drive (Choose One)
Drive (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Drive (Choose One) +10
Pilot (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Choose One)
Pilot (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Choose One) +10
Navigation (Surface)	200	Skill	
Navigation (Surface) +10	400	Skill	Navigation (Surface)
Navigation (Surface) +20	400	Skill	Navigation (Surface) +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Tracking	200	Skill	
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Tracking
Tracking +20	400	Skill	Tracking +10
Tech Use	600	Skill	
Born in the Saddle	1000	Talent	
Hip Shooting	500	Talent	BS 40, Ag 40
Hit and Run	500	Talent	
Mounted Warrior	1000	Talent	Drive (Choose One) +20, BS30, WS30
Sprint	500	Talent	
Talented (Drive (Choose One))	500	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

BORN IN THE SADDLE

A Legionary mounted on a Bike or Jetbike of any kind does not suffer any penalty from the vehicle's size when performing a Dodge reaction, and may attempt to turn up to 180 degrees in any direction by increasing the difficulty of any Drive test by one degree, or attempting a Challenging (+0) Drive test if none would normally be required.

MOUNTED WARRIOR

The Legionary no longer suffers the -20 penalty to Weapon Skill or Ballistic Skill tests for attacking from a moving vehicle. Now, while I'm reasonably sure that Weapon Skill tests don't suffer a penalty from moving vehicles in this system, I'll keep that part in JUST in case I missed something.

HIT AND RUN

The Legionary may perform the Disengage action as a Half Action. If he instead takes a full action, he may move either his full speed if on foot, or double his tactical speed if mounted on a bike or jetbike of any kind.

VI - THE VLKA FENRYKA

Arguably one of the two most popular Legions in the entire game, the Space Wolves of the Age of Darkness have yet to go full wolf, unlike their brethren of the modern day. Of course, with Forge World at the helm, their history gets kind of weird.

The Space Wolves were one of three “proto-legions,” the Trefoil, organized for highly specific purposes. In their case, the most barbaric and regressive of Terrans were reforged as a Legion with abysmally low geneseed acceptance rates due to the Canis Helix, and sent against enemies in a howling, unorganized mass of raging fire. This is where they would get their name, the Rout – a collective noun designating carrion jackals and mutant dogs of Terra that hounded refugees and wastelanders, creatures that were brave only against half dead and weakened enemies, keen only to fight when its victims were helpless.

Of course, with the reunification of the Wolf King, Leman Russ, on the artificially-manufactured death world of Fenris, things got better. While the Terran Space Wolves and the Fenrisian ones did not get along, such divisions were swiftly crushed as the Legion went into battle. Against the Orks of the Wheel of Fire, the Legion was reborn, no longer undisciplined bloodlust, the VI had become executioners, self-sufficient and beholden only to their Wolf King and the Emperor.

Against enemies such as the Silica Animus of Ashkellon, as observed by the Mechanicum, the Legion was remorseless in its attacks, striking with such accuracy that one would never think of with mere “barbarians.” This was the image they projected for the rest of the galaxy. The VI Legion, the Space Wolves, would not need to face the bloodborne curse of the beast within for a long time, not until they journeyed to Prospero at the onset of the Age of Darkness, and first encountered the Curse of the Wulfen...

SPACE WOLVES CHARACTERS

Space Wolf Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Perception, +5 Fellowship, the Executioners of Fenris Demeanor, the Bestial Savagery Solo Mode, the Hunter’s Gait Squad Mode, and the Curse of the Wulfen Drawback.

Solo Mode: Bestial Savagery

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary decreases the difficulty of Weapon Skill tests by one step when performing a charge action.

Improvements: At Rank 3, when the Legionary successfully kills an enemy or destroys a horde in melee, they may immediately make a single Half Move as a Free Action towards the nearest enemy they are able to harm. At Rank 5, the Legionary suffers no penalty to attacks performed through the Counter-Attack Talent. At Rank 7, when the Legionary successfully kills an enemy or destroys a horde in melee, they may immediately make a single Charge attack against a separate enemy in range as a Free Action. This may be performed despite the one attack action limit. This bonus attack cannot bounce to further targets should the new target be killed or destroyed as well.

Squad Mode: Hunter’s Gait (Attack Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him may add the Legionary’s Agility Bonus to their Run speed, provided they are not wearing jump packs and Terminator Armor.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and those within support range of him may add the Legionary’s Agility Bonus to their Charge speed, provided they are not wearing jump packs and Terminator Armor.

Legionary Drawback: Curse of the Wulfen

Effect: When the Legionary successfully kills an enemy or destroys a horde in melee, they must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower Test. Failure of this test means the Legionary gains one level of the Devastating quality on his melee weapons (increasing by one for every failed test to a maximum of 10), but MUST prepare to charge the nearest enemy he is able to harm on his next round, as the beastly Curse of the Wulfen begins to manifest.

Such are the traditions of the Space Wolves that their Consuls may never take the Apothecary, Chaplain, Librarian, or Primus Medicus specializations. They are limited instead to the Wolf Priest of Fenris specialization in those regards.

DEMEANOR: EXECUTIONERS OF FENRIS

When Leman Russ rebuilt his Legion, his Legionaries were reborn, from those who preyed on the weak to deep-thinking warriors who wore the cowl of barbarian to throw their enemies off. They would be beholden only to the Wolf King and their Emperor, and no others. They would do what was ordered them. In the Legion's reformation in the Ork System known as the Wheel of Fire, a full third of the Legion died, but for every dead Legionary, thousands of orks perished. It was this battle not of conquest, but execution, that the Legion would become best known for. Their Primarch was a warlord, and every Legionary first and foremost a soldier capable of inflicting savage punishment against those they deemed "oathbreakers." Not even the Rangdan Xenocides, that had erased at least one full Legion prior, could stop the Space Wolves.

The "Wolves in shadow" would only ever truly hold comradery with the Dark Angels, who they fought alongside in the Xenocides, and held distant respect at best for other Legions, barely disguised indifference against most Excretus forces, and only reserved their outright scorn for the Thousand Sons. The Legion was inscrutable to all, and to the self-sufficient Space Wolves, this was fine. Theirs would be a silent history, and their executions of worlds remembered only by themselves.

SPACE WOLVES LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Carouse	200	Skill	
Carouse +10	400	Skill	Carouse
Carouse +20	400	Skill	Carouse +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Scrutiny +20	400	Skill	Scrutiny +10
Tracking	200	Skill	
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Tracking
Tracking +20	400	Skill	Tracking +10
Wrangling	200	Skill	
Wrangling +10	400	Skill	Wrangling
Wrangling +20	400	Skill	Wrangling +10
Abhor the Witch	800	Talent	
Counter Attack	500	Talent	WS 40
Flesh Render	500	Talent	
Follower (Fenrisian Wolf)	1500	Talent	
Heightened Senses (Smell)	500	Talent	
Hatred (Psykers)	500	Talent	
Hardy	500	Talent	T40
Resistance (Psychic)	500	Talent	
Saga of Blood and Night	1000	Talent	
Wisdom of the Ancients	1500	Talent	Int 40

NEW TALENTS

SAGA OF BLOOD AND NIGHT

The VI Legion did not fight according to the Principia Belicosa, preferring a more savage way, and the battlefield experiences that would shape them would produce a dark wisdom, unlike any other Legion. Thus did the Legion fight and die in service of the Emperor and their Wolf King, and shared battlefield protocol would eventually become law, echoing down ten thousand years.

When purchasing this talent, the Legionary selects one of the following Sagas to represent his battlefield experience, and expertise. Once chosen, this may never be changed, so make your choice count.

THE GET OF WYRM

Over time, the Space Wolves have exterminated countless strange and terrible xenos threats to the nascent Imperium of Man, and those who begin to specialize in such campaigns find themselves requiring exotic weapons to combat them, and others in the future. The Legionary treats the Renown level of all Exotic weapons as one lower for the purposes of requisition, (For example, a Distinguished Exotic Weapon would be Respected for the Legionary), and gains the Fear (1) Trait.

THE HOWL OF THE DEATH WOLF

There are many who distrust the Space Wolves, and those who hear the howl of the beast borne within their blood, this distrust is often multiplied immensely. Once per encounter, the Legionary may let out a beastly howl, and may perform the Charge Action with his Run Speed.

THE HUNGER OF THE VOID

For some Legionaries, their bloodlust is a thing of dark legend, and nothing can sate them. When the Legionary charges, he may perform an additional attack, with the charge bonus included. For example, a Legionary who can normally perform a single attack as a Charge Action may instead perform two.

THE WASTER OF THE LAND

The Legionary is a master of breaking enemies out of their safe zones, chasing them into the very shadows themselves and coming up the victor. The Legionary ignores the effects of Difficult Terrain, and his ranged attacks at targets within 30" ignore armor points granted to the enemy by cover.

THE CROWN BREAKER

For many Legionaries, there is no higher test of valor than to slay the enemy's champions. Hurling the bodies back is more addicting than any drug, and many will endure all damage to get their fix. The Legionary may reroll damage rolls of 1 or 2 against Master class enemies, and increases his level of Unnatural Toughness by 1 when fighting a single enemy.

THE SHIELD OF THE WOLF KING

Some Legionaries, unlike their brethren, have mastered their battle rage, serving as a reliable defensive bulwark for their allies. The Legionary and allies within 5x his Fellowship bonus in meters never suffers penalties to Fear tests.

THE HEAD TAKER

Perhaps the Legionary had been a part of the notorious Ravagers, the Fourth Great Company of the Space Wolves, or at least taken on measures of their brutality. Considered volatile or even insane by many, the Legionary is possessed of striking insight into an enemy's state of mind. The Legionary may reroll damage rolls of 1 or 2 against Troop and Elite class enemies.

FOLLOWER (FENRISIAN WOLF)

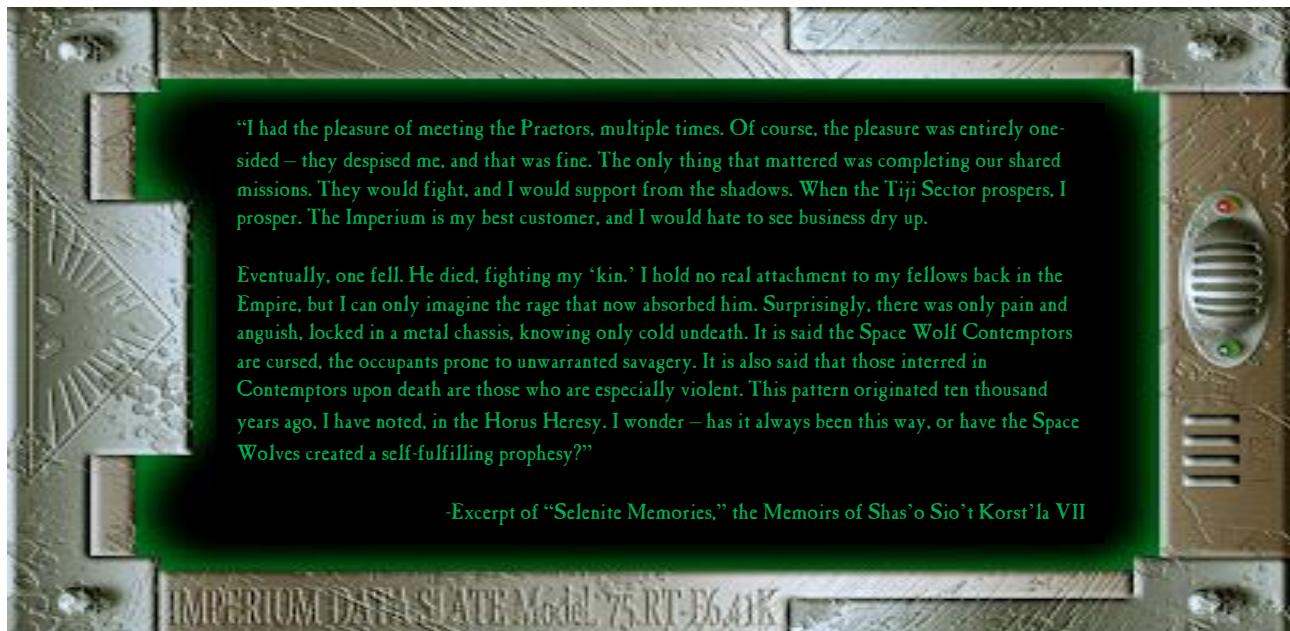
Some Space Wolves get lonely. They write home, and are sent a pupper to be their friend! The Legionary gains a Fenrisian Wolf, as detailed in Deathwatch: First Founding, Page 108. If the Legionary spends an additional 500 XP when purchasing this talent, the Fenrisian Wolf is upgraded to a Cyber Wolf, gaining an additional level of the Unnatural Toughness trait, the Mechanicus Implants trait, the Improved Natural Weapons trait (and increasing their Bite penetration to 6), and the Counter-Attack Talent. Remember to always scratch behind their ears, for this makes for a happy doggo. If you don't, you will find yourself staring down your Fenrisian Wolf – it is said there are no wolves on Fenris, and the eyes that stare back seem almost...human.



"I had the pleasure of meeting the Praetors, multiple times. Of course, the pleasure was entirely one-sided – they despised me, and that was fine. The only thing that mattered was completing our shared missions. They would fight, and I would support from the shadows. When the Tiji Sector prospers, I prosper. The Imperium is my best customer, and I would hate to see business dry up.

Eventually, one fell. He died, fighting my 'kin.' I hold no real attachment to my fellows back in the Empire, but I can only imagine the rage that now absorbed him. Surprisingly, there was only pain and anguish, locked in a metal chassis, knowing only cold undeath. It is said the Space Wolf Contemptors are cursed, the occupants prone to unwarranted savagery. It is also said that those interred in Contemptors upon death are those who are especially violent. This pattern originated ten thousand years ago, I have noted, in the Horus Heresy. I wonder – has it always been this way, or have the Space Wolves created a self-fulfilling prophecy?"

-Excerpt of "Selenite Memories," the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII



VII - THE IMPERIAL FISTS

When a location absolutely needed to be defended, one looked to the Imperial Fists. Drawn from all over Terra, the Imperial Fists would construct great citadels wherever they conquered. Described as the Emperor's unbreakable fists, the Imperial Fists would not only defend, they would crusade.

Once found on the world of Inwit, Rogal Dorn wasted no time in re-integrating with his Legion. Without pause or respite, the Imperial Fists crusaded and fortified, taking only fresh recruits from every world. They were adept at void combat, and their star fortresses were no less impregnable than their ground ones. The Fleets of the Imperial Fists were the largest of the Great Crusade. They were trustworthy and dependable, and in many campaigns of Compliance, the Imperial Fists were requested by the Emperor himself to be the vanguard or the defenders. The Fists and their Primarch, however, were blunt and uncompromising, as seen in the battle of the Araneus Cluster, defending the world that would one day be known as Necromunda against the enemy that would one day be known as the Necrons. For this reason, Dorn was passed up as Warmaster, in place of Horus. Dorn was given the role of Praetorian of Terra, and accompanied the Emperor while he began his Webway Project. This did not sit well with some.

Almost as if born of the same bloody womb, the Primarchs Perturabo and Rogal Dorn were immediately hateful of each other. Their legions were both siege specialists, but where one was pragmatic on the attack, the other was stoic on the defense. An unstoppable force met the immovable object, and the resultant fallout was impossible to contain. Alike to the point of outlook, Dorn's idealism clashed against Perturabo's despair. While history would declare the Imperial Fists the victor in the Age of Darkness, the truth is more unfortunate. The Imperial Fists who built the nascent Imperium died during the Great Crusade, and their culture and legacy would be extinguished a mere 1500 years later, replaced with an amalgamation of successors. Thus would end Dorn's most loyal sons, and one of the original Eighteen Legions.

IMPERIAL FISTS CHARACTERS

Imperial Fists Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Ballistic Skill, +5 Willpower, the Crusader of Stone Demeanor, the Disciplined Fire Solo Mode, the Unshakable Defense Squad Mode, and the Blood and Honor Drawback.

Solo Mode: Disciplined Fire

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary gains a +10 bonus to Ballistic Skill tests to fire Bolt weapons of all kinds, and the bolter component of combi-weapons.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary may ignore one penalty to his Ballistic Skill tests when firing Bolt weapons. At Rank 5, the Legionary adds their Intelligence bonus to damage as well as penetration against vehicles and enemies with the Daemon Engine trait. At Rank 7, the Legionary may fire Bolt weapons on semi and full auto settings as a half action, and retain the bonus +10 or +20 to hit.

Squad Mode: Unshakable Defense (Defense Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him are immune to pinning when claiming the defensive benefits of cover, or fighting from fortifications and barricades.

Improvements: At Rank 3, for every attack that strikes and damages cover the Legionary or an ally is in, the Legionary or his ally may perform a single-shot Ranged Attack against the enemy that fired as a Reaction. At Rank 6, the Legionary or his ally may perform a Semi or Full Auto Ranged Attack instead of a single-shot Ranged Attack.

Legionary Drawback: Blood and Honor

Effect: An Imperial Fists Legionary may not perform the Disengage Action against, and automatically fails Willpower tests to retreat from, melee combat against single enemies that he has the means to actively harm, under any circumstances. When fighting against single enemies, the Legionary must reroll Weapon Skill tests failed by one degree.



DEMEANOR: CRUSADERS OF STONE

The people of Inwit, the icy homeworld of Rogal Dorn, are raised to endure and survive, nomadically travelling across the ice fields without complaint, stoically accepting all that happens. Thus it was with the Imperial Fists, nomadic crusaders amongst the stars, who conquered and fortified an unbreakable line against all that threatened the burgeoning Imperium of Man. At home in the cold void, the households of the breachers and warders of the Imperial Fists were second to none, just as they were on ground, where the fortresses they build would stand for ten thousand years. The outlook and drive of their primarch would be reflected in every Legionary, their optimism and pride at building the Imperium rivalled only by the Ultramarines.

The VII Legion's assault-configured units and heavy weapon squads were its pride, and combined with the largest fleet of the Eighteen Legions, proved to be an unbeatable combination, at least until the Age of Darkness. Accuracy and adaptability was all, with the humble terran Bolter the most trusted tool by far. With such tools, the crusaders would make incredible progress through any threats the galaxy could offer, and eventually, the greatest of these crusaders would band together.

They would be called the Templars.

IMPERIAL FISTS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Evaluate	200	Skill	
Evaluate +10	400	Skill	Evaluate
Evaluate +20	400	Skill	Evaluate +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Pilot (Spacecraft)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Spacecraft) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Spacecraft)
Pilot (Spacecraft) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Spacecraft) +10
Tactics (Siege Doctrine)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Siege Doctrine)
Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +10
Bolter Drill	1000	Talent	
Last Man Standing	500	Talent	
Mastery of Space	1000	Talent	Ag 40, Pilot (Spacecraft) +20
Siegecraft	500	Talent	
Stalwart Defense	1000	Talent	
Void Tactician	500	Talent	Int 35

NEW TALENTS

MASTERY OF SPACE

The Imperial Fists's mastery of fleet actions meant a number of them were effective void captains. The Legionary may reroll all failed Tests with Maneuver Actions aboard a voidship.

SIEGECRAFT

Imperial Fists have fortified this position. The Imperial Fist may improve the Armor Points of a number of pieces of cover equal to the Space Marine's Rank by a number equal to his Intelligence Bonus. Unlike Techmarines, the Legionary requires some time, and the process takes 1d5 hours.

VOID TACTICIAN

The Legionary's experience with ground combat is transferred to void operations, where close assault operations are measured in kilometers. The Legionary gains a +10 bonus to firing voidship weapons such as macrobatteries, lances, and nova cannons. This bonus does not apply to torpedoes.

VIII - THE NIGHT LORDS

The Night Lords did not merely embrace the darkness, they were born in it, molded by it. Even their origins were formed from suffering, its first recruits drawn from the children of the sunless prison sinks of Holy Terra. They were paired with genesed that boosted their traits, their already pale skin became superpale, and their night vision was improved to monstrous levels – the better to hunt in the darkness with. They would be deployed against those who committed crimes so heinous mere crushing was not enough – there would be retribution. From the very beginning, there were those who wondered if such beings ever held any sort of nobility.

Things did not improve when the Legion was reintroduced to their Primarch. Conrad Kurze, the Night Haunter, was a nutjob possessed of perfect foresight, his prophesies always coming true. Found on Nostramo, a sunless world of suffering and corruption, the Night Haunter was a perfect fit, a king crazy amongst lunatics. But even then, his Legion of Terrans still had a purity of purpose, of retribution. The introduction of native Nostramans would slowly devolve the Legion into little more than a glorified gang. Ultimately, even the Emperor would have his concerns, but at the turn of the Age of Darkness, there was little even he could do, for the Horus Heresy had entered full tilt, Nostramo would be purged by Curze's own hand, and their recruitment systems annihilated by legions of Blackshields.

While specializing in terror tactics and retribution, at least on the outside, the Legion maintained a full armorium. In such battles such as the return of the Crimson Walkers of Hive Vhnori of Terra, and the Conquering of Vleshkar, the Legion would use the full arsenal available to it, wreaking havoc and anarchy all about. It was the Winnowing of Aeschylrai, however, that the Night Lords would display their true faces – the destruction of both loyal and noncompliant, their screams broadcast over vox, their corpses worn as armor trophies, their cities massacred to show the folly of rebellion. All would learn to fear the battle cry, "We have come for you."

NIGHT LORDS CHARACTERS

Night Lords Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Strength, +5 Agility, the Children of Misrule Demeanor, the From the Shadows Solo Mode, the Talent for Murder Squad Mode, and the Nostraman Blood Drawback.

Solo Mode: From the Shadows

Rank 1 Effect: Concealment and Silent Move tests made in darkness or other environmental hazards that impair visibility are two steps easier in Difficulty.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary gains a Fear Rating of 1, or increases his Fear Rating by 1, the first round after exiting concealment and entering combat. At Rank 5, the Legionary gains a PR30 defensive field, which does not overload, the first round after exiting concealment and entering combat. This defensive field disappears at the start of his next round. At Rank 7, the Legionary may make Concealment and Silent Move tests as a Free Action, and may do so even while being observed.

Squad Mode: Talent for Murder (Attack Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him in the same combat gain a bonus of +10 to Weapon Skill, Ballistic Skill, and the Felling (1) Quality on their melee weapons and pistols when they outnumber the enemy in melee combat. If a Legionary is wearing Terminator Armor, he counts as two Legionaries for the purposes of outnumbering. If the Legionary is a Dreadnought, he counts as five Legionaries.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and those within support range gain a further bonus to Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill equal to 10x the number they outnumber the enemy by. For example, outnumbering by 2 grants a bonus of +20.

Legionary Drawback: Nostraman Blood

Effect: When the Legionary fails a Fear test, he must retreat his Full Move distance away from the source of the Fear test in addition to the results of the failed Fear test. When the Legionary fails a Pinning test, he may choose to retreat away from the enemy using his Full Move speed as a Full Action rather than suffering the effects of Pinning.



DEMEANOR: CHILDREN OF MISRULE

Loyalty to one's gang was everything on Nostramo. As the Great Crusade progressed, the Night Lords Legion would gradually break down from the dictates of the Principia Bellicosa to a horrific mishmash of gang culture, where only the strongest and the fittest would survive. Terran survival tactics mixed with Nostraman murder arts, to create Legionaries that only respected those more skilled than them, and those who did not fall in line, dead. Murderers and criminals, all given the power of demigods. Even Conrad Kurze would begin to hate his Legion, as he realized that fear would require a constant presence, one he would be unable to provide as Nostramo collapsed into anarchy.

The Legion's assault troopers and infiltrators were highly skilled, and their mastery of psychological warfare was second to none. The Legion could wield fear as a weapon, and a world could collapse without a shot fired as part of their tactics. Even murderers and criminals love their fathers, however, and as the Legion began to collapse apart, only their respect for their Primarch, tenuous as it would be, would be the only thing holding them together. Beyond this, the Night Lords were a Legion almost set up from the beginning to fail, as they became one with the horrors of the galaxy.

NIGHT LORDS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Concealment	200	Skill	
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Silent Move	200	Skill	
Silent Move +10	400	Skill	Silent Move
Silent Move +20	400	Skill	Silent Move +10
Shadowing	200	Skill	
Shadowing +10	400	Skill	Shadowing
Shadowing +20	400	Skill	Shadowing +10
Double Team	500	Talent	
Jaded	500	Talent	WP30
Paranoia	500	Talent	
Street Fighting	500	Talent	
Spectral Haunter	600	Talent	Intimidate +20
Dark Sight	300	Trait	
Fear (1)	1000	Trait	

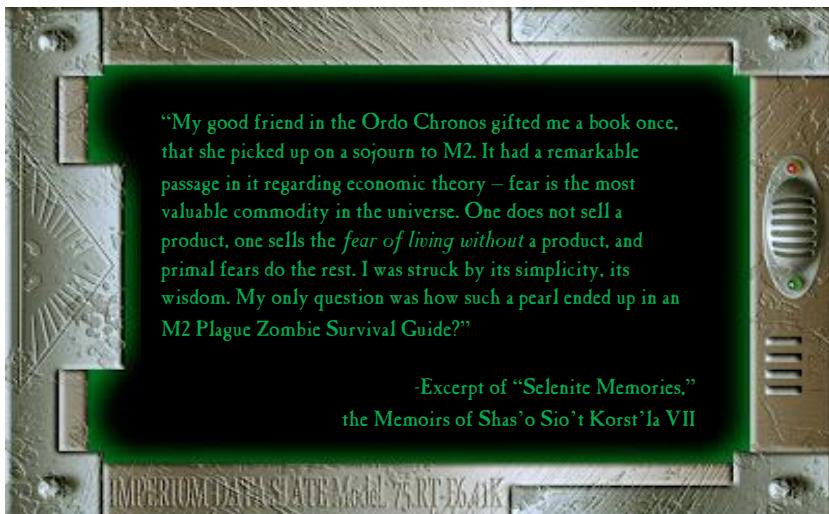
NEW TALENT

SPECTRAL HAUNTER

Night Lords are for their ability to utilize darkness and adverse conditions to harass their prey. Bonuses granted to Concealment and Silent Move tests by visual and environmental conditions are doubled, and penalties to enemy Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests to hit the Night Lord due to visual or environmental conditions are doubled as well.

"My good friend in the Ordo Chronos gifted me a book once, that she picked up on a sojourn to M2. It had a remarkable passage in it regarding economic theory – fear is the most valuable commodity in the universe. One does not sell a product, one sells the *feet of living without* a product, and primal fears do the rest. I was struck by its simplicity, its wisdom. My only question was how such a pearl ended up in an M2 Plague Zombie Survival Guide?"

-Excerpt of "Selenite Memories,"
the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII



IX - THE BLOOD ANGELS

The Blood Angels undergo by far the most strenuous of transformations. The rad-soaked aspirants of Baal are infused with the very blood of their Primarch, and transformed from hunched, crippled mutants to paragons of the human form. Each is an echo of their Primarch, Sanguinius the Angel, and though fatality rates were obscenely high, each Legionary proved themselves a survivor. There were, however, drawbacks – Sanguinius had passed on to his sons a pair of terrible flaws, one a psychic link to him that would share their pain, and another that would be known as the Red Thirst. A Blood Angels Legionary possessed cause and purpose bordering on fanaticism, but when their defenses were weakest, when this purpose was challenged, the Legionary would lose control to the Thirst, and tear apart everything nearby. Even Sanguinius was terrified, for such flaws could see the destruction and erasure of his Legion. The only one he confided to regarding this terrible secret was his most beloved brother, Horus.

In battle the Blood Angels struck as a unified Host of Angels, an incarnation of wrath against those who reject Compliance and Unity. Blazing assaults against the points of strongest resistance would pave the way for preternatural fury in melee combat, as enemies were scoured from existence. Shock and Awe was the word of the day, as enemy resistance would be shattered in a single, devastating blow. Entire worlds would cower against the descending “red angels,” brought to compliance in a single day of Revelations, the tide of carnage only receding when every single noncompliant recidivist was annihilated.



BLOOD ANGELS CHARACTERS

Blood Angels Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Weapon Skill, +5 Agility, the Host of Angels Demeanor, the Encarmine Fury Solo Mode, the Fires of Heaven Squad Mode, and the Red Thirst Drawback.

Solo Mode: Encarmine Fury

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary gains the Felling (1) Quality on all melee attacks.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary may reroll damage results from Melee attacks while under the effects of Frenzy. At Rank 5, the Legionary gains the Felling (2) Quality on all melee attacks. At Rank 7, the Legionary’s melee weapons gain the Vengeful (8) Quality.

Squad Mode: Fires of Heaven (Attack Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, whenever the Legionary and those within support range of him kill an enemy with a weapon from the Volkite, Flame, or Melta class of weapon, all enemies in the Legionary’s Support Range must immediately make a Pinning Test.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the ability applies to all weapon classes wielded by the Legionary and allies. At Rank 6, the Pinning Test is replaced with a Fear test, resolved at Fear (1).

Legionary Drawback: The Red Thirst

Effect: When the Legionary is reduced to Critical Wounds, he immediately enters a terrible Frenzy, even if he does not possess the talent. This Frenzy lasts for a number of rounds equal to 10 minus the Legionary’s Willpower Bonus, minimum 1 round. He will attack the nearest living being, be it ally or enemy. The Legionary increases his Unnatural Strength modifier by +1, and will heal wounds equal to an amount equal to his unmodified toughness bonus on every successful attack if this enemy was a living being, as he bathes in and consumes the blood spraying everywhere. However, while under the effects of the Red Thirst, the Legionary loses the benefits of the Unnatural Toughness Trait. Time for the Legionary to let’er rip...

At Rank 3, the Frenzy lasts for a number of rounds equal to 7 minus the Legionary’s Willpower Bonus, minimum 1 round. At Rank 7, the Legionary learns some semblance of control over the Red Thirst, and may enter it or leave it voluntarily as a Full Action.

DEMEANOR: HOST OF ANGELS

To be a Blood Angel was to be raised from nothing, into a stalwart soldier of the unstoppable Great Crusade. Even before the Age of Darkness dawned, the Blood Angels delighted in undertaking arts of beautification and construction, producing sculpture and portraiture from mere stone and canvas as they themselves were formed, and were greatly saddened against human worlds who resisted Compliance. Against the xenos threat, however, there would be no compassion. Against enemies such as the Orks of Kayvas or the mind-altering Nephilim, such creatures would be pursued relentlessly and destroyed. Xenos threats such as the Megarachnids of Murder would provide an ideal demonstration ground for the Legion's perfected shock and awe tactics.

The Blood Angels were one of the more personable Legions, beneath only the Salamanders, and it was for this reason that Roboute Guilliman, when establishing his Imperium Secundus, declared Sanguinius the new Emperor, much to his consternation. The Blood Angels would be figureheads, demonstrating all the righteous values of the Imperium, an isle of civilization in what was perceived as galactic ruin. The Blood Angels and their Primarch, while not overly specialized in any degree, exhibited the greatest blend of the Emperor's qualities, and thus were popular and loved by all.

BLOOD ANGELS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Charm	200	Skill	
Charm +10	400	Skill	Charm
Charm +20	400	Skill	Charm +10
Tactics (Shock and Awe)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Shock and Awe) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Shock and Awe)
Tactics (Shock and Awe) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Shock and Awe) +10
Trade (Remembrancer)	200	Skill	
Trade (Remembrancer) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Remembrancer)
Trade (Remembrancer) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Remembrancer) +10
Assassin Strike	500	Talent	
Battle Rage	400	Talent	Frenzy
Berserk Charge	600	Talent	
Frenzy	400	Talent	
Furious Assault	600	Talent	WS35
Radiant Presence	500	Talent	Fel 40

NEW TALENT

RADIANT PRESENCE

The Legionary is idolized by his allies, and they look up to him as a beacon of stability. The Legionary and Allies within support range gain a +10 to Willpower Tests to resist Fear or against Intimidation attempts. This ability affects all allies close to the Legionary, though not the Legionary himself.



X - THE IRON HANDS

The Iron Hands, once known as the “Iron Tenth” and the “Storm Walkers,” were an uncompromising hammer that smashed every enemy they faced. Drawn from the Qavite Plate Cities and the Solus Stellax Bloc (Based on linguistic patterns, this is believed to correspond to the lands once occupying the Adriatic Sea, Sicily, and Albania), the Iron Hands were granted a fierce pride in a warrior ancestry that predated them by millennia. Practicing a tactic known as Hammer and Storm at first, the Legion would deploy auxiliaries to bait the enemy out, kicking up a storm, before dropping themselves in as the hammer and blasting them apart. Thus was the “Storm Walkers” coined, but this name would be dropped mere years later, as the Primarch of the Iron Tenth had been found.

On the world of Medusa, a cold, barren world surrounded by a great orbital station, Ferrus Manus, the Iron Handed giant, would remake both society and his Legion. The Iron Hands would be forged into a literal engine of war, possessed of purest logic and reason, confronting all enemies head-on, and specializing in linebreaker and armored operations. Over time, their beliefs would shift, auxilia forces once held in respect now viewed with contempt for their observed weakness. The Iron Hands had become conquerors, not liberators, and the constant need to face enemies up front began to take its toll – more and more of the Legion had determined that, as they took more damage, the “flesh was weak,” and would be replaced with cybernetics. There was no room for weakness in the Iron Hands, a viewpoint first supported by Ferrus Manus, but soon even he began to observe a growing mania in his legion. He resolved to take steps to stem it, and reconcile who the Iron Hands were and building themselves into, with what they could be.

He never got the chance. A close shave from Fulgrim ended that.

The Iron Hands were the first to lose their Primarch, and as a result, many went violently insane. Was their primarch weak? Were they? It would be the start of an obsession that would fester and grow from the Age of Darkness over the next ten thousand years.

IRON HANDS CHARACTERS

Iron Hands Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Ballistic Skill, +5 Toughness, the Mechanicum Implants Trait, the Medusan Inheritance Demeanor, the Inviolate Armor Solo Mode, the Stand and Fight Squad Mode, and the Rigid Tactics Drawback.

Solo Mode: Inviolate Armor

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary increases his Toughness Bonus by 2 against enemy shooting attacks.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary reduces damage an enemy inflicts on a vehicle he is within by a value equal to his unmodified Toughness bonus. At Rank 5, the Legionary increases the level of his Unnatural Toughness by 1 against shooting attacks. This replaces the Rank 1 Effect. At Rank 7, the Legionary gains the Regeneration (X) trait, where X is equal to half his unmodified Toughness Bonus, rounding up.

Squad Mode: Stand and Fight (Defense Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 2 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him reroll failed Willpower-based tests such as Pinning, Shock Table results, or effects of Psychic Powers, that would cause the Legionary to retreat.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and those within support range of him ignore effects such as Pinning, or effects of Psychic Powers, that would cause the Legionary to retreat.

Legionary Drawback: Rigid Tactics

Effect: When the Legionary or his squad fails to complete a Primary Objective or Secondary Objective of a mission, or the mission itself, the Renown loss is doubled. In addition, if the Legionary fails a Command test to summon or command an Allied Asset, the Legionary suffers a -10 penalty to further Command tests to command Allied Assets, as butthurt and rage at their weakness overtakes him. Finally, the Requisition costs of Jump Packs, Bikes of any kind, and Jetbikes are increased by 10%, rounding up if necessary.



DEMEANOR: MEDUSAN INHERITANCE

Medusa, homeworld of the Iron Hands, had descended into barbarism, but its technological wealth remained relatively intact. Though suffering great damage, the Telstarax, the orbital ring surrounding the world, was salvageable. Amongst the ruins of Medusa did Ferrus Manus uplift his people. Mobile, semi-tribal clans, these were a savage and unforgiving people, who travelled and defended great land-crawlers. Ferrus Manus did not desire worship or offer peace, but he did demand obedience as he beat the clans of Medusa into line. He would do the same to his Legion, brute forcing the Terrans and Medusans into one unified force under his will. Only the most psychologically suitable recruits, those who were strong, warlike, and fit, would be taken as aspirants to join the growing Iron Hands Legion from Medusa and conquered worlds.

Over time, however, even the Gorgon began to mellow out. He was, after all, a builder. “The Flesh was Weak,” coined by his brother Vulkan, was a commonly said term, initially indicated to mean shearing off of personal weakness to replace with cybernetics, but in actuality meant a celebration of what the human spirit could achieve – the Flesh may be Weak, but deeds endure. Flesh comes to an end one day, but the legacy one leaves should be one that others are proud to inherit. It was a noble sentiment, and one that would be cut short just as the Gorgon was, and the Legion would lose their collective fucking minds.

IRON HANDS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Drive (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Drive (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Drive (Choose One)
Drive (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Drive (Choose One) +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Tech Use	200	Skill	
Tech Use +10	400	Skill	Tech Use
Tech Use +20	400	Skill	Tech Use +10
Autosanguine	500	Talent	Mechanicum Implants
Peer (Mechanicum)	500	Talent	Int (30)
The Flesh Is Weak (x3)	500	Talent	
Cybernetic Boost	500	Talent	Tech Use
Cybernetic Calibrations	700	Talent	Tech Use +10, Cyb. Boost
Tank Hunter	500	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

CYBERNETIC BOOST

As a Half Action, the Legionary may spend a Fate Point and make a Challenging (+0) Tech-Use Test. If he succeeds, he increases the current value by of his Unnatural Strength OR Unnatural Toughness by +1. This persist for a number of Rounds equal to his Intelligence Bonus. The Legionary may end the effect at any time. At the end of each Round in which the character allows it to persist, he gains 1 level of Fatigue.

CYBERNETIC CALIBRATIONS

All of the Legionary’s cybernetics count as being one level of Craftsmanship higher than their base Craftsmanship (so for instance, a Poor Craftsmanship bionic arm would become Common Craftsmanship, or a Good Craftsmanship limb would become Best Craftsmanship).

TANK HUNTER

When making a ranged attack against a vehicle or enemy with the Daemon Engine trait, the Legionary adds his Ballistic Skill Bonus to the Penetration value of his weapon.

XII - THE WORLD EATERS

The World Eaters are a “Legion” in name only. Their bonds of brotherhood were perhaps the strongest of all the Legions once, but once reunified with their benefather, it all went downhill. These Legionaries, once known as the War Hounds, were drawn from all over Terra for their inherently aggressive and competitive natures, would first see battle in the Sa’afrik Liberation, and the Cerberus Insurrection against surviving Thunder Warriors. Split up into multiple reserves to augment other Legions’ fleets, they would provide the killing strike in complete slaughter, leaving foes in no condition to resist. Like all brothers, they would fight and beat each other down, but though their reputation as annihilators grew, battles would always come down to one fact – in the end, there would be either zero enemies left, or zero World Eaters left. Never would there be a middle ground.

And then came the Red Angel. Angron had been found, and after the Emperor’s rather disastrous first contact, had been left with his legion, destroyed its command structure, and was only mollified through the actions of a brave Captain named Khârn. Angron had possessed a fearsome charisma, unbreakable conviction, unstoppable strength, and a brutal idea of honor that spoke to the nascent World Eaters at first. However, Angron was flawed. The Butchers’ Nails within him had eaten away and replaced parts of his brain – they would sing to him, and the damage done was so severe not even the Emperor could fix it. Angron was a timed weapon, to be used until dead, and he never forgave his father for taking him from what he saw as his TRUE brethren. The World Eaters would gradually begin to take the Butcher’s Nails into themselves, in an attempt to understand their benefather, their Terran culture of brotherhood destroyed under Angron’s uncaring gaze.

What son does not idolize and seek to emulate his father, no matter what their father may do? Angron did not care for the actions of his genesons – the loyal War Hounds died, and the blood-crazed World Eaters were born.

WORLD EATERS CHARACTERS

World Eaters Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Weapon Skill, +5 Strength, the Savage Tide Demeanor, the Incarnate Violence Solo Mode, the Bloodlust Squad Mode, and the Blood Madness Drawback.

Solo Mode: Incarnate Violence

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary may reroll damage results of 1 or 2 on attacks performed as part of a Charge action.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary gains a +10 bonus to Weapon Skill tests when fighting a single enemy in melee combat. At Rank 5, the Legionary may reroll all damage results on attacks performed as part of a Charge action. At Rank 7, the Legionary may perform one additional attack in melee combat, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks. For example, a Legionary with Swift Attack may perform three attacks rather than two, or four instead of three if dual wielding melee weapons.

Squad Mode: Bloodlust (Attack Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, if the Legionary or those within support range of him fail a Fear test, they may make a second Challenging (+0) Willpower test. If this test is passed, the Legionary is considered to have passed the Fear test, and gains the benefits of the Hatred talent against the enemy who caused the Fear test.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and those within support range of him ignore the enemy’s Fear rating, and gain a bonus to Weapon Skill tests against that enemy equal to 10 times the enemy’s Fear Rating.

Legionary Drawback: Blood Madness

Effect: After killing an enemy in melee combat, the Legionary must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower Test. If this test is failed, on his next round the Legionary must move towards or charge the nearest enemy he is able to harm. If there is no enemy he is able to harm, he may act normally. However, the Legionary gains a +5 bonus to Weapon Skill for every enemy killed during the encounter in melee, until the end of the encounter.



DEMEANOR: SAVAGE TIDE

While nominally the World Eaters were capable of all manner of warfare, its Legionaries by far favored direct assault and Zone Mortalis operations. Armored vehicles were a tactical means to an end – the Legion’s best weapons were its Legionaries, and the faster they could be delivered into combat, the better. Over time, as the tenuous links to Terra were lost in favor of Angron’s gladiatorial practices, even these would slowly be abandoned in favor of mass charges. Over time, some would be lost. These Red Butchers would be isolated from the rest, while the Caedere Rampagers, those who took to the cybernetics derived from the Butcher’s Nails better than their compatriots, would lead the eternal bloody vanguard.

While shunned by most, and held in fear by Auxilia allies, there were those who recognized the World Eaters. The Luna Wolves and White Scars, while not allies in any sense, were among those who professed acknowledgement and some admiration of the Legion. Mechanicum and Titanicus forces of the fringes of the Imperium also swore their loyalty after such exemplary battles such as the Slaughter of Golgotha. But, for most of their existence, the Legion could only count on its bonds of brotherhood within itself, veterans of a thousand battles joined together in competition and bloodlust, until even this was taken from them in an eternity of slaughter in the name of an eternally thirsting god of blood and skulls.

WORLD EATERS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Berserk Charge	500	Talent	
Crushing Blow	700	Talent	S40
Combat Master	500	Talent	WS 30
Flesh Render	500	Talent	
Furious Assault	600	Talent	WS35
Frenzy	400	Talent	
Hatred (Choose One)	400	Talent	
Avatar of Slaughter	500	Talent	Intimidate +20, S45
Unstoppable Wrath	700	Talent	Survival +10, T45
Brutal Charge	500	Trait	

NEW TALENTS

AVATAR OF SLAUGHTER

During combat, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Intimidate tests as a Half Action. If this test is successful, enemies with line of sight to the character to make a Difficult (-10) Willpower Test. If they fail, they suffer a -20 penalty to target the Legionary for a number of turns equal to the Legionary’s unmodified Strength Bonus. This penalty stacks with any other penalties and modifiers.

UNSTOPPABLE WRATH

During combat, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Toughness Test to ignore the effects of environmental hazards like void, extreme heat, or extreme cold, Fatigue, or even Death for a single Round. This Trait may only be used to ignore a Critical Result of Death once per combat encounter.

XIII - THE ULTRAMARINES

The Ultramarines, once known as the War-Born before reunification with their Primarch, were first drawn from varied sources on Terra, united by the fact that each source was brought to the brink of destruction by the Emperor's reunification armies. They were known for their mass human wave tactics, rivalry of achievements with other legions, and tendency to guard their "honor" well. They also had the curious tendency of individualistic battlegroups that would take names and heraldry from allies and conquered worlds.

It was not until the reunification with the Primarch Roboute Guilliman, and the subsequent re-organization, that the Legion would be known as the ordered, dutiful, meritocratic engine it is today. Adapting the Principia Bellicosa into a formation known as the Logos Lectora, the Ultramarines could face any threat reliably. To Guilliman, the perfect statesman, the Legion was more than warriors, it included a chain of supply, the ships that transported them, the recruiting worlds, all was linked together in a web of cooperation, and all needed to be controlled. Every world would not only be conquered, but rebuilt, set up as a fully functioning member of the Imperium, before moving on. This would create a gradually increasing Realm of Ultramar, until at least the dawn of the Age of Darkness.

When the Horus Heresy finally entered full swing, the Ultramarines, Blood Angels, and Dark Angels would be isolated behind the Ruinstorm, a galaxy-spanning Warp Storm that would be an ominous premonition of the Cicatrix Maledictum ten thousand years later. The three Legions, complete with loyalists of traitor legions, and a xenotech structure called the Pharos, attempted to hold what was left of the Imperium together in what they called the Imperium Secundus. When the Emperor was found to be still alive, the project was cancelled, and the three Legions would rush to Terra as fast as they could. Though the Dark Angels and the Blood Angels would make it to Holy Terra in time, the Ultramarines would be too slow to make a difference, a realization that would pain the Lord of Ultramar for almost ten thousand years.

ULTRAMARINES CHARACTERS

Ultramarines Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Intelligence, +5 Fellowship, the Eagle of the East Demeanor, the Certainty and Resolve Solo Mode, the Interlocking Tactics Squad Mode, and the Rigid Chain of Command Drawback.

Solo Mode: Certainty and Resolve

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary never suffers penalties to Fear tests, Command tests used on allied assets, or Command / Fellowship tests used to resist Cohesion damage. This ability continues to function in Squad Mode, but only if the Ultramarines Legionary is Squad Leader.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Command test on an allied Horde asset as a half action. If the test is successful, the Horde regains magnitude equal to $1d10 + X$, where X is the Degrees of Success on the Command Test. At Rank 5, once per combat, the Legionary may automatically pass one command test used on allied assets with a number of degrees equal to his Fellowship bonus. At Rank 7, the Legionary grants the Rank 1 Effect of this Solo Mode to his allied Legionaries.

Squad Mode: Interlocking Tactics (Attack Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 4 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and those within support range of him can re-roll any results of 1 or 2 on damage rolls against any enemy an ally had previously attacked.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and those within support range of him may reroll all damage rolls for any attack against a target an ally had previously attacked.

Legionary Drawback: Rigid Chain of Command

Effect: If the Legionary is acting as Squad Leader, and is slain (or forced to burn a fate point to live), allied Legionaries within Support Range must immediately take a Hard (-20) Pinning test, or be Pinned. Legionaries must take this special Pinning test even if they are normally immune to Fear and Pinning.



DEMEANOR: EAGLE OF THE EAST

From the beginning, the XIII, from the War-Born to the Ultramarines, would never truly deviate from the strictures of the Principia Bellicosa. Guilliman, however, was not above adapting and improving the warfare stratagems of others, and implementing them within his own legion. While a Legionary of the XIII was expected to be tactically diverse and able to fight on any field equally. There was, however, some divisions of the Legion that would gradually begin to overspecialize, a microcosm of a Legion within a Legion. The 22nd Chapter, for instance, maintained large number of Destroyer Legionaries, taking the name “Nemesis,” while the 4th Company specialized in Armored Assault, taking the name “Auroran” from the auroras of Cypra Mundi.

As a Legionary completed his numerous tours, starting with defensive postings within the Realm of Ultramar as an Evocatus, he would be inducted as a Line Trooper, and if he proved an aptitude for Command, nominated for the Invictarus, one day to take command of his own chapter. It is important, however, that Guilliman did not intend for his Legionaries to be soldiers, he expected them to be leaders, rulers, masters of worlds, and when the Great Crusade had finally completed its great work, governors, so the Imperium would stand eternal.

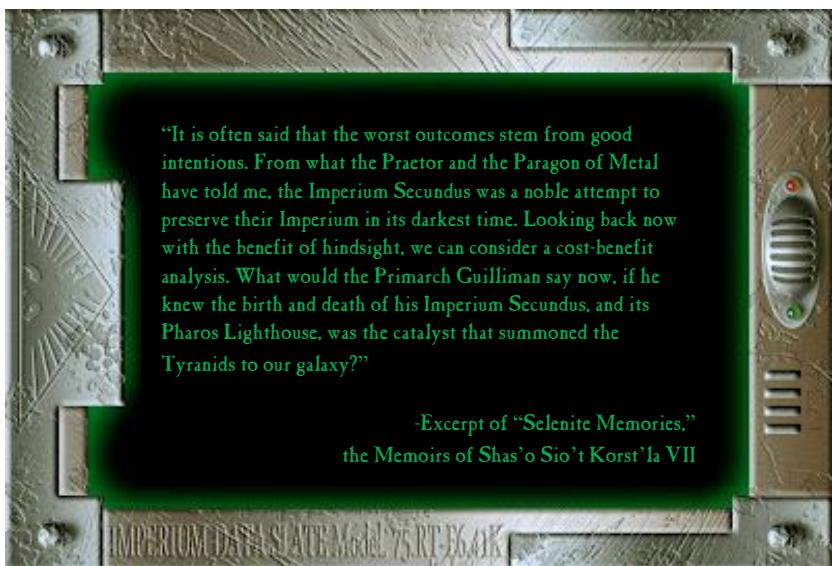
ULTRAMARINES LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Charm	200	Skill	
Charm +10	400	Skill	Charm
Charm +20	400	Skill	Charm +10
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	400	Skill	Command
Command +20	400	Skill	Command +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Tactics (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Choose One)
Tactics (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Choose One) +10
Air of Authority	500	Talent	
Combat Formation	500	Talent	Int 40
Exemplar of Honor	500	Talent	
Foresight	500	Talent	Int 30
Heroic Inspiration	600	Talent	Fel 35, Command
Talented (Command)	500	Talent	

NEW TALENT

HEROIC INSPIRATION

The Legionary is beginning to understand the intricacies of commanding, and the right words to say to motivate his allies. As a Half Action, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Command Test. If he succeeds, he may grant a single allied Legionary or Support Asset within support range a +10 to their next Skill or Characteristic Test, such as a Ballistic or Weapon Skill test to attack, or a generalized Skill or Characteristic test of the Legionary's choice.



Excerpt of “Selenite Memories,”
the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII

XIV - THE DEATH GUARD

Once known as the noble Dusk Raiders, whose name was a byword for resilience and unshakable courage, the Death Guard would over time become the very thing they fought against – inhuman, unrecognizable monsters. The first Legionaries of the Death Guard would be drawn from the Castram-cities and clans of Old Albia and the North Atlan Wilderness (Linguistics patterns pointing towards the land of Great Britain and what was once the Atlantic Ocean, due to the presence of the Talacra Silt Wastes of Wales), the Dusk Raiders would gradually specialize in close-range engagements and holding position under the heaviest of fire, and under the dim light of the fall of night. To threaten a world with the Dusk Raiders would cause worlds to waver, but those who willingly surrendered to Compliance could count on an honorable truce and reconciliation.

The recovery of Mortarion, the Pale King, would cast a shadow over the Legion. Recovered from the gigantic beings who wore rusted armor and thrived in the toxic atmosphere of Barbarus and denied a place as savior of Barbarus by the Emperor, Mortarion would never truly have his vengeance against the beings that raised him, and it would eat at him. Renaming his Legion the Death Guard, he reinforced the ideal that mankind should always be free of oppression and terror, freedom that could only be won by destroying those who would seek to enslave it. Their colors, the murky green of Barbaran swamp mud, would eclipse the old grey, and as the war fleets would battle on, the Terran contingents would become a minority, serving resolutely despite their growing misgivings, until finally purged at Isstvan III.

The Death Guard, while possessing the full panoply of war that all Legions were capable of fighting, nonetheless put its faith in the simple foot soldier, infantry providing the bulk of forces, with tactical support coming from support squads, terminators, and dreadnoughts. During such signature battles such as the Conquest of Galaspar, even voidships burning through the sky towards the alchemy-tainted ground below were but mere transports to deliver the deadliest cargo of all – Space Marines.

DEATH GUARD CHARACTERS

Death Guard Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Toughness, +5 Willpower, the Inheritance of Barbarus Demeanor, the Son of Barbarus Solo Mode, the Remorseless Squad Mode, and the Intractable Drawback.

Solo Mode: Son of Barbarus

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary may reroll failed Toughness tests to resist the Toxic, Irradiated, and Rad-Phage quality of weapons.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary ignores the penalties imposed by difficult or arduous terrain. At Rank 5, the Legionary retains his unmodified Toughness bonus against Fleshbane weapons. At Rank 7, the Legionary is immune to the Toxic quality of weapons, and retains his full Toughness bonus against weapons with the Fleshbane quality.

Squad Mode: Remorseless (Defense Pattern)

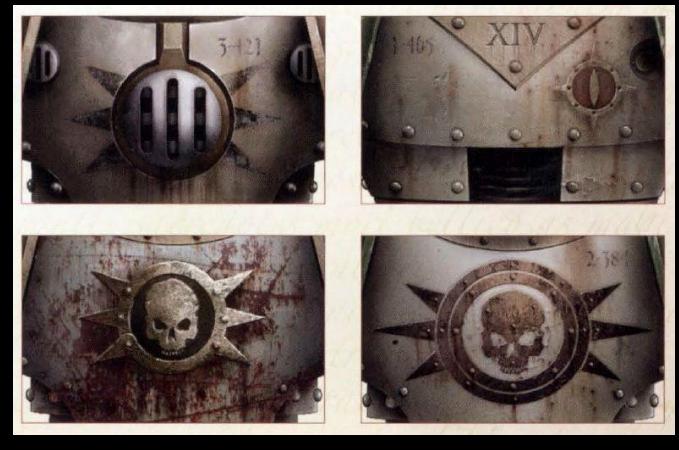
Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range reroll failed Fear tests, and gain a +10 bonus to Opposed Willpower tests to resist enemy psychic powers.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and allies within Support Range are immune to Fear and Pinning, and reroll failed Opposed Willpower tests to resist enemy psychic powers. The Legionary still benefits from the +10 bonus of the Rank 1 effect.

Legionary Drawback: Intractable

Effect: The Legionary subtracts his Agility Bonus from his Run Speed, grants enemies a +10 bonus to the Agility test to escape combat via the Hit and Run talent, and Squad Modes that cause the Legionary to move cost an additional Cohesion point to cast and maintain.



DEMEANOR: INHERITANCE OF BARBARUS

If there was one thing the Death Guard would be known for, it would be their favor of alchemical and poisoned weaponry. The people of Barbarus were hardy to an unbelievable extent, having grown up amongst the toxins and poisonous mists that comprised their world's clouds, and the Geneseeed of the XIV would only improve upon this. This constant use of alchemy and rad weaponry, however, would darken their reputation, and cause no small amount of mistrust along other Legions. Due to their inherent resilience, it would also cause the Legionaries to be deployed to battlefields possessing the most hellish and lethal environments imaginable. Here, the normal restrictions against such weapons did not apply. Once more, we see a self-fulfilling prophesy of toxic weapon use and toxic deployment.

Almost every Legionary of the Death Guard, and their Primarch, would be shunned and suspected by their brother Legions. They would keep little company amongst others, each Legionary an island, and numerous other Primarchs had great concern over the Death Guard's preferred tactica, and eventually their very loyalty. The XIV were amongst the greatest conquerors, moving slowly but exorably, and so such fears were dismissed. The Death Guard had a job, and they would do it, and they would survive whatever the galaxy threw at them.

DEATH GUARD LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Chem Use	200	Skill	
Chem Use +10	400	Skill	Chem Use
Chem Use +20	400	Skill	Chem Use +10
Medicae	200	Skill	
Medicae +10	400	Skill	Medicae
Medicae +20	400	Skill	Medicae +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Trade (Chymist)	200	Skill	
Trade (Chymist) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Chymist)
Trade (Chymist) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Chymist) +10
Die Hard	500	Talent	WP40
Hardy	500	Talent	T40
Iron Jaw	500	Talent	T40
Jaded	500	Talent	WP30
Tireless	500	Talent	T40, WP35
Abiding Resilience	800	Talent	T40

NEW TALENTS

TIRELESS

The Legionary ignores the -10 penalty to all Tests from Fatigue. He still suffers any other effects of Fatigue as normal.

ABIDING RESILIENCE

When the Legionary expends a Fate Point to regain Wounds, he regains a number of Wounds equal to 1d10 + his Unmodified Toughness Bonus (instead of 1d10 Wounds as normal), and removes 1 level of Fatigue.



XV - THE THOUSAND SONS

Never was there such a cursed Legion as there was the Thousand Sons. Their beginnings were heralded by emergent warp storms, as troops were drawn from the Achaemenid Empire of Terra, an area corresponding to modern Iran, Armenia, and Iraq, as well as the Fire Lords of Oaus (theorized to be Hawaii or the Pacific Rim), and the Kashai Domain (believed to be Tanzania). While unremarkable at first glance, beyond adopting the “Thousand” symbol as their own rather quickly, mirroring the ancient Achaemenid Immortals, their strength grew slowly, and eventually, ten years into the Great Crusade, their psychic powers burst forth. This led to a problem. Psykers are not trusted – an entire LEGION of them would only be cause for trouble. And then there was the Flesh Change.

It started on the world of Bezant, where a single unnamed Legionary, suffering perils of the warp, was torn apart by empyrean forces, devolving into a creature that would be later codified as “Chaos Spawn.” Every time the Legion grew in strength, more would fall victim to this curse, the Legion unable to grow beyond a thousand members, until the discovery of Magnus, the Crimson King, and his deals with the beings of the Warp. But even then, the Psyker was distrusted, and despite Magnus’s best intentions, the Council of Nikaea would ban the use of all sorcerous powers. Magnus and his Legion did not listen, and his homeworld would be burned as a result, the Space Wolves and Talons of the Emperor doing the dirty work, while a detachment of the Sons of Horus would follow quietly behind, stealing away native psykers for their own nefarious ends. Upon transporting themselves to Sortarius in the Eye of Terror, they bide their time, until Terra.

The Thousand Sons were defined by their psychic powers, tied to each of the five cults of Prospero. Different Orders also provided support, from the Order of Ruin who specialized in siege, the Order of the Jackal and the Legion’s Dreadnoughts and recruits, and the Order of Blindness, the mind-controlled spies of the Legion, rivalling the Ultramarines’ own Vigil Opertii. The Thousand Sons were unique, and they knew it.

THOUSAND SONS CHARACTERS

Thousand Sons Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Intelligence, +5 Willpower, the Psy Rating 2 Talent, the Student of the Pesedjet Demeanor, the Prosperine Lore “Solo Mode,” the Covenant of Sorcerers Squad Mode, and the Signs and Portents Drawback.

Solo Mode: Prosperine Lore

The Legionaries of the Thousand Sons are unique amongst their brethren, and do not gain a Solo Mode as others do. Instead, they select a Psychic Discipline at character generation, and may buy Psychic Powers from their chosen Psychic Discipline at the listed cost. This Psychic Discipline may not be changed once selected, so choose wisely!

Psychic Disciplines consist of the Biomancy, Telekinesis, Divination, Telepathy, and Pyromancy disciplines. The Codex and Chapter Disciplines of the Deathwatch Core Rulebook are not used, and may not be chosen.

Squad Mode: Covenant of Sorcerers (Attack Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range select a Discipline of Psychic Powers. The Legionary and allies within Support Range gain a +10 bonus to Focus Power tests used to cast powers from this Discipline.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and allies within Support Range may reroll failed Focus Power Tests to cast powers from the chosen Discipline. They retain the Rank 1 effect of the Squad Mode ability.

Legionary Drawback: Signs and Portents

Effect: If the Legionary generates any Perils of the Warp result while casting a psychic power, he gains 1d5 Corruption Points in addition to any effects of the Perils result, and allies within Support Range must immediately make a Hard (-20) Pinning test. In addition, should an ally functioning as Squad Leader be killed, or is forced to burn fate to survive an attack that would have killed them, the Legionary suffers a -10 penalty to Willpower-based tests until the completion (or failure) of the mission.



DEMEANOR: STUDENT OF THE PESEDJET

The Thousand Sons were split into Fellowships, and each Legionary of each Fellowship was part of a Cult and sometimes Order. Rather than the standard organization, the Thousand Sons progressed through their Cult and Orders, growing mentally and physically, ever closer to the Primarch that had saved them from the Flesh Change. Each Legionary was expected to be not only a great warrior, but a scholar, a theoretician when demanded. They would push the limits of learning, as well as sorcerous powers.

It could be said the cancellation of the Librarius project hit them hard. While originated by Sanguinius, it was Magnus's input that codified the process. The Edict of Nikaea, however, ended it quickly. While the Edict explicitly banned "sorcery and witchcraft," the Thousand Sons, in their pride, would feel their work was no such thing, and continue, albeit in secret. And therein lay their fault. The Thousand Sons were too prideful, believing themselves the masters. While they were powerful, as seen in the Levelling of 72-9, where a mere sixty Legionaries crushed an entire Knight House with their psychic abilities, they did not realize they were being played like a damn fiddle by forces beyond their understanding, and they would suffer for it, die for it. Magnus may have had the best of intentions, but once again, those are what pave the road to...well, you know...

THOUSAND SONS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Forbidden Lore (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Forbidden Lore (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Choose One)
Forbidden Lore (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Choose One) +10
Invocation	200	Skill	
Invocation +10	400	Skill	Invocation
Invocation +20	400	Skill	Invocation +10
Psyniscience	200	Skill	
Psyniscience +10	400	Skill	Psyniscience
Psyniscience +20	400	Skill	Psyniscience +10
Scholastic Lore (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Scholastic Lore (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Scholastic Lore (Choose One)
Scholastic Lore (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Scholastic Lore (Choose One) +10
Resistance (Psychic Powers)	300	Talent	
Strong Minded	500	Talent	Resistance (Psychic Powers), WP30
Warp Affinity	500	Talent	
Warp Sense	500	Talent	Per 30, Psyniscience
Psy Rating 3	500	Talent	Psy Rating 2
Psy Rating 4	500	Talent	Psy Rating 3
Cult Arcana	1000	Talent	



NEW TALENTS

CULT ARCANA

The XV Legion were scholars as well as warriors, and one's individual progress could be measured not only by battlefield achievements, but in advancements of the Cults Arcana. Every Legionary would join a cult whose area of study would overlap with their own powers, and by refining their powers, they served a double purpose of not only improving themselves on the battlefield, but advancing the Legion's knowledge as a whole.

When purchasing this talent, the Legionary applies the benefits of one of the following Cults, depending on his selected Psychic Discipline at Character Generation to represent his battlefield experience, and expertise.

PAVONI

Discipline: Biomancy

The Pavoni concerned themselves with reshaping flesh with the energy of the aether, the Warp. They could harden themselves against damage, strengthen themselves to punch through steel, and reform their ruined bodies. They were the heart and soul of the Legion, and their skill at oratory was unmatched in the Legion.

Pavoni Cult Legionaries add their Psy Rating to the distance they may Run and Charge.

RAPTORA

Discipline: Telekinesis

Rapta Cultists could manipulate reality with their will, practicing psychokinesis and control of physical forces. They could control great storms of energy, as well as project shields of psychic force. The "Kine Shields" that protected Tizca of Prospero from orbital bombardment were maintained by the Rapta, when they were not busy with scholarly work.

Rapta Cult Legionaries gain a PR20 Defensive Field, which overloads on a value equal to 9 minus their Psy Rating. If this field overloads, it may be restored with a Challenging (+0) Willpower test as a Full Action. If the Legionary already possesses a defensive field from another source, such as a Refractor Field, that source's Protection Rating is instead increased by +15, up to a maximum of +60. This field overloads as normal according to its description.

CORVIDAE

Discipline: Divination

The Corvidae were soothsayers and augurs, who looked into the past and future, with the most powerful among them able to change events rather than just observing. From the Corvidae came the Legion's strategists and generals, and at the dawn of the Age of Darkness, was headed up by a strong-willed Legionary named Ahriman...

Corvidae Cult Legionaries reroll failed Ballistic Skill tests of up to one Degree of Failure if the Legionary did not perform a Movement action in that same turn.

ATHANEAN

Discipline: Telepathy

The realm of mind and thought was the domain of the Athaneans, working as one single mind to channel orders into the mind of its Legionaries. They were withdrawn ascetics, but also the Legion's diplomats and factors, emissaries to the Imperium and Mechanicum, specifically the Forge World of Zhao-Arkhad and its psychic constructs.

Athanean Legionaries gain the Fearless and the Bastion of Iron Will talents.

PYRAE

Discipline: Pyromancy

The Pyrae could control and create fire. Simple enough. Depending on the need, they could summon small flames to raging hellstorms that could engulf cities. It is said their mere touch could melt metal, and it is no surprise a majority of line Legionaries found their calling in this Cult.

When the Legionary attacks an enemy in melee combat, the Legionary may make a Routine (+20) Willpower-based Focus Power test as a Free Action. If this test is successful, his melee attacks, including unarmed attacks and melee weapons, gain the Flame quality until the end of his turn.

PSYCHIC DISCIPLINES

"I have no issues with sanctionites and those who are blessed in the eyes of the Emperor, but psychic power is dangerous and untrustworthy. Magic turns on its wielder as often as those it is wielded against."

- "Felleye" Brynjol, Space Wolves Praetor, on psychic powers and sorcery.

At the time of the Great Crusade and the Age of Darkness, there are five main disciplines, which corresponded to the five Cults of the Thousand Sons. Each Cult explored a particular aspect of the Warp, and it can be said that their studies would be the only contribution that would survive over ten thousand years.

Codex and Chapter Powers as listed in the Deathwatch Rulebook have not yet been established at the time of the Great Crusade, and thus are unavailable for purchase or use. Until the Age of Darkness burst forth, every legion bar one had banned the internal use of Psychic Powers as per the Edict of Nikaea, and sent its psychic Legionaries to work as Line Troopers. Only the Thousand Sons secretly flaunted this edict, while the Space Wolves maintained their powers came from the World Spirit of Fenris, a laughable claim, until it would turn out to be terrifyingly true ten thousand years later.

Note that these powers are converted over from Only War and Dark Heresy 2 where appropriate since those newer systems follow the generalized psychic powers of the 40k rulebook. A compilation of helpful terminology is listed below.

Psychic Bolt: A Psychic Bolt affects a single target, and may be dodged as any other ranged attack.

Psychic Barrage: A Psychic Barrage is like a Psychic Bolt, but semi-auto, creating an additional bolt every two degrees of success. Hits scored may not exceed the Legionary's effective Psy Rating used to cast the power. While the first hit must strike the target, further hits can be allocated to nearby enemies of the Legionary's choice within 2m of the original target, provided the new targets are in range, and in line of sight.

Psychic Storm: A Psychic Storm is like a Psychic Bolt, but full-auto, creating an additional bolt every degree of success. Hits scored may not exceed the Legionary's effective Psy Rating used to cast the power. While the first hit must strike the target, further hits can be allocated to nearby enemies of the Legionary's choice within 2m of the original target, provided the new targets are in range, and in line of sight.

Psychic Blast: Similar to a Blast Weapon, the Legionary declares a single point in space, within range and line of sight. Everything within the radius of the Psychic Blast is hit.



BIOMANCY

Biomancy powers reshape the biological energies of the living, reshaping allies and enemies. A Biomancer can heal as easily as he can harm.

SMITE

Value: 200xp

Prerequisites: None

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: The Legionary conjures up bio-energy from deep within himself, summoning lethal bolts of lightning which leap from his fingertips to burn and blast his enemies to ash. Smite is a Psychic Barrage that deals $1d10 + \text{Psy Rating}$ Energy Damage with a Pen of 4. These bolts ignore Protective Fields.

ENFEEBLE

Value: 200xp

Prerequisites: Toughness 35+

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Half Action

Description: The Legionary lashes at his target with tendrils of Warp energy. The vile power quickly strips the victim of vitality, draining its spirit with every caress. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Toughness Test. If the target fails to resist the power, it is Stunned for one Round. In addition, as long as this power remains in effect, if the target rolls doubles on any Test it makes, it gains a number of levels of Fatigue equal to half the Legionary's Psy Rating rounded down. A single target can only be affected by one instance of the Enfeeble power at a time.

ENDURANCE

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Toughness 30+

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: 3 meters x Psy Rating radius

Sustained: No

Description: Extending his will over his allies, the Legionary reaches into their bodies to mend their flesh and reinvigorate their will to fight by ridding their bodies of fatigue. A number of allies in range equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating, plus the Legionary himself, recover Wounds equal to half the Legionary's Psy Rating, rounded up. They also may immediately overcome the effects of Pinning. This power is incredibly taxing and requires at least 12 hours of recovery before it may be used again.

LIFE LEECH

Value: 1000xp

Prerequisites: Enfeeble, Toughness 40+

Action: Full Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Free Action

Description: The Legionary latches on to his target's life force and tears it from the hapless victim's body. The Legionary absorbs this stolen essence, using it to reinvigorate and bolster his own flesh. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Toughness Test. If the target fails to resist the power, he suffers $1d10 + \text{Psy Rating}$ Toughness Damage, and the Legionary increases the level of his own Unnatural Toughness modifier by 1, +1 for every full 20 points of Toughness damage the power inflicts. This Unnatural Toughness remains for as long as the power's effect persists.

WARP SPEED

Value: 1500xp

Prerequisites: Psy Rating 5

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: Self

Sustained: Free Action

Description: The immaterium flows through the Legionary, allowing him the means to defy the limits of time, hastening his movements and reflexes far beyond the range of any other Legionary. The Legionary gains the Unnatural Weapon Skill (x2), Unnatural Ballistic Skill (x2), Unnatural Agility (x2), and Unnatural Speed (x2) Traits.

HEMORRHAGE

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Psy Rating 4, Smite

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: Bypassing exterior defenses, the Legionary reaches his mind out into the body of his adversary, using the writhing power of the Warp to set a fire deep within his victim's flesh. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Toughness Test. If the target fails to resist the power, it suffers Energy Damage equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating plus one additional Damage per Degree of Failure on its Toughness Test; this Damage ignores Toughness Bonus and Armor. If this Damage successfully kills the target, the Legionary may immediately recast this Psychic Power as a Free Action on any legal target within 5 meters of the original target.



TELEKINESIS

Telekinetic powers use mental energy to directly influence the material world around them. A Telekine focuses on both offensive and defensive applications of this Discipline.

ASSAIL

Value: 200xp

Prerequisites: None

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Ordinary (+10) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: With nothing but the power of his own mind, the psyker picks up a nearby object, and then pushes the object through the air, hurling it at his opponent with startling speed. This power is a Psychic Bolt that deals $1d10 + \text{Psy Rating}$ Impact Damage with a Pen of 2. If the Legionary scores at least three Degrees of Success on the Focus Power Test, the target is also thrown 1d5 meters away and knocked prone (certain especially large targets such as battle tanks, Greater Daemons, and Titans are immune to this at the GM's discretion).

CRUSH

Value: 300xp

Prerequisites: Assail

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: The Legionary extends his hand towards his foe and clenches his fist. As he presses his finger tighter and tighter together, invisible forces push in on his target from all sides, crushing flesh, armor, and bone alike. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Toughness Test. If the target fails to resist the power, it suffers $1d10 + \text{Psy Rating}$ Impact Damage with a Pen of 2 to the Body Location and counts as being affected by the Snare Quality with a value equal to half the Legionary's Psy Rating rounded down.

GATE OF INFINITY

Value: 2000xp

Prerequisites: Psy Rating 5

Action: Extended Action (3)

Focus Power: Hard (-20) Willpower Test

Range: 1 kilometer x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: Controlling the roiling nature of time and space in the Warp, the Legionary can open a hole through the immaterium, bending the fabric of reality to his will. Using this gateway, the Legionary and his allies can cross great distances in a blink of the eye, travelling miles in naught but a few steps. The Legionary chooses a point anywhere within 5 meters times his Psy Rating, and opens a gate to the immaterium at that point. He then chooses a point within range of the power, and opens an exit to the gate at that location. The Legionary must be aware of the location in which he is opening the exit to the gate, either having visited it before, seen it from afar, or simply studied it on a map. The gate last for a number of Rounds equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating, and has a radius in meters equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating as well. For the duration of the power, the two sides of the gate are linked, and any person or objects may pass between them freely provided they can fit through the gate. This power is incredibly taxing and requires at least 12 hours of recovery before it may be used again.

OBJURATION MECHANICUM

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Assail

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: The Legionary releases the havoc of the Warp into the orderly inner workings of nearby machines. The maligned energy twists and deforms the machines spirits, causing weapons to jam and engines to seize up. The Legionary chooses a point anywhere within range and line of sight. This power creates a Haywire Field centered at this point with a radius in meters equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating.

SHOCKWAVE

Value: 300xp

Prerequisites: Assail

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: Self

Sustained: No

Description: The Legionary slams his palms together and uses his considerable power to amplify the noise exponentially, creating a torrential shockwave. This power is a Psychic Blast centered on the Legionary with a radius equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating. Any creature within the area of effect, with the exception of the Legionary, suffers $1d10 + \text{Psy Rating}$ Explosive Damage with Pen 0 and is pushed directly away from the Legionary a number of meters equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating.

TELEKINE DOME

Value: 1000xp

Prerequisites: Psy Rating 4

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 5 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Free Action

Description: Extending his power over his allies, the Legionary creates a shimmering dome of energy around them that deflects enemy fire as effectively as any bunker. Despite its sturdy protection, the dome feels no different than thin air, and allies and enemies alike can pass through it unheeded. The Legionary chooses a point in range and line of sight, and creates a dome of invisible energy centered on that point with a radius equal to half the Legionary's Psy Rating, rounded up. All allies standing inside the dome gain a number of Armor Points equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating to all Locations against any attack that originated outside of the dome's radius. However, enemies may still physically pass through the dome at no penalty.

VORTEX OF DOOM

Value: 2000xp

Prerequisites: Crush, Objuration Mechanicum, Psy Rating 5, Shockwave

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: 5 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Half Action

Description: Playing with impossible energies of the immaterium, the Legionary uses his power to punch a hole in reality, opening a tear to the Warp. Roiling energies pour into reality, tearing apart anything unlucky enough to be close to the unstable rift. The Legionary struggles to keep the volatile torrent of energy in check, pouring all his energy into constraining the vortex, lest it break out of control and cause untold destruction.

The Legionary chooses a point in range and line of sight, and creates a vortex of energy centered on that point that starts with a radius of 2 meters. Anyone who is touching the vortex at the end of the Legionary's Turn must take 2d10 Energy Damage, +2 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen equal to the vortex's current radius in meters. The Legionary may not voluntarily stop sustaining this power. Instead, at the beginning of each Turn the Legionary is sustaining the vortex, he must take a **Challenging (+0) Willpower Test** with a -5 penalty for each meter in the vortex's current radius. If he passes the Test he may perform one of the following actions:

- Increase the vortex's radius by one meter.
- Decrease the vortex's radius by one meter.
- Move the vortex any direction a number of meters equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating.

If the Legionary fails the Willpower Test to sustain the vortex, or if he is unable to make the Test due to other circumstances, its radius increases by one meter and it moves a number of meters equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating in a random direction using the scatter diagram. If the vortex's radius ever decreases to zero meters, the power ends and the vortex disappears. If the vortex's radius ever grows larger than the Legionary's Psy Rating, it explodes, ending the power, destroying the vortex, and dealing 2d10 Energy Damage, +4 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen equal to the vortex's current radius in meters, to anyone with a number of meters of the center of the vortex equal to twice the Psy Rating of the Legionary. The Legionary is hit by this Damage regardless of his proximity to the exploding vortex as the energy of the Warp he was channeling lashes back into him.

DIVINATION

Divination powers see the past, and chart the future. A Diviner looks deep into the warp to find the answers they seek, but must always be wary that these answers may not necessarily be true.

PRESCIENCE

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Psyniscience

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Psyniscience Test

Range: 3 meters x Psy Rating radius

Sustained: Half Action

Description: The Legionary taps into the immaterium, using its energies to spread his senses over the battle, seeing what is, what has been, and what will be. For the duration of this power, a number of allies within range equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating, plus the Legionary himself, gain a bonus to their Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill equal to twice the Legionary's Psy Rating. Allies affected by this power lose its benefit as soon as they move out of range.

FOREBODING

Value: 300xp

Prerequisites: Psyniscience

Action: Reaction

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Perception Test

Range: Self

Sustained: No

Description: The Legionary's awareness of the Warp grants him the means to elude his opponents' attacks without needing to rely on mortal reflexes. In any situation where the Legionary would be called upon to make a Dodge or Parry Test, he may instead attempt to use this power. If the power is successful, the Legionary avoids the attack exactly as if he has passed a Dodge or Parry Test.

FOREWARNING

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Foreboding

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Psyniscience Test

Range: 3 meters x Psy Rating radius

Sustained: Free Action

Description: The Legionary's mind skims the Warp for glimpses of the immediate future, seeking to prepare himself and his allies for any incoming threats. For the duration of this power, a number of allies within range equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating, plus the Legionary himself, gain a bonus to all Dodge or Parry Tests equal to twice the Legionary's Psy Rating. Allies affected by this power lose its benefits as soon as they move out of range.

MISFORTUNE

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: None.

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Free Action

Description: Staring down his unfortunate victim, the Legionary simply snaps his fingers, twisting the strands of his target's fate. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Willpower Test. If the target fails to resist the power, misfortune follows it wherever it goes. For the duration of this power, the target's Armor points are reduced in all locations by half the Legionary's Psy Rating, rounded up. Additionally, the target's weapons jam on any Attack in which they fail to hit their target.

PERFECT TIMING

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Prescience

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Psyniscience Test

Range: 3 meters x Psy Rating Radius

Sustained: Half Action

Description: Tearing through the boundary to the Warp with his consciousness, the Legionary begins to see vivid images of his foes' future actions with an unnatural precision. For the duration of this power, a number of allies within range equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating, plus the Legionary himself, ignore the effects of cover when firing on a target. If their attacks would hit a location on the enemy that would benefit from cover, that benefit is ignored. Allies affected by this power lose its benefits as soon as they move out of range.

PRECOGNITION

Value: 1000xp

Prerequisites: Perfect Timing

Action: Full Action

Focus Power: Hard (-20) Psyniscience Test

Range: 5 meters x Psy Rating radius

Sustained: No

Description: Such is the Legionary's power that he has

witnessed every action, every decision, that will bring his Squad to victory. The Legionary gains a number of re-rolls equal to his Psy Rating that last until the beginning of his next Turn. For the duration of that Round, whenever an ally in range, or the Legionary himself, rolls a Test or Damage Roll, the Legionary may spend one of these re-rolls to allow that ally to re-roll all dice involved in that Test or Damage Roll. If the Legionary is killed or rendered unconscious before the beginning of his next Turn, all remaining re-rolls are lost.

SCRIER'S GAZE

Value: 300xp

Prerequisites: Psyniscience Rank 2

Action: Special

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Psyniscience Test

Range: Self

Sustained: No

Description: The Legionary's gaze is cast upon the infinite tides of the Warp, seeing the entire battlefield clearly in his mind's eye. Those who can focus are able to divine information regarding them battle with astounding precision, capturing every movement of troops and war machines under their omniscient gaze. To begin the ritual, the Legionary must spend at least thirty minutes using assorted psychic foci to concentrate his vision—drawing Tarot cards, casting runes, gazing deep into fire, the methods to this are as varied as the stars of the nascent Imperium. At the end of this thirty minutes, the Legionary makes his Focus Power Test to project his vision over the battlefield. Each Degree of Success reveals more information, as explained on the Scrier's Gaze Results table.

DoS Scrier's Gaze Result

- 1 **Single Threat:** The Legionary manages to focus his view on a single key action his foe is either planning or currently enacting, such as an ambush, an all-out assault, flanking maneuver, or other key action to the enemy's plans.
- 2 **Troop Movements:** The Legionary's vision stretches over the battlefield, and he is able to see the movement of all allied and enemy troops. He is unable to see the exact number and makeup of each unit, however.
- 3 **Troop Numbers:** The Legionary benefits from all previous effects, and is able to see the exact number and makeup of each individual enemy and allied unit.
- 4+ **Commander's Plans:** The Legionary can see the battle and its countless outcomes. He is aware of all previous effects, and knows the details of the enemy commander's battle plans.



TELEPATHY

Telepathy is the not-so-simple art of reading and manipulating minds. Telepaths are employed throughout the burgeoning Imperium, as psychic signal is the only way to communicate across great distance. Legionaries, however, can do far more.

PSYCHIC SHRIEK

Value: 300xp
Prerequisites: Psy Rating 3
Action: Half Action
Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test
Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating
Sustained: No
Description: The Legionary draws in a deep breath, and REEEEEEEEEEE with all his might, shredding the mind and body of his victim, tearing them apart with barrages of vicious resonance. This power is a Psychic Bolt that deals 1d10+2 Explosive Damage, +2 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen of 0 and the Concussive (1) Quality.

DOMINATE

Value: 1000xp
Prerequisites: Willpower 40+
Action: Full Action
Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Opposed Willpower Test
Range: 5 meters x Psy Rating
Sustained: No
Description: The Legionary extends his will into the mind of his enemies, twisting around their thoughts and beating down their mental defenses. With their protection down, the Legionary can plant ideas into their heads, making them perform his bidding as if it were their own idea. The Legionary nominates a number targets in range and line of sight up to half his Psy Rating (rounded up) who opposes this power with a Willpower Test. Those targets that fail to resist the power must follow a simple command given by the Legionary. Some example orders include "Flee," "Fall," or "Attack your homie." If the command is a potentially suicidal act, the targets receive a +20 to their Willpower Tests. In all cases the command must be achievable in a single Round.

MENTAL FORTITUDE

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Fearless

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: 3 meters x Psy Rating radius

Sustained: Free Action

Description: The Legionary uses his mastery of the human mind to bolster his allies in battle. For the duration of this power, a number of allies within range equal to the Legionary's Psy Rating, plus the Legionary himself, count as having the Fearless Talent. Allies affected by this power lose its benefits as soon as they move out of range.

PUPPET MASTER

Value: 1500xp

Prerequisites: Dominate

Action: Full Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Special

Description: Focusing his telepathic ability, the Legionary is able to fully extend his mind into the will of another. He wraps his influence around their mind, controlling not only their thoughts, but their physical actions as well. He gains full command over his victim's body, controlling them like a puppet under his grasp. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight with total Wounds no greater than 3 times the Legionary's Psy Rating, who opposes this power with a Willpower Test. If the target fails to resist the power, it is controlled by the Legionary like a puppet. For the duration of the power, the Legionary may divide his Actions between himself and the target. The dominated target uses its own Characteristics, but at -10 due to the crudity of the control. If at any point the Legionary would make the target perform a potentially suicidal action, the target may attempt a **Challenging (+0) Opposed Willpower Test** to try and break free of the power. Additionally, the power breaks as soon as the target moves out of range.

TERRIFY

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Hallucination

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: Slithering deep into the mind of his victim, the Legionary unearths their greatest failings, greatest weaknesses, and greatest fears. Using these as tools against his opponent, the Legionary can turn even the most courageous warriors into pathetic, whimpering cowards before him. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Willpower Test. If the target fails to resist the power, it must roll on **Table 9-5: Shock** on page 304, adding +10 times the Legionary's Psy Rating to the roll in place of the normally addition for Degrees of Failure, and immediately apply the effects.

INVISIBILITY

Value: 1000xp

Prerequisites: Agility 30, Psy Rating 4

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Free Action

Description: The Legionary worms his way into his opponents' senses, causing even their sight to betray them. Using this control, he can bend their vision around a target, rendering it all but invisible to their eyes. The Legionary nominates a single target within range and line of sight, this could be the Legionary himself. For the duration of the power, the target counts as being Trained in the Concealment Skills, and gains a bonus to Concealment Tests equal to +5 times the Legionary's Psy Rating. Additionally, all ranged attacks made against the target suffer a penalty equal to -5 times the Legionary's Psy Rating. The target loses this power's benefits as soon as it moves out of range.

HALLUCINATION

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: None

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Opposed Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: As with many things, the mind is much easier to break than it is to control. The Legionary reaches into his victim's mind, snapping the fragile controls over its own paranoia, confusion, and panic that roil beneath the surface. Once freed, these violent mental energies do the Legionary's work for him, tearing through his opponent's mind, bending the hapless victim's very perception of reality. The Legionary nominates a single target in range and line of sight who opposes this power with a Willpower Test. If the target fails to resist the power, it must roll on **Table 6-7: Hallucinogenic Effects** on page 170, and immediately apply the effects. The effect rolled on the table lasts for a number of Rounds equal to half the Legionary's Psy Rating, rounded up.

PYROMANCY

For those who want to watch the world burn, they turn to Pyromancy. These Pyromancers create, control, and manipulate fire, simply enough. Reports of Legionaries attempting to "Ascend their Pyromancy Flames to +10" are silly, and should be disregarded.

FLAME BREATH

Value: 400xp

Prerequisites: Psy Rating 3, Spontaneous Combustion

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: A truly horrifying sight, the psyker faces his enemy, opening his eyes and mouth wide as torrents of psychic flame spew forth from them at his target. This power is a Psychic Barrage that deals $1d10+2$ Energy Damage, +2 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen of 0 and the Flame Quality.

FIERY FORM

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: Fire Shield, Psy Rating 4

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: Self

Sustained: Half Action

Description: The psyker engulfs his own body in the fire of the Warp. It spreads over every inch of his skin, transforming his very flesh into living Warpfire. Reborn a being of living flame, the psyker burns everything he touches, transforming his surrounding into a burning hellscape with every step he takes. While this power is in effect, all of the psyker's melee attacks deal addition Energy Damage equal to his Psy Rating and gain the Flame Quality. In addition, at the end of each of the psyker's Turns in which he sustains this power he emits a Psychic Blast centered on himself with a radius equal to his Psy Rating. All creatures within the area of effect, with the exception of the psyker, suffer $1d10 + \text{Psy Rating}$ Energy Damage with a Pen of 0 and the Flame Quality.

FIRE SHIELD

Value: 600xp

Prerequisites: None

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: Free Action

Description: With a sweep of his hand, the psyker surrounds himself with a wall of writhing flame. The living fire lashes out at his attackers, sending tendrils of flame lashing at any foolish enough to take him on. While this power is in effect, any creatures in range and line of sight that successfully hit the Psyker with an Attack immediately suffer Energy Damage equal to the psyker's Psy Rating. This Damage is not reduced by Armor or Toughness.

INFERNO

Value: 1500xp

Prerequisites: Molten Beam, Psy Rating 5, Sunburst

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower Test

Range: 10 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: No, not the long-awaited Forge World book. Channeling his rage into the fires of the Warp, the psyker calls down a pillar of flame upon his enemies. The whirling blast sets the very air aflame as it smashes into his foes. This power is a Psychic Blast with a radius equal to the psyker's Psy Rating. All creatures caught in the blast suffer 2d10 Energy Damage, +3 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen of 0 and the Flame Quality.

SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION

Value: 500xp

Prerequisites: None

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Ordinary (+10) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: The psyker reaches into the body of his foe, pooling his anger into his victim and igniting his rage with the powers of the Warp. The target's blood boils and flesh smolders, and as the psyker rage reaches its pinnacle, the target's body begins to explode in blasts of ash and flame. This power is a Psychic Bolt that deals 1d10+2 Energy Damage, +2 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen of 0 and the Flame Quality.

SUNBURST

Value: 600xp

Prerequisites: Flame Breath, Psy Rating 4

Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 20 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: The psyker pools his hate inside himself, channeling it into the power of the Warp. As he collects his rage he begins to glow with energy until he is surrounded by a blinding globe of light that dulls out the very light of the sun. As he opens his eyes he unleashes this pent-up energy on his unfortunate target, assailing them with an unending barrage of flame. This power is a Psychic Storm that deals 1d10+2 Energy Damage, +2 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen of 0 and the Flame Quality.

MOLTEN BEAM

Value: 1000xp

Prerequisites: Flame Breath, Psy Rating 4

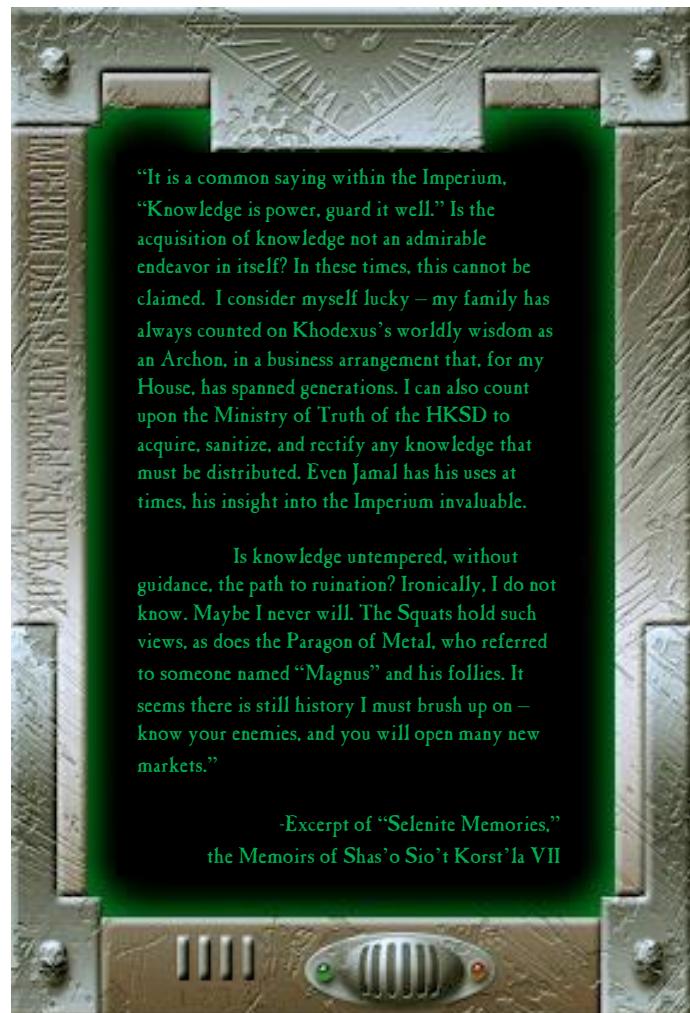
Action: Half Action

Focus Power: Challenging (+0) Willpower Test

Range: 5 meters x Psy Rating

Sustained: No

Description: The psyker extends his palm towards his enemy and unleashes a concentrated, white-hot beam of energy. Such is the heat of the focused beam of Warpfire that armor melts to slag and flesh simply vaporizes as it effortlessly cuts through them. This power is a Psychic Bolt that deals 1d10+5 Energy Damage, +3 per point of Psy Rating, with a Pen equal to twice the psyker's Psy Rating, and the Melta quality.





XVI - THE SONS OF HORUS

Some say that, once a coat has been shed, there is nothing preventing further sheddings in the future. So it is with the Sons of Horus, once the lauded Luna Wolves in the past, and who will be the infamous Black Legion in the far future. During the Great Crusade, the Sons of Horus would be the most lauded of legions, proud, aggressive, humorless. Originating from the Jutigran Bowl and the Samsatian Subplate (which, depending on your linguistic source, means either from Denmark and the Baltic, OR the former Indian Subcontinent and the Malaysian Ring, my belief), the new Legion was sent to break intractable or potential enemies, entering the Imperium's mind as the Emperor's wolves, a claim that would only be contested by the Space Wolves after reunification with their own Primarch.

The Primarch Horus was the first to be found, as Cthonia, his homeworld, was close to Terra. It was a lawless gang realm, its resources long since stripped. But it had a bounty of manpower, and these forces would bolster the growing Legion as it accrued accolade after accolade, and its Primarch creating legend after legend, as if ordained from on high. All was not smooth, however. As the Legion grew, and more and more of the original Terrans fell, the ganglike culture of Cthonia would overtake the Legion, held in thrall by Horus's cult of personality. When the Luna Wolves could confidently claim they knew no defeat, Horus was named Warmaster, in a ceremony on Ullanor, the Ork homeworld that would one day be Armageddon, and his legion renamed the Sons of Horus.

The Sons of Horus were known for brutal, straightforward, but effective attacks, and would pioneer many Legionary tactics, such as the Despoiler Squads. Their heavy reliance on Tactical squads allowed them a flexibility and ability to apply force to any part of the battlefield necessary. Such was their overwhelming strength, as seen in the First Pacification of Luna, that they would even scar the collective mental psyche of the Orks, who, 1500 years later, would separate into clans. One of these clans, the Goffs, wearing the black of the Justaerin, would only respect strength, and emulate those who once beat them down.

SONS OF HORUS CHARACTERS

Sons of Horus Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Strength, +5 Fellowship, the Warrior Lodge Brotherhood Demeanor, the Death Dealer Solo Mode, the Merciless Fighters Squad Mode, and the Bitter Pride Drawback.

Solo Mode: Death Dealer

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary gains a +10 to Ballistic Skill tests when shooting with Pistol or Basic-class Bolt weapons at enemies within 30m.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary may reroll damage results of 1 and 2 against enemies within 30m. At Rank 5, the Legionary gains a +10 to Ballistic Skill tests when shooting with any Pistol or Basic-class weapon at enemies within 30m, not just bolt weapons. At Rank 7, the Legionary may opt to increase their weapon's semi-auto and full-auto rate of fire by +1 when firing at enemies within 30m. This applies only to personal weaponry and does not affect vehicle weaponry.

Squad Mode: Merciless Fighters (Attack Pattern)

Action: Half Action **Cost:** 4 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range may make an additional melee attack when they outnumber the enemy in melee combat. For example, a Legionary with Lightning Attack and one melee weapon may make four attacks instead of three. Or five instead of four if dual wielding. If a Legionary is wearing Terminator Armor, he counts as two Legionaries for the purposes of outnumbering. If the Legionary is a Dreadnought, he counts as five Legionaries.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and allies within Support Range may apply the benefits of the Merciless Fighters Squad Mode against Hordes, provided the number of Legionaries in melee with the Horde is equal to or greater than the tens digit of the Horde's Magnitude.

Legionary Drawback: Bitter Pride

Effect: Before entering a squad mode other than his own Legion's, the Legionary must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower test. Failure of this test means the Squad Mode takes an additional cohesion point to enact. If this test is failed by four or more degrees, however, the Legionary may not benefit from that Squad Mode's effects, as he is too proud to use a "lesser" legion's tactica.

DEMEANOR: WARRIOR LODGE BROTHERHOOD

When Horus was struck low, he was brought to Davin to recover. The Sons of Horus brought something back with them, an initially innocuous albeit strange practice called the Warrior Lodges. In these Warrior Lodges, though practices were varied, every Legionary was equal, divisions of rank and honor cast aside. A Legionary could greet his Praetor as an equal if they were a member of the same Lodge. Like the Mystery Cults of ancient Terra, each Warrior Lodge held its own practices, steeped in mysticism. This fit well with the close-knit gang culture of the Sons of Horus, and the concept would propagate throughout the Legion, and ultimately to others. They venerated no god or occult principle, and thus were tolerated, but unknown to many, they allowed the propagation of concepts and beliefs that would have terrible consequences – the Warrior Lodges would be the vector for Chaos infection of the Legions, starting the Age of Darkness.

Beyond this, the Warrior Lodges DID foster their original objective of inter- and intra-legionary brotherhood. Common practices united Legionaries, and Legionaries from separate Legions would find common cause and comradeship on the battlefield as part of the same Lodge. Some such connections would remain unbroken, while others would fall in the opening shots of the Age of Darkness and the Horus Heresy.

SONS OF HORUS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Charm	200	Skill	
Charm +10	400	Skill	Charm
Charm +20	400	Skill	Charm +10
Ciphers (Underworld)	200	Skill	
Ciphers (Underworld) +10	400	Skill	Ciphers (Underworld)
Ciphers (Underworld) +20	400	Skill	Ciphers (Underworld) +10
Deceive	200	Skill	
Deceive +10	400	Skill	Deceive
Deceive +20	400	Skill	Deceive +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Bolter Drill	1000	Talent	
Double Team	500	Talent	
Street Fighting	500	Talent	
Peer (Select One)	500	Talent	Fel 30
Good Reputation (Select One)	500	Talent	Fel 50, Peer (Select one)
Persuasive Charm	800	Talent	Fel 35, Charm

NEW TALENT

PERSUASIVE CHARM

The Sons of Horus were known for being well-equipped, and always at the cutting edge of Legionary Technology. When Requisition is assigned, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Charm test. If he succeeds, the Legionary may gain an additional $1d5 \times$ Fellowship Bonus in Requisition points for himself. These additional Requisition Points cannot be shared or spread out through the squad, and may not be spent on Strategic Assets.



XVII - THE WORD BEARERS

The heart of darkness itself, the Word Bearers, in their search for a cause to believe in, found not one, but four. The Legion that would become the Word Bearers was built not from a specific area, but from the sons of completely exterminated foes. While other Legions had begun to build camaraderie with each other, the XVII were a league apart. They were set aside from the beginning, and named the Imperial Heralds. They would be the ones to deliver the offer of Compliance – recant your bullshit, or be destroyed. Leading them would be guys in black armor, skull masks, and wielding eagle-winged maces. These were the first Chaplains, and they would spread the Imperial Truth, burning away a world's old icons and replacing it with secular thought. To their brother Legionaries, they were the Iconoclasts.

When Lorgar Aurelian was found on the world of Colchis, he had believed his father, the Emperor, to be a god. His legion was the slowest to conquer, as they had sought to build up faith in the Emperor in each world before moving on. This...did not go too well. With his great works destroyed and his Legion censured, Lorgar was devastated. He had always sought a figure to believe in, and the Emperor was not it. His foster father, Kor Phaeron, and Erebus, Jackass Prime, however, were waiting in the wings. Colchis had gods once before, and Lorgar set out to find them. In the Eye of Terror, he found them alright. From then on, his Legion, the Word Bearers, would conquer swiftly and remorselessly, always sowing the seed of chaos wherever they went, hiding behind a mask of loyalty.

Outwardly, the Word Bearers followed all the strictures of the Principia Bellicosa, but his chapters were organized not by unit makeup and capability, but by ideology. While Consuls and Praetors would command their units, the words of the Chaplains were held above. The Word Bearers, like the Emperor's Children, also made heavy use of auxiliaries, who followed them with faith bordering on fanaticism. For the greatest of legionaries, they would join the Serrated Sun Chapter, and embark on a pilgrimage that would reveal the true power of the gods of the warp, naming themselves the Gal Vorbak...

WORD BEARERS CHARACTERS

Word Bearers Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Willpower, +5 Fellowship, the Herald of Truth Demeanor, the True Believer Solo Mode, the Dark Fortune Squad Mode, and the Cut Them Down Drawback.

Solo Mode: True Believer

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary gains a +10 to all Willpower- and Fellowship-based tests to resist hostile Interaction skills.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary affects an additional ten times the number of targets when using Interaction skills. At Rank 5, the Legionary rolls twice for Fear and Pinning tests, keeping the lower roll. At Rank 7, the Legionary the Rank 1 Effect of this Solo Mode to his allied Legionaries.

Squad Mode: Dark Fortune (Defense Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range may attempt to Dodge enemy Psychic Attacks using their Willpower score rather than their Agility.

Improvements: At Rank 5, once per Encounter, the Legionary and allies within Support Range may elect to force a single enemy or Strategic Asset to reroll successful Weapon Skill tests, Ballistic Skill tests, and Damage dice for that round.

Legionary Drawback: Cut Them Down

Effect: Should an enemy leave melee combat with the Legionary in any physical way, such as the Disengage Action, the Legionary must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower test, or charge the retreated enemy on his next available round. If an enemy leaves melee combat without using the Disengage action, the Legionary must perform an immediate melee basic attack, rerolling the Weapon Skill test if failed.



DEMEANOR: HERALDS OF TRUTH

“All I ever wanted was the truth.”

So begins the Book of Lorgar. The Word Bearers from the beginning had specialized in suppression of ideological revolt, but destruction of all one loves, and public chastisement changes a man. Lorgar would find his new purpose, slipping the insidious seed of Chaos into worlds as he conquered them, and infecting the Legions with the concept of the Warrior Cults. This would accelerate the fall of some legions, such as the Emperor’s Children, and cripple others, like the White Scars. Lorgar’s sons followed, for they could see how right their father was – these new gods demanded worship and obedience, and they were worthy of it. Only the original Terrans of the Legion resisted at first, and these would be slowly and quietly purged over the decades. Lorgar never realized, or perhaps he could never accept, that his father the Emperor never truly cared about his “sons,” and saw them all as mere weapons. It would be with this utter despair that his sons would work to tear down the Imperium, and a Primarch would pen his magnum opus, succeeding his first scripture – the *Lectitio Divinatus*, a treatise on the Emperor as a God.

WORD BEARERS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Deceive	200	Skill	
Deceive +10	400	Skill	Deceive
Deceive +20	400	Skill	Deceive +10
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology)	200	Skill	
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +10	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology)
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +20	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +10
Inquiry	200	Skill	
Inquiry +10	400	Skill	Inquiry
Inquiry +20	400	Skill	Inquiry +10
Invocation	200	Skill	
Invocation +10	400	Skill	Invocation
Invocation +20	400	Skill	Invocation +10
Air of Authority	500	Talent	Fel 30
Favored by the Warp	500	Talent	WP 35
Hatred (Select One)	500	Talent	
Meditation	500	Talent	
Unshakeable Faith	500	Talent	
Dark Channeling	1000	Talent	Meditation, Favored by the Warp, WP50

NEW TALENT

DARK CHANNELING

The Legionary has been charged with the Warp itself, bound into incantations in armor and runes carved into skin. Their power, though no equal to the Gal Vorbak Dark Brethren, is still monstrous. During the Oath Taking phase of a mission, Legionary spends a Fate Point, and makes a Challenging (+0) Willpower test, gaining a +10 to this test for every level of Psy Rating he has. Depending on his Degrees of Success, he may apply one of the following bonuses for the duration of the mission. Bonuses are not cumulative – one must be selected based on the number of Degrees of Success achieved.

1-2 Degrees of Success: The Legionary rerolls failed Weapon Skill tests when charging, and gains the Fearless talent.

3-4 Degrees of Success: Increase the level of the Legionary’s Unnatural Strength trait by 1.

5+ Degrees of Success: The Legionary gains the Daemonic (1) and From Beyond Traits, with all the horror that entails, as well as a PR35 Defensive Field that does not overload under normal conditions, representing defensive Warp auras.

XVIII - THE SALAMANDERS

The second component of the “Trefoil,” three proto-legions formed and established separate from the rest, the Legion that would become the Salamanders were shrouded in mystery. Unlike other Legions, the Legion was split, separate taskforces reinforcing or acting as the vanguard for other components of the Excertus Imperialis. They could survive in the most terrible environs, as demonstrated during the Assault on the Tempest Galleries beneath the Caucasus Wastes, their skin hardening and blackening in response to radiation and other environmental factors. To fight alongside them meant the battle would be a glorious, but bloody affair, as the proto-Legion would never give an inch of ground, holding the line becoming a suicidal addiction. Such was their attrition rate, that their very survival as a Legion was in question, despite their toughness and resilience, exceeded only by the Death Guard.

The Primarch Vulkan was found on Nocturne, a tectonically active world rich in minerals and gemstones. They were a hardy, tribal people, who viewed their very world as an anvil to reforge themselves against. After some direct tutelage under the Emperor, Vulkan would lead his Legion, reunited, which would take the name of the saurian apex predators of Nocturne, the Salamanders. Salamanders were monsters of savage power, but showed unflinching loyalty to their offspring and family, and even more fierce in defense. Thus was it written that, upon meeting his Legion, did Vulkan bid them rise, and he kneel to them in turn. Kind to all was Vulkan, unless you were a xenos sympathizer, in which case there was no mercy.

The Legion’s tendency towards asymmetric engagements would create a tendency towards small unit operations, with reserves marshalled as needed. The Legionaries’ endurance allowed them to inflict disproportionate damage in battle. The Legion was not without heavy equipment, however. Each Legionary was trained in the art of the forge, and could manufacture and maintain even advanced equipment on an as-need basis. The work of a Salamander was masterwork.

SALAMANDERS CHARACTERS

Salamanders Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Toughness, +5 Intelligence, the Promethean Cult Demeanor, the Promethean Gift Solo Mode, the Blood of Fire Squad Mode, and the Nocturne Born Drawback.

Solo Mode: Promethean Gift

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary increases the damage of personal weapons with the Flame Quality by 1d10.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary increases the value of his Unnatural Toughness bonus by 1 against damage from weapons with the Flame quality. At Rank 5, the Legionary applies the Rank 1 effect of this squad mode to vehicle weapons he fires. At Rank 7, the Legionary increases the damage of the Flame Quality he inflicts on enemies by 1d10.

Squad Mode: Blood of Fire (Defense Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range immune to Fear, Pinning, and Stunning.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and allies within Support Range gain the Regeneration (X) trait, where X is equal to half of each Legionary’s individual unmodified Toughness Bonuses. The Legionaries may reroll failed Toughness tests to trigger the Regeneration trait.

Legionary Drawback: Nocturne Born

Effect: The Legionary may only add half his Agility bonus to his Initiative roll, rather than his full Agility bonus. If the Legionary uses a stat or external value other than Agility to calculate his Initiative roll, this is halved as well. Talents that double the Legionary’s Agility for Initiative rolls instead allow the Legionary to use their full Agility Bonus instead. In addition, the Legionary subtracts his Agility Bonus from his final Charge and Run speeds.

Salamanders Legionaries may never become Moritars or Destroyer Marines, such is their disdain for evils of the Dark Age of Technology.



DEMEANOR: THE PROMETHEAN CULT

There are some things that never change. The Salamanders would be transformed by the Promethean Cult, and its legacy would remain intact nearly ten thousand years later. The Promethean Cult spread the teachings and rituals of the Primarch Vulkan, a blending of Terran myth and Nocturne allegory. The Legionaries of the XVIII were indoctrinated in one key tenet – the Legions were designed to protect and liberate humanity, and each Legionary was a weapon to this end, forged in fire for both creation and destruction. As such, the Salamanders would be renowned for their empathy with the Excretus forces, hidden behind dark masks.

The Legionaries of the Salamanders, being one of the smaller Legions, would thus practice trials of endurance and strength, topped often with ritual scarring. Much of the Imperium would see this as barbaric or unnecessary, but as they did not venerate a god, it was tolerated. Holding to the Promethean Cult would save the Legion's very soul – when ambassadors of the Word Bearers arrived, bringing with them the concept of the Warrior Lodge, they were received with at best polite indifference, and thus the taint of Chaos would have no foothold within the Promethean Cult.

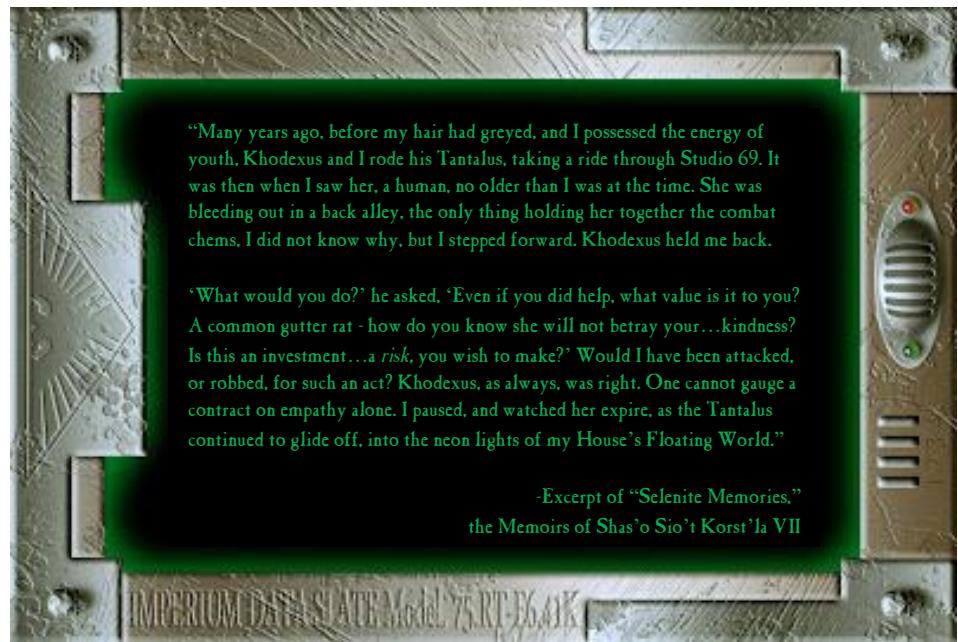
SALAMANDERS LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Charm	200	Skill	
Charm +10	400	Skill	Charm
Charm +20	400	Skill	Charm +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Tech Use	200	Skill	
Tech Use +10	400	Skill	Tech Use
Tech Use +20	400	Skill	Tech Use +10
Trade (Armorer)	200	Skill	
Trade (Armorer) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Armorer)
Trade (Armorer) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Armorer) +10
Armor-Monger	400	Talent	Int 35, Tech Use, Trade (Armorer)
Cleanse and Purify	400	Talent	
Duty Unto Death	800	Talent	WP45
Hardy	500	Talent	T40
Iron Jaw	500	Talent	T40
Melta Weapon Expertise	800	Talent	BS40

NEW TALENT

MELTA WEAPON EXPERTISE

The Salamanders were experts at directed heat weaponry, and many took the time to alter such weapons, focusing the beam for longer ranges. When firing any weapon of the Melta category (such as an inferno pistol, meltagun, multi-melta, or other weapon with the Melta quality), the Legionary counts its Range as being increased by a number of meters equal to two times his Ballistic Skill Bonus.



XIX - THE RAVEN GUARD

The legion referred to as the “Hidden Hand of the Emperor” was drawn from the Xeric Tribes of the Asiatic Dustfields (As always, linguistic and armor patterning indicates what was once the Pacific Ocean, near the former New Zealand, Australia, and South Asia), and were drastically different from what they would become. They possessed a propensity for cruelty, as well as a disdainful attitude against the weak. Their tendency to apply war paint of Terran dust to their armor would earn them the name “Pale Nomads” and “Dust-Clad.” It was during the tail of Unification, where the Legionaries would be split into small operator teams and subjected to the worst of the psy-weapons of Terra, that cracks would begin to show, bearing the fruit of the first Moritats. The Legion would act in support of the XVI often, acting as their vanguard charge, until the coming of Corax.

With the coming of the Raven Lord, the Legion made a complete 180. Corax was a liberator who fought against the slavers of his home, and would not bear to see his Legion possessed of the same tactics. Thus would he deploy a majority of the Terrans of the Legion under the Shade Lords to the outer darkness, ignored and forgotten. Uniting with discarded elements of other legions, they would yet have a part to play ten thousand years later. Under Corax’s guidance, the “Raven Guard” would be remade, the remaining Terrans purged in frontal assaults, a mirror of the purges of the Traitor Legions, and the Primarch could exert perfect influence over his under-strength Legion.

The Raven Guard drew both from their formative experiences on Terra and the guerilla cells of Lycaeus and Kiavahr, renamed Deliverance. They would favor rapid strikes, outflanking actions, mobility, stealth, and reconnaissance, while still capable of fighting in set-piece warfare. Chain of command was loose, and a culture of honest counsel was ever-present. The Raven Guard would replenish themselves and reform, until struck low in the Isstvan Massacre.

RAVEN GUARD CHARACTERS

Raven Guard Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Agility, +5 Perception, the Deliverers Demeanor, the Raven’s Vengeance Solo Mode, the By Wing and Talon Squad Mode, and the Flesh over Steel Drawback.

Solo Mode: Raven’s Vengeance

Rank 1 Effect: At the start of a combat encounter, the Legionary must declare an enemy his chosen prey. This must be a Master or Elite level enemy at the minimum, and must be equivalent to an overall leader of enemy forces or the strongest enemy on the field, subject to the GM’s judgement. The Legionary gains a +10 to Weapon and Ballistic Skill tests to attack this enemy, and ignores his chosen enemy’s Fear Rating.

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary rerolls failed Weapon and Ballistic Skill tests to attack his chosen prey. At Rank 5, the Legionary may choose to reroll damage inflicted against his chosen prey. The second result stands. At Rank 7, the Legionary gains an extra point of Renown at the conclusion of the mission after he successfully kills the chosen prey. The Legionary must be the one to place the killing blow.

Squad Mode: By Wing and Talon (Attack Pattern)

Action: Free Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range halve penalties to Concealment and Silent Move from Armor if they are in Power Armor. If the Legionary or allies within Support Range are wearing Jump Packs, they instead gain the Brutal Charge trait.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary and allies within Support Range ignore penalties to Concealment and Silent Move from Armor, and may move an additional number of meters equal to the value of their Agility Bonus when they take any form of Move, Run, or Charge action, if they are in Power Armor. If the Legionary and allies within Support Range are in Terminator Armor, riding Bikes or Jetbikes, or equipped with a Jump Pack, they instead increase the value of their Unnatural Strength bonus by 1 during the round in which they charge an enemy. This replaces the Rank 1 Effect.

Legionary Drawback: Flesh over Steel

Effect: The cost to purchase Ground Vehicles and Ground Vehicle assets is increased by 10% for the Legionary, rounding up if necessary. Bikes and Jetbikes of all kinds are unaffected. Ballistic Skill tests are unaffected. In addition, the Legionary suffers a -10 penalty to Command tests to direct vehicle Strategic Assets.

DEMEANOR: DELIVERERS

The young Corvus Corax had grown up as a savior to the slaves of his homeworld, and he would impart these same values to each Legionary under his command. With the terrans exiled or purged in the Battle of Gate 42, the majority of the Legion would be Lycaean in nature. They would draw from their combat experiences, and become one with the shadows, and their Reconnaissance squads would be the envy of every other Legion. Only their Primarch would exceed a Legionary's skill at stealth. Never again would the Raven Guard intimidate and enslave, but they would deliver from injustice any pockets of oppressed humanity they could find, striking from the darkness, until it was too late to stop their full might.

But what of the Shade Lords exiled to the Outer Darkness? They would remain there, operating under the Nomad Predation pattern, taking troops and equipment as they travelled. Their murderous tendencies would remain, separate from the Legion proper, and Corax would never give the order to reunite. Eventually, many warbands of these Shade Lords would unite with other Legion or Blackshield Warbands of the Outer Dark, and their legacy would be modern chapters like the Carcharodons.

RAVEN GUARD LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Concealment	200	Skill	
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Scrutiny +20	400	Skill	Scrutiny +10
Silent Move	200	Skill	
Silent Move +10	400	Skill	Silent Move
Silent Move +20	400	Skill	Silent Move +10
Shadowing	200	Skill	
Shadowing +10	400	Skill	Shadowing
Shadowing +20	400	Skill	Shadowing +10
Deadeye Shot	500	Talent	BS30
Hard Target	500	Talent	Ag 40
Marksman	500	Talent	BS 35
Talented (Concealment)	500	Talent	
Ambush	500	Talent	Concealment
Stealth Sniper	800	Talent	Concealment +10



NEW TALENTS

AMBUSH

The Legionary's attacks against Unaware Targets inflict 1 additional Damage for every 2 Degrees of Success on the Weapon Skill or Ballistic Skill Test beyond the first.

STEALTH SNIPER

Whenever the Legionary makes a Standard Ranged Attack Action or Ranged Called Shot Action against an enemy while he is in Cover or otherwise Concealed, he may make a Challenging (+0) Opposed Concealment Test, opposed by the Awareness Skill of any foes who might hear or see the shot. If he succeeds, he remains hidden from his enemies. The GM should adjust the Difficulty of the character's Stealth Test or the enemy's Awareness Test depending on the noise made by the weapon the character uses and any other environmental factors.

XX - THE ALPHA LEGION



The Legion that launched a thousand memes, the Alpha Legion are the third component of the Trefoil, three Legions alongside the Space Wolves and Salamanders, built separately from the other Legions. They were a weapon not even the Emperor could control, and the Warmaster Horus would fare no better. The Legion was from the beginning shrouded in secrecy, practicing targeted strikes, false-flag operations, abductions, and assassinations, under the writ of unassailable clearance codes. This "Ghost Legion" would continue to operate out of official scrutiny, until the discovery of Alpharius and Omegon, the Twin Primarchs, from which no history can be accurately gleaned, and their unity with their Legion.

Unity, power, and confusion were the call signs of the Alpha Legion, and they would specialize in a battle tactic called the Harrowing, one of a thousand other names, where enemies were bled into confusion and disorder, before the final blow was struck. The result was decimation for the Alpha Legion's enemies, and their victories piled up with astonishing speed. Their desire for convoluted plans, later an addiction, would distance them from the other Legions, barring the XVI. It is rumored, with no certainty, that the Dropsite Massacre itself that birthed the Age of Darkness was planned directly by the Alpha Legion and their Primarchs.

ALPHA LEGION CHARACTERS

Alpha Legion Legionaries gain the following benefits: +5 Intelligence, +5 Perception, the Head of the Serpent Demeanor, the Harrowing Solo Mode, the Mutable Tactics Squad Mode, and the Martial Hubris Drawback.

Solo Mode: The Harrowing

Rank 1 Effect: The Legionary's ranged attacks cause Pinning, with a penalty to the Willpower test equal to 5x the damage inflicted (after armor and toughness).

Improvements: At Rank 3, the Legionary improves the penetration of his ranged attacks by a value equal to his Perception bonus. At Rank 5, the Legionary adds his Intelligence Bonus to Critical results scored against non-Super-Heavy vehicles. At Rank 7, the Legionary's ranged weapons gain the Vengeful (9) Quality.

Squad Mode: Mutable Tactics (Attack Pattern)

Action: Full Action **Cost:** 3 **Sustained:** Yes

Rank 1 Effect: While this ability is in effect, the Legionary and allies within Support Range gain one of the following benefits:

- After initiative has been rolled, but before the start of combat, each Legionary may make a free Full Move action. Initiative resumes as normal.
- Reroll failed Concealment and Silent Move tests.
- Ignore the effects of Difficult and Arduous Terrain
- Gain the benefits of the Tank Hunters talent if the Legionary does not already possess it.
- Gain the benefits of the Counter-Attack talent if the Legionary does not already possess it.
- Gain a +10 bonus to resist enemy psychic powers.

Improvements: At Rank 5, the Legionary may change the benefit as a Free Action.

Legionary Drawback: Martial Hubris

Effect: If a Strategic Asset purchased by the Legionary is destroyed in battle, the Legionary is rewarded one less Renown at the end of the mission, to a minimum of zero. This penalty is applied only once, even if multiple assets are destroyed.

An Alpha Legion Legionary may enter the Advanced Specialization of any Legion, not just the Alpha Legion ones. The Legionary is still limited to entering only one Advanced Specialization.

DEMEANOR: THE HEAD OF THE SERPENT

Though no definitive history can be determined for both the Legion and its two Primarchs, where even the Forge World HH3 Book is seven pages of “we dunno lol”, the same cannot be said for their disposition. The Alpha Legion had done the impossible – there was no separation between Primarch and Legionary. Each was perfectly capable of working alone, of with their ever-present network of sleeper agents and saboteurs, the Sparatoí, and the loss of the chain of command did not impact the Legionary’s battle plans at all. They possessed a unity of action within their ranks, their coordination peerless, which facilitated their constantly shifting plans. While outwardly fitting to the Principia Bellicosa, the Legion-standard organization, the Legionaries were radically more fluid and specialized, while retaining the ability to fight conventional battles.

Most bizarre of all was the Legion’s penchant for infiltration into *other legions*, able to mimic their abilities, tactics, and mannerisms to the point of deceiving everyone short of a Primarch. Legions later in the Age of Darkness, especially Corax and Guilliman, would constantly exist in doubt, wondering if their forces were who they truly said they were.

ALPHA LEGION LEGION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Deceive	200	Skill	
Deceive +10	400	Skill	Deceive
Deceive +20	400	Skill	Deceive +10
Disguise	200	Skill	
Disguise +10	400	Skill	Disguise
Disguise +20	400	Skill	Disguise +10
Security	200	Skill	
Security +10	400	Skill	Security
Security +20	400	Skill	Security +10
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Scrutiny +20	400	Skill	Scrutiny +10
Sleight of Hand	200	Skill	
Sleight of Hand +10	400	Skill	Sleight of Hand
Sleight of Hand +20	400	Skill	Sleight of Hand +10
Rapid Reaction	500	Talent	Ag 40
Talented (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Exotic Weapon Training (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Constant Vigilance	700	Talent	Awareness +10, Int 35, Per 35
Insurrectionist	800	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

CONSTANT VIGILANCE

The Legionary may use his Perception or Intelligence rather than his Agility bonus for initiative, and any talents that alter the Legionary’s Agility bonus for the purposes of initiative instead affect his Perception or Intelligence bonus. In addition, the Legionary rolls two dice for initiative, picking the higher of the two.

INSURRECTIONIST

Once per session, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Scrutiny test. If successful, after 1d10 minutes, a member of the Alpha Legion Sparatoí, be it an agent, operative, or homeless bum, shows up to help the Legionary in an explicitly stated goal. The GM determines what support the Sparatoí agent can provide, but it should be at minimum helpful intelligence. The Sparatoí’s starting disposition is up to the GM, but this disposition can be improved over time through player actions such as saboteur support, distraction attacks, or feeding the bum, can increase their disposition.





LEGIONARY SPECIALTIES

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SPECIALTIES



CHAPTER II:

LEGIONARY

SPECIALTIES

"Thexus, would you honor me with a lesson on the tactics of the Legiones Astartes?"

-Cyril, Praetor of the Ice Wraiths, studies the ancient battle-tactica of the Legiones Astartes

The Legiones Astartes drew not from the Codex Astartes of modern times, but a weighty tome known as the Principia Belicosa. At the head of each Legion was their Primarch, genefather to every Legionary and direct link to the Emperor, followed by the Consular Representatives, such as astropaths, navigators, officers of the Librarius, Masters of the Fleet, Masters of the Armorium, and Centurion Consuls of appropriate station. Next would be the Vexillarius, the Legion's standard bearers, followed by the Honor Guard of the officers.

Beneath this command hierarchy, the Legion was split into Chapters, each of roughly a thousand warriors, though as time went on this number would be an approximation. Some Legions would rename their Chapters, such as the Fellowships of the Thousand Sons, Millennials of the Emperor's Children, or Clans of the Iron Hands. Each Chapter's command was separated by a Lord Commander (such as a Chapter Master, Warsmith, etc), his Consul Specialists and Vexillarius, and further split down

into two Battalions, each five hundred strong. Battalions followed an identical command structure as chapters, led by a Lieutenant-Commander (such as a Commander, Shadow Captain, Marshal, etc), and were finally split into Companies.

We can begin to see the original source of the Codex Astartes within this organization, as Companies were composed of one hundred soldiers, with the First Company possessing veterans and elite units, Second through Fourth tactical Line Troopers, and the Fifth and onward specializing in specialist troops such as Seekers and Destroyers. Companies were led by Captains, followed by their standard bearers, and further split into Squadrons of fifty troopers each. A typical Squadron would consist of a Lieutenant, two Tactical Squads of twenty Legionaries, and a support squad of ten Legionaries. At the Company Level, assets such as veterans or specialists, armored vehicles, support batteries, dreadnaughts, and transports could be assigned at the Squadron Level.

Each individual Primarch would, over time, gradually change this. The Iron Hands' Clans would be self-sustaining conglomerates, while the Thousand Sons, for instance, would mix their Fellowships with the Five Cults and Three Orders of Prospero. However, almost every legion would follow the tenets of the Principia Belicosa, with many of their Legionary Specialties advancements or refinements of these basic Legionary specialties. It would not be until the closing days of the Age of Darkness when, through the touch of Chaos, many Legions' organizations would shift into something monstrous.



NEW SPECIALTIES

"MODERN LEGIONARIES HAVE LOST MUCH. THERE ARE TACTICAL GAPS IN THEIR BATTLE FORMATIONS AND COMBAT CAPABILITIES."
"An' that's by design, ya big toaster. If they can't do everything, it cuts down the damage if they rebel."

-Executor Thexus, Paragon of Metal, and Rockfist Fearengine, former Engineer's Guildmaster, discuss modern Astartes battle tactica.

The Legiones Astartes could draw upon many of the specializations known in the modern day. It was here where Tactical Legionaries were first used as standard line troopers, where specialist squads were first created and utilized, and elite veterans pioneering new tactics. As a result, while much remains the same and easily recognizable, there are some major differences to take into account.

Tactical Marines are line troopers, rather than veterans of combat as they are in the modern day. They are beginning to grasp the basics of battlefield tactics as well as the proper application of overwhelming force. Assault Marines are assault specialists, and change little. Devastator Marines at this time were known as Heavy Support Marines, although their job description was the same. Techmarines and Apothecaries were part of separate covenants within a Legion, and although they were specialists with a slightly higher rank, would often defer to the standard Legion chain of command. One thing to note is the absence of Librarians – pioneered by Sanguinius, and advocated by Magnus, when the Council of Nikaea banned all psychic powers from the Legions, the Librarians were returned to line trooper duties, told to suppress their powers. What few legions that still maintained their Librarians did so as a consul specialization. **Unless explicitly allowed by a GM, a player may not select the Librarian specialization.** If this specialization is allowed, the Librarian is considered a Centurion Consul, and has command benefits appropriate to their station.

There are new basic specializations, as well, which may be selected as normal during character generation. Breacher Marines are peerless defenders whose shield walls guard zone mortalis operations. Destroyer Marines can kill a planet with their rad and Phosphex weapons as easily as they can their enemies. Recon marines replace the modern-day

Scouts, as experience serves one well as the infiltrated vanguard. Seekers, hunter-killers extraordinaire, would select a target, and kill their target, mastering their exotic weaponry to a degree quite unhealthy for their enemies.

A summation of the changes is listed below.

Tactical: Replace Standard Issue Gear with "One Astartes Bolter of any pattern." Replace special abilities with the following.

Fury of the Legion: As a Full Action, the Legionary may perform the Semi-Auto Burst or Full-Auto Burst Action with any Pistol or Basic Bolt-class weapon twice. These count as separate attacks, and suffer a -20 penalty to Ballistic Skill rather than the normal bonuses. If this action is taken, the Legionary may not perform any kind of ranged attack action the following round, though he may move, attack in melee combat, run, etc. If the Legionary is dual wielding weapons, he must select one weapon to use with this ability – he may not fire the other weapon. At Rank 3, the test is performed without penalty or bonus. At Rank 6, the Legionary benefits from the normal bonus to Ballistic Skill the Semi-Auto or Full Auto Bust action grants.



Assault: No mechanical changes.

Devastator: Renamed to "Heavy Support," no mechanical changes.

Apothecary: No mechanical changes.

Librarian: **BANNED FROM TOURNAMENT PLAY** unless allowed by GM.

Techmarine: May take the Accelerated Repairs talent at Rank 3 for 500 XP, the Battlesmith Talent at Rank 5 for 800 XP, and may take up to four Servo-Automata as Followers for 1000 XP each. If the Techmarine does not possess a Cortex Controller, each Servo-Automata is limited to one Half Action per round. If he does possess a Cortex Controller, all Servo-automata within range may perform their own normal Actions as directed by the Techmarine as a Half Action command if one Servo-Automata, or a Full Action command if two or more. This command counts as an Attack, so the Legionary may not perform attack actions themselves that round.

SERVO-AUTOMATA

Affectionately called “Servo-Squids” by those who work heavily with them, Servo-Automata are adorable constructs who float slightly above the ground, their armored frames as tough as an Iron Hand. They are capable of being armed with a variety of basic and heavy weapons, and float dutifully behind their Techpriest owner, happily chirping all the while. They make squeaking sounds when one hugs them.

Servo-Automata are capable of replacing their bolter for one of the following options, purchased with the Legionary’s renown as normal - Power Fists, Lascutters, Flamers, Rotor Cannons, Heavy Bolters, Multi-Meltas, or Missile Launchers. The Servo-Automata will not complain if you overload it with gear, but try not to. You will make it sad. Unless... that was your intent all along? You heartless monster.

Servo-Automata

WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel
30	30	40	50	30	10	20	30	05

Movement: 6/12/18/36

Wounds: 10

Armor: Machine (4)

Total TB: 10

Skills: Awareness, Dodge, Tech Use

Talents: None.

Traits: Auto-Stabilized, Hover (6), Servo-Automata Support†, Machine (4), Unnatural Strength x2, Unnatural Toughness x2

Weapons: Chainsword and Bolter.

Gear: Internal Micro-Bead

†Servo-Automata Support: If the Servo-Automata is within 1m of its owner, it grants a +10 to Tech Use tests when repairing Vehicles and Battle Automata.

Availability: Very Rare



NEW TALENTS

ACCELERATED REPAIRS

Prerequisites: Tech Use +10

The Legionary begins to understand how to better adapt to battlefield conditions when performing field repairs. When performing a Repair Test using Tech Use as per Rites of Battle p.170, the Techmarine may halve the time the repair takes (rounding down) by making a Difficult (-10) Tech Use test rather than a Challenging (+0) Tech Use test. The Legionary may fully repair a vehicle’s hull integrity to full by devoting 1d5 days to repair, rather than 2d5 days as normal.

BATTLESMITH

Prerequisites: Accelerated Repairs, Tech Use +20

The swirl of battle will not bother the Legionary, for his calling is to repair the machine, wherever it may fall, even in the middle of the raging battlefield. The character may make a Challenging (+0) Tech Use test to restore lost Hull Integrity to Vehicles and Battle Automata as a Full Action. This test suffers a -10 penalty if the vehicle is Heavily Damaged, and a further -10 per point of Critical Damage the vehicle has suffered. Success restores a number of Hull Integrity equal to the character’s Intelligence Bonus, plus one Hull Integrity per degree of success (removing Critical Damage before normal Damage). In addition, the Legionary no longer rolls 1d10 to determine if a vehicle weapon is too damaged to repair – he may always repair a broken vehicle

BREACHER SIEGE MARINE

"A MIGHTY FORTRESS ONE MAY CLAIM TO BE, LEGIONARY, BUT A LARGE SLAB OF CERAMITE HELPS IMMENSELY."

-Executor Thexus, Paragon of Metal, explains the Breacher Siege Marine to the Republican Commandos.

Breacher Siege Marine Squads, commonly abbreviated to Breacher Marines, excel in the hazardous environments of void operations, and the first-wave charge of a breached fortress. Ever since the beginning of the Great Crusade, Space Marines specialized themselves in wargear and tactics to survive, even excel in what would eventually be deemed Zone Mortalis. Legions such as the World Eaters and Iron Warriors would grow to excel at the tasks, while Imperial Fists would take to the role as if borne into it, ultimately refining their technique and establishing the ranks of the Phalanx Warders.

Breacher Marines' signature equipment is the Boarding Shield, a heavy slab of ceramite that is designed to resist enemy fire and allow the Breacher to constantly advance at the hapless enemy. In the case of void combat and hazardous environments, where a Breacher is expected to proudly take the vanguard, the Breacher's armor is hardened to resist fires and blasts, be it from an enemy artillery barrage or a jet of compressed gases from the pipes of a rapidly failing voidship. From behind their boarding shields, the Breacher puts out a steady hail of fire, advancing with his brethren to take a point, or die trying.

A defensive-oriented ranged specialization, the role of the Breacher would be forgotten over the years, as the role of Astartes shifted from line trooper to shock trooper. Few chapters maintained them as a subset of the Tactical Marine, to be used in Siege Vanguard formations, but for most chapters, the true skill of the Breacher Siege Marine would be lost.

STARTING EQUIPMENT

The Breacher Marine gains an Astartes Bolter (pattern of his choice), a Boarding Shield, and the Void-Hardened Upgrade to his Astartes Power Armor (allows the wearer to reroll failed Agility tests against Flame and Spray weapons), in addition to the standard issue gear of all Specialties.

STARTING SKILLS

The Breacher Marine begins with Demolition as a Trained Advanced Skill.

SPECIAL ABILITY

Choose one of the following:

Valorous Advance

As long as the Breacher Marine wields a Boarding Shield and a Basic Weapon of any kind, he counts as having the Auto-Stabilized Trait.

Heart of the Legion

As long as the Breacher Marine wields a Boarding Shield, he gains the Sturdy trait, and may parry Horde Melee Attacks at a penalty equal to half the Horde's Magnitude.

OATH-TAKING

A Breacher Marine selected as Squad Leader may take the Oath of the Astartes, the Oath to the Emperor, or the Oath of Loyalty.



LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE CHARACTERISTIC ADVANCES

Level	Simple	Intermediate	Trained	Expert
Weapon Skill	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Ballistic Skill	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Strength	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Toughness	200	500	1,000	1,500
Agility	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Intelligence	200	500	1,000	1,500
Perception	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Willpower	200	500	1,000	1,500
Fellowship	750	1,500	2,000	5,000

RANK 1 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Parry	200	Skill	
Survival	200	Skill	
Tactics (Siege Doctrine)	200	Skill	
Iron Jaw	500	Talent	T 40
Resistance (Cold)	500	Talent	
Resistance (Heat)	500	Talent	

RANK 2 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Demolition +10	400	Skill	Demolition
Parry +10	400	Skill	Parry
Guardian	600	Talent	Ag 40
Hardy	500	Talent	T 40
Hip Shooting	600	Talent	BS 40

RANK 3 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Demolition +20	400	Skill	Demolition +10
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Hard Target	600	Talent	Ag 40
Combat Master	600	Talent	WS 30
Last Man Standing	800	Talent	Nerves of Steel

RANK 4 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Parry +20	400	Skill	Parry +10
Abiding Resilience	800	Talent	T 40
Deflect Shot	500	Talent	Ag 50
Modify Payload	600	Talent	Demolition
Sound Constitution (x2)	1000	Talent	

RANK 5 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Siege Doctrine)
Stalwart Defense	750	Talent	Legiones Astartes
Desperate Strength	1000	Talent	T 50
Wrecker	750	Talent	Int 40

RANK 6 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	400	Skill	
Duty unto Death	800	Talent	WP 45
Vanguard Charge	1000	Talent	S 45, Bulging Biceps, Hip Shooting
Signature Wargear (Artificer Armor)	1200	Talent	
Sound Constitution (x2)	1000	Talent	

RANK 7 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Siege Doctrine) +10
Step Aside	800	Talent	Ag 40, Dodge
Vengeful Protector	1000	Talent	WS 45, S 45
Combat Formation	500	Talent	Int 40

RANK 8 LEGION BREACHER SIEGE MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Security	400	Skill	
Counter-Attack	1000	Talent	WS 40
Mighty Shot	1000	Talent	BS 40
Sound Constitution (x2)	1000	Talent	
Sturdy	1000	Trait	



NEW TALENTS

The Breacher Marine gains access to the following talents, extracted or altered from Rogue Trader, Only War, tabletop special rules, or other sources.

Guardian

(Prerequisite: Agility 40)

The Legionary puts himself in harm's way to defend his allies, even taking lethal hits for them. As a Reaction, the Legionary may sacrifice all of his Actions for the next Round to switch places with an ally within Close Support Range (provided there is no obstruction in the way). The Legionary becomes the new target of any attacks previously targeting the ally.

Abiding Resilience

(Prerequisite: Toughness 40)

The Legionary's duty carries him, refusing to die until the mission is complete. When expending a fate point to regain wounds, the Legionary recovers 1d10 plus his unmodified Toughness Bonus (instead of 1d10 wounds as normal), and removes one level of fatigue.

Modify Payload

(Prerequisite: Demolition)

The Legionary carefully prepares his breaching charges for maximum devastation. When preparing a grenade or explosive that has the Blast or Smoke Quality, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Demolition test. If he succeeds, the weapon increases Damage (if it deals Damage normally) and its Blast or Smoke Quality by 1, plus 1 for every three additional Degrees of Success beyond the first that he scores on the Test. If he fails by a number of Degrees of Failure greater than his Intelligence Bonus, however, he accidentally triggers the device, causing it to detonate immediately. Whoops.

Desperate Strength

(Prerequisite: Toughness 50)

The harder the Legionary is hit, the tougher he becomes. When the Legionary is Heavily Damaged (he has taken damage greater than twice his TB), he increases his Toughness Bonus and Strength Bonus

by 1, after Unnatural Modifiers. If he is suffering from Critical Damage, he instead increases his Toughness Bonus and Strength Bonus by 2, after Unnatural Modifiers. The Legionary still determines his threshold for being Heavily Damaged based on his original Toughness Bonus before this talent is applied.

Wrecker

(Prerequisite: Int 40)

The Legionary has become skilled at breaching and entering, leaving a clear path for his allies to follow him. The Legionary adds his Intelligence Bonus to the Penetration of weapons used against stationary structures and fortifications. If the target fortification is destroyed, the area is considered clear terrain for his allies.

Vanguard Charge

(Prerequisite: Strength 45, Bulging Biceps, Hip Shooting)

To be the vanguard, the first of the assault, requires steady nerves, a steady hand, and a steady weapon. The Legionary may spend a Full Action to make a Charge Move directly towards a distant enemy. As long as the Charge Move does not bring the character into melee range of the enemy, he may immediately make a Full Auto Burst action with a ranged weapon as a Free Action. The Full Auto Burst does not gain the normal +20 bonus for autofire, however, as the Legionary splits his attention between advancing and attacking. Range, size, and other modifiers are counted as normal.

Vengeful Protector

(Prerequisite: WS 45, Strength 45)

The Legionary takes the safety of his allies to heart, and should they fall, he is quick to avenge them, charging into melee to cover them. When an ally within 10 meters suffers Critical Damage (or is killed) because of an enemy, the Legionary increases the damage he inflicts with melee weapons by +5 until the end of the encounter.

DESTROYER MARINE

"You wouldn't use Phosphex to destroy a world, though..."

"Aye lad...ya'd use it ta make a statement."

- Praetor "Felleye" Brynjol and former Engineer's Guildmaster Rockfist Fearengine discuss the legacy of Phosphex bombs.

The origins of the Destroyer Marines lay not with any Primarch or legion, but in the days of Unification, on Holy Terra. Not all nations of Terra, shadows they may be, would embrace Compliance, and many would turn to terrible weaponry that made even the Legionaries afraid. Rad weaponry, the lost arts of Chymistry and Alchemy, and the ever-burning blue-white flame of Phosphex were called upon to halt the Emperor and his warriors. When these rogue nations were laid low, their secrets and weaponry were deemed worthy of appropriating. These were weapons that would leave fertile lands and verdant worlds a cold, sterile zone of dead space, but it was sufficient – it was recognized not all worlds would bow to Compliance.

Amongst their brother Legionaries, Destroyers are seen as cursed or tainted. They are considered a necessary evil in the legions, for despite the effectiveness of their weapons, their demeanor and role in the battlefield sets them apart from their brothers – they do not build, they merely destroy. The legacy of the Age of Strife, where their weapons were perfected, hangs over them, a history impossible to escape.

In addition to their specialization in rad and toxic weaponry, Destroyers maintained incredible mobility on the battlefield, specializing in hit and run and two-weapon fighting with their pistols. From their ranks, many would embrace the role of the Moritat, codified by the Raven Guard. Ten thousand years later, the ranks of the Destroyers would be quietly removed and erased from all records, replaced with dark rumors and unpleasant memories of weaponry that replaced entire worlds with barren, poisoned wastes.



STARTING EQUIPMENT

The Destroyer Marine gains an Astartes Bolt Pistol (pattern of his choice), an Astartes Jump Pack, and three Rad Grenades, in addition to the standard issue gear of all Specialties.

STARTING SKILLS

The Destroyer Marine begins with Chem-Use and Pilot (Personal) as Trained Advanced Skills.

SPECIAL ABILITIES

Rad-Hardened

The Destroyer ignores exposure to radiation, may reroll toughness tests to resist the Rad-Phage and Irradiated Quality of weapons, and does not suffer the -20 penalty to Phosphex Bomb toughness tests.

The Long Nightmare

The Destroyer Marine reduces the Cohesion of his Kill Team by 1, unless the entire Kill Team is composed of Destroyers. All Interaction skill tests with non-Destroyer Astartes suffer a -10 penalty.

OATH-TAKING

A Destroyer Marine selected as Squad Leader may take the Oath of Knowledge, Oath of the Weapon, or the Oath of Exclusion.

Oath of Exclusion

An Oath exclusive to the Destroyers, who are often called in to exterminate all they see, to poison even the ground itself. Taking the Oath of Exclusion means that there is only one goal – all must burn.

Prerequisite: Destroyer Marine

Effect: A Kill Team which takes this oath may reroll the damage inflicted by the Toxic or Rad-Phage Qualities of weapons. The second result stands.

Squad Mode Abilities: Bolter Assault, Fire for Effect, Regroup

LEGION DESTROYER MARINE CHARACTERISTIC ADVANCES

Level	Simple	Intermediate	Trained	Expert
Weapon Skill	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Ballistic Skill	200	500	1,000	1,500
Strength	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Toughness	200	500	1,000	1,500
Agility	200	500	1,000	1,500
Intelligence	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Perception	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Willpower	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Fellowship	750	1,500	2,000	5,000

RANK 1 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Survival	200	Skill	
Rapid Reload	300	Talent	
Counter-Attack	500	Talent	WS 40
Hardy	500	Talent	T40
Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic)	500	Talent	BS 35, Ag 35
Parting Gift	800	Talent	BS40, Ag40

RANK 2 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Chem Use +10	400	Skill	Chem-Use
Pilot (Personal) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal)
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Exotic Weapon Training (Rad)	500	Talent	
Hip Shooting	500	Talent	BS40, Ag 40
Rad Burn	600	Talent	WP35, Exotic Weapon Training (Rad)

RANK 3 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Chem Use +20	400	Skill	Chem Use +10
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Trade (Chymist)	400	Skill	
Iron Jaw	500	Talent	T40
Gunslinger	600	Talent	BS40, Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic)
Rad Scourge	800	Talent	BS40, Rad Burn

RANK 4 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Pilot (Personal) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal) +10
Mighty Shot	500	Talent	BS40
Target Selection	800	Talent	BS50
Rad Saturation	800	Talent	T40, WP40

RANK 5 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Trade (Chymist) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Chymist)
Dual Shot	600	Talent	Ag40, Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic)
Signature Wargear (Phosphex Bomb)	600	Talent	
Sound Constitution	1000	Talent	
Rad Overdose	1000	Talent	WP40, Rad Burn

RANK 6 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

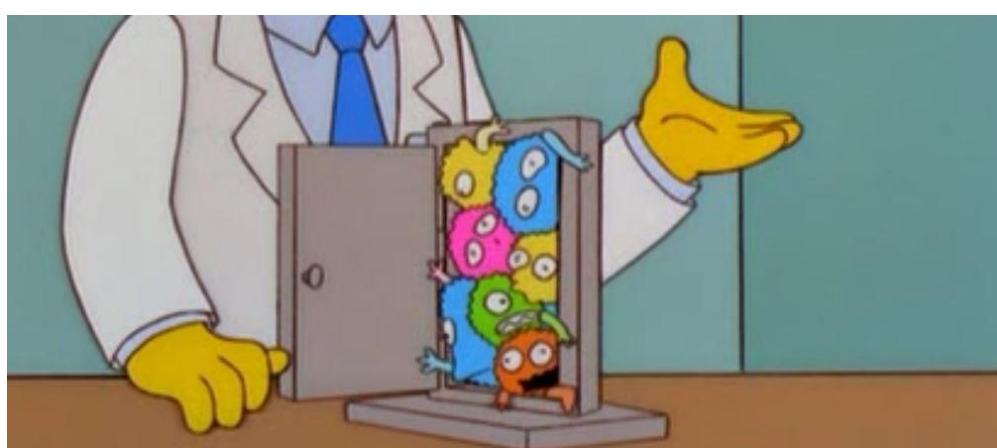
Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Crack Shot	600	Talent	BS 40
Hard Target	600	Talent	Ag 40
Independent Targeting	800	Talent	Bs 40
Poisoned Physiology	1000	Talent	T50

RANK 7 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Trade (Chymist) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Chymist) +10
Marksman	600	Talent	BS30
Step Aside	800	Talent	Ag 40, Dodge
Bolter Drill	1000	Talent	Legiones Astartes Weapon Training
Painless Resilience	1000	Talent	T45

RANK 8 LEGION DESTROYER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Medicae	400	Skill	
Lightning Reflexes	500	Talent	
Swift Attack	600	Talent	WS 35
Sound Constitution	1000	Talent	
Storm of Iron	1000	Talent	Legiones Astartes



NEW TALENTS

The Destroyer Marine gains access to the following talents, extracted or altered from Rogue Trader, Only War, tabletop special rules, or other sources.

Rad Burn

(Prerequisite: WP35, Exotic Weapon Training (Rad))

Most users of Irid weaponry prefer to kill as quickly and cleanly as possible. When this character hits an enemy with an attack from a weapon with the Rad-Phage or Irradiated Quality, that enemy suffers a further -20 penalty on his Toughness Test to avoid suffering additional damage. Additionally, when this character inflicts Righteous Fury on an attack with a weapon with the Rad-Phage or Irradiated Quality, the target automatically suffers the effects of the Qualities.

Rad Overdose

(Prerequisite: WP40, Rad-Burn)

For most, a spraying a burst of radiation is something to be feared. For some, it is a calling, blessed by the Emperor to wither his enemies. The Legionary's weapons with the Rad-Phage or Irradiated Quality also gain the Vengeful (9) quality.

Rad Scourge

(Prerequisite: BS40, Rad Burn)

The Legionary poisons the world he walks on, as well as his enemies. Upon successfully killing a target with a weapon from the Rad group, allies and enemies within 1m of the target's body must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test every round, or suffer the effects of the Rad-Phage Quality. Only bearers of the Rad Saturation talent, or a Rad Furnace, are immune to this effect.

Rad Saturation

(Prerequisite: T40, WP40)

Enemies in the same melee as the Legionary suffer -1 to their base Toughness Bonus. This can reduce Unnatural Toughness according to the modifier (for example, TB4 Unnatural x2 for TB8 will become TB3 Unnatural x2 for TB6). This talent may stack with the effects of wargear and weaponry, such as Rad weapons.

Poisoned Physiology

(Prerequisite: T50)

The Legionary has become inured to the toxins and poisons that he is regularly exposed to – it's not that he's truly immune, it's that he's already so poisoned that further damage would be redundant. The Legionary never suffers damage or other negative effects from diseases, poisons, or the Toxic quality, unless he chooses to suffer their effects for some masochistic reason. There is only exception - Phosphex, which will affect the Legionary normally. However, the Legionary may reroll failed toughness tests to resist Phosphex's Toxic quality.

Painless Resilience

(Prerequisite: T45)

The Legionary's body has been numbed to pain from constant exposure to irradiated battlefields, granting the Legionary a defensive edge. As a Reaction, the Legionary may make a Difficult (-10) Toughness test. If he succeeds, he reduces the damage from the next hit he suffers by 1 per degree of success he scores on the test. If he manages to reduce the damage to 0 this way, he gains the Fear (1) trait, or increases his Fear Trait by 1, against the enemy whose attack he withstood.

Parting Gift

(Prerequisite: BS 40, Ag 40)

The Legionary has learned to use his mobility on the battlefield to strike at his foes, while reaching a more advantageous position. When performing a Disengage action, the Legionary may perform a single shot Standard Attack with a pistol weapon as a Free Action at the end of his movement. If he has a pistol in each hand, he may take a single shot Standard Attack with each pistol.



RECON MARINE

"Look at ya, lads. You're covered in relics, glowing like a Sanguinala tree, leading the Brotherhoods from the front in a TANK alongside a yetin' a Thanatar, an' ya think STEALTH is gonna avail ya?"

-Former Engineer's Guildmaster Rockfist
Fearengine comments on the Republican
Commandos' infiltration plans.

Recon Marines are squads of Legionaries adept at operating independently behind enemy lines. They are equipped with long-range weaponry, auspexes, and stealth gear to better hide amongst the battlefield rubble and perform their role as scouts, intelligence gatherers, and target identification. A Recon Marine is capable of sabotage and raiding when necessary, and if called into open battle, are able to apply pressure via flanking and support attacks against enemy rear lines.

This is an age of darkness, where the training period of a Scout had yet to be established. Unlike in the future, where only neophytes would support from long range while they learned the tactics of the Astartes, every neophyte serves as a line trooper and only through experience do they become the eyes and ears of their legion.

STARTING EQUIPMENT

The Recon Marine gains an Astartes Sniper Rifle, and three Astartes Blind Grenades, in addition to the standard issue gear of all Specialties.

STARTING SKILLS

The Recon Marine begins with Survival as a Trained Advanced Skill.

SPECIAL ABILITY

Choose one of the following:

Advance Scout

At the start of a combat encounter, after initiative is rolled but before combat begins, the Recon Marine may immediately perform a Full Move as a Free Action. This movement may not end adjacent to an enemy. Upon completion of this free movement action, initiative resumes as normal.

Recon Training

If the Legionary chooses to forgo his Power Armor and instead requisition Recon Armor for the mission, he may reroll failed Silent Move and Concealment tests, and ignore penalties from Difficult Terrain.

OATH-TAKING

A Recon Marine selected as Squad Leader may take the Oath of the Astartes, Oath of Loyalty, or the Oath of the Weapon.



LEGION RECON MARINE CHARACTERISTIC ADVANCES

Level	Simple	Intermediate	Trained	Expert
Weapon Skill	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Ballistic Skill	200	500	1,000	1,500
Strength	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Toughness	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Agility	200	500	1,000	1,500
Intelligence	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Perception	200	500	1,000	1,500
Willpower	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Fellowship	750	1,500	2,000	5,000

RANK 1 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Security	200	Skill	
Shadowing	200	Skill	
Tracking	200	Skill	
Tactics (Recon and Stealth)	400	Skill	
Marksman	400	Talent	BS35
Ambush	500	Talent	Concealment

RANK 2 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Awareness +10	200	Skill	Awareness
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Shadowing +10	400	Skill	Shadowing
Silent Move +10	400	Skill	Silent Move
Deadeye Shot	500	Talent	BS30
Vigilant	600	Talent	Per 35

RANK 3 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Survival +10	300	Skill	Survival
Navigate (Surface) +10	300	Skill	
Awareness +20	400	Skill	Awareness +10
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Silent Move +20	400	Skill	Silent Move +10
Tactics (Recon and Stealth) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Recon and Stealth)
Lock On	800	Talent	Per 40, Vigilant

RANK 4 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Security +10	400	Skill	Security
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Sleight of Hand
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Target Selection	800	Talent	BS50
Stealth Sniper	1000	Talent	Concealment +10

RANK 5 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Sleight of Hand	400	Skill	
Security +20	400	Skill	Security +10
Tactics (Recon and Stealth) +20	600	Skill	Tactics (Recon and Stealth) +10
The Bigger They are	1000	Talent	BS40
Counter-Sniping	1000	Talent	Per 50, Lock-On

RANK 6 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Sleight of Hand +10	400	Skill	Sleight of Hand
Navigate (Surface) +20	400	Skill	
Tracking +20	400	Skill	Tracking +10
Talented (Concealment)	600	Talent	
Nowhere to Hide	800	Talent	Per 30

RANK 7 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Sleight of Hand +20	400	Skill	Sleight of Hand +10
Medicae	400	Skill	
Inescapable Attack (Ranged)	1000	Talent	BS40, Per35
Sudden Attack	1000	Talent	Concealment +10, BS40

RANK 8 LEGION RECON MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Medicae +10	400	Skill	Medicae
Talented (Silent Move)	600	Talent	
Giantkiller	1000	Talent	BS50, The Bigger They Are
Eye of Vengeance	1500	Talent	BS50, Astartes Weapon Training

NEW TALENTS

The Recon Marine gains access to the following talents, extracted or altered from Rogue Trader, Only War, tabletop special rules, or other sources.

Ambush

(Prerequisite: Concealment)

The Recon Marine, with a single shot, can hit an exposed weak point if the enemy does not realize he is there. The Legionary inflicts 1 additional Damage for every 2 Degrees of Success on the Weapon Skill or Ballistic Skill test.

Stealth Sniper

(Prerequisite: Concealment +10)

The character can time shots and subtly reposition so he remains unseen in the swirl of combat. When his character makes a Standard Ranged Attack Action or Ranged Called Shot Action against an enemy while he is in Cover, or otherwise Concealed, he may make a Challenging (+0) Opposed Concealment Test, opposed by the Awareness Skill of any foes who might hear or see the shot. If he succeeds, he remains hidden from his enemies. The GM should adjust the Difficulty of the character's Concealment Test or the

enemy's Awareness Test depending on the noise made by the weapon the character uses, and any other environmental factors.

Vigilant

(Prerequisite: Per 35)

The Legionary lays in wait, watching his enemies, waiting for the perfect time to strike. When using the Overwatch Action, the Legionary may use his Perception Characteristic instead of his Agility Characteristic when determining whether he or his triggering target takes an Action first, as well as for any **Opposed Agility Tests** that Overwatch calls for him to make.

Lock-On

(Prerequisite: Per 40, Vigilant)

The Recon Marine understands how to keep enemies in his sights, while simultaneously dodging their attacks. The character may make Dodge Reactions while maintaining an Aim Action or Overwatch Action without losing the benefits of the Action.

Counter-Sniping

(Prerequisite: Per 50, Lock-On)

A flash of reflection off an enemy's scope is all the Legionary needs to identify his target. When the Legionary is subjected to a ranged attack, he may make a Challenging (+0) Awareness test. If he succeeds, he may execute a Standard Ranged Attack Action against the target as a Reaction. This attack can benefit from the Aim action if the Legionary had performed it. This attack can possibly kill the enemy before their attack resolves.

Inescapable Attack (Ranged)

(Prerequisite: BS40, Per 35)

The Legionary can predict the actions of his quarry, firing where he thinks they will dodge as opposed to where they will run. After making a successful single-shot Standard Ranged Attack Action or Ranged Called Shot Action against an enemy, the Legionary imposes a penalty on all Dodge tests made against this attack equal to 10 times the total degrees of success scored on the Ballistic Skill test.

Nowhere to Hide

(Prerequisite: Per 30)

The Legionary spots weak points in the enemy's cover, creating further openings for his allies. When the Legionary damages cover, he adds his degrees of success from the attack to the reduction of the cover's

Armor value. If using a weapon that does not require a skill test, he adds 1 instead.

The Bigger They Are

(Prerequisite: BS40)

A Recon Marine is a marksman first and foremost, expected to provide long range cover against the massive xenos beasts of the galaxy. When making a single-shot Standard Ranged Attack against a target with a Size Trait with a value greater than his own, the Legionary may modify his Hit Location result by an amount up to half the enemy's Size Modifier.

Giantkiller

(Prerequisite: BS50, The Bigger They Are)

A Recon Marine can notice exposed weak points on an enemy, from the eye sockets of a Catachan Devil, to the exposed neural web on the back of an Omega Battroid after it jumps. When firing at a target with a Size Trait with a value greater than his own, the Legionary adds the tens digit of the target's Size Modifier to the damage inflicted.

Sudden Attack

(Prerequisite: Concealment +10, BS40)

The Legionary is well-versed in the arts of surprise and disruption, and can stall large numbers of enemies with careful planning and cunning. When attacking a Horde which is unaware of his presence, using ranged weapons or placed explosives, the Battle-Brother deals an additional 1d10 damage to the Horde's Magnitude, and the Horde must make a **Hard (-20) Pinning Test** or become Pinned.



SEEKER MARINE

“A surgical strike against a high-priority target with overwhelming force...men after my own heart!”

-Shas’o Sio’t Korst’la VII reviews briefings on Legionary Seeker tactics and specializations provided by “inside men.”

Seeker Marine Squads are a specialized task force assembled from the Legiones Astartes for a sole purpose – identification of command structures and their efficient destruction. Often drawn from the best marksmen a Legion can provide, the Seeker Marine must identify his target and complete his mission within a window of opportunity that to other Legionaries would seem impossible. Without the luxury of distance or stealth their Reconnaissance brethren enjoy, a Seeker Marine must get in close, relying on his varied wargear and weaponry to secure an objective. They are assassins, plain and simple, who decide the course of conflicts with their boltguns.

The tactics of the Seeker Marine were first perfected within the Alpha Legion, and would be further refined into the Headhunter Kill Teams. The tactic of assassination, however, would not sit well with all legions, however – the Legionaries of the Space Wolves found the tactic distasteful, preferring to face enemies in honorable open combat, and the Legionaries of the Ultramarines, paragons of the burgeoning Imperium, would dare not soak their hands themselves with such a disgraceful tactic (the Vigil Opertii, however...).

A close-range offensive-oriented ranged specialization, the Seeker is true to its name sake, built to seek out and eliminate specific targets. A Seeker trades crowd control anti-horde abilities for a devastating alpha strike against single targets. The role of the Seeker Marine would ultimately disappear in the 40th millennium, as every Space Marine was nominally trained as a shock trooper, but their legacy would become clouded, and ultimately remains in the ranks of the Sternguard Veterans – Alpharius is laughing in his grave.

STARTING EQUIPMENT

The Seeker Marine gains an Astartes Bolter (pattern of his choice), and one magazine of Special Issue Ammunition, per mission, from the following list: Kraken Rounds, Scorpius Rounds, and Metal-Storm Rounds, in addition to the standard issue gear of all specialties.

STARTING SKILLS

The Seeker Marine begins with the Shadowing skill.

SPECIAL ABILITY

Choose one of the following:

Marked For Death

During the Oath-taking phase of mission planning, the Seeker Marine may nominate a specific named enemy as his quarry, such as a rogue planetary governor, a xenos general, a lord of chaos, etc. Against this specific named enemy, the Seeker Marine may reroll damage inflicted on the enemy, though the second result stands. Don’t get greedy!

Practiced Reflex

If the Seeker Marine fails an opposed Silent Move, Concealment, or Shadowing vs. Opponent’s Awareness or Scrutiny test, as a Reaction the Seeker Marine may immediately make a single shot attack with his weapon at the enemy who spotted him. This can only be performed if the enemy is in line of sight.

OATH-TAKING

A Seeker Marine selected as Squad Leader may take the Oath of the Astartes, Oath of Glory, or the Oath of the Weapon.



LEGION SEEKER MARINE CHARACTERISTIC ADVANCES

Level	Simple	Intermediate	Trained	Expert
Weapon Skill	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Ballistic Skill	200	500	1,000	1,500
Strength	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Toughness	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Agility	200	500	1,000	1,500
Intelligence	200	500	1,000	1,500
Perception	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
Willpower	750	1,500	2,000	5,000
Fellowship	750	1,500	2,000	5,000

RANK 1 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Concealment	200	Skill	
Tactics (Assassination)	200	Skill	
Rapid Reload	200	Talent	
Mighty Shot	500	Talent	BS 40
Astartes Weapon Specialization	1000	Talent	Astartes Weapon Training

RANK 2 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Tracking
Silent Move +10	400	Skill	Silent Move
Shadowing +10	400	Skill	Shadowing
Hip Shooting	500	Talent	BS 40, Ag 40
Weapon Expertise	1000	Talent	BS 40

RANK 3 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Tracking +20	400	Skill	Tracking +10
Shadowing +20	400	Skill	Shadowing +10
Security +10	400	Skill	Security
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Tactics (Assassination) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Assassination)
Overkill	1000	Talent	Perception 45

RANK 4 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Silent Move +20	400	Skill	Silent Move +10
Scrutiny +20	400	Skill	Scrutiny +10
Deadeye Shot	500	Talent	BS 30
Righteous Blow	1000	Talent	BS 45
Weapon Mastery	1200	Talent	BS 50, Weapon Expertise

RANK 5 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Security +20	400	Skill	Security +10
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Signature Wargear (Combi-Weapon)	500	Talent	
Sound Constitution	1000	Talent	
Weapon Expertise	1000	Talent	BS 40

RANK 6 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Tactics (Assassination) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Assassination) +10
Sharpshooter	600	Talent	BS 40, Deadeye Shot
Target Selection	800	Talent	BS 50
Bolter Drill	1000	Talent	
Ranged Weapon Expert	1000	Talent	BS 50

RANK 7 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Logic	400	Skill	
Tech Use	400	Skill	
Marksman	600	Talent	BS 35
Hard Target	800	Talent	Ag 40
Death Serves the Righteous	1000	Talent	BS 50, Deadeye Shot, Sharpshooter

RANK 8 LEGION SEEKER MARINE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Tech Use +10	400	Skill	Tech Use
Weapon Tech	800	Talent	Tech Use +10, Int 40
Sound Constitution	1000	Talent	
Eye of Vengeance	1000	Talent	Ballistic Skill 50, Astartes Weapon Training



NEW TALENTS

The Seeker Marine gains access to the following talents, extracted or altered from Rogue Trader, Only War, tabletop special rules, or other sources.

Death Serves the Righteous

(Prerequisite: Ballistic Skill 50, Deadeye Shot, Sharpshooter)

The Legionary's precision attack is designed to sever the head of the enemy, so the rest of his legion can more easily slay the body. Once per combat encounter, the Legionary may spend a Fate Point to change a result of 1 on a single Damage Die from a ranged attack to a result of 10. This can inflict Righteous Fury as normal.

Overkill

(Prerequisite: Perception 45)

The target must die, nothing else matters. If they need to die a dozen times over, so be it. When the Legionary hits with a ranged attack, he may make a Challenging (+0) Perception test as a Reaction. If he succeeds, he adds the Degrees of Success on the Perception test to the Degrees of Success scored on the original Ballistic Skill test for the attack. This will NOT trigger Righteous Fury if the replaced number is 10 or higher.

Ranged Weapon Expert

(Prerequisite: Ballistic Skill 50)

The Legionary treats his weapon as an extension of himself, and behind its sights the battle disappears – there is only he, his target, and the instrument of his wrath. Once per combat encounter, the Legionary may take an aim action as a Free Action before making an attack with the weapon. The Legionary must select a ranged weapon type when taking this talent, such as Bolt, Plasma, Melta, Volkite, etc.

Righteous Blow

(Prerequisite: Ballistic Skill 45)

The Legionary strikes with overwhelming force, his fury augmented by his clarity of purpose – those who oppose Compliance and the Imperium must die. When the Legionary inflicts Righteous Fury, he may roll twice to determine the damage and take the higher result.

Weapon Expertise

(Prerequisite: Ballistic Skill 40)

The Legionary begins to appreciate the many weapons available to him in his work – plasma, melta, volkite, all are suited for different enemies and tasks, and plans his weapons accordingly. The Legionary selects a class of weapon, and gains the bonus listed below. If a weapon is taken as a Combi-Weapon, the talent is applied to the appropriate component of the Combi-weapon only.

Bolt: When the Legionary fires a Bolt weapon, he imposes a -5 penalty on Dodge tests to avoid the attack for every Degree of Success on the Ballistic Skill test.

Melta: The Legionary counts the Melta Weapon's range as being increased by a number of meters equal to two times his Ballistic Skill bonus.

Plasma: Firing a Plasma Weapon on Maximal mode no longer suffers from Overheat.

Volkite: Hits triggered by the Deflagrate quality of Volkite weapons gain the Flame quality.

Weapon Mastery

(Prerequisite: Ballistic Skill 50, Weapon Expertise)

The Legionary has become a master of a specific weapon. The Legionary selects a class of weapon, and gains the bonus listed below. The Legionary must have the appropriate Weapon Expertise talent for a weapon type before selecting the Weapon Mastery talent for that weapon type. If a weapon is taken as a Combi-Weapon, the talent is applied to the appropriate component of the Combi-weapon only.

Bolt: Bolt Weapons fired by the Legionary gain the Crippling (X) quality, where X is equal to the Legionary's Ballistic Skill Bonus.

Melta: Melta Weapons gain +2 Penetration for every two Degrees of Success scored on the Ballistic Skill test. This bonus applies after the doubling of Penetration from the Melta Quality.

Plasma: Plasma Weapons fired on Maximal mode gain an additional +2 to Damage, Penetration, and Blast Quality (if applicable).

Volkite: Hits triggered by the Deflagrate quality of Volkite weapons gain the Felling quality.

LEGION TERMINATOR

“Not ta yer liking, lad? We aim to please.”

-Rockfist Fearengine, former Engineer's Guildmaster, reveals waiting rows of Indomitus, Tartaros, and Cataphractii Terminator Armor to the Republican Commandos.

The Terminators of a Legion were some of the most formidable veterans that could be fielded. They function as devastating frontline assault units, able to withstand heavy fire, and deliver crushing hammer blows in retaliation. Terminators were particularly valuable during close-quarter combat situations, such as zone mortalis operations deep within hive cities, or within thin starship corridors.

While Terminators were the greatest fighters of the Legion, the role did not have the religious significance it would have ten thousand years later. As such, the Crux Terminatus does not yet exist. To become a Legion Terminator requires time, experience, and recognition, but it does not yet require external awards.



Requirements: Rank 4+

Cost: 1500 XP

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Terminator Armor (pattern of the player's choice), one Twin-Linked Bolter (pattern of the player's choice), one Power Sword OR Power Axe OR Power Maul

Special Ability: Implacable Advance

The Legionary selects a single Primary or Secondary Objective at the start of the Mission. Completion of this Primary or Secondary Objective awards the Legionary one additional point of Renown.

RANK 8 LEGION TERMINATOR ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	300	Skill	Command
Command +20	400	Skill	Command +10
Demolition	200	Skill	
Demolition +10	300	Skill	Demolition
Demolition +20	400	Skill	Demolition +10
Dodge	200	Skill	
Dodge +10	300	Skill	Dodge
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	300	Skill	Parry
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	300	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Tactics (Choose One)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Choose One) +10	300	Skill	Tactics (Choose One)
Tactics (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Choose One) +10
Bolter Drill	1200	Talent	
Combat Formation	1000	Talent	Int 40
Foresight	600	Talent	Int 30
Sound Constitution (x2)	500	Talent	
Wisdom of the Ancients	800	Talent	Int 40
Thunder Charge	800	Talent	
Hunter of Aliens	1000	Talent	
Hero of the Legion	Special	Talent	Renown 40+

NEW TALENT: HERO OF THE LEGION

The Legion Terminator is not only a veteran of his Legion - he has caught the eye of his Lieutenants, his Commanders, or even his Primarch. The Legionary has advanced into the vaunted ranks of his Legion's specialist Terminators. He will be equipped well beyond his brethren, and be expected to take on the greatest challenges. The Legionary should be wary, however, as for some Primarchs, their attention is fleeting, and to lose it, disastrous...

The Legionary ascends to the ranks of his Legion's specialist Terminator Ranks. For some Legions, this merely means a high position and an upgrade in terms of wargear and weaponry, while for others it can be as illustrious as being a bodyguard for commanders or even one's own Primarch. Many Legionaries learn new techniques to inflict harm on the enemy upon induction, while others remain reliant on their wargear.

When taking this talent, one finds their Legion on the list, and applies the listed bonuses to their Legionary. Some Legions only grant new standard issue wargear and a new title, while others are more in depth, offering a new special ability as well. Make note of any wargear, armor, and talents now granted to the Legionary – some are quite specific. Note that some Legions do not have specialized terminators available to them – in that case, this talent is unavailable to those Legions, as either the Legion did not make use of specialized Terminator units in large enough numbers to matter, or Forge World just hasn't gotten around to them yet, and they will soon. If a Legion has two or more choices, select ONE and apply the benefits. Standard Issue Gear listed below replaces the Standard Issue Gear of the Legion Terminator base specialization.

If a weapon or wargear has no craftsmanship beside it, it is considered common craftsmanship. Twin-Linked Bolters may be any pattern of the player's choice.



Emperor's Children: Phoenix Champion

Cost: 2500 XP

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Master-Crafted Tartaros Terminator Armor, one Master-Crafted Phoenix Spear.

Talent: Sudden Strike

The Legionary inflicts a -10 penalty to enemy Dodge and Parry tests on any turn he charges.

Trait: Living Icon

When the Legionary or an ally within 15m of the Legionary makes a Weapon skill test to attack an enemy, the Degrees of Success of the enemy's Dodge or Parry test must equal or exceed the Degrees of Success on the Legionary's or ally's Weapon Skill test in order to Dodge or Parry the attack. If the Degrees of Success of the enemy's Dodge or Parry test is lower than the Degrees of Success on the Legionary's or ally's Weapon Skill test, the Dodge or Parry test is ignored.

Iron Warriors: Tyrant Siege Master

Cost: 2000 XP

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Cyclone Missile Launcher, one Power Fist, one Twin-Linked Bolter, one Omni-Scope

Talent: Shatter Assault

When the target of a Charge, as a Reaction the Legionary may perform the Brace Action, which has the added effect of denying the enemy any bonus to Weapon Skill from charging, as well as denying the effects of the Thunder Charge talent.

Space Wolves: Varagyr Thegn

Cost: 3000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Frost Blade OR Frost Axe OR Frost Claw, one Twin-Linked Bolter

Talent: Crushing Charge

The Legionary increases the level of his Unnatural Strength bonus by 1 when making unarmed attacks as part of the Thunder Charge talent.

Talent: Lordsbane

The Legionary gains a +10 to Weapon Skill tests and +2 to Weapon Damage against Master-level enemies.

Trait: Fear (1), or increase existing Fear rating by 1.

Iron Hands: Gorgon Hammerbearer

Cost: 2000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Gorgon-pattern Terminator Armor, one Thunder Hammer*, one Twin-Linked Bolter

*Thunder Hammers are usually unavailable to Legionaries. However, some legions such as the Iron Hands and Salamanders were testing them at this time, and saw limited use in those Legions.

Talent: Defensive Augmentation

When hit by an attack, as a Reaction, the Legionary may make a Hard (-20) Toughness test. If he succeeds, he may increase the level of his Unnatural Toughness trait by 1 for the purpose of damage reduction for that attack. This has a chance of negating damage entirely.

Trait: Undying

World Eaters: Red Butcher Devoured

Cost: 3000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Twin-Linked Bolter, one Power Axe

Talent: Fearless

Talent: Hatred (Everything)

Talent: Unstoppable Charge

Attacks made as part of a charge action may not be parried.

Trait: Ravaging Madman

The Legionary may never attempt to dodge or parry enemy melee attacks.

Ultramarines: Fulmentarus Decurion

Cost: 2000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Twin-Linked Bolter, one Power Maul, one Cyclone Missile Launcher, one Peritarch Targeter

Talent: Cunning Strategist.

The Legionary imposes a -10 penalty to enemy Command tests to summon or control Strategic Assets, and may reroll failed or successful Command Tests to summon allied Strategic Assets.

Death Guard: Grave Warden Chem-Master

Cost: 2000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Assault Grenade Launcher, one Power Fist

Talent: The Death Cloud

Enemies charging the Legionary do not gain bonuses to Weapon Skill tests when charging. May be fired off as a weapon (Basic, 20m, S/-/. 2d10+5E, Pen 6, Mag -, Rld -, Spray, Toxic). Considered to have infinite ammunition and uses as long as the Legionary's terminator armor has power.

Death Guard: Deathshroud Terminator

Cost: 2500

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Master-Crafted Terminator Armor (pattern of player's choice), Hand-Flamer with Chem-Munitions, one Master-Crafted Power Scythe

Talent: Comes the Reaper

Enemies attempting to charge or attack the Legionary in melee combat must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower test. If this test is failed, the enemy may not charge or attack the Legionary in melee, and stand transfixed with terror, losing the rest of their round. Enemies may still attack the Legionary with ranged weapons as normal.

Thousand Sons: Sekhmet Inceptor

Cost: 3000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Terminator Armor (Player's choice of Cataphractii or Tartaros armor), one Twin-Linked Bolter with Asphyx Shells, one Force Sword OR Force Axe OR Force Staff

Talent: Infused Knowledge

Talent: Increase Psy Rating by +2

Discipline: Gain access to the Telekinesis or Pyromancy Psychic Disciplines (Player's Choice). The Legionary may purchase psychic powers from this new discipline. The Legionary's Cult Arcana talent effect remains locked with his initial choice of Psychic Discipline – he does not gain a second effect from the talent.

Sons of Horus: Justaerin Terminator

Cost: 2500

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Master-Crafted Cataphractii-Pattern Terminator Armor, one Twin-

Linked Bolter, one Power Sword OR Power Axe OR Power Maul

Talent: Berserk Charge

Talent: Chosen Warriors

While engaged in melee with only a single opponent who is not engaged in melee with anyone else, the Legionary's melee weapons gain the Vengeful (9) quality, and may reroll damage generated by Righteous Fury. The second result stands.

Salamanders: Firedrake Master

Cost: 2500

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Master-Crafted Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Heavy Flamer, one Master-Crafted Thunder Hammer

Talent: Fires of Martyrdom

The Legionary is immune to Cohesion damage, and may perform a special attack when in melee combat as a Full Action, causing one automatic hit on each enemy adjacent to the Legionary, and inflicting $1d10+12E$ damage with Pen 6 and the Flame quality. Hordes suffer a number of hits equal to $1d10 + X$, where X is equal to the Legionary's Strength bonus. This attack may not be parried, but may be dodged as normal.

Alpha Legion: Lernaean Harrower

Cost: 2000

Standard Issue Gear: One set of Cataphractii Terminator Armor, one Power Axe, one Volkite Charger.

Talent: Harrowing Storm

When the Legionary performs a Semi-Auto Burst or Full-Auto Burst with a ranged weapon, each consecutive hit after the first gains 1 additional Penetration, to a maximum of +5 Penetration for the sixth and successive hits. Additional hits caused by the Deflagrate quality of weapons count as successive hits for the purposes of this talent.



“What is experience? Is it merely the sum total of the knowledge you gain from all previous actions you have performed? If that is the case, experience can mislead – a hive worker trained to make a faulty cogitator will gradually become a master at making faulty cogitators. I think that is the greatest danger facing the humans. I have conversed with the Paragon of Metal many times on this topic, and he and I are in rare agreement. Ten thousand years of damage and decay can make all the present-day experience in the world worthless. Mistakes compound mistakes, and nobody even realizes there is a problem. Things, at least, are changing – the Paragon of Metal has his “S3 Plan,” and the humans have one of their demigods at their head once more, bringing a measure of sanity to their bizarre practices.

Now, things are changing for the first time in years. I face new opportunities that my House could never have dreamed of, and no experience I can draw on to aid me. The Terran Primarch has already declared the forces of his archenemy to be the target of his Indomitus Crusade, his ‘Second Great Crusade,’ and many other threats have been left by the wayside. I have to think – if I can establish connections through the use of shell companies and intermediaries I have already set up, to new and potential buyers near and far, I can begin funneling arms and supplies to the humans across the sector and beyond to face said threats, and they will never know it is me. Profits are going to soar beyond my wildest expectations. The Tiji Sector is no longer enough – containment must be broken.”

—Excerpt of “Selenite Memories,”
the Memoirs of Shas’o Sio’t Korst’la VII

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LEGION CENTURION

The Legion Centurion is a battle commander and officer, specialist, champion, and line officer that specializes his abilities to fit different battlefield requirements. Sometimes granted command of thousands of Legionaries, sometimes only in charge of a few elite, trusted brothers in a boarding action; the Legion Centurion continues to prove his worth in the endless war. Often, a Legion Centurion will take an Office, becoming known as a Consul, making them masters of command, sabotage, assassination, spiritual guidance, psychic might, technology, or other esoteric or even dark knowledge.

Requirements: Rank 5 or more, Renown 60+

Cost: 3000 XP



LEGION CENTURION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	200	Skill	Command
Dodge	200	Skill	
Dodge +10	200	Skill	Dodge
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	200	Skill	Parry
Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes)	400	Skill	
Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes) +10	400	Skill	Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes)
Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes) +20	400	Skill	Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes) +10
Lore: Scholastic (Any)	400	Skill	
Lore: Scholastic (Any) +10	400	Skill	Lore: Scholastic (Any)
Lore: Scholastic (Any) +20	400	Skill	Lore: Scholastic (Any) +10
Tactics (Any)	400	Skill	
Tactics (Any) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Any)
Tactics (Any) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Any) +10
Talented (Choose One) x2	500	Talent	
Air of Authority	1000	Talent	Fel 30
Astartes Weapon Specialization	1000	Talent	
Combat Master	1500	Talent	WS 30
Counter-Attack	1500	Talent	WS 40
Crushing Blow	1000	Talent	S 40
Master Orator	500	Talent	Fel 30
Mighty Shot	1000	Talent	BS 40
Resistance (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Step Aside	1500	Talent	Ag 40, Dodge
Swift Attack	1000	Talent	WS 35
Sound Constitution x2	1000	Talent	
Consul Specialization	1000	Special	

Legion Centurion Wargear

Legion Centurions gains a Charnabal Sabre and Volkite Serpenta as standard-issue wargear. Further wargear options may become available based on Consul Specialization.

Legion Centurion Special Ability:

Tactical Flexibility

Legion Centurions rose through the ranks of line trooper to a position of command. However, their methodology is affected profoundly by their studies and personal experiences. When named Squad Leader, a Legion Centurion may use his Agility, Intelligence, Perception, or Willpower Bonus in place of his Fellowship Bonus to determine his squad's Cohesion. This is then affected by the Command skill and Rank as normal.

Legion Centurion Special Talent:

Consul Specialization

Legion Centurions are officers of the Legion, specialists in their chosen field. They may select a Consul Specialization for 1000 xp, which may grant additional talents, skills, wargear, and abilities. A Legion Centurion may select only ONE Consul Specialization, and may never select another. Selecting a Consul Specialization is optional.



NEW TALENT

CONSUL SPECIALIZATION

Consuls represent the highest offices of the Legions, and each Consul Office grants particular abilities that can augment a Centurion's role on the battlefield. A Consul can come from many ranks of the Legion – a Techmarine may choose to take the office of Forge Lord or Praevian, or a former Tactical may find his skills best utilized as a Delegatus. A Centurion can also select his Office based on his preferred battle strategy – a master sniper may consider the Vigilator Office, while a loner may find his calling as a Moritat. Each Legion also had its own peculiar Consul Offices, such as the Saboteurs of the Alpha Legion, or the feared Diabolists of the Word Bearers, who would eventually become the first Dark Apostles...

Consul Specializations will include the Name of the Office, any specialization required to take the Office, any wargear they may gain, any special abilities they may gain, any Skills (with prices) they gain further access to, and any Talents (with prices) they gain access to.

Note that not all Consul specializations are represented here. Some can be taken as a separate Advanced Specialization from the Deathwatch Rites of Battle book, such as the Forge Lord (Forge Master), the Champion, and the Chaplain, while the last, the Librarian, is a Base Specialization in the Deathwatch Core book and, while normally banned for general use, can be allowed by a GM if running a pre-Nikaea game or

CONSUL SPECIALIZATIONS

Listed below are a number of the most common Consul ranks available to the Legiones Astartes.

MASTER OF SIGNAL

The Master of Signal is at home on the back lines, ready to rain down orbital bombardments on the hapless enemy ahead of him. Artillery is his specialty, and ranged weapons his forte.

Specialization Required: Heavy Support Marine, Tactical Marine, Recon Marine, or Techmarine

Standard Issue Wargear: Cartograph, Cognis Signum, Voxcaster

Special Ability: The Master of Signal gains one Torpedo Strike Orbital Asset per mission. More must be bought with Renown as normal.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Navigate (Surface)	200	
Navigate (Surface) +10	200	Navigate (Surface)
Navigate (Surface) +20	200	Navigate (Surface) +10
Scrutiny	400	
Scrutiny +10	400	Scrutiny
Tech Use	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Artillery Signal Master	500	
Bombardier	500	BS 40, Tech Use
Calculated Barrage	500	Int 35

Artillery Signal Master: Use Command skill in place of Ballistic Skill when calling down Artillery or Orbital Strikes.

Bombardier: Indirect weapons may be fired as a Half action instead of a Full action. The Master of Signal may roll twice to generate Scatter direction, and choose the result.

Calculated Barrage: Whenever the Master of Signal fires an indirect weapon, if at least one hit lands within a number of meters equal to his Intelligence Bonus of an enemy, that target must make a Routine (+20) Pinning Test.

VIGILATOR

Master snipers first and foremost, a Vigilator can sneak into an area, execute key enemy personnel, and leave all sorts of havoc in his wake, second only to the Saboteurs of the Alpha Legion.

Specialization Required: Tactical Marine, Seeker Marine, or Recon Marine

Standard Issue Wargear: Camo-Cloak, 1 magazine of Kraken bolts, 1 magazine of Metalstorm bolts, 1 magazine of Scorpius bolts,

Special Ability: Vigilators may freely swap out their power armor for Scout Armor at the start of a mission. Vigilators do not suffer Agility or Movement Speed penalties when moving through difficult terrain.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Concealment	200	
Concealment +10	200	Concealment
Concealment +20	200	Concealment +10
Silent Move	400	
Silent Move +10	400	Silent Move
Shadowing	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Ambush	500	Concealment
Stealth Sniper	1000	Concealment +10

Ambush: Attacks against Unaware Targets inflict 1 additional Damage for every 2 Degrees of Success on the Weapon Skill or Ballistic Skill Test beyond the first.

Stealth Sniper: Whenever the Vigilator makes a Standard Ranged Attack Action or Ranged Called Shot Action against an enemy while he is in Cover or otherwise Concealed, he may make a Challenging (+0) Opposed Concealment Test, opposed by the Awareness Skill of any foes who might hear or see the shot. If he succeeds, he remains hidden from his enemies.

SIEGE BREAKER

For those who want to watch the world burn, the office of Siege Breaker is like a dream come true. Siege Breakers destroy everything ahead of them, often irrevocably tainting the land itself with their craft.

Specialization Required: Tactical Marine, Assault Marine, Heavy Support Marine, Techmarine, Breacher Marine, or Destroyer Marine

Standard Issue Wargear: One Phosphex Bomb

Special Ability: As a Full Action, the Siege Breaker may make a Challenging (+0) Intelligence test. If he succeeds, then his allies count as having the Tank Hunter and Wrecker talents for a number of rounds equal to his Intelligence Bonus if the Siege Breaker has them.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Demolition	200	
Demolition +10	200	Demolition
Demolition +20	200	Demolition +10
Chem-Use	400	
Chem-Use +10	400	Chem-Use
Security	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Wrecker	500	Concealment
Tank Hunter	1000	Concealment +10

Wrecker: The Siege Breaker adds his Intelligence Bonus to the Penetration Value of weapons used against stationary structures and fortifications. If the target fortification is destroyed, the area is considered clear terrain for his allies.

Tank Hunter: When making a ranged attack against a vehicle, the Siege Breaker adds his Ballistic Skill Bonus to the Penetration Value of his weapon.

MORITAT

The Moritat acts as a forlorn hope, using his mobility and agility to dart between squads, dual pistols able to erase entire squads of enemies.

Specialization Required: Tactical Marine, Assault Marine, Seeker Marine, or Destroyer Marine

Standard Issue Wargear: One additional Bolt Pistol, three Rad grenades.

Special Ability: As a Full Action, the Moritat may Chain-Fire his pistols. The Moritat makes a single shot Ranged Attack with each pistol. He may continue to make successive single shot Ranged Attacks with each pistol until a pistol either misses, jams, or runs out of ammunition. The attack continues with the other pistol until that pistol too either misses, jams, or runs out of ammunition. Each successive single shot Ranged Attack suffers a -10 penalty, increasing by a further -10 penalty for every shot taken.

For example, the first shot a Moritat makes with a pistol is at base. The second is at -10, the third at -20, and so on until that pistol either misses, jams, or runs out of ammunition.

A Moritat may never be named Squad Leader, nor enter Squad Mode with others.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Pilot (Personal)	200	
Pilot (Personal) +10	200	Pilot (Personal)
Pilot (Personal) +20	200	Pilot (Personal) +10
Survival	400	
Survival +10	400	Survival
Chem-Use	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic)	500	BS 35, Ag 35
Gunslinger	500	BS40, TWW (Ballistic)
Hip Shooting	500	BS 40, Ag 40

PRAEVIAN

With close ties to the Legio Cybernetica, the Praevian forgoes command of living, breathing legionaries for unstoppable maniples of Battle Automata. The Praevian is able to push his unliving charges hard in the pursuit of any objective.

Specialization Required: Techmarine

Standard Issue Wargear: Cortex Controller, Cortex Designator

Special Ability: The Consul Praevian adds one to the number of Battle Automata he can control when using a Cortex Controller. For example, he may control up to three Vorax OR two Castellax OR two Domitar or Domitar-Ferrum Battle Automata. This does not affect the number of Servo-Automata he controls.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Tech Use	200	
Tech Use +10	200	Tech Use
Tech Use +20	200	Tech Use +10
Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica)	400	
Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica) +10	400	Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica)
Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica) +20	400	Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica) +10

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Master of Cybernetica	1500	Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica)
Legion Induction	1000	Lore: Forbidden (Cybernetica)

Master of Cybernetica: The Praevian gains command of a single Castellax or Vorax Battle-Automata, armed with two bolters OR flamers, shock chargers, and a Mauler Bolt Cannon (if Castellax) or Lightning Gun, two Power Blades, and two Rotor Cannons (if Vorax). It follows the normal rules for Followers, except Loyalty tests are based off the Praevian's Intelligence score.

Legion Induction: The Battle Automata gains special abilities, based on the Praevian's parent Legion. See the column to the right to determine what abilities the Praevian's Battle Automata receives.

LEGION INDUCTION

Praevians of the Legiones Astartes often customize their battle automata to exhibit traits and mannerisms of their Legion. When taking the Consul Praevian specialization, apply the benefits your Legion grants, listed below, to your Battle Automata. Not all Legions are listed here – Forge World seems to have only given the Legions who used a lot of Battle Automata a Praevian ability. All abilities apply only to Battle Automata purchased and used by the Praevian.

Dark Angels: Battle Automata ranged and melee weapons gain the Felling quality when attacking enemies with Size (Enormous) or greater. If their weapons already possess the Felling quality, the value is increased by +1.

Emperor's Children: Battle Automata gain the Sonic Shrieker Armor Upgrade as standard issue.

Iron Warriors: Battle Automata gain the Tank Hunters talent OR the Brutal Charge trait.

Space Wolves: Battle Automata gain the Counter-Attack talent.

Night Lords: When entering the Talent for Murder Squad Mode, Battle Automata in melee and within Cortex Controller range count as three Legionaries for the purposes of outnumbering the enemy.

Death Guard: Battle Automata gain the Chem-Munitions Wargear for their flamers.

Sons of Horus: When entering the Merciless Fighters Squad Mode, Battle Automata in melee and within Cortex Controller range count as three Legionaries for the purposes of outnumbering the enemy.

Word Bearers: Battle Automata gain the Dark Channeling talent. There is literally no way this can go wrong at all. It is perfectly safe. No, it's not. It's not safe at all.

Raven Guard: Battle Automata ignore penalties to Concealment and Silent Move from Armor, and may move an additional number of meters equal to the value of their Agility Bonus when they take any form of Move, Run, or Charge action

Alpha Legion: Battle Automata gain the Banestrike Bolts wargear for their bolters. This does not affect their Mauler Bolt Cannon.

DELEGATUS

A rank only below Praetor, the Delegatus is tasked with specific missions, and acts with the full Legion's authority. A Delegatus may mobilize resources and deploy assets as he sees fit. Those under his charge are often veterans and masters in their own right, forming a formidable command squad.

Specialization Required: Any except Destroyer Marine

Standard Issue Wargear: Artificer Armor (or Legion Variant)

Special Ability: When assigned Requisition, the Delegatus receives an extra 50% Requisition points, for use on support assets only.

For example, if assigned 30 Requisition, he is granted an extra 15 Requisition for support assets only.

Incidentally, this is enough to requisition a Reserve Company of Excertus Imperialis troops.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Diplomacy	200	
Diplomacy +10	200	Diplomacy
Diplomacy +20	200	Diplomacy +10
Charm	400	
Charm +10	400	Charm
Logic	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Chosen Duty	1000	Fel 35
Rite of Command	1000	Fel 40, Diplomacy +10

Chosen Duty: As a Full Action, the Delegatus may make a Challenging (+0) Command test. If he succeeds, he may grant his allies one of the following talents for a number of rounds equal to his Fellowship Bonus: Counter-Attack, Fearless, Furious

DIPLOMACY (FELLOWSHIP)

A new skill introduced in the Dark Heresy expansion, "The Lathe Worlds," Diplomacy is the art of conducting negotiation between two or more factions. This allows the character opportunities to handle business, social, or state affairs without arousing hostility. A Diplomacy test is an opposed test, as each party tries to convince the other, in the nicest way possible, that they are assholes of the highest order.

The GM sets a number of rounds (as simple as 1, as involved as 5, or even longer), and tallies up Degrees of Success over the course of the negotiation. At the end, Degrees of Success and Failure for both sides are tallied – whichever side has the most Degrees of Success is the winner, will most likely get their point across / get what they want, and may then freely tell the loser to suck it.

Assault, Sharpshooter, Marksman, Tank Hunter. Only one Talent may be granted at a time – new Talents overwrite the old.

Rite of Command: The Delegatus marshals the full resources of his Legion to better complete the mission at hand. When Requisition is assigned, the Delegatus may make a Challenging (+0) Diplomacy test. If he succeeds, the Delegatus may gain an additional $1d10 \times$ Fellowship Bonus in Requisition points for his Squad, which he may divide as the squad sees fit.



PRIMUS MEDICAE

High officers of the Apothecarion, the Primus Medicae ensures the battle-readiness of his brethren, and preserves the purity of the Legion's geneseed from loss or contamination. The word of a Primus Medicae is held in high regard, as only a Primarch or their equerry can overrule them. Theirs is a harsh but necessary duty.

Specialization Required: Apothecary

Standard Issue Wargear: Needle Pistol

Special Ability: The Legionary gains one additional point of Renown at the completion of the mission if he successfully recovers a dead allied Legionary's geneseed intact.

A Primus Medicae may not take Power Fists, Chainfists, Boarding Shields, or Paired Lightning Claws – one hand must always be dedicated to their Narthecium.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Evaluate	200	
Evaluate +10	200	Evaluate
Evaluate +20	200	Evaluate +10
Charm	400	
Charm +10	400	Charm
Inquiry	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Master Chirurgeon	500	Medicae +10
Healing Touch	1000	Medicae +20
Exhortation of Butchery	1000	Medicae +10, World Eaters Legion only

Healing Touch: When performing the a Medicae Test for the First Aid Action, the Legionary may spend a Fate Point. If he does so, he restores a number of wounds equal to his Intelligence Bonus plus the Degrees of Success on the Medicae test rather than the normal amount, regardless of the ally's wound state. These wounds count as having healed naturally.

Exhortation of Butchery: As a Full Action, the Legionary may declare he is sending his melee-focused allies into overdrive. Allies within 30m may perform one additional attack in melee combat, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks. At the end of their round, however, they must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test. Failure of this test inflicts 1d10 damage, ignoring armor and toughness. This Talent is available only to Primus Medicae of the World Eaters Legion.



LEGION HERALD

As the glory of the Great Crusade gave way to the Age of Darkness, a new type of Consul began to appear, a banner-bearer, wielding relics touched by faraway Primarchs, Regents, or even the Warmaster and Emperor. These Heralds would take to the field to motivate their brethren, whether or not they fought for the Emperor, the Warmaster, or other fate.

Specialization Required: Any except Recon Marine
Standard Issue Wargear: Banner (See Below)

Special Ability: The Legionary declares their factional affiliation, and gains one of the following benefits.

Banner of the Aquila: Loyalty to the Emperor
Allied Legionaries within 30m gain a +10 bonus to Weapon Skill tests, and may reroll failed Parry tests of up to one degree of failure.

Banner of the Eye: Loyalty to the Warmaster
Allied Legionaries within 30m add their Agility bonus to the value they can Run and Charge, and reroll failed Weapon Skill tests of up to one degree of failure as part of a Charge Action.

Dark Banner: Loyalty to one-self only.
Allied Legionaries within 30m gain the Fear (1) trait, or increase their Fear Rating by 1 if they already possessed one, and gain a +10 bonus to Willpower tests.

A Legion Herald may not use any weapon that requires two hands to use – one hand must always be dedicated to their Banner.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Charm	200	
Charm +10	200	Charm
Charm +20	200	Charm +10
Intimidate	400	
Intimidate +10	400	Intimidate
Trade (Remembrancer)	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Unbowed and Unbroken	500	Fel 40
Honor of the Banner	1000	Fel 40

Honor of the Banner: The Legionary and allies within the squad each gain an additional point of Renown at the conclusion of a successful mission. However, if the Herald is forced to burn fate to live during the mission, the Legionary and allies within the squad reduce the amount of Renown received at the conclusion of a mission, to a minimum of zero.



DIABOLIST

The Diabolist has discovered the Primordial Truth of Chaos, and has paid the forfeit with their soul. They would lead their Legion to damnation, and would gradually infect the minds and souls of others as well. Ten thousand years later, the Dark Apostles would look to these ancients as their spiritual ancestors.

Specialization Required: Any

Legion Required: Word Bearers

Standard Issue Wargear: Tainted Weapon

Blessing, Burning Lore

Special Ability: The Legionary gains the Daemonic (1) and From Beyond Traits, with all the horror that entails, as well as a PR35 Defensive Field that does not overload under normal conditions, representing defensive Warp auras.

A Diabolist may not take Power Fists or Terminator Armor.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology)	200	
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +10	200	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology)
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +20	200	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +10
Scholastic Lore (Occult)	400	
Scholastic Lore (Occult) +10	400	Scholastic Lore (Occult)
Charm	400	

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Hatred (Select One)	500	
Daemonic Summoning	1000	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +20

Daemonic Summoning: The Legionary is doing the unthinkable – he is summoning the Neverborn from the Warp into reality. The Legionary must make a Challenging (+0) Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) test, as he cuts the veil to the Ruinstorm, chants the appropriate litanies, lights some lilac-scented candles, and raises his weapon high.

The Legionary gains a +10 bonus to the test for every point of Psy Rating he possesses through skill or wargear. If the test is successful, one Daemon chosen from the following list is successfully summoned within 30m of the Legionary. Summoned Daemons stick around a number of hours equal to the degrees of success on the Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) test, or indefinitely if summoned on a world where the veil is weak or the Ruinstorm is raging. They can be dispelled with another Challenging (+0) Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) test, but they'll probably be pissed about that. Their stats can be found in Deathwatch: Mark of the Xenos.

-Khorne Bloodletter (P. 109)

-Slaanesh Demonette (P. 110)

-Tzeentch Pink Horror (P. 111)

-Nurgl Plaguebearer (P. 112)

If the test is successful by 5 or more Degrees of Success, the Daemon will even listen to the orders of the Diabolist for a number of rounds equal to the degrees of success on the test. But after that, well...



SABOTEUR

The Alpha Legion were the ones to pioneer the Seeker Marines, and their tactic of “Harrowing” incorporated infiltration, sabotage, and assassination, arts. It is no surprise that the Alpha Legion would specialize in these arts, and master them.

Specialization Required: Tactical Marine, Seeker Marine, Breacher Marine, or Heavy Support Marine

Legion Required: Alpha Legion

Standard Issue Wargear: Melta-Bomb, Camo-Cloak, Sniper Rifle

Special Ability: When rolling for initiative, the Legionary may spend a Fate Point to declare a special Sabotage attack against an enemy, drawing upon Alpha Legion support elements deployed in advance. If the enemy is not a vehicle, they automatically suffer a single hit, inflicting $2d10+9X$ damage with a Pen of 8. If the enemy is a vehicle, it immediately suffers a critical hit result, with a +1 to the roll. This may not be dodged, parried, or defensively fielded, as it represents armor or wargear sabotage.

A Saboteur may not take Terminator Armor, Jump Packs, Power Fists, or Boarding Shields.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Demolition	200	
Demolition +10	200	Demolition
Demolition +20	200	Demolition +10
Concealment	400	
Concealment +10	400	Concealment
Silent Move	400	
Silent Move +10	400	Silent Move

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Ranged Weapon Expert	1000	BS50
Assassin's Shot	1000	BS45

Ranged Weapon Expert: Once per combat encounter, the Legionary may perform a Full Action Aim as a Free Action if his weapon possesses the Accurate quality.

Assassin's Shot: If the Legionary uses a weapon with the Accurate quality, then after resolving normal damage from a single shot Ranged attack that benefitted from the Aim action against a non-vehicle enemy, the Legionary then generates an Explosive critical result to the target location hit, rolling 1d10 and adding his Perception Bonus to the roll.



OBSEQUIARI

The “Field Police” of 1st Edition make their triumphant return under the Consul Obsequiari rank. These Legionaries would watch their brethren for any sign of breaking discipline, and mete out brutal justice when required. This specialization was rare in many Legions, but found use in the less organized ones, such as the Space Wolves and the World Eaters. See that symbol on his belt? They’re back.

Specialization Required: Any

Standard Issue Wargear: Power Maul, Bolt Pistol

Special Ability: If a Strategic Asset in range of the Legionary fails a Break Test, the Legionary may perform a Summary Execution on that Strategic Asset. The Legionary makes a Challenging (+0) Ballistics Skill Test as a Reaction to fire on the Strategic Asset. If he succeeds, he inflicts one Magnitude damage, and properly motivates the Strategic Asset to fight on.

Consul Specialization Skills:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Inquiry	200	
Inquiry +10	200	Inquiry
Inquiry +20	200	Inquiry +10
Intimidate	400	
Intimidate +10	400	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Intimidate +10

Consul Specialization Talents:

Advance	Cost	Prerequisites
Fearless	500	
Final Judgement	1000	Fel 45, Air of Authority

Final Judgement: Once per Combat Encounter after killing a target with a Ranged Attack, the Legionary may spend a Fate Point and make a Challenging (+0) Command Test. If he succeeds, each of his allies within Support Range gains a bonus equal to 5 times his Degrees of Success to the next Ballistic Skill or Weapon Skill Test he makes before the end of the encounter, and each of his foes within 10 meters suffers a penalty equal to 5 times his Degrees of Success to the next Ballistic Skill or Weapon Skill Test he makes before the end of the encounter.



LEGION PRAETOR

To be called to the office of Praetor is the greatest glory a Legionary can aspire to. At these hallowed ranks, one counts among peers the Excertus Imperialis, entire Legions, and even the company of Primarchs. At this hallowed stage, a Praetor can command a war fleet, and his word is enacted by thousands of Imperial troops. Able to enact battlefield stratagems called "Rites of War," a Praetor can take a macro view of the battlefield, intervening personally in areas where his presence is most necessary.

Requirements: Rank 7 or more, Renown 80+

Cost: 3000 XP



LEGION PRAETOR ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	200	Skill	Command
Command +20	200	Skill	Command +10
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	200	Skill	Parry
Parry +20	200	Skill	Parry +10
Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes)	400	Skill	
Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes) +10	400	Skill	Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes)
Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes) +20	400	Skill	Lore: Forbidden (Adeptus Astartes) +10
Tactics (Any)	400	Skill	
Tactics (Any) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Any)
Tactics (Any) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Any) +10
Talented (Choose One) x2	500	Talent	
Air of Authority	500	Talent	Fel 30
Astartes Weapon Specialization	1000	Talent	
Combat Master	1000	Talent	WS 30
Good Reputation (Choose One)	1000	Talent	Fel 50, Peer (Choose One)
Hunter of Aliens	1000	Talent	
Iron Discipline	500	Talent	WP 30, Command
Into the Jaws of Hell	1000	Talent	Iron Discipline
Lightning Attack	1000	Talent	Swift Attack
Master Orator	500	Talent	Fel 30
Master and Commander	1000	Talent	Int 35, Fel 35
Peer (Choose One) x2	500	Talent	Fel 30
Resistance (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Step Aside	1500	Talent	Ag 40, Dodge
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS 35
Sound Constitution x3	1000	Talent	
Wall of Steel	1500	Talent	Ag 35
Imperial Commander	1000	Talent	WP 40, Fel 45
Praetor's Word	1000	Talent	Master Orator
Mastery (Command)	1000	Talent	Command (+20), Talented (Command)
Master of the Legion	1500	Trait	
Unique Legion Specialization	*	Special	

Legion Praetor Wargear

Legion Centurions gains Artificer Armor, a Thunder Hammer and Archeotech Pistol OR a Paragon Blade as standard-issue wargear.

Legion Centurion Special Ability:

Rites of War

Legion Praetors, rather than intoning an Oath at the start of a mission, may declare a Rite of War. These Rites of War will grant further benefits to the Legionary and his allies, and will augment Strategic Assets they may choose to take. Note that some Rites of War will limit the Legionaries in what wargear or assets they may take as well. A Legionary may enact a Generic Rite of War or a Rite of War available to his own Legion or the Legion of any Legionary within his squad. For example, a squad with an Iron Hand, a Son of Horus, and a Thousand Son may enact Rites from the Generic, Iron Hands, Sons of Horus, or Thousand Sons choices available.



NEW TALENTS

MASTER AND COMMANDER

Praetors often find it necessary to coordinate boarding and anti-boarding actions aboard their vessels. The Praetor spend a Half Action to grant allied Legionaries within 30m the benefits of the Combat Master talent, and allied Strategic Assets within 30m a +10 bonus to Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests in combat. In addition, enemies are denied the normal bonus to hit due to a Strategic Asset's Horde size.

IMPERIAL COMMANDER

Praetors command mixed armies, from Legionaries of their own and other Legions, to the numerous regiments of the Excerus Imperialis, the Solar Auxilia, the Taghmatas of the Mechanicum, and sometimes even the Talons of the Emperor. The Praetor never suffers penalties due to unfamiliarity or outsider status to Interaction Tests with soldiers serving in the Great Crusade. This includes all auxiliary forces. When commanding a combined force of Strategic Assets drawn from different sources, the Praetor gains a +20 bonus to any Command Tests.

PRAETOR'S WORD

The Praetor's word is law, and entire battlefleets heed his command. The Praetor may affect a number of people up to a 100 times their Fellowship Bonus rather than just 10.

MASTERY (COMMAND)

For a Praetor, to command the Expeditionary Fleets of the Great Crusade is to know unparalleled triumphs, and unstoppable success. The Praetor may spend a Fate Point to automatically pass the listed skill, provided the final modifier to his Test is +0 or better. In addition to simply passing the Test, the character will pass it by a number of Degrees of Success equal to the Characteristic Bonus tied to the skill.

NEW TALENTS

MASTER OF THE LEGION

Over time, as the Praetor finds his place in the galaxy, he will gradually find tactics he finds favorable, battle methods he prefers over others, and will begin to specialize in these. The Praetor will carve out his name in history, and allies and enemies alike will learn to entreat the Praetor with the fear or awe he deserves.

The Praetor is immune to Cohesion damage. In addition, when purchasing this talent, the Praetor selects one of the following Warlord Traits to represent his battlefield experience, and expertise. Once chosen, this may never be changed, so make your choice count.

BLOODY HANDED

The Praetor has become a feared force on the battlefield, and entire regiments and battlegroups quail at facing him. The Praetor gains the Fear (1) trait, or increases the level of his Fear trait by 1. Such is the level of terror that the Praetor instills in his enemies that Troop and Elite type enemies, and Strategic Assets made up of such enemies, can only resist the Praetor's Fear Rating if they have the From Beyond trait.

MASTER TACTICIAN

The battlefield is an ever-shifting morass, and a Praetor who knows best how to exploit the flow will secure victory. The first Squad Mode activated by the Praetor costs no cohesion to activate or maintain. In addition, the Praetor grants each allied Strategic Assets one free Horde Trait of his choice from Deathwatch Core or Deathwatch Mark of the Xenos.

WORLD BURNER

Some Praetors announce the landing of their armies with a few rounds of orbital bombardments, and under their guiding hand inflict more damage than expected. Weapons with the Blast quality wielded by the Praetor gain add 2 to the Blast size. The Praetor may reroll the damage die, the second result standing, of weapons with the Flame or Spray quality. Torpedo Strike and Lance Strike assets called by the Praetor scatter a maximum of one kilometer if the Ballistic Skill test is failed.

PALADIN OF GLORY

The Praetor is a shining light in the Age of Darkness, his chivalrous righteousness and purity an example to his enemies and allies alike. But it is also said that the brightest light does not burn for long. The Praetor and allies within Support Range, including Strategic Assets, gain the From Beyond trait, and inflict an additional amount of damage in melee combat equal to the Praetor's Weapon Skill bonus.

VOID WALKER

The Praetor has been attached to the war fleets of his Legion, and can command them as deftly as he can ground forces. He has faced off against the greatest horrors of the deep void, and triumphed over them all. The Praetor gains the Resistance (Psychic Powers) and Strong-Minded talents. When the Praetor or his allies score critical hits with voidship weapons, they inflict 1d5 + an additional value equal to the Praetor's Intelligence bonus, rather than 1d5 as normal.

CHILD OF TERRA

The birth of the Great Crusade itself was witnessed by the Praetor, and he is the veteran of countless battles upon and beyond humanity's ancient homeworld. The Praetor, and allied Strategic Assets within Support Range, may reroll damage results in close combat, the second result standing. In addition, Talons of the Emperor Strategic Assets may be purchased at a 10% discount.



NEW TALENTS

UNIQUE LEGION SPECIALIZATION

As the Great Crusade proceeded on, some Legions would differentiate themselves from their allies in extreme ways. The Praetors of these Legions would go above and beyond their brethren, and call upon new abilities, alliances, or wargear. For these Praetors, the task of commanding went hand in hand with the specializations of their Legions.

If the Praetor is one of the following Legions, he may apply the benefits for the listed cost.

IRON WARRIORS

Cost: 1500

Warsmiths of the Iron Warriors were as adept at constructing fortifications as they were at tearing them down. Iron Warriors Warsmiths gain the Mechanicum Implants trait, the Accelerated Repairs Talent, the Battlesmith Talent, and the Shatter Defenses talent. Iron Warriors Warsmiths gain a Servo-Arm cybernetic as standard issue Wargear.

Shatter Defenses: Attacks made by the Warsmith, and allies and allied Strategic Assets within Support Range, ignore a number of armor points of cover the enemy benefits from by a value equal to the Warsmith's Intelligence bonus.

IRON HANDS

Cost: 1500

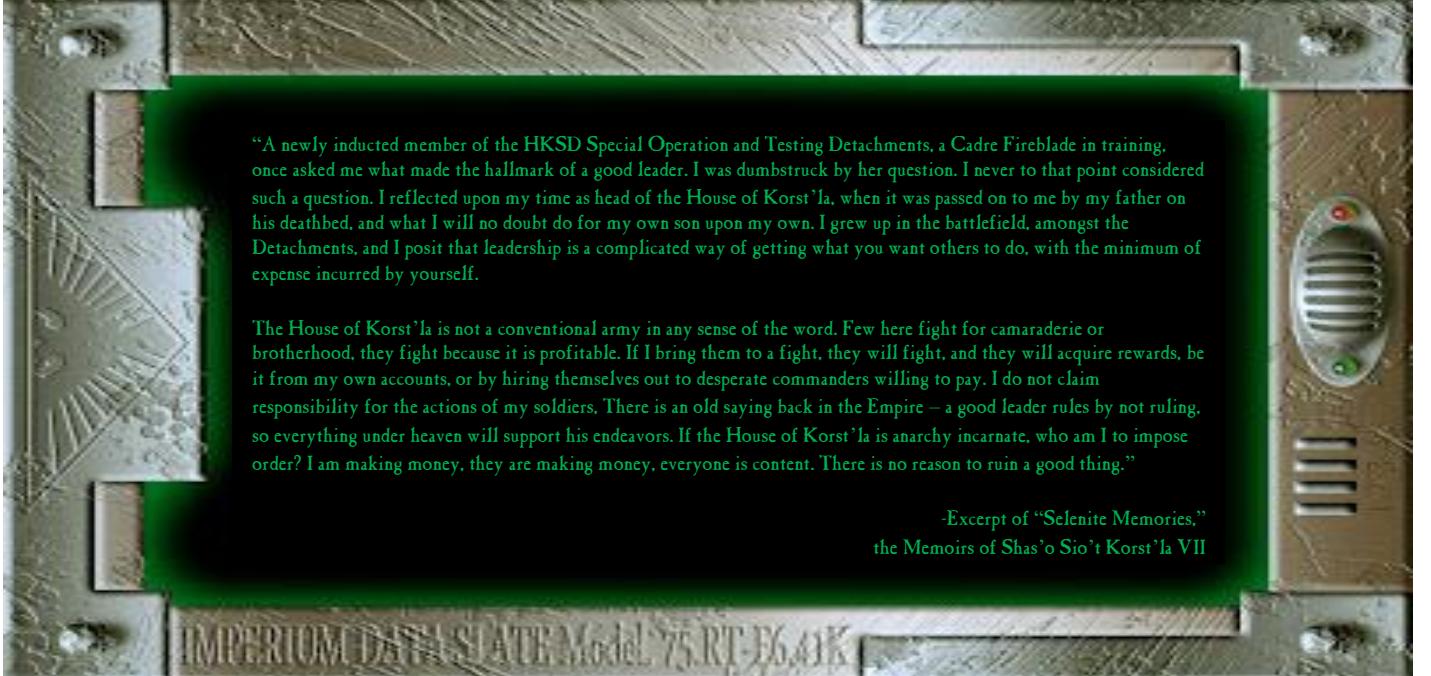
The Iron Fathers of the Iron Hands were the masters of the Medusan Clans, and their contempt for weakness in their allies was just as strong as their drive for self-improvement, often wielding the greatest cybernetics the Legion could provide. Iron Hands Iron Fathers gain the Undying trait, the Accelerated Repairs Talent, the Battlesmith Talent, and the Murderous Arsenal talent. Iron Hands Iron Fathers gain a Servo-Arm cybernetic as standard issue Wargear.

Murderous Arsenal: Attacks made by the Iron Father, and allies and allied Strategic Assets within Support Range, increase the damage and penetration of all non-vehicle weapons by a value equal to the Iron Father's unmodified Intelligence bonus.

THOUSAND SONS

Cost: 2000

The Praetors of the Thousand Sons were the greatest Psykers of the Legion, and personally ranked among the highest in their Legion's Cults Arcana. The Thousand Sons Praetor increases their Psy Rating by +4. When this talent is taken, the Praetor may replace their Thunder Hammer and Archeotech Pistol OR Paragon Blade with a Force Staff OR Force Sword OR Force Axe.



"A newly inducted member of the HKSD Special Operation and Testing Detachments, a Cadre Fireblade in training, once asked me what made the hallmark of a good leader. I was dumbstruck by her question. I never to that point considered such a question. I reflected upon my time as head of the House of Korst'la, when it was passed on to me by my father on his deathbed, and what I will no doubt do for my own son upon my own. I grew up in the battlefield, amongst the Detachments, and I posit that leadership is a complicated way of getting what you want others to do, with the minimum of expense incurred by yourself.

The House of Korst'la is not a conventional army in any sense of the word. Few here fight for camaraderie or brotherhood, they fight because it is profitable. If I bring them to a fight, they will fight, and they will acquire rewards, be it from my own accounts, or by hiring themselves out to desperate commanders willing to pay. I do not claim responsibility for the actions of my soldiers. There is an old saying back in the Empire – a good leader rules by not ruling, so everything under heaven will support his endeavors. If the House of Korst'la is anarchy incarnate, who am I to impose order? I am making money, they are making money, everyone is content. There is no reason to ruin a good thing."

Excerpt of "Selenite Memories,"
the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII

RITES OF WAR

“Let us display the full might of the Astartes. Ready a Stormbird.”

-Cyril, Praetor and Delegatus of the Ice Wraiths, organizes the landing for operations on Kalam.

Rites of War differ from Oaths in that, when enacting a Rite of War, the focus goes from a micro-view of the squad to a macro-view of the entire battlefield. When enacting a Rite, the Legionary invoking the Rite must be the Squad Leader, and may select from Rites available to his Legion, and Generic Rites (For example, a Squad consisting of an UM, BA, WS, and SW nominates the UM as leader, and thus may select from UM and Generic Rites). All Requisition must now be spent solely on Assets, though the Legionaries need not spend all their points on Assets immediately. The option exists to keep Requisition “in reserve,” to call down assets as the battlefield demands for most Rites. Note that some Rites may deny certain assets.

Instead of using Requisition for personal gear, it is assumed that when enacting a Rite, the Legionaries are Legendary or Mythic enough in their renown that the entire armory is open. Thus, when outfitting for deployment, the Legionary may select [up to two Pistols / Melee weapons], OR [one Basic weapon] OR [One Heavy weapon], in addition to any Standard Issue or Signature Wargear they may have acquired, subject to encumbrance limits. Alternatively, the Legionary may select Terminator Armor of any pattern to use for the mission, and may instead select one Melee weapon, one Basic / Heavy / Mounted weapon, and one Carapace weapon if the armor supports such a subsystem, subject to encumbrance limits. Each weapon the Legionary possesses may have two upgrades it qualifies for, such as a suspensor, targeter, etc. Vehicles taken as an asset for the Legionaries’ personal use may have up to two Upgrades the vehicle qualifies for. In addition, the Legionary may select one piece of gear, wargear, or tool of 5 requisition or less, one piece of gear, wargear, or tool of 15

requisition or less, and one piece of gear, wargear, or tool with no requisition limit. One weapon, wargear, gear, or tool of the Legionary’s choice may be upgraded to Master-Crafted craftsmanship. Finally, the Legionary may select 1 magazine of specialist ammunition for a selected weapon, or 1 specialist grenade, or 1 specialist missile (excluding stasis or vortex). A Legionary may not reduce their Renown to gain additional requisition for a mission when using a Rite of War – the Legionary is already considered having access to everything they could need. Since Oaths usually unlock different Squad Mode Abilities, the Legionaries may freely select ONE Codex Attack Pattern OR ONE Codex Defensive Stance to make use of during the mission. The Legionaries may then apply the benefits of the Rite itself, regardless if they are in Squad or Solo mode. The Legionaries retain access to their Legion Squad Modes.

When purchasing Strategic Assets, it is assumed that the assets are transported down alongside the Legionaries. Sometimes, Legionaries may be mandated to hold some Assets in Reserve, or may choose to buy assets on the fly with stored Requisition. In this case, Strategic Assets are summoned to the field or used with a Challenging (+0) Command Test. Up to one Asset may be summoned per round.

Generic Assets

The following Rites of War may be declared by any Legion in most cases.

Rite: Orbital Assault

Legion: Generic

Effect: Allied Infantry Strategic Assets, upon purchase, receive free Drop Pods, or free Dreadclaw Drop Pods if the Sons of Horus Legion. Assets begin in orbit.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Tactical Marines) in Drop Pod.

Requirements: Assets that cannot fit in a Drop Pod, such as ground vehicles, may not be purchased.

Rite: Armored Spearhead

Legion: Generic

Effect: Predators, Deimos Predators, and Sicaran Tanks purchased as an Armored Support Asset may be purchased at a 25% discount. These tanks must have either standard Predator Cannons or Accelerator Autocannons depending on vehicle, but may be equipped with sponsons as desired. All Predators, Deimos Predators, and Sicaran Tanks purchased gain the Enhanced Motive Systems Trait.

Free Assets Provided: One Predator variant, Deimos Predator variant, or Sicaran variant. This vehicle gains the Command and Control Trait.

Requirements: The number of Flyer or Skimmer Assets cannot outnumber Vehicle Assets. Any Infantry Assets purchased must be deployed in Transports.



Rite: Angel's Wrath

Legion: Generic

Effect: Infantry Assets equipped with Jump Packs gain the Hit and Run talent. The Legionaries may purchase a Storm Eagle or Storm Eagle variant as an Armored Support Asset at a 10% Discount. Purchased Storm Eagle, Storm Eagle Variant, and Fire Raptor Assets gain a +10 bonus to Ballistic Skill when firing on ground targets.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Assault Marines).

Requirements: Vehicle assets purchased must be Skimmers or Flyers. Infantry Assets purchased must be Legion Support Squads (Assault Marines or Jetbike Sky Hunters) or purchase a Flyer transport of some kind.

Rite: Pride of the Legion

Legion: Generic

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Tactical Marines and Terminators) may be purchased at a 25% discount. The Legionaries may purchase a Land Raider Phobos or Proteus as an Armored Support Asset at a 10% Discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Terminators), one set of Terminator Armor (Any Pattern) for each Legionary.

Requirements: If all Infantry Assets fielded are destroyed at the conclusion of the mission, the Legionaries count as failing a Secondary Objective, suffering a penalty reduction of 2 Renown.

Rite: Armored Breakthrough

Legion: Generic

Effect: Rhinos or Land Raiders may be purchased at a 25% discount. Land Raiders must be either standard Phobos pattern or Proteus pattern. Hordes suffering a successful Ram action by a Vehicle purchased must test for breaking at a -10 penalty after damage is rolled.

Free Assets Provided: One Land Raider of the Phobos or Proteus pattern.

Requirements: All Infantry assets purchased must also purchase a Transport, and be deployed within. Assets cannot deep strike via drop pod or other method – they must be deployed on the field.

Rite: Brethren of Iron

Legion: Generic

Effect: Vorax, Castellax, and Domitar Battle Automata may be purchased at a 25% discount. Upgrades are purchased at normal cost.

Free Assets Provided: One Castellax Battle Automata Maniple.

Requirements: The number of Legio Cybernetica Assets readied cannot outnumber Infantry Assets readied by greater than 1, representing the Legionaries themselves. This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Forge Lord, Consul Praevian, Praetor Warsmith, or Praetor Iron Father.

Rite: Fury of the Ancients**Legion:** Generic

Effect: Dreadnought Talons may be purchased at a 33% discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Dreadnought Talon, consisting of three Dreadnoughts.

Requirements: If at least one Dreadnought Talon is destroyed at the conclusion of a mission, the Legionaries count as failing a Secondary Objective, suffering a penalty reduction of 2 Renown. This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Forge Lord or Consul Primus Medicus.

Rite: Outcast Sons**Legion:** Dark Angels, White Scars, Space Wolves, Imperial Fists, Blood Angels, Iron Hands, Ultramarines, Salamanders, Raven Guard.

Effect: The Legionaries may reroll Initiative rolls, and they and allied Strategic Assets may reroll failed Weapon Skill tests against the following Legions: Dark Angels, White Scars, Space Wolves, Imperial Fists, Blood Angels, Iron Hands, Ultramarines, Salamanders, Raven Guard. In addition, when first rolling for Initiative, allied Strategic Assets may immediately perform a Full Move action. Initiative then follows as normal.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Tactical Squad.

Requirements: This Rite of War is only available if the GM sets their game during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade, and the Legionaries have declared their allegiance for the Warmaster Horus, and themselves as Traitors.

Rite: Skyhunter Phalanx**Legion:** Generic

Effect: Legion Support Squads with Scimitar Jetbikes or Outrider Attack Bikes may be purchased at a 20% discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Scimitar Jetbike or Outrider Attack Bike per Legionary. One Legion Support Squad with Scimitar Jetbikes.

Requirements: Vehicle assets purchased must be Skimmers or Flyers. Infantry Assets not mounted on Jetbikes or Attack Bikes must purchase a Flyer as a transport at normal cost.

Rite: Outcast Sons**Legion:** Emperor's Children, Iron Warriors, Night Lords, World Eaters, Death Guard, Thousand Sons, Sons of Horus, Word Bearers, Alpha Legion

Effect: The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets may reroll failed Weapon Skill tests, and gain the benefits of the Fearless talent against the following Legions: Emperor's Children, Iron Warriors, Night Lords, World Eaters, Death Guard, Thousand Sons, Sons of Horus, Word Bearers, Alpha Legion. In addition, the Legionaries may reroll failed Dodge and Parry tests when fighting in melee combat against a single enemy combatant.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Tactical Squad.

Requirements: This Rite of War is only available if the GM sets their game during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade, and the Legionaries have declared their allegiance for the Emperor, and themselves as Loyalists.

Rite: Drop Assault Vanguard**Legion:** Generic

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Assault Marines) Strategic Assets may be purchased at a 50% discount, but must purchase a Drop Pod, or Dreadclaw Drop Pod if the Sons of Horus Legion. Assets begin in orbit. All Legion Support Squad (Assault Marines) Strategic Assets may be summoned with a single Command test rather than testing per Asset. During the first round a Strategic Asset arrives on the battlefield, enemy Ballistic Skill tests are resolved at a -30 penalty. These assets gain the Hit and Run talent on subsequent turns.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Assault Marines) in Drop Pod.

Requirements: Assets that cannot fit in a Drop Pod, such as ground vehicles, may not be purchased. Infantry Assets not mounted on Drop Pods must purchase a Flyer as a transport at normal cost.

Rite: Recon Company

Legion: Generic

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Recon Marines) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets may reroll Initiative rolls and failed Concealment and Silent Move tests

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Recon Marines)

Requirements: Terminator or Vehicle Strategic Assets may not be purchased.

Rite: Zone Mortalis Assault

Legion: Generic

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Breacher Marines and Terminators) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain the use of an allied Teleportarium, which may be used to deploy the Legionaries or allied Strategic Assets into the fight. Legionaries adjacent to each other and wielding Boarding Shields, as well as Legion Support Squad (Breacher Marines), increase the Protection Rating of all boarding shields they are wielding by +15.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Breacher Marines)

Requirements: Assets with a Magnitude greater than 20 may not be purchased. No Vehicle assets except for Walkers may be purchased.

Rite: Sacrificial Offering

Legion: Generic

Effect: Excerptus Imperialis Reserve Companies may be purchased at a 33% discount. The first round of combat, “allied” Excerptus Imperialis and Solar Auxilia Strategic Assets benefit from the Fearless talent. Legionaries and allied Legiones Astartes Strategic Assets firing at enemy units engaged in melee combat with “allied” Excerptus Imperialis and Solar Auxilia Strategic Assets inflict additional damage, or Magnitude damage if a horde, to both “allies” and enemies equal to the tens place of the “allied” Strategic Assets.

Free Assets Provided: One Excerptus Imperialis Reserve Company.

Requirements: Allied Legiones Astartes Strategic Assets must purchase Drop Pods, Dreadclaw Drop Pod if the Sons of Horus Legion, or Flyers as a transport at normal cost. You gotta be a stone cold motherfucker to take this Rite of War. Those guys probably had *families*, man. This Rite of War may only be used by Traitors.



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Legion Specific Assets

The following Rites of War may be declared only if a Legionary of that Legion is part of the team. In cases where Legion-specific units are used as Strategic Assets, use the Legion Support Squad (Tactical Marine) as a base unless otherwise noted, and equipped with all the standard-issue wargear and unique talents that that specialization would normally receive.

Rite: Ravenwing Protocol

Legion: Dark Angels

Effect: Legion Support Squads with Scimitar Jetbikes and Outrider Attack Bikes may be purchased at a 20% discount, and they and the Legionaries are equipped with Rad Grenades at no additional cost. The Legionaries may reroll damage against Elite and Master class enemies.
Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Scimitar Jetbike or Outrider Attack Bike), one Scimitar Jetbike or Outrider Attack Bike per Legionary.

Requirements: Vehicle assets purchased must be Skimmers or Flyers. Infantry Assets not mounted on Jetbikes or Attack Bikes must purchase a Flyer as a transport at normal cost. Legionaries may not benefit from any Squad Mode except Dark Angels' Experimental Tactics.

Rite: Ironwing Protocol

Legion: Dark Angels

Effect: Allied Ground Vehicle support assets gain a +10 to Ballistic Skill tests if at least one other vehicle, including one driven by the Legionaries, has fired at the same target since the end of their previous turn. Ground Vehicles driven by the Legionaries ignore difficult and arduous terrain, and may move an additional amount equal to their Tactical Speed every turn. The Legionaries and Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets gain the Felling quality for their non-vehicle Pistol and Basic weapons. Legion Dreadnought Talons gain the Fear (1) trait and Tank Hunters talent.

Free Assets Provided: One non-superheavy Ground Vehicle of the Legionaries' choice for personal use.

Requirements: All Infantry assets purchased must also purchase a Transport, and be deployed within. The number of Infantry assets purchased

cannot exceed the number of Vehicle assets purchased.

Rite: Maru Skara

Legion: Emperor's Children

Effect: The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets may move an additional value equal to their agility bonus, or tactical speed if a vehicle, during the first round of combat. One Strategic Asset must be declared the "Hidden Blade," and is concealed separate from the Legionaries, such as by Drop Pod Assault or off to the side, outside the battle. When summoning this asset with a Command Test, attacks by this asset during the round in which it arrives are treated as being a Surprise attack.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: Immobile Strategic Assets, such as Tarantula batteries, may not be selected. This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Champion.

Rite: Third Company "Elite"

Legion: Emperor's Children

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Kakophoni) may be purchased at a 20% discount. All Legion Support Squad (Kakophoni) gain the Auto-Stabilized trait. The Legionaries and Power-Armored Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets are equipped with Sonic Shriekers at no additional cost.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Kakophoni)

Requirements: Traitor Only. Non-Legiones Astartes Strategic Assets may not be purchased. Only freaks can join the freakshow.



Rite: Hammer of Olympia

Legion: Iron Warriors

Effect: Legionaries may perform a Semi-Auto or Full-Auto Burst as part of a Charge action, but this is performed at a -20 penalty instead of the normal bonus, and the charge attack gains no bonus to Weapon Skill. Allied Vehicle Strategic Assets ignore results of 1, 2, and 3 on the critical table.

Free Assets Provided: One Predator variant, Deimos Predator variant, Sicaran variant, Land Raider variant, or Spartan. One Legion Tactical Squad.

Requirements: The number of Ground Vehicle Strategic Assets purchased must exceed the number of Skimmer Strategic Assets purchased. This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Siege Breaker or Praetor Warsmith.

Rite: Ironfire

Legion: Iron Warriors

Effect: Weapons the Legionaries possess, as well as Artillery Strategic Assets, scatter half the distance on a miss. When within 15m of the final location of an artillery barrage from an Artillery or Bombardment Strategic Asset, the Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain the Fearless talent until the start of their next round.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Basilisk, Medusa, Whirlwind, or Whirlwind Scorpions. One Legiones Astartes Whirlwind Scorpions Barrage Strategic Asset.

Requirements: Legionaries may not select or perform Defense-pattern Squad Modes.

Rite: Chogorian Brotherhood

Legion: White Scars

Effects: Legion Support Squads with Scimitar Jetbikes or Outrider Attack Bikes may be purchased at a 50% discount. Infantry assets not mounted on Scimitar Jetbikes or Outrider Attack Bikes must purchase a Transport. All Strategic Assets mounted on Scimitar Jetbikes, Outrider Attack Bikes, or otherwise contain no Heavy or Mounted weaponry gain the Hit and Run Talent.

Free Assets Provided: One Scimitar Jetbike or Outrider Attack Bike per Legionary. One Legion Support Squad with Scimitar Jetbikes.

Requirements: The number of non-Infantry Assets cannot outnumber Jetbike or Outrider

Assets. Assets not embarked on a Jetbike, Outrider Attack Bike, or Transport vehicle must Deep Strike onto the battlefield via drop pod, Teleportarium, or other method.

Rite: Sagyar Mazan

Legion: White Scars

Effect: The Legionaries and all Assets gain the Fearless talent. Whenever an Asset is completely destroyed, or a Legionary is killed or forced to burn a Fate point, roll 1d10. On a 9+, the Legionaries gain a point of Renown.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: The number of Vehicle or Flyer Assets cannot outnumber Infantry Assets. This Rite of War may only be used by Loyalists in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade, as it represents Legionaries who seek atonement in death.

Rite: Pale Hunters

Legion: Space Wolves

Effect: Command Tests to summon additional assets gain a +10 bonus. All Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets not equipped with Terminator Armor gain the Hit and Run talent, and move their Charge distance when disengaging. When a Legionary performs a Charge Action against an enemy already engaged in melee with an allied Strategic Asset, they may perform one additional attack as part of the charge, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks.

Free Assets Provided: Legion Support Squad (Deathsworn Pack)

Requirements: Artillery Vehicle or Artillery Barrage Strategic Assets may not be purchased. A maximum of one Vehicle strategic asset may be purchased.

Rite: The Bloodied Claws

Legion: Space Wolves

Effect: Legion Tactical Squad (Grey Slayers) may be purchased at a 20% discount. Legion Tactical Squad (Grey Slayers) and Legion Support Squads (Assault Marines) gain the Brutal Charge Trait and Berserk Charge Talent, but must charge the nearest enemy they are able to harm if one is in range. Once per encounter, the Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets may perform the Charge Action with their Run Speed.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Tactical Squad (Grey Slayers).

Requirements: Artillery Vehicle, Artillery Barrage, and Artillery Strategic Assets may not be purchased.



Rite: Stone Gauntlet

Legion: Imperial Fists

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Phalanx Warders) may be purchased at a 20% discount. Legionaries adjacent to at least two other Legionaries at the start of the round who are wielding Boarding Shields or Vigil-Pattern Storm Shields increase their base Toughness Bonus by 1, and gain the benefits of the Thunder Charge talent. This also applies to Legion Support Squad (Breacher Marines and Phalanx Warders).

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Breacher Marines)

Requirements: Strategic Assets may not be held in Reserve. Infantry Strategic Assets must outnumber Vehicle and Artillery Strategic Assets.

Rite: Hammerfall Strike Force

Legion: Imperial Fists

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Phalanx Warders) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain the use of an allied Teleportarium, which may be used to deploy the Legionaries or allied Strategic Assets into the fight. Strategic Assets teleporting into battle impose a penalty of -20 to enemy Ballistic Skill tests, and enemies within 30m must make a Very Hard (-30) Toughness Test or be blinded as if by a Nova Grenade.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Phalanx Warders)

Requirements: Vehicle assets purchased must be held in Reserve.

Rite: Terror Assault

Legion: /night Lords

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Terror Squads) may be purchased at a 20% discount. When attacking under cover of darkness, the Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain +5 to their Initiative results, and increase the distance they are able to Run by their Agility bonus. The Legionaries and Infantry Strategic Assets may purchase Dreadclaw Drop Pods at a 50% discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Terror Squad)

Requirements: A maximum of one Ground Vehicle Strategic Asset may be purchased.

Rite: Horror Cult

Legion: Night Lords

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Night Raptors) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets are equipped with Trophies of Judgement at no additional cost. The Legionaries and Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets may purchase Kharybdis Assault Claws at a 50% discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Night Raptors)

Requirements: Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets must charge the nearest enemy they are able to harm if one is in range. This Rite of War may only be used by Traitors in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade.

Rite: Day of Revelation

Legion: Blood Angels

Effect: Jump-Pack equipped Assets and Legionaries are equipped with Drop Pods at no additional cost, and no Command test is needed to summon them. All Deep-Striking Assets and Legionaries arrive at the same time as opposed to one per round, and gain the benefit of concealment via Fog/Mist/Shadow (Deathwatch P. 248) the round they arrive. All ranged weapons carried by Infantry Assets, Jump Infantry Assets, and Legionaries gain Pinning during the round they arrive. All Infantry Assets, Jump Infantry Assets, and Legionaries gain +5 to their Initiative results.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Assault Marines) with Drop Pod, One Xiphon Interceptor Support Asset.

Requirements: Legionaries, if Challenged by Master-class enemies in 1v1 Challenge combat, must accept. No Legionary may assist in a 1v1 Challenge combat. Fortification Assets, Automated Defense Assets, or Super-Heavy Assets may not be selected.



Rite: Day of Sorrows

Legion: Blood Angels

Effect: All Legionaries and Strategic Assets gain the benefits of the Last Man Standing talent. Enemy Hordes testing for breaking or Fear against Legionaries and Strategic Assets in melee suffer an additional -10 penalty to their Willpower test. When a Legionary is reduced to below 50% of his wounds, or an Asset is reduced to 50% Magnitude, they may make a Hard (-20) Toughness test as a Reaction every time further wounds or Magnitude damage is suffered. If successful, the Legionary may apply his unmodified toughness bonus again to the damage taken, possibly negating it entirely, while Assets can reduce Magnitude damage by 1d5, possibly negating it entirely.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: Unless within 10m of an Objective, all Legionaries and Assets must charge into melee combat if in range. Assets suffering greater than 50% Magnitude damage at the end of a mission count as Destroyed.

Rite: Head of the Gorgon

Legion: Iron Hands

Effect: Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets ignore the penalty to Fear tests, and Hordes ignore penalties to Break tests, during the first round of combat. Legionary Heavy Support Squads may be equipped with Graviton Guns. Vehicles and Vehicle Strategic Assets are equipped with Blessed Autosimulacra at no additional cost. Infantry Assets may be equipped with a Land Raider Proteus or a Land Raider at a 50% discount, and Legio Cybernetica Assets may be purchased at a 25% discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Ground Vehicle of the Legionaries' choice for personal use. One Legio Cybernetica Castellax Battle Automata Maniple.

Requirements: A maximum of one Skimmer Strategic Asset may be purchased.

Rite: Company of Bitter Iron

Legion: Iron Hands

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Medusan Immortals) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain the Hatred (Emperor's Children, Iron Warriors, Night Lords, World Eaters, Death Guard,

Thousand Sons, Sons of Horus, Word Bearers, Alpha Legion). Legionaries and allied Legion Support Squad (Medusan Immortals) Strategic Assets ignore the penalty to Fear tests, and Hordes ignore penalties to Break tests.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Medusan Immortals)

Requirements: This Rite of War may only be used by Loyalists in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade.

Rite: Berserker Assault

Legion: World Eaters

Effect: The Legionaries and Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets gain the benefits of the Hatred (Everything) talent. Legionaries and Strategic Assets reroll failed pinning tests, and may add their Agility bonus to their Charge speed.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Tactical Squad, One Legion Support squad (Rampagers)

Requirements: The number of Vehicle or Flyer Assets cannot outnumber Infantry Assets. This Rite cannot be used if a Legionary is a Consul Librarian.

Rite: Crimson Path

Legion: World Eaters

Effect: The Legionaries and Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets may make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test as a Reaction every time wounds or Magnitude damage are suffered. If successful, the Legionary may apply his unmodified toughness bonus again to the damage taken, possibly negating it entirely, while Assets can reduce Magnitude damage by 1d5, possibly negating it entirely. The Legionaries gain the Regeneration (Unmodified Toughness Bonus) trait, and gain +10 to the Toughness test to trigger this trait.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: Immobile Strategic Assets, such as Tarantula batteries, may not be selected. The Renown penalty for failing a Primary or Secondary mission objective is doubled.

Rite: Logos Lectora

Legion: Ultramarines

Effect: The Squad Leader may select one of the following effects to apply to the other Legionaries, Infantry Strategic Assets, and

Dreadnought Talon Assets at the start of the round. He may select a new effect at the start of the following round.

Full March: When executing a move action of any type, the Legionary or Asset may move an additional distance equal to their Agility bonus.

Hold Fast: If a Legionary or Asset that remained stationary through their round is the target of an enemy Charge Action (or the enemy walks into melee with them), they may perform the Suppressive Fire action against the charging enemy with a single weapon of their choice. If a Legionary or Asset cannot use the Suppressing Fire action (single shot weapon, for instance) they may make a Standard single shot attack at a -20 penalty.

Retribution Strike: The Legionary or Asset gains the Counter-Attack Talent. If the Legionary or Asset already possesses the Counter-Attack talent, they suffer no penalty to the Weapon Skill test, and may Counter-Attack with a weapon that was not the parrying weapon.

Free Assets Provided: One Damocles Command Rhino, one Legion Tactical Squad.

Requirements: The number of Vehicle or Flyer Assets cannot outnumber Infantry Assets. Assets may not be held in Reserve – they must be deployed on the field.

Rite: Vigil Opertii Mission

Legion: Ultramarines

Effect: Non-Legiones Astartes, non-Legio Cybernetica Infantry Assets may be purchased at a 40% discount. The Legionaries and Infantry assets are equipped with stummers and cameo-cloaks at no additional cost, as well as training in Concealment and Move Silently if they did not already possess it. Once per mission deployment, purchased Infantry Assets may attempt to complete a Secondary or Tertiary objective for the Legionaries with a successful Loyalty test, gaining +10 to the test for every Infantry Asset assigned to the object after the first.

Free Assets Provided: One Excerptus Imperialis Reserve company with Stummers, cameo-line cloaks, and Sniper Rifles instead of Lasguns.

Requirements: This Rite of War may only be used by Loyalists in games set during the Age of

Darkness rather than the Great Crusade. There is no restriction for games set during the Great Crusade. This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Vigilator.

Rite: The Reaping

Legion: Death Guard

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Tactical Marines) and Legion Heavy Support Squad Strategic Assets may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and strategic assets ignore the effects of difficult and arduous terrain. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets are equipped with Rad Grenades at no additional cost.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Tactical Marines)

Requirements: Legionaries and Strategic Assets may not perform the Run action or the Floor It vehicle action. Assets may not be held in Reserve – they must be deployed on the field. A maximum of one Skimmer Strategic Asset may be purchased.

Rite: Creeping Death

Legion: Death Guard

Effect: Legionaries and Strategic Assets gain the benefit of concealment via Fog/Mist/Shadow as long as there is no enemy within 30m. Barrage Strategic Assets and Artillery vehicles may replace their normal damage and qualities with Phosphex Bombs, but retaining the original weapon's Blast quality. Frag Grenades and Missiles used by the Legionaries and Legion Heavy Support Squads gain the Toxic quality.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Grave Wardens)

Requirements: This Rite of War may only be used by Traitors in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade. This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Siege Breaker.

Rite: Axis of Dissolution

Legion: Thousand Sons

Effect: Legionaries and Strategic Assets ignore the effects of Fear and Pinning when within 15m of an Objective. If a Legionary or Asset that remained stationary through their round is the target of an enemy Charge Action (or the enemy walks into melee with them), they may perform

the Suppressive Fire action against the charging enemy with a single weapon of their choice. If a Legionary or Asset cannot use the Suppressing Fire action (single shot weapon, for instance) they may make a Standard single shot attack at a -20 penalty. Legionaries and Strategic Assets may reroll failed Weapon Skill tests, Ballistic Skill tests, and Damage against enemies who are falling back due to the Pinning quality of weapons.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: The number of Vehicle or Flyer Assets cannot outnumber Infantry Assets.

Rite: Guard of the Crimson King

Legion: Thousand Sons

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Sekhmet Terminator Cabals) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain a +10 bonus to Focus Power tests. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain the use of an allied Teleportarium, which may be used to deploy the Legionaries or allied Strategic Assets into the fight. Legionaries and Strategic Assets teleporting into battle gain the Fear (1) trait and may reroll failed defensive field rolls for the first round of combat.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Sekhmet Terminator Cabal)

Requirements: This Rite can only be taken if the Thousand Sons Praetor possesses a Psy Rating of 6 or greater. The number of Vehicle or Flyer Assets cannot outnumber Infantry Assets.

Rite: The Black Reaving

Legion: Sons of Horus

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Reaver Attack Squads) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and Legion Support Squad (Justaerin Terminators) gain the use of an allied Teleportarium, which may be used to deploy them into the fight. Non-Vehicle Strategic Assets deployed from Reserve may move an additional distance equal to their Agility bonus during the turn they arrive. When a Legionary performs a Charge Action against an enemy already engaged in melee with an allied Strategic Asset, they may perform one additional attack as part of the charge, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support

Squad (Reaver Attack Squad)

Requirements: This Rite can only be taken if at least one Legionary is a Consul Master of Signal. When purchasing Vehicles and Vehicle Assets, the number of Skimmer Assets purchased must outnumber Ground Vehicle assets purchased.



Rite: The Long March

Legion: Sons of Horus

Effect: All Strategic Assets may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Squad Leader may select one of the following effects to apply to the other Legionaries, Infantry Strategic Assets, and Dreadnought Talon Assets at the start of the round. He may select a new effect at the start of the following round.

Gain the Auto-Stabilized Trait.

Move an additional distance equal to Agility bonus when executing a move action of any kind.

Inflict 1d5 additional damage to enemy Hordes per melee attack.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: This Rite of War may only be used by Traitors in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade.

Rite: The Dark Brethren

Legion: Word Bearers

Effect: The Legionaries and allied Infantry Strategic Assets gain the Hatred (Dark Angels, White Scars, Space Wolves, Imperial Fists, Blood Angels, Iron Hands, Ultramarines, Salamanders, Raven Guard) talent. The Squad Leader selects one allied Strategic Asset, and rolls 1d10. On a 1-5, enemies may reroll failed Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests against this Strategic Asset. On a 6-10, this Strategic Asset may reroll failed Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests against enemies. Enemies who generate Perils of the Warp results automatically suffer the Destruction result. Daemons may be purchased as Strategic Assets for 50 Requisition – treat these as a Magnitude 20 Horde of Bloodletters, Daemonettes, Pink Horrors, or Plague Bearers.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: This Rite of War may only be used by Traitors in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade. A maximum of one Vehicle or Vehicle Strategic Asset may be selected.

Rite: Last of the Serrated Sun

Legion: Word Bearers

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Gal Vorbak Dark Brethren) may be purchased at a 20% discount. The Legionaries and Legion Support Squad (Gal Vorbak Dark Brethren) may purchase Drop Pods or Dreadclaw Drop Pods at a 50% discount. All other Infantry Strategic Assets may purchase a Drop Pod at a 25% discount. Enemies within 30m of the final location of an allied Drop Pod or Dreadclaw Drop Pod must make a Hard (-20) Pinning test at the start of their turn.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Gal Vorbak Dark Brethren)

Requirements: Immobile Strategic Assets, such as Tarantula batteries, may not be selected. Infantry Assets not within Drop Pods must purchase a Flyer Transport.

Rite: Covenant of Fire

Legion: Salamanders

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Pyroclasts) may be purchased at a 20% discount. Vehicle Strategic Assets possess a PR35 defensive field, that does not overload normally, against Melta, Volkite, Plasma, and Flamer class weapons, as well as Melta Bombs. Meltaguns, Multi-Meltas, and Inferno Pistols wielded by the Legionaries or Strategic Assets are Master-Crafted. The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets ignore the effects of difficult and arduous terrain.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Pyroclasts)

Requirements: Strategic Assets cannot be held in reserve. The number of Vehicle or Flyer Assets cannot outnumber Infantry Assets.

Rite: Awakening of Fire

Legion: Salamanders

Effect: The Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets gain the Fear (1) trait, or increase their Fear Rating by 1. Consul Librarians gain access to the following Psychic Power, Fury of the Salamander.

FURY OF THE SALAMANDER

Action: Full Action

Focus Power: Hard (-20) Willpower

Range: 60m

Sustained: No

Description: With the disappearance of Vulkan after the Drop Site Massacre and his magical adventures in Imperium Secundus, the Promethean Cult was left wondering what the fuck to do. They realized they could channel their home world's elemental power against their enemies. Good trade.

Fury of the Salamander is a Psychic Beam. The Librarian designates a point within 60m, and makes a Focus Power test. If successful, the Librarian draws a line from his origin to the power's maximum range. EVERYTHING under this line, including the space taken by the blast quality, is hit. This power inflicts 2d10+5E damage with a Penetration of 15 and the Blast (1) and Elemental Horror quality.

Elemental Horror: Enemies struck by this power must immediately make a Fear test, at a penalty equal to 5x the number of wounds suffered, after accounting for Armor and Toughness.

Free Assets Provided: None.

Requirements: This Rite can only be taken if at

least one Legionary is a Consul Chaplain. A maximum of one each of the following Strategic Assets may be selected - Vehicle, Jetbike, Flyer, and Legion Support Squad (Assault Marines).



Rite: Decapitation Strike

Legion: Raven Guard

Effect: Legionaries and allied Infantry Strategic Assets may reroll failed Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests against Master-level enemies. The Legionaries may reroll Initiative rolls. Infantry Assets may purchase Drop Pods at a 50% discount.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Mor Deythan Strike Squad)

Requirements: A maximum of one Vehicle or Vehicle Strategic Asset may be selected.

Rite: Liberation Force

Legion: Raven Guard

Effect: At the start of the mission, the Legionaries may declare a specific Master-level enemy their target, and when the Legionaries slay this target, they gain an additional 1d5 Renown at the conclusion of the mission. At the start of his turn, the Squad Leader may declare all Legionaries and allied Infantry Strategic Assets gain the effects of the Fearless trait, and reroll failed Weapon Skill tests when charging until the start of his next turn. Non Legiones Astartes Infantry Strategic Assets gain the Fearless talent when within 15m of an allied Legionary.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Dark Fury Assault Squad)

Requirements: Immobile Strategic Assets, such as Tarantula batteries, may not be selected. This Rite of War may only be used by Loyalists in games set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade. There is no restriction for games set during the Great Crusade.

Rite: The Coils of the Hydra

Legion: Alpha Legion

Effect: Enemies suffer a -10 penalty to Command Tests to summon Strategic Assets. The Legionaries add +5 to, and may reroll, Initiative rolls. A single special Legion Support Squad Strategic Asset may be purchased at a 50% discount, consisting of a Legion-specific unit from any of the eighteen Legions. For example, one may select Legion Support Squad (Firedrake Terminators) or Legion Support Squad (Iron Havocs).

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Tactical Squad) with Rhino.

Requirements: Infantry Strategic Assets must purchase a Transport or Drop Pod.

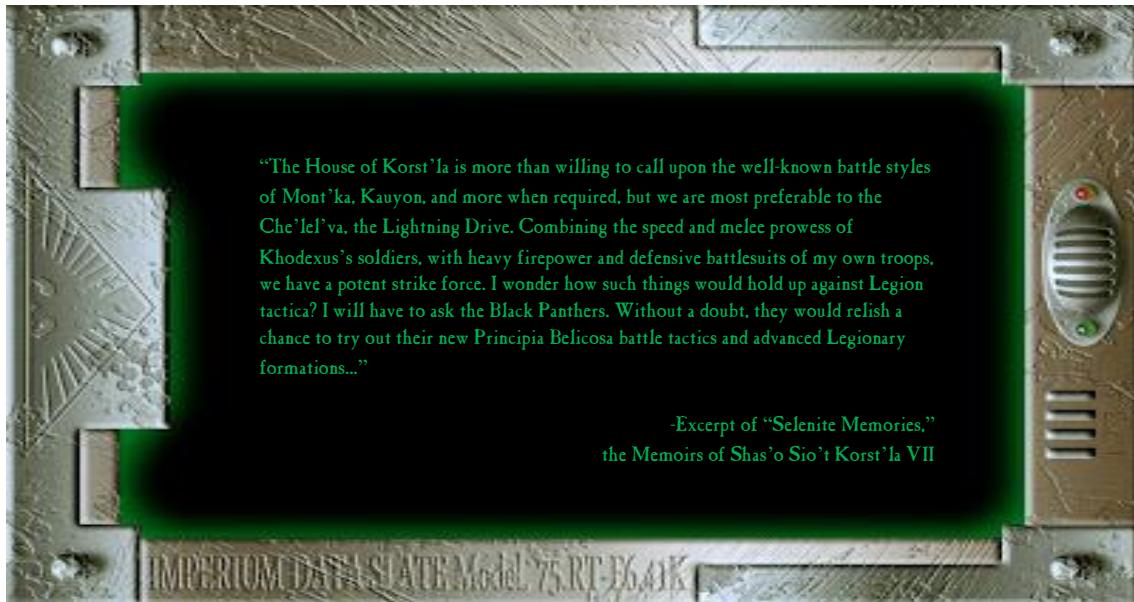
Rite: Headhunter Leviathal

Legion: Alpha Legion

Effect: Legion Support Squad (Headhunter Kill Teams) may be purchased at a 20% discount. If at least one Legionary's initiative roll beats all enemies' initiative rolls, the Legionaries and allied Strategic Assets treat the first round of combat as a Surprise Round. During the first round of combat, enemies attempting to perform ranged attacks against the Legionaries must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower test. If they fail this test, they may not perform Ranged Attacks, unless one of the Legionaries attacked them first. Melee is unaffected.

Free Assets Provided: One Legion Support Squad (Headhunter Kill Team)

Requirements: Vehicle Strategic Assets must be held in Reserve. Non Legiones Astartes Strategic Assets may not be taken. At the start of the mission, the Legionaries must declare a specific Master-level enemy their target – if the Legionaries fail to kill this target, they lose 1d5 points of Renown at the conclusion of the mission.



-Excerpt of "Selenite Memories,"
the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII

ADVANCED LEGION SPECIALTIES

"If tales of the Crusade are true, the number of enemies exterminated or brought to Compliance were nearly as numerous as the number of star systems visited, and each had their own way of making war. Each required different tools to hunt them. The Khan teaches us this, so we may always choose the appropriate weapon to strike down the prey cleanly."

-Temur Ganbataar, Praetor of the White Scars, considers applications of the Principia Belicosa.

While every Legion was perfectly capable of fighting in “set piece battles” consisting of line troops supported by armor, artillery, and aircraft, as the Great Crusade pressed on each legion would gradually begin to refine and improve upon troop formations and stratagems they favored. Legions who favored stealth and assassination, such as the Alpha Legion and Raven Guard, would begin to field dedicated units of headhunters and recon specialists, while legions who preferred straight up fights, such as the World Eaters, would equip the nails-maddened Rampagers with brutal chainaxes and send them directly into the fight. Other Legions would even attempt to improve upon the refinements of others, such as the Ultramarines, but for all of the superiority of these Ultramarine copies, they would be forever that – copies. Though Roboute Guilliman could make anything better, he would always lack a creative spark, and the idea for such units in the first place would never come to him.

If a Legionary meets the prerequisites for an Advanced Specialty, they may discuss with their GM the process of entering into the new rank. Unlike normal Advanced Specializations, most of these (with some exceptions) do not cost experience to enter, but they also do not grant special abilities on entry. Each Advanced Specialization will have at least one unique talent that can be purchased, representing the Legion’s specialization distilled into a single ability.

Each Legionary is limited to a single Advanced Legion Specialty. Taking an Advanced Legion Specialty will not, however, prevent a Legionary from entering Terminator, Consul or Praetor ranks, as the greatest of the Legion’s commanders were often drawn from the ranks of its specialists and veterans. Some Legions are not represented here, either because they did not possess certain types of Advanced Legion Specialties (such as the Death Guard, whose specialties are both Terminators) or who do not have their books out yet (Dark Angels, White Scars, Blood Angels), and will be updated as new material is released.

Some may note that in many Advanced Legion Specialties, skills and talents may be duplicated from the base Legion. This is intentional, for a single reason – the Alpha Legion. Since those guys can enter any Advanced Legion Specialty, they can also nick the skills and talents unique to that Legion, though never their squad and solo modes. It helps them blend in, after all. As a result, the special abilities available will sometimes be far more valuable to a Legionary than the skills listed within.



PALATINE BLADE PREFECTOR

The Palatine Blade Prefector leads squads of Palatine Blades, a warrior fraternity composing the greatest swordsmen of the Legion. Practicing their skills in constant duels against each other in anticipation of new victories against xenos champions, the Palatine Blades are shining examples of perfection and excellence, and icons to their brethren. They would have the direct eye of their Primarch, and would strive ever onward to act as paragons and masters of the III Legion.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more, Renown 40+

Standard Issue Wargear: Charnabal Sabre, Artificer Armor

Legion: Emperor's Children



PALATINE BLADE PREFECTOR ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Charm	200	Skill	
Charm +10	400	Skill	Charm
Charm +20	400	Skill	Charm +10
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	400	Skill	Parry
Parry +20	400	Skill	Parry +10
Assassin Strike	500	Talent	Ag 40, Acrobatics
Blademaster	500	Talent	WS30
Counter-Attack	500	Talent	WS40
Crippling Strike	500	Talent	WS50
Crushing Blow	500	Talent	S40
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS35
Talented (Parry)	500	Talent	Parry +20
Wall of Steel	500	Talent	Ag 35
Signature Wargear (Phoenix Spear)	500	Talent	
Coordinated Assault	1000	Talent	
Sublime Swordsman	2000	Talent	WS50, Blademaster

NEW TALENTS

COORDINATED ASSAULT

The Legionary and allies within 30m may add their Agility bonus to the distance they may charge.

SUBLIME SWORDSMAN

The Legionary increases the Protective Rating of any defensive field he possesses by +15 while in melee combat, representing quick swordsmanship. In addition, while engaged in melee with only a single opponent who is not engaged in melee with anyone else, the Legionary may perform a number of additional melee attacks equal to the difference between his and his opponent's Weapon Skill bonus. For example, if the Legionary has a Weapon Skill Bonus of 5, and his opponent has a Weapon Skill Bonus of 3, the Legionary may make two additional attacks.

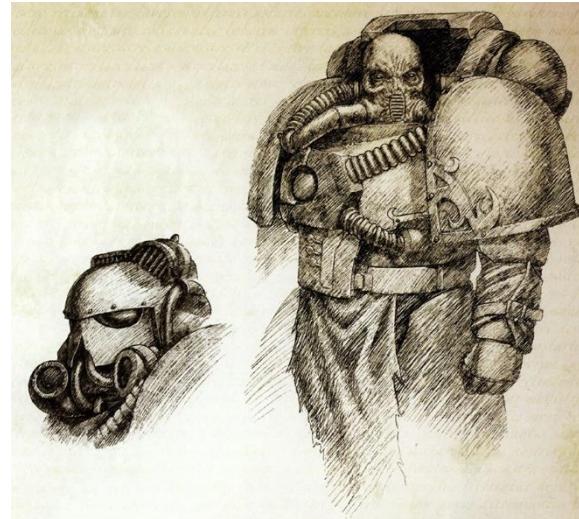
KAKOPHONI ORCHESTRATOR

For the III Legion, the fall began here. The Kakophoni are the results of long-banned experiments and practices being fused with warp influences, and equipped with psycho-sonic weaponry borne of the Sonic Shriekers. These soldiers, degenerated from Legion discipline, would mutilate themselves on the battlefield while overloading their senses and mutating them further as their warp-powered weapons polluted the battlefield. Ten thousand years later, their descendants the Noise Marines would remain great threat.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Cacophony, Sonic Shrieker

Legion: Emperor's Children



KAKOPHONI ORCHESTRATOR ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Carouse	200	Skill	
Carouse +10	400	Skill	Carouse
Carouse +20	400	Skill	Carouse +10
Chem Use	200	Skill	
Chem Use +10	400	Skill	Chem Use
Chem Use +20	400	Skill	Chem Use +10
Performer (Musician)	200	Skill	
Performer (Musician) +10	400	Skill	Performer (Musician)
Performer (Musician) +20	400	Skill	Performer (Musician) +10
Feedback Screech	500	Talent	
Disturbing Voice	500	Talent	
Crack Shot	500	Talent	BS40
Rapid Reaction	500	Talent	Ag 40
Rapid Reload	500	Talent	
Light Sleeper	500	Talent	Per 30
Mimic	500	Talent	
Heightened Senses (All)	500	Talent	
Intoxicating Uproar	1500	Talent	Heightened Senses (Hearing)
Death Scream	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

INTOXICATING UPROAR

The Legionary gains a +20 bonus to any Test involving Hearing. In combat, the Legionary gains a +2 bonus to Toughness, Fear, and Pinning Tests for every other active participant or point of Horde Magnitude (up to a maximum of 15). However, in order to disengage from combat, a Legionary must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower Test.

DEATH SCREAM

As a Half Action, the Legionary can overload his Sonic Shriekers to let out a devastating blast, with the following profile (Basic, 20m, 1d10+5E, Pen 0, Spray, Murderous Strike, Righteous Fury hits are resolved at Pen 12).

IRON HAVOC SERGEANT

Iron Havocs are the greatest marksmen of the Legion, and put to work hammering the enemy with unrelenting and accurate fire. The closest thing the Legion has to artists, these soldiers advance alongside their allies, filling the enemy defenses with ordnance and clearing the way. While allies mop up survivors, the Iron Havocs themselves are already moving on to the next fortress. In ten thousand years, the legacy of these Havocs would continue to be undimmed, their skills undiminished.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Heavy Bolter with Shrapnel Bolts OR Autocannon

Legion: Iron Warriors



IRON HAVOC SERGEANT ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Demolition	200	Skill	
Demolition +10	400	Skill	Demolition
Demolition +20	400	Skill	Demolition +10
Evaluate	200	Skill	
Evaluate +10	400	Skill	Evaluate
Evaluate +20	400	Skill	Evaluate +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Bolter Drill	1000	Talent	
Marksman	500	Talent	BS 35
Mighty Shot	500	Talent	BS 40
Rapid Reload	500	Talent	
Storm of Iron	500	Talent	
Battle Logistician	1000	Talent	Logic +10
Deadly Aim	1000	Talent	Marksman

NEW TALENTS

BATTLE LOGISTICIAN

The Legionary and allies within Support Range may reroll failed Ballistic Skill tests of up to one degree of failure if they have not performed a movement action for at least one round prior. This benefit is lost when the Legionary or allies perform a voluntary movement action of any kind. This benefit does not apply to weapons with the Overheats quality.

DEADLY AIM

Enemies reduce the value of cover they are benefitting from by four when the target of a Ranged attack by the Legionary. This stacks with other abilities that reduce enemy cover.

GREY SLAYER HUSCARL

Unlike the original Terran Legionaries, who operated as cogs in a unified Legion, the Fenrisian Legionaries acted as individual warbands, and were tasked by their Wolf King to act autonomously, free of the need for constant orders from higher ups. As Fenrisians slowly supplanted the original Terrans, the Grey Slayers would become the standard infantry unit of the Legion, dealing with challenges on their own, and close with the enemy on their own terms. Thus could the veteran Grey Hunters of the modern day draw their ancestry to these self-reliant heroes of ten thousand years prior.

Requirements: Rank 1 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Bolter OR Chainsword and Combat Shield OR Heavy Chainblade

Legion: Space Wolves



GREY SLAYER HUSCARL ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Navigate (Surface)	200	Skill	
Navigate (Surface) +10	400	Skill	Navigate (Surface)
Navigate (Surface) +20	400	Skill	Navigate (Surface) +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Leap Up	300	Talent	Ag 30
Crushing Blow	500	Talent	S 40
Furious Assault	500	Talent	WS 35
Iron Jaw	500	Talent	T40
Sure Strike	500	Talent	WS 30
Swift Attack	600	Talent	WS 35
Warrior's Mettle	1000	Talent	WS40

NEW TALENT

WARRIOR'S METTLE

The Legionary engages enemies well outside of the dictates of the Principia Belicosa, and while this has some advantages, it leaves the Legionary open in other regards. The Legionary halves the amount of armor points from cover he benefits from, but may reroll failed Pinning Tests. The Legionary may perform a Semi-Auto or Full-Auto Burst with his ranged weapon as part of a Charge action, but this is performed at a -20 penalty instead of the normal bonus, and his Charge Speed is limited to his Full Move speed if he does so.

DEATHSWORN CULTIST

Every Legion had those who would, over the course of the Crusade, feel their souls torn apart and their minds emptied, replaced only with murderous bloodlust. While most found their way into the ranks of the Moritars, the blood-crazed of the Space Wolves were taken in by the Cult of Morkai, who placed their charges at the vanguard so the jaws of the Death Wolf would feast well. It was this hollow bloodlust that would open their minds to terrible visions, and eventually, the first Wulfen on the level sands of Prospero.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Artificer Armor, Power Axe, three Yimira Class Stasis Bombs, Wolf Skull Helm

Legion: Space Wolves



DEATHSWORN CULTIST ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Tracking	200	Skill	
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Tracking
Tracking +20	400	Skill	Tracking +10
Crushing Blow	500	Talent	S 40
Die Hard	500	Talent	WP 40
Frenzy	500	Talent	
Furious Assault	500	Talent	WS 35
Hammer Blow	500	Talent	
Jaded	500	Talent	WP 30
Dreams of the Death Wolf	1200	Talent	Jaded

NEW TALENT

DREAMS OF THE DEATH WOLF

The Legionary is consumed by the dreams of the Death Wolf, and only through slaughter can he feel anything but the chill of death around him. The Legionary gains the benefits of the Fearless talent when engaged in melee. If the Legionary is forced to burn fate to survive, he may immediately make a single Melee Standard Attack with any weapon he is wielding before resolving the lost fate point.

PRIEST OF FENRIS

The Space Wolves did not utilize a number of Consul offices as other Legions did. Instead, they had a number of Orders, the members of which were called Priests of Fenris. Barbaric to outsiders, they were the keepers of the Legion's secrets and history. One of the most common positions were Speakers of the Dead, which served as masters of discipline, instillers of culture, and wardens of geneseed purity. They would encode memetic "sagas" into Legionaries destined for greatness. The other was the Caster of Runes, psykers who manipulate powers through ritual and runic matrices, providing the Legion with prognostication and shielding against empyrean threats on demand.

Requirements: Rank 1 only.

Standard Issue Wargear: Refractor Field

Legion: Space Wolves



PRIEST OF FENRIS ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Forbidden Lore (Select One)	200	Skill	
Forbidden Lore (Select One) +10	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Select One)
Forbidden Lore (Select One) +20	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Select One) +10
Scholastic Lore (Select One)	200	Skill	
Scholastic Lore (Select One) +10	400	Skill	Scholastic Lore (Select One)
Scholastic Lore (Select One) +20	400	Skill	Scholastic Lore (Select One) +10
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Scrutiny +20	400	Skill	Scrutiny +10
Air of Authority	500	Talent	Fel 30
Call to Vengeance	800	Talent	Fel 40
Hatred (Any)	500	Talent	
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS35
Lightning Attack	1000	Talent	Swift Attack
Signature Wargear (Artificer Armor)	1000	Talent	
Specialization: Caster of Runes	1000	Talent	
Specialization: Speaker of the Dead	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

SPECIALIZATION: CASTER OF RUNES

The Legionary is called to the path of the Caster of Runes, and his is the arduous path of the psyker to tread. The Legionary gains a Runic Matrix, and Force Staff OR Force Sword OR Force Axe as standard issue wargear. He gains the Psy Rating (2) Talent, and gains access to the Caster of Runes advance table, and may buy powers from the Biomancy, Divination, and Telekinesis Disciplines. Taking this talent locks off the Specialization: Speaker of the Dead talent.

SPECIALIZATION: SPEAKER OF THE DEAD

The Legionary is called to the path of the Speaker of the Dead, and the guardianship of the Legion's geneseed and spiritual purity is his to watch over. The Legionary gains a Power Maul, Healing Balms, and one Garm Blood Vial as standard issue wargear. He also gains access to the Speaker of the Dead advance table. Taking this talent locks off the Specialization: Caster of Runes talent.

CASTER OF RUNES ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Invocation	200	Skill	
Invocation +10	400	Skill	Invocation
Invocation +20	400	Skill	Invocation +10
Psyniscience	200	Skill	Invocation +20
Psyniscience +10	400	Skill	Psyniscience
Psyniscience +20	400	Skill	Psyniscience +10
Psy Rating 3	500	Talent	
Psy Rating 4	500	Talent	Psy Rating 3
Psy Rating 5	500	Talent	Psy Rating 4
Psy Rating 6	500	Talent	Psy Rating 5
Warp Sense	500	Talent	Psyniscience, Per 30
Meditation	500	Talent	
Strong Minded	1000	Talent	WP30, Resistance (Psychic Powers)
Bastion of Iron will	1000	Talent	Strong Minded, WP 40



SPEAKER OF THE DEAD ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Trade (Chymist)	200	Skill	
Trade (Chymist) +10	400	Skill	Trade (Chymist)
Trade (Chymist) +20	400	Skill	Trade (Chymist) +10
Medicae	200	Skill	
Medicae +10	400	Skill	Medicae
Medicae +20	400	Skill	Medicae +10
Fearless	800	Talent	
Master Chirurgeon	1000	Talent	Medicae +10
Talented (Medicae)	500	Talent	
Oath of the Dead	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENT

OATH OF THE DEAD

The Legionary intones a baleful oath before battle, its chanted memetics taking root within his charges. The Legionary and allies within Support Range may reroll failed Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests against Troop-level enemies of up to one degree of failure.

WULFEN PACK LEADER

The Space Wolves bore within them a most terrible curse, the Curse of the Wulfen, where the Canis Helix goes into overdrive and reshapes the noble warrior into a bestial monster. The willpower and savage discipline of the Legionary is usually enough to keep this bloodborne curse in check, but there are exceptions. During the Burning of Prospero, when the Warp flowed freely across the streets and pyramids of Tizca, some Space Wolves, many of the Deathsworn, began to change, mutate, in a bizarre mirror of the Thousand Sons' own Flesh Change. Unlike those lost souls, however, these "Wulfen" maintained their battlefield cunning and some semblance of an ability to follow orders. This would not be the last time these beastly monsters would appear.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Starting Trait: Curse of the Wulfen

Standard Issue Wargear: One Frost Blade OR Frost Axe OR Great Frost Blade

Legion: Space Wolves



WULFEN PACK LEADER ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Berserk Charge	500	Talent	
Crushing Blow	500	Talent	S40
Frenzy	500	Talent	
Furious Assault	500	Talent	WS 35
Bounding Lope	1500	Talent	
Death Frenzy	1500	Talent	
Orgy of Slaughter	1500	Talent	
Unnatural Perception (x2)	1500	Trait	

NEW TALENTS

BOUNDING LOPE

The Legionary may Charge using his Run Speed, and may reroll failed Weapon Skill tests on the Charge.

DEATH FRENZY

If the Legionary is forced to burn fate to survive, he may immediately make a single Melee Standard Attack, or Swift Attack or Lightning Attack Action if he possesses the appropriate talents, with any weapon he is wielding before resolving the lost fate point.

ORGY OF SLAUGHTER

When the Legionary scores a Righteous Fury with a melee weapon, he may immediately make an additional melee attack. These attacks do not generate additional attacks themselves.

NEW TRAIT

CURSE OF THE WULFEN

As a Full Action, the Legionary may channel the bloodborne curse within himself, forcing a beastly transformation into a half-wolf, half superhuman monstrosity. While in Wulfen form, at the start of rounds the Legionary is not engaged in melee combat with the enemy, he may roll 1d10 on the Hunt table and apply the benefit until the start of his next round, modifying the roll by the number of enemies he has killed, as well as for every ten Magnitude damage he has inflicted to Hordes, since the start of the encounter. For example, if he has killed one individual enemy, and inflicted 25 Magnitude damage to hordes, he may modify the roll by 3. If the Legionary is engaged in melee combat at the start of the round, he may instead roll 1d10 on the Kill table, and

Hunt Table	
Roll	Result
1-3	The Legionary gains the benefit of the Thunder Charge talent, and may reroll failed Weapon Skill tests for attacks generated by the talent.
4-6	The Legionary adds his Agility bonus to the distance he may Run and Charge.
7-8	The Legionary may perform one additional attack as part of the charge, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks.
9-10	As a Free Action, the Legionary may make a Full Move action.

Kill Table	
Roll	Result
1-3	Enemies suffer a -10 to Dodge and Parry tests.
4-6	The Legionary may reroll damage dice in melee combat.
7-8	If the Legionary is suffering critical damage, he may immediately make a Melee standard attack as a Free Action, which does not count towards his attack limit for the round.
9-10	The Legionary may perform one additional attack in melee combat, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks.

"A common question I have often received is, why? Why tie one's fortunes to the fickle whims of the Drukhari, monsters in aeldari flesh? Khodexus and my family go way back – he was there from the beginning, guiding my ancestor, Korst'la I. When he had first arrived in this sector, fresh out of the Empire, my ancestor assisted Khodexus in a small kabalite dispute. I believe at that time the two were already calculating the value of the other. Eventually, they realized that together they could operate at a greater level than the sum of their parts."

Today, Khodexus and Korst'la troopers are united in battle tactics and mindset. Each supplements the weaknesses of the other. This cooperation is vital to maintaining House interests across the sector. Khodexus provides us the use of the Webway, allowing us to maintain military and market presence at flashpoint locations, as well as providing the workforce that allows us to keep costs down and goods competitive to Imperial Guilds. Khodexus is not the friendliest of fellows, and so it falls to me to be the public face, the one who signs the deals, and the one who organizes new business ventures. The ones who buy from us as a result are often willing to overlook Khodexus's actions on occasion – after all, what are a few thousand missing to a billion saved? Neither Khodexus nor myself would dare ruin a good thing. We're all monsters, in a way. You have to be, if you want to survive here."

-Excerpt of "Selenite Memories,"
the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII

PHALANX WARDER

VETERAN SERGEANT

From the ranks of the already resilient and implacable Breacher Squads, the Imperial Fists Legion trains the Phalanx Warders. The Phalanx Warders expand on the role of the Breacher Marine, mastering short ranged weaponry and melee to serve as both the last line of defense, and the first line of the resultant counter-attack. Skilled in melee and ranged weaponry alike, the Phalanx Warder's main role is still defense, drawing its name from the Phalanx, the flagship of the Imperial Fists, and their oaths in its defense. Phalanx Warders neither desire nor seek accolades and battle honors – theirs is the quiet, solemn honor of the shield guarding the heart of the Legion.

PLAYING A PHALANX WARDER

Requirements: Rank 4 or greater

Standard Issue Wargear: Master-Crafted Boarding Shield, Power Axe

Legion: Imperial Fists



PHALANX WARDER VETERAN SERGEANT ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	400	Skill	Command
Evaluate	200	Skill	
Evaluate +10	400	Skill	Evaluate
Evaluate +20	400	Skill	Evaluate +10
Air of Authority	500	Talent	Fel 30
Iron Discipline	500	Talent	WP 30, Command
Into the Jaws of Hell	500	Talent	Iron Discipline
Counter-Attack	500	Talent	WS 40
Combat Formation	500	Talent	Int 40
Talented (Demolition)	500	Talent	
Exemplar of Honor	1000	Talent	Legiones Astartes
Zone Mortalis Specialist	1500	Talent	
Shield Wall	1500	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

ZONE MORTALIS SPECIALIST

The Phalanx Warder is a master of the low-gravity and hazardous terrain he is regularly exposed to. The Phalanx Warder ignores penalties to Weapon Skill tests, Dodge tests, Agility tests, and Movement due to Difficult Terrain, and may reroll failed Agility tests from Flame and Spray weapons.

SHIELD WALL

If the Phalanx Warder is adjacent to an ally, that ally also benefits from the armor points granted from the Phalanx Warder's Boarding Shield (but not its defensive Field). In addition, if the Phalanx Warder, or an ally adjacent to him is charged or targeted by a melee attack, the Phalanx Warder or his ally may perform a Counter-Attack (provided they have the talent) BEFORE the enemy strikes his own blows.

TEMPLAR CHAMPION

Before they were their own chapter, they were the greatest warriors of the Imperial Fists, possessing unequalled zeal and matchless skill. These are the Guardians of the Temple of Oaths, aboard the Phalanx, the Templars. Bearing the greatest wargear the armoriums can provide, and the finest Archeotech owned by the Legion, the Templars inspire their brethren with their courage as they lead the push against the enemies of mankind. Only once they accepted the Emperor as "God" would they fall out of favor with their Primarch, and take up the eternal crusade amongst the stars.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more, Renown 40+

Standard Issue Wargear: Artificer Armor, Power Sword

Legion: Imperial Fists



TEMPLAR CHAMPION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	400	Skill	Command
Command +20	400	Skill	Command +10
Parry	200	Skill	
Parry +10	400	Skill	Parry
Parry +20	400	Skill	Parry +10
Scrutiny	200	Skill	
Scrutiny +10	400	Skill	Scrutiny
Scrutiny +20	400	Skill	Scrutiny +10
Die Hard	500	Talent	WP40
Fearless	500	Talent	
Hatred (Select One)	500	Talent	
Inspire Wrath	500	Talent	Fel 30
Hunter of Aliens	1000	Talent	
Stalwart Defense	1000	Talent	
Dolorous Fighter	1500	Talent	
Slayer of Kings	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

DOLOROUS FIGHTER

The Legionary has reached new levels of mastery, and is on the path to having his name charged in the Temple of Oaths. When fighting in melee combat against a single enemy combatant, the Legionary's melee weapons gain the Murderous Strike quality, and successful enemy defensive field rolls must be rerolled, the second result standing.

SLAYER OF KINGS

Should the Legionary personally defeat at least one Master-class enemy in melee combat, the Legionary gains an additional point of Renown at the conclusion of the mission, and allies within Support Range gain a +10 to Weapon Skill tests until the conclusion of the mission.

TERROR HEADSMAN

Through fearful and bloody acts did the Night Lords subdue entire worlds, often causing less total loss of life than conventional war. Where the punishments were deemed to be the most visceral and personal, the Terror Squads were unleashed, master torturers and mutilators who were the most imaginative of the Legion's specialists. As time went on, the Terror Squads would be a sinkhole for undesirable legionaries, the units becoming unstable and unsubtle as time went on. Nonetheless, as long as they remained useful to their master, they remained active.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Nostraman Chainglaive

Legion: Night Lords



TERROR HEADSMAN ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Interrogate	200	Skill	
Interrogate +10	400	Skill	Interrogate
Interrogate +20	400	Skill	Interrogate +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Medicae	200	Skill	
Medicae +10	400	Skill	Medicae
Medicae +20	400	Skill	Medicae +10
Disturbing Voice	500	Talent	
Flesh Render	500	Talent	
Jaded	500	Talent	
Precise Blow	500	Talent	WS40, Sure Strike
Sprint	500	Talent	
Sure Strike	500	Talent	WS30
Swift Attack	1000	Talent	WS35
Dirty Fighter	1000	Talent	
Fear (2)	1000	Trait	Fear (1)

NEW TALENTS

DIRTY FIGHTER

The Legionary is not above using dirty tricks, uncommon techniques, or even pocket sand to win fights. When fighting in melee combat against a single enemy combatant, the Legionary's melee weapons gain the Felling and Murderous Strike qualities.

NIGHT RAPTOR HUNTMMASTER

Alone apart from the Night Lords Legion, the Night Raptors are a coterie of murderers welded together by likeminded methods and styles of warfare. Theirs is the role of close combat, to charge in and overwhelm their foes in an unstoppable onslaught. Hunting for victims from above, most live for that moment where their victim realizes their death is coming for them. Some even go as far as to implement projectors into their systems, that display their victims on eternal loop, the better to destroy the morale of opponents. In ten thousand years later, they and their warp touched Warp Talon brethren would change little.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Jump Pack, Power Sword, Volkite

Serpenta

Legion: Night Lords



NIGHT RAPTOR HUNTMMASTER ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Pilot (Personal)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Personal) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal)
Pilot (Personal) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal) +10
Counter-Attack	500	Talent	WS 40
Flesh Render	500	Talent	
Jaded	500	Talent	
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS35
Two Weapon Wielder (Melee)	500	Talent	WS35, Ag 35
Two Weapon Wielder (Ranged)	500	Talent	BS35, Ag 35
Takedown	500	Talent	
Onslaught	1500	Talent	
Death from Above	1000	Talent	Pilot (Personal)
Fear (2)	1000	Trait	Fear (1)

NEW TALENTS

ONSLAUGHT

When the Legionary performs a Charge Action with a Jump Pack, he may use the Swift or Lightning Attack actions if he possesses them.

MEDUSAN IMMORTAL VETERAN SERGEANT

The ranks of the Medusan Immortals are not a position of honor – they are reserved for those who have failed a mission, or been laid low by terrible forces. The Medusan Immortals function as a cybernetically enhanced Forlorn Hope, stripped of clan allegiance, and ordered into the fray. They take pride in fighting and dying, never breaking ranks, for only in death is there redemption.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Boltgun, Boarding Shield

Legion: Iron Hands



MEDUSAN IMMORTAL VETERAN SERGEANT ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	400	Skill	Command
Command +20	400	Skill	Command +10
Demolition	200	Skill	
Demolition +10	400	Skill	Demolition
Demolition +20	400	Skill	Demolition +10
Tech Use	200	Skill	
Tech Use +10	400	Skill	Tech Use
Tech Use +20	400	Skill	Tech Use +10
Combat Formation	500	Talent	Int 40
Counter Attack	500	Talent	
Duty Unto Death	500	Talent	WP45
Hip Shooting	500	Talent	BS40, Ag40
Iron Discipline	500	Talent	WP30, Command
Into the Jaws of Hell	500	Talent	Iron Discipline
Signature Wargear (Any Cybernetic)	1000	Talent	
Gun Them Down	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

GUN THEM DOWN

When an enemy fails a Pinning test, or performs the Disengage action, the Legionary may, as a Reaction, perform a Semi-Auto Burst or Full Auto Burst with any weapon he is currently wielding against the retreating enemy. This attack does not gain the normal bonus to Ballistic Skill.

RAMPAGER CHAMPION

Shock assault units formed from the most savage Legionaries of an already savage Legion, the Rampagers possessed the psycho-surgery and implants that kept them in a permanent state of rage. Some lost themselves to it, while others focused their desire into learning and mastering the gladiatorial Caedere weapons, patterned after those the Primarch Angron himself had used.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Chainaxe OR Caedere

Weapon of the Legionary's Choice

Legion: World Eaters



RAMPAGER CHAMPION ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Dodge	200	Skill	
Dodge +10	400	Skill	Dodge
Dodge +20	400	Skill	Dodge +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Berserk Charge	500	Talent	
Crushing Blow	500	Talent	S40
Frenzy	500	Talent	
Iron Jaw	500	Talent	T40
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS35
Lightning Attack	500	Talent	Swift Attack
Headhunter	1000	Talent	
Butcher's Nails Overdrive	2000	Talent	Lightning Attack

NEW TALENTS

HEADHUNTER

When fighting in melee combat against a single enemy combatant, the Legionary's weapons gain the Razor Sharp quality.

BUTCHER'S NAILS OVERDRIVE

For every individual enemy and ten points of Magnitude damage inflicted to Hordes, the Legionary may perform an additional attack as part of the Lightning Attack action until the end of the round. For example, if he has killed one individual enemy, and inflicted 25 Magnitude damage to hordes, he may perform three additional attacks. The Legionary must inflict the fatal blow himself to claim this bonus. For every bonus attack performed, the Legionary suffers one point of damage, ignoring armor and toughness.

INVICTARUS SUZERAIN

Invictarus Suzerains are a class apart from their fellow Legionaries. Serving their Primarch and Tetrarchs directly, each Invictarus Suzerain is a warrior marked for greatness, and trained in mass operation commanding and tactics. Many of the Legion's officers are drawn from the ranks of the Invictarus Suzerains. Their Legatine Axes, modelled after the weapons of the warrior-kings of Macragge, are a symbol of office as much as they are deadly weapons. Though their record of service would disappear over ten thousand years, with the shattering of the Legions, the returned Primarch Roboute Guilliman would reform the Invictarus Suzerains upon his modern-day return, as the Invictus Guard, the shining glory of mankind, and hope for the future.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more, 40+ Renown

Standard Issue Wargear: Legatine Axe, Boarding Shield

Legion: Ultramarines



INVICTARUS SUZERAIN ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Command	200	Skill	
Command +10	400	Skill	Command
Command +20	400	Skill	Command +10
Diplomacy	200	Skill	
Diplomacy +10	400	Skill	Diplomacy
Diplomacy +20	400	Skill	Diplomacy +10
Tactics (Select One)	200	Skill	
Tactics (Select One) +10	400	Skill	Tactics (Select One)
Tactics (Select One) +20	400	Skill	Tactics (Select One) +10
Air of Authority	500	Talent	
Exemplar of Honor	500	Talent	
Master Orator	500	Talent	Fel 30
Unbowed and Unbroken	500	Talent	Fel 40
Mastery (Command)	1000	Talent	Command (+20), Talented (Command)
Signature Wargear (Artificer Armor)	1000	Talent	
Lord of Ultramar	1000	Talent	
Stirring Rhetoric	1500	Talent	Fel 45, Heroic Inspiration

NEW TALENTS

LORD OF UTRAMAR

The Legionary grants each Allied Excerptus Imperialis and Solar Auxilia Strategic Assets up to two Horde Traits of his choice from Deathwatch (Core) or Mark of the Xenos.

STIRRING RHETORIC

Once per encounter, when using the Heroic Inspiration talent, the Legionary may spend a Fate Point. If he does, he affects all allies with his Command test, and all affected gain an additional +5 bonus to his next Skill or Characteristic Test for every Degree of Success this character scores on the Command Test (to a maximum of a +30 bonus in total).

LOCUTARUS STRIKE LEADER

Many Chapter divisions of the Ultramarines Legion maintained small numbers of Locutarus to deploy as vanguard or strike formations. Usually chosen of the line Assault Squads, they have proven themselves the most skilled and courageous of their brethren. Instead of savagery, the Locutarus practice precision strikes, perfectly timed for maximum effect. The charge of the Locutarus could tip the scale of a battle by itself, a legacy carried on over the millennia by the Vanguard Veterans.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Jump Pack, Master-Crafted Power Sword, Plasma Pistol

Legion: Ultramarines



LOCUTARUS STRIKE LEADER ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Pilot (Personal)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Personal) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal)
Pilot (Personal) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal) +10
Two Weapon Wielder (Melee)	500	Talent	WS35, Ag 35
Two Weapon Wielder (Ranged)	500	Talent	BS35, Ag 35
Sidearm	800	Talent	BS40, WS40, Two Weapon Wielder (Melee, Ranged)
Precise Blow	500	Talent	
Sure Strike	500	Talent	WS30
Signature Wargear (Artificer Armor)	1000	Talent	
Precision Intervention	1000	Talent	
Opening Salvo	1500	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

SIDEARM

When armed with a Pistol-class weapon in one hand and Melee weapon in the other (both of which the Legionary could normally use single-handed), the Legionary negates the penalty for Two-Weapon Fighting.

PRECISION INTERVENTION

When an ally within Support Range is reduced to Critical Damage by an enemy, the Legionary may spend a Reaction to perform a Charge Action against the enemy if the enemy is in range.

OPENING SALVO

During the first round of melee combat, as a Full Action the Legionary may perform a Full Move action, and then perform two Semi-Auto Burst or Full-Auto Burst actions with the pistol he is currently wielding. These Bursts retain their normal bonus to hit.

KHENETAI BLADEMASTER

The Khenetai Occult were a sect within the Order of the Jackal, who served as guardians of the five Prosperine Cults. Bound to their allies by psychic oaths, the Khenetai were initiates into the Jackal Cult's innermost secrets. Their blades were custom forged, crystalline infused ceramite inscribed with the wielder's secret names and deeds. In times of battle, such was the unison of their tactics that they were less a squad and more extensions of a single terrifying warrior.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Two Force Swords (in the shape of sick nasty khopeshes)

Legion: Thousand Sons



KHENETAI BLADEMASTER ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Invocation	200	Skill	Acrobatics +20
Invocation +10	400	Skill	Invocation
Invocation +20	400	Skill	Invocation +10
Scholastic Lore (Choose One)	200	Skill	Invocation +20
Scholastic Lore (Choose One) +10	400	Skill	Scholastic Lore (Choose One)
Scholastic Lore (Choose One) +20	400	Skill	Scholastic Lore (Choose One) +10
Assassin Strike	500	Talent	Ag40, Acrobatics
Lightning Reflexes	500	Talent	
Two Weapon Wielder (Melee)	500	Talent	WS35, Ag 35
Blade Dancer	800	Talent	
Whirlwind of Death	1000	Talent	
Psy Rating 5	500	Talent	Psy Rating 4
Psy Rating 6	500	Talent	Psy Rating 5
Mindsong of Blades	1500	Talent	Whirlwind of Death

NEW TALENTS

BLADE DANCER

When armed with two Melee weapons, the Legionary negates the penalty for Two-Weapon Fighting.

MINDSONG OF BLADES

When the Legionary is joined in Melee Combat by at least one ally, he may perform one additional attack in melee combat, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks. When the Legionary is joined in Melee Combat by at least two allies, he may perform one additional attack in melee combat, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks, and gains a +10 to all Weapon Skill tests. When the Legionary is joined in Melee Combat by at least three allies, he may perform two additional attacks in melee combat, stacking with talents that grant additional attacks, and gains a +10 to all Weapon Skill tests. The Legionary does not necessarily have to outnumber enemies to gain this bonus, just having your homies by your side is enough.

AMMITARA FATE

Existence of the Ammitara Occult Intercession Cabals was a closely guarded secret of the Thousand Sons, for they were the militant arm of the Order of the Blind, masters of misdirection, reconnaissance, espionage, and assassination. They could call upon a wide range of experience from spying on other Legions, and it was a testament to their skill that even their own Legion doubted their existence. The Ammitara Intercession Cabals were an almost invisible force on the battlefield, and it was only within the blasted wreckage of Prospero that their existence could finally be confirmed.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Scout Armor, Sniper Rifle OR Plasma Gun, three Blind Grenades

Legion: Thousand Sons



KHENETAI BLADEMASTER ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Concealment	200	Skill	
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Deceive	200	Skill	
Deceive +10	400	Skill	Deceive
Deceive +20	400	Skill	Deceive +10
Silent Move	200	Skill	
Silent Move +10	400	Skill	Silent Move
Silent Move +20	400	Skill	Silent Move +10
Foresight	500	Talent	Int 30
Infused Knowledge	500	Talent	Int 40
Marksman	500	Talent	BS35
Stealth Sniper	1000	Talent	Concealment +10
Target Selection	1000	Talent	BS50
Psy Rating 5	500	Talent	Psy Rating 4
Psy Rating 6	500	Talent	Psy Rating 5
Mind Killer (Psychic Power)	1000	Talent	

MIND KILLER

Prerequisites: Psy Rating 5

Action: Full Action

Focus Power: Difficult (-10) Willpower

Range: 3m x Psy Rating

Sustained: Free Action

Description: Yeah, yeah, Dune. The Legionary takes a deep breath, focuses amongst the bullshit of the real world, and lets that shit go. His mind clear, he is able to psychically enhance his attack, firing with preternatural accuracy, psychokinetically accelerating his shell, or even rip the enemy's blood out of the bullet hole. Brutal.

The Legionary targets himself or a single ally within range and line of sight. The target may reroll failed Ballistic Skill tests, and reroll the damage dice from ranged attacks, the second result standing. The target also ignores armor points granted by cover the enemy benefits from.

REAVER CHIEFTAIN

The Sons of Horus would continue to evolve their despoiler and assault squads, matching their natural way of warfare with Cthonian gang culture. Reaver units specialize in lightning-swift assaults to maim and disable foes, cutting down the weak and isolated, and sowing panic and disorder in the remainder. Reavers' greatest weapon was their adaptability, able to fight in void operations, battlefield shock assaults, and scouring operations. Each Reaver customized his appearance and wargear, and the greatest Chieftains were furnished with the finest weapons and armor the Warmaster could provide.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Power Sword, Plasma Pistol

Legion: Sons of Horus



REAVER CHIEFTAIN ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Ciphers (Underworld)	200	Skill	
Ciphers (Underworld) +10	400	Skill	Ciphers (Underworld)
Ciphers (Underworld) +20	400	Skill	Ciphers (Underworld) +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Crack Shot	500	Talent	BS40
Crippling Strike	500	Talent	WS50
Double Team	500	Talent	
Peer (Underworld)	500	Talent	Fel 30
Talented (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Assassin's Eye	1500	Talent	
Catulan Reaver	1500	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

ASSASSIN'S EYE

When the Legionary successfully scores Righteous Fury against a living, non-vehicle, non-Daemon Engine opponent, the Legionary also rolls 1d5 on the Critical Hit table for the location hit, and applies the appropriate Critical result to that location. Talents and abilities that increase critical hit damage apply their benefit to this roll.

CATULAN REAVER

When outnumbering an enemy in melee combat, the Legionary's melee weapons gain the Crippling (X) quality, where X is equal to the Legionary's Weapon Skill bonus.

ASHEN CIRCLE ICONOCLAST

An offshoot of the Legion's Destroyer Corps, the Ashen Circle was created to destroy an enemy's culture, and raze their centers of learning and faith to the ground. They would hunt down spreaders of false doctrine, consigning it to eradicating flame. The Ashen Circle would often charge ahead, targeting the source of an enemy's morale, and rip them apart with their axe-rakes. While the units originally tore down religious institutions to replace with the Imperial Creed, after Lorgar's chastisement they would spread far darker creeds.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Jump Pack, Hand Flamer, Axe-Rake, one Phosphex Bomb

Legion: Word Bearers



ASHEN CIRCLE ICONOCLAST ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Charm	200	Skill	
Charm +10	400	Skill	Charm
Charm +20	400	Skill	Charm +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Pilot (Personal)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Personal) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal)
Pilot (Personal) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal) +10
Cleanse and Purify	500	Talent	
Furious Assault	500	Talent	WS35
Hatred (Choose One)	500	Talent	
Litany of Hate	500	Talent	Hatred (Choose One)
Thunder Charge	800	Talent	
Scourge of Heretics*	1000	Talent	
Burning Descent	1000	Talent	
Scorched Earth	1500	Talent	Thunder Charge, Cleanse and Purify
Imperial Truth	1500	Talent	Hatred (Any)

NEW TALENTS

BURNING DESCENT

When the Legionary engages his Jump Pack and ends any kind of movement action adjacent to an enemy, that enemy suffers $1d10+5E$ damage with a penetration of 4. Hordes are hit a number of times equal to the Legionary's Agility Bonus.

SCORCHED EARTH

The Legionary's bonus attack granted by the Thunder Charge talent inflicts an extra die of damage, and gains the Flame quality.

IMPERIAL TRUTH

When attacking an enemy for whom he possesses the appropriate Hatred talent, he increases the penetration of all attacks by an amount equal to his Willpower Bonus. This bonus may be transferred by the Litany of Hate talent.

*Regarding the Scourge of Heretics, since there is not yet any real measure of "Heresy" during the Great Crusade, treat "Heretics" as non-compliant humans, who cling to religion over the secular Imperial Truth. If your game is set during the Age of Darkness rather than the Great Crusade, this then applies to the followers of the Imperial Truth instead, as the Legionary has by now fully embraced the whispers of Chaos!

GAL VORBAK

DARK MARTYR

Unlike their debased Possessed descendants, the Gal Vorbak, “Blessed Sons” in Cholchisian, were perfect fusions of Legionary and Daemon, unified as kindred spirits rather than competitors within the same body. They were the original pilgrims, launched from the Word Bearers’ newly conquered world of Cadia into the Eye of Terror, and were granted the greatest of blessings. In battle, they could shift into a new, monstrous form, towering over other Legionaries and spreading the word of Chaos the most direct way possible.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more, Renown 40+

Standard Issue Wargear: Power Sword, Boltgun

Legion: Word Bearers



GAL VORBAK DARK MARTYR ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Deceive	200	Skill	
Deceive +10	400	Skill	Deceive
Deceive +20	400	Skill	Deceive +10
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology)	200	Skill	
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +10	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology)
Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +20	400	Skill	Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) +10
Psyniscience	200	Skill	
Psyniscience +10	400	Skill	Psyniscience
Psyniscience +20	400	Skill	Psyniscience +10
Combat Master	500	Talent	WS30
Crushing Blow	500	Talent	S40
Flesh Render	500	Talent	
Hardy	500	Talent	T40
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS35
Lightning Attack	500	Talent	Swift Attack
Thunder Charge	800	Talent	
Daemonic Transformation	3000	Talent	



NEW TALENT

DAEMONIC TRANSFORMATION

Unlike the pitiful Possessed that would follow them, the Gal Vorbak alone were flawless in their fusion, the powerful daemon working with the Legionary as a team of equals, which allowed the Legionary to shift from his normal form to an unstoppable daemonic juggernaut, and back as needed.

The Legionary may shift into his Daemonic Form as a Full Action. If he succeeds at a Challenging (+0) Forbidden Lore (Daemonology) test at the start of the round he wishes to transform, this is instead a Free Action. Switching out of Daemonic Form is a Full Action no matter the situation.

The Legionary applies the following benefits and effects in his altered state.

- Gain the Daemonic (1) and From Beyond Traits, as well as a PR35 defensive field that does not overload, representing defensive warp auras.
- Increase Unnatural Strength Modifier by +1
- Gain the Size (Enormous) Trait
- Gain the Brutal Charge Trait and Berserk Charge Talent
- The Legionary's Weapons gain the Razor Sharp Quality, or the Warp Weapon quality if they already possessed the Razor Sharp Quality.
- The Legionary may not enter Squad Mode with his allies, nor initiate his own Squad Mode ability.
- The Legionary no longer gains Corruption Points. Nothing could compare to hosting a Daemon, after all.

Such is the union between the Legionary and Daemon that the Legionary never stands to lose control of himself to the Daemon, and the Daemon is genuinely helpful to the Legionary – this was, after all, the plan of the Gods to show the union of man and warp before giving future Possessed a raw deal. Finally, the Legionary must select an Alignment to one of the four Chaos Gods, Khorne, Slaanesh, Tzeentch, or Nurgle. When he shifts into his Daemonic Form, he may select one Gift as aligned to his god to apply for that transformation. While this benefit cannot be switched during the encounter, a new benefit may be freely selected the next time the Legionary shifts. A patron God MUST be chosen – Chaos Undecided got retconned away, after all.

KHORNATE GIFTS

The Legionary gains 4 Armor Points on all locations, as gleaming brass begins to flow across his armor.

Psykers within 8m of the Legionary halve their Psy Rating, and Force Weapons lose the Force Quality. The Legionary gains a +20 bonus to resist Psychic Powers.

The Legionary gains the Fear (2) Trait, or increases his Fear Rating by 2, to a maximum of 4, and the Hatred (Everything) talent.

TZEENTCHIAN GIFTS

The Legionary gains the Psy Rating 4 Talent, and selects one of the five main disciplines. He then selects three powers from that one discipline, and may manifest said powers until the next time he shifts to his normal form. He may select a new discipline and new powers every time he shifts into his daemonic form.

The Legionary increases the Protection Rating of his defensive field by +15.

When an enemy is hit by the Legionary's melee weapons, the enemy must test Willpower, or catch fire. This fire inflicts 1d10+4 damage, wounding against the enemy's Willpower Bonus.

SLAANESHI GIFTS

As a Full Action, the Legionary may select an enemy and make an Opposed Deceive vs Willpower test. If the target fails, it loses the ability to target the Legionary with any attacks for a number of Rounds equal to the Degrees of Failure by which it lost the Test. The target can apply any bonuses to this Opposed Test that would apply to resisting a psychic attack against it.

The Legionary gains the Unnatural Speed trait.

The Legionary's melee attacks gain the Crippling (X) quality, where X is equal to the Legionary's Weapon Skill Bonus.

NURGLITE GIFTS

Enemies adjacent to the Legionary must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness Test at the start of their round or suffer 1d10 damage, ignoring armor and toughness.

The Legionary gains the Regeneration (X) Trait, where X is equal to the Legionary's unmodified Toughness Bonus.

The Legionary's melee attacks gain the Corrosive quality.

PYROCLAST WARDEN

Burning fury of the Legion given form, the Pyroclasts took the place of the Destroyer units as a unit created to bring utter destruction to enemies. Armed with Pyroclast flame projectors, designed by Vulkan himself, the Pyroclasts burn away everything in front of them. Fire is a source of renewal, rebirth, and redemption to these Legionaries, but for there to be renewal, the past must be burned away. These Legionaries know no mercy or reprieve as they burninate the countryside.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Artificer Armor, Pyroclast Flame Projector

Legion: Salamanders



PYROCLAST WARDEN ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Demolition	200	Skill	
Demolition +10	400	Skill	Demolition
Demolition +20	400	Skill	Demolition +10
Intimidate	200	Skill	
Intimidate +10	400	Skill	Intimidate
Intimidate +20	400	Skill	Intimidate +10
Logic	200	Skill	
Logic +10	400	Skill	Logic
Logic +20	400	Skill	Logic +10
Resistance (Heat)	200	Talent	
Duty unto Death	500	Talent	
Foresight	500	Talent	Int 30
Meditation	500	Talent	
Sacred Flame	1000	Talent	Cleanse and Purify
Melta Weapon Mastery	1000	Talent	BS50, Melta Weapon Expertise
Mantle of Ash	1500	Talent	Resistance (Heat)

NEW TALENTS

SACRED FLAME

Weapons wielded by the Legionary with the Flame quality gain the Vengeful (9) Quality.

MELTA WEAPON MASTERY

Whenever the Legionary makes an attack with a weapon possessing the Melta quality, he deals +2 additional Penetration for every two Degrees of Success he scores on the Ballistic Skill Test beyond the first. This bonus applies after the doubling of Penetration for the Melta Quality whenever that Quality takes effect.

MANTLE OF ASH

The Legionary gains a PR35 defensive field, which does not overload under normal conditions, against Flame, Plasma, Melta, and Volkite-class weapons. At the GM's discretion, this field may apply to other weapons that inflict heat-based damage.

MOR DEYTHAN SHADE

Also known as the Shadow Masters, the Mor Deythan are an infiltration cadre within a Legion already specializing in such things. They're literally double ninjas. Each member of the Mor Deythan was at Corax's side during the first Lycaen Uprising which saw his world freed. Grizzled veterans, confident in their abilities, so skilled are the Mor Deythan that many say they have a hint of their Primarch's shadow walk, remaining hidden even in plain sight.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Sniper Rifle OR Volkite Charger
OR Plasma Gun

Legion: Raven Guard



MOR DEYTHAN SHADE ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Concealment	200	Skill	
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Survival	200	Skill	
Survival +10	400	Skill	Survival
Survival +20	400	Skill	Survival +10
Tracking	200	Skill	
Tracking +10	400	Skill	Tracking
Tracking +20	400	Skill	Tracking +10
Crack Shot	500	Talent	BS40
Eye of Vengeance	500	Talent	BS50
Sharpshooter	500	Talent	BS40, Deadeye Shot
Talented (Silent Move)	500	Talent	
Mastery (Concealment)	1000	Talent	
Fatal Strike	1500	Talent	
Shadow Lord	1500	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

FATAL STRIKE

Once per encounter, at the start of any round, the Legionary may declare his next ranged attack to be a Fatal Strike. Until the beginning of his next round, one ranged weapon of the Legionary's choice gains the Twin-Linked and Razor Sharp qualities. If the Legionary's chosen weapon is a sniper rifle, the weapon's damage rolls are resolved at Pen 8 instead of the weapon's normal penetration value, in addition to the Twin-Linked and Razor-Sharp qualities. Declaring this talent does not preclude other declaration talents, such as Eye of Vengeance.

SHADOW LORD

If the Legionary is not the closest target to an attacking enemy, the enemy suffers a -30 penalty to Ballistic Skill tests to attack the Legionary. In addition, the Legionary may always perform Concealment and Silent Move tests as a Free action, and may do so even while being observed. This talent has no effect against Daemons and enemies with a Psy Rating of any level.

DARK FURY

CHOOSEN OF THE SLAIN

The Dark Furies of the Raven Guard are used to conduct decapitation strikes on pre-determined enemy leaders. They are not subtle assassins like the Mor Deythan, these guys haul ass into the middle of the field and begin ripping into everything. Usually deploying from the holds of specialized infiltration craft such as Darkwing (Duck) Gunships, the Dark Furies descend on silenced jump packs towards their unsuspecting targets.

Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Master-Crafted Jump Pack, Artificer Armor, one pair of Raven Talons

Legion: Raven Guard



DARK FURY CHOOSEN OF THE SLAIN ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Acrobatics	200	Skill	
Acrobatics +10	400	Skill	Acrobatics
Acrobatics +20	400	Skill	Acrobatics +10
Pilot (Personal)	200	Skill	
Pilot (Personal) +10	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal)
Pilot (Personal) +20	400	Skill	Pilot (Personal) +10
Security	200	Skill	
Security +10	400	Skill	Security
Security +20	400	Skill	Security +10
Assassin Strike	500	Talent	Ag 40, Acrobatics
Berserk Charge	500	Talent	
Furious Assault	500	Talent	WS35
Lightning Reflexes	500	Talent	
Swift Attack	500	Talent	WS35
Sudden Strike	1000	Talent	
Fateful Descent	1000	Talent	

NEW TALENTS

SUDDEN STRIKE

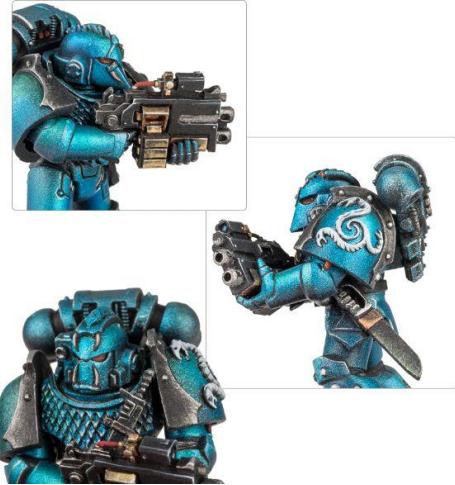
Before performing a Charge Action, the Legionary may make a Challenging (+0) Pilot (Personal) test. If this test is successful, the Legionary inflicts a penalty to the enemy's Dodge and Parry tests equal to 5x the number of Degrees of Success on the test.

FATEFUL DESCENT

The first time in a combat encounter the Legionary successfully performs a Charge attack while wearing a jump pack, the Legionary generates a cloud of smoke in a 3m radius around him. This grants the Legionary the benefit of the Fog, Mist, or Shadow Combat Condition (Deathwatch p. 248).

HEADHUNTER PRIME

History records that the Alpha Legion were the first to conceive of the Seeker Squads, which other Legions then incorporated into their structure. The Alpha Legion would then further refine the concept, creating the Headhunters. These infiltrators create chaos amongst the enemy's ranks by eliminating key officers and sabotaging important assets. These are the most skilled infiltrators and assassins of the Legion, and are equipped with prototype weapons capable of combating even Astartes armor. If their existence was known outside their Legion, they would be feared the galaxy over. But, then again, maybe this account is a lie :^)



Requirements: Rank 4 or more

Standard Issue Wargear: Twin-Linked Bolter with Banestrike Rounds, 3 Venom Spheres, Power Dagger

Legion: Alpha Legion

HEADHUNTER PRIME ADVANCES

Advance	Cost	Type	Prerequisites
Concealment	200	Skill	
Concealment +10	400	Skill	Concealment
Concealment +20	400	Skill	Concealment +10
Shadowing	200	Skill	
Shadowing +10	400	Skill	Shadowing
Shadowing +20	400	Skill	Shadowing +10
Silent Move	200	Skill	
Silent Move +10	400	Skill	Silent Move
Silent Move +20	400	Skill	Silent Move +10
Crack Shot	500	Talent	BS40
Deadeye Shot	500	Talent	BS30
Sharpshooter	500	Talent	BS40, Deadeye Shot
Target Selection	800	Talent	BS50
Versatile Shooter	1200	Talent	Sharpshooter, Target Selection
Assassin's Shot	1500	Talent	BS45

NEW TALENTS

VERSATILE SHOOTER

When firing a single shot from a single Pistol, Heavy, or Vehicle weapon with the Accurate Quality and while benefitting from an Aim Action, the Legionary treats that weapon as if it was a Basic weapon for the purposes of inflicting additional Damage for additional Degrees of Success on his Ballistic Skill Test.

ASSASSIN'S SHOT

When the Legionary successfully scores Righteous Fury against a living, non-vehicle, non-Daemon Engine opponent with a Ranged Attack, the Legionary also rolls 1d5+X on the Critical Hit table for the location hit, where X is the Legionary's Perception Bonus, and applies the appropriate Critical result to that location. Talents and abilities that increase critical hit damage apply their benefit to this roll.



LEGIONARY ARMORIUM



LEGIONARY ARMAMENTS

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LEGIONARY ASSETS

RELICS OF THE AGE OF DARKNESS

CHAPTER III:

LEGIONARY

ARMORIUM

"What did Tallarn look like before the Iron Warriors descended on it, Thexus?"

"IT WAS A VERDANT AGRI-WORLD, CONSUL. IT WAS CAPABLE OF GROWING FOOD AND VEGETATION FOR AN ENTIRE SUBSECTOR."

"And after the bombardment?"

"A SUNSCORCHED DESERT HOSTING THE RUSTED HULKS OF ONE MILLION TANKS."

"Perhaps we'll leave the Phosphex for today."

-Space Wolf Praetor "Felleye" Brynjol and Paragon of Metal Executor Thexus discuss tactical options.

The armories of the Legions were stocked with every possible weapon for any possible enemy. Even then, the Legions were hard-pressed at times to combat the horrors of the galaxy. Still, with grit and determination, the Legionaries pressed on, secure in their determination to continue the Great Crusade.

While some weapons would slowly decline over time, the turbulent Age of Darkness would see others take a new spotlight. The Volkite Charger, for instance, was superior in stopping power to the standard Terran Bolter, but the bolter's ease of manufacture and supply meant it would become the mainstay of the Legiones Astartes, the latter

replacing the venerable former over the years. This is a time before the Storm Bolter was first created, where the Assault Cannon and Storm Shield were still in prototype design stage, where the Mechanicum was not yet afraid to try new things, and invent new forms of weaponry, where Jetbikes took to the skies.

The eighteen legions were forged for specific purposes, and they would gradually begin to favor weapons that aided these purposes. The Imperial Fists would grow to favor the defensive Storm Field, while the Blood Angels took to the Assault Cannon and Flamer with aplomb. The World Eaters would continue to wield the gladiatorial weapons of Nuceria, while the Iron Warriors preferred their mortars and artillery. All the while, nobody would notice the Warmaster Horus moving the best and newest equipment to those that swore themselves to him...

This chapter is split into four sections. Legionary Armaments details the weapons, armor, and general equipment the Legionaries could call upon, from simple Bolter Variants to Battle Automata. Special Legionary weapons like the Legatine Axe will also be profiled. Legionary Vehicles provides a full motor pool, from the Scimitar and Javelin, to the Fellblade and Sokar-pattern Stormbird. Legionary Assets details new assets available to summon for support, from Mechanicum contingents to the Talons of the Emperor and the Ordo Sinister. Finally, Relics of the Age of Darkness will introduce new Legionary Relics for use, like the Parthian Serpent of the White Scars, or the Photonic Blade of the Blood Angels.



LEGIONARY

ARMAMENTS

"You just came to the wrong neighbor, heretic."

-Auroran Praetor Cordin points his Volkite Serpents at the Chaos Lifeguards.

What a Legionary requires, he usually gets. As the Great Crusade pressed on, the once standardized Legiones Astartes would begin to diverge in purpose and armament. As the shining light of the Great Crusade gave way to the Age of Darkness, the Forge Lords of each Legion would improve not only their standard equipment, but also the specialist equipment that evolved from continued use, or Primarch preference.

It is during the Great Crusade that many weapons first came into being. The Combi-Bolter had not yet given way to the Storm Bolter, but weapons like the Assault Cannon and Storm Shield had entered testing with the Blood Angels, Imperial Fists, and Salamanders. Cyclone Missile Launchers had just been pioneered by the Iron Warriors and later the Ultramarines, leaving most with the Havoc Launcher. The Reaper Autocannon, an improved variant of the Autocannon, was widespread and equipped to many Terminator-armed forces. The Alpha Legion, ever secretive, had begun to create a new type of bolt round, the Banestrike Round, and nobody felt the need to question why it seemed purpose-built to pierce ceramite Power Armor.

The armaments here allow a Legionary to equip himself for any threat, be it the uncountable xenos of the galaxy, or the threat of betrayal from other Astartes. It is important to realize that not every weapon is listed here – some are in the Deathwatch Core Rulebook. Only new weaponry will be listed here. However, the following weapons are not available in the Age of Darkness, due to not having been invented yet, or general availability. Some prototypes, however, may be available.

- Storm Bolter
- Assault Cannon
- Thunder Hammer
- Storm Shield
- Grav Weaponry



Name	Class	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special	Req	Renown
Archeotech Pistol	Pistol	30m	S/-/-	2d10+8E	6	8	2 Full	-	30	Distinguished
Lucifex	Pistol	15m	S/-/-	1d10+1E	4	5	4 Full	Fleshbane, Rad-Phage	25	Respected
Irad Cleanser	Basic	30m	S/-/-	1d10+3E	4	20	4 Full	Spray, Fleshbane, Rad-Phage	30	Respected
Irad Engine	Heavy	50m	S/-/-	1d10+12E	8	30	4 Full	Spray, Fleshbane, Rad-Phage. Torrent	35	Distinguished
Rad Grenade	Thrown	-	-	1d10+4E	8	-	-	Blast (2), Fleshbane, Rad-Phage	25	Respected
Rad Missile	Missile	-	-	1d10+10E	8	-	-	Blast (4), Fleshbane, Rad-Phage	30	Respected
Phosphex Bomb	Thrown	SBx3	S/-/-	2d10+5E	12	-	-	Blast (5), Corrosive, Toxic*, Lingering Death, Crawling Fire	40	Distinguished
Rotor Cannon	Heavy	150m	-/6/10	1d10+6I	3	200	3 Full	Tearing	15	-
Volkite Serpenta	Pistol	25m	S/-/-	2d10+2E	4	10	2 Full	Deflagrate	5	-
Volkite Charger	Basic	55m	S/2/-	2d10+3E	4	20	3 Full	Deflagrate	10	-
Volkite Caliver	Heavy	165m	S/2/3	2d10+6E	4	30	4 Full	Deflagrate	18	Respected
Volkite Culverin	Heavy	280m	S/2/4	2d10+9E	4	40	5 Full	Deflagrate	25	Distinguished
Autocannon	Heavy	300m	S/3/-	3d10+8I	6	20	2 Full	Reliable	21	-
Reaper Autocannon	Heavy	300m	S/4/-	3d10+8I	6	40	2 Full	Reliable, Twin-Linked	30	Respected
Plasma Blaster	Basic	60m	S/2/-	2d10+8E	12	6	2 Full	Volatile, Maximal	25	Respected
Phased Plasma Fusil	Basic	100m	S/2/3	1d10+10E	12	18	2 Full	Volatile, Maximal	30	Respected
Graviton Gun	Heavy	30m	S/-/-	-	-	3	2 Full	Blast (5), Concussive, Haywire, Graviton Pulse	25	Respected
Grenade Harness	Basic	20m	-/2/-	2d10+2X	0	-	2 Full	Blast (4), One Shot	15	-
Havoc Launcher	Heavy	300m	S/-/-	2d10X	2	8	3 Full	Blast (4), Devastating (2)	25	Respected
Chainaxe	Melee	-	-	1d10+6R	6	-	-	Tearing, Unbalanced	8	-
Combat Shield	Melee	-	-	1d5+1I	0	-	-	Balanced, Power Field	20	Distinguished
Boarding Shield	Melee	-	-	1d10I	0	-	-	Unwieldy, Power Field	25	Distinguished
Charnabal Sabre	Melee	-	-	1d10+5R	0	-	-	Tearing, Duelist's Edge, Flawless Cut	30	Respected
Paragon Blade	Melee	-	-	2d10+8E	10	-	-	Power Field, Murderous Strike	50	Hero
Power Maul	Melee	-	-	1d10+8E	4	-	-	Power Field, Concussive (0)	20	Respected
Force Axe	Melee	-	-	1d10+4R	2	-	-	Unbalanced, Force	30	Respected

ARCHEOTECH PISTOLS

Even in this enlightened age of the Great Crusade, there were some miracles of technology that had not yet been recovered. Archeotech pistols is a catch-all term for a wide variety of pistol type weaponry from the Dark Age of Technology, be it a slug gun of prodigious power or a blaster of scything energy. The rich flaunt them, the aggressive use them, and often the only way to get them is to pry them from their user's cold dead hands.

RAD WEAPONRY

The Rad class of weaponry, consists of a number of weapons and projectiles used only against the most dangerous of xenofroms and hated enemies. They fire a blast of radiation that can boil a target alive, their bodies ripped apart at the cellular level. The unlucky few who survive will simply die later of radiation poisoning. Radical.

This Exotic Weapon group contains the Lucifex, Irid Cleanser, Irid Engine, Rad Grenade, and Rad Missile.

Fleshbane: Damage from this attack ignores Toughness Bonus. Armor functions normally.

Rad-Phage: Upon taking wounds, the enemy must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness Test or suffer 2d10 Toughness Damage.

Torrent: Instead of using the firing weapon as a point of origin, select a point within 15m as the shot's origin. Resolve the spray's normal 30° cone from that point, with the caveat that the cone must extend further than the point of origin – no looping sprays backwards!

PHOSPHEX BOMB

A corrosive and incendiary compound that even the Imperium feels should have remained dead and buried in the turbulent past, Phosphex burns with an eerie blue-green flame, and cannot be extinguished in anything short of vacuum. If this was not bad enough, the cloud of flame MOVES, seeking out movement around it to feed its unstoppable path of incineration. Worse than even Rad Weaponry, to resurrect Phosphex is to contaminate a place with the taint of death itself.

Phosphex Bombs inflict their base damage, ignoring armor and toughness, if the enemy fails a Hard (-20) Toughness test from the Toxic quality.

Lingering Death: After resolving the Phosphex Bomb attack, make note of the blast's final location.

The blast cloud does not dissipate, but rather remains active at that location.

Crawling Fire: At the start of every round, the GM may move any Phosphex Bomb clouds from the Lingering Death rule up to 3m in any direction, as long as that direction is closer to a living organism – be it ally or enemy to the party. The GM must immediately resolve a Phosphex Bomb hit against anything that falls under the Phosphex Bomb cloud's new location. This will cause damage, but no new blasts are created (the only way to create more clouds is to chuck more Bombs).

ROTOR CANNON

The predecessor of the Assault Cannon, the Rotor Cannon is a multi-barreled heavy stubber that can put out a prodigious amounts of fire, though far weaker than its successor.

VOLKITE WEAPONS

Volkite Weapons are martian deathrays. They fire a red beam that, upon contact with an enemy, superheats them like a microwave, resulting in a wet-sounding pop. Remember the Expander from Duke Nukem 3D?

Yeah. That.

This Exotic Weapon group contains the Volkite Serpenta, Charger, Caliver, and Culverin. The Volkite Charger may be used as part of a Combi-Weapon in addition to other options, and may be taken with Terminator Armor.

Deflagrate: For every hit that inflicted at least one Wound on an opponent, resolve an additional automatic hit, rolling for damage as normal. These additional hits do not inflict further hits themselves.

IMPERIAL AUTOCANNONS

Autocannons are automatic, self-loading, solid projectile weapons powerful enough to take on many threats. Equally adept at damaging heavy infantry and light tanks, Autocannons are intended for long range support, while still remaining man portable by a single Legionary. Its larger cousin, the Reaper Autocannon, is a double-barrelled variant capable of greater firepower, but requires Terminator Armor to stabilize its massive recoil.

IMPERIAL PLASMA WEAPONRY

In addition to normal Plasma weaponry, the Legionaries of the Great Crusade could call upon new forms of plasma weapons, better understood if still slightly dangerous. The Plasma Blaster was

capable of large bursts of damage at short range, at the cost of requiring Terminator Armor to power its cooling systems, while the Phased Plasma Fusil sacrificed some stopping power for a greater rate of fire.

GRAVITON GUN

Graviton Weaponry was not meant to be a weapon in the first place. Its worth in the dark days of the Horus Heresy, however, meant the weapons would be refined and improved over the following 10,000 years. The weapon's ability to crush enemies with the weight of their own armor quickly gave it a niche in armored combat.

Graviton Pulse: Everything caught in the gun's blast area is violently pressed to the floor and must take a Very Hard (-30) Strength Test or be knocked down. Being thrown to a solid surface from a standing position and forced to the ground in this way is enough to inflict 1d5 I (Primitive) Damage—treat this as effecting the Body location—although what the character or object is thrown against and how far they fall may well make this effect far worse. Additionally, anyone attempting to move or perform physical actions within the blast radius for 2d5 Rounds afterwards must first pass an Opposed Strength Test versus Strength 60 (Unnatural $\times 2$)) each Round. At the GMs discretion, the flux may shatter brittle objects, collapse loose flooring, rupture containment vessels, damage vehicles and machinery, plus wreak any other chaos deemed appropriate.

GRENADE HARNESS

An auxiliary weapon designed to fit on Terminator Armor, the Grenade Harness is a one-shot weapon that releases a barrage of frag grenades at a target to

distract the foe during a charge. A Grenade Harness cannot be reloaded during normal combat situations.

HAVOC LAUNCHER

The Havoc Launcher, precursor to the Cyclone Missile Launcher, was seen most on vehicles like Dreadnoughts, Rhinos and other light craft, where it could provide cover to troops with clusters of explosive munitions.

CHAINAXE

In addition to the Chainswords that many Legions made use of, the Chainaxe found its place amongst the more savage Legions, due to its greater killing power and armor piercing potential. Even then, its use was questioned by some, the Chainaxe infamous for its gory killing displays.

SHIELDS

The Legiones Astartes would make use of many types of defensive shields, such as the buckler-sized Combat Shield, or the full-body Boarding Shield preferred by Legion Breachers.

A Combat shield adds 3AP to the wielding Arm and Body, and has a PR25 protective field.

A Boarding shield adds 5AP to the wielding Arm and Body, and has a PR25 protective field, increasing to PR35 in melee.

CHARNABAL SABRE

Tracing their origins to the Duelling rings of Holy Terra, a Charnabal Sabre lacks the cutting ability of a power weapon, but there are those who believe that this allows for displays of true skill to shine through. Each forged in a different way, they speak of an individual's duelling style as much as their affluence.

Duelist's Edge: When engaged in single melee combat with only one other enemy, the enemy is suffers a -10 penalty to dodge and parry tests.

Flawless Cut: If a Weapon Skill test succeeds with 3 or more DoS, the attack is resolved at Pen 10.

PARAGON BLADE

Two-handed weapons of perfectly aligned balance and durability, the offensive potential of a Paragon Blade is unmatched. Paragon Blades have diverse origins – some are ancient relics of the Dark Age of technology, others are Xenos prizes from beyond the Halo Stars. All are sought after by warriors supreme. Paragon Blades **ALWAYS** require two hands to use.

Murderous Strike: When triggering Righteous Fury, the enemy must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test or die like a bitch, unless they are immune to instant death in some way (Touched by the Fates, some sort of Eternal Warrior, etc).

POWER MAUL

Somehow, this weapon isn't in Deathwatch normally. Anyway, this heavy energy maul is the third most common power weapon used. Unlike the Power Sword, which balances attack and defense, and the Power Axe, which prioritizes offense, the Power Maul prioritizes defense, its lower penetration offsetting slightly higher weapon strength for use against low-armored enemies, and the ability to concuss motherfuckers that you don't like.

FORCE AXE

Introduced after Deathwatch came out, the Force Axe is for those psykers who just want to chop their enemies. The Force Axe is far more offensively weighted than the Force Sword or Force Staff, the Force Axe pays for its higher base damage in being slightly unbalanced on the attack.



"It's all well and good to have the best weapons, and I should know – I sell them. After seeing the Republican Commandos in action, my shell companies have been utterly swamped with orders from across the sector for exotic weapons like volkite chargers and Charnabai sabers. The Commandos even helped me sell a few directly, to which I am quite grateful. Nothing like a live fire field demonstration to show off the greatest the Imperium's weapon smiths could call to bear once, and call to bear again now. That's all well and good, but I think the humans are missing something – I'd rather have a genius behind a common gun, than a fool wielding the best gun.

There was once a Dracon in the Detachments named Zaill Kralic. He was an ascetic, and sought to master both his weapons and himself. He was the kind of soldier to walk in front of an endless horde and dare them to TRY and hit him, something he actually did once. During one mission to piece together an old Atomic Arc Reactor, many years before the Republican Commandos arrived, he and his Detachment were surprised by a Wraithknight while deployed on mission. The Tau troopers with him sought cover, a valid strategy, but not Zaill. Readyng his Grapnel, he began to swing around, taking full advantage of his speed and agility to flank and weave around the Wraithknight. Midflight, he correctly deduced the armor was weakest at the nape of the construct's "neck", and while his allies provided covering fire, Zaill surged behind the monster and inflicted the killing blow at the exact location with his Blaster while still in midair. I can respect quick thinking like that. The "Kralic Maneuver" is still taught to detachments today."

–Excerpt of "Selenite Memories,"
the Memoirs of Shas'o Sio't Korst'la VII

Name	Class	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special
Godwyn Pattern Bolter	Basic	100m	S/3/-	1d10+9X	4	30	Full	Tearing
Phobos R/017 Pattern Bolter	Basic	100m	S/3/-	1d10+10X	4	30	Full	Tearing, Proven (2)
Umbra Pattern Bolter	Basic	120m	S/3/-	1d10+9X	4	30	Full	Tearing
Umbra Ferrox Pattern Bolter	Basic	100m	S/3/-	1d10+9X	4	45	Full	Tearing
Tigris Pattern Bolter	Basic	100m	S/2/4	1d10+8X	4	24	Full	Tearing, Reliable

Name	Class	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special
Ultima MK4 Pattern Bolt Pistol	Pistol	30m	S/2/-	1d10+9X	4	14	Full	Tearing
Phobos R/07 Pattern Bolt Pistol	Pistol	30m	S/2/-	1d10+10X	4	14	Full	Tearing, Proven (2)
Umbra Pattern Bolt Pistol	Pistol	40m	S/2/-	1d10+9X	4	14	Full	Tearing
Tigris Pattern Bolt Pistol	Pistol	30m	S/2/3	1d10+8X	4	12	Full	Tearing, Reliable

IMPERIAL BOLT WEAPONRY

The number of Bolt Weapons available to the Legiones Astartes boggles the mind. While some bolters of the “modern” day had yet to appear, or had been entering testing with certain legions (such as the Stalker Bolter with the Raven Guard), numerous patterns were common place during the Great Crusade and the resulting Age of Darkness.

At the start of a mission, when a Legionary is selecting their gear, they may swap their standard Godwyn-pattern bolter or bolt pistol for any of the following, according to taste. A listing of each Bolter type is below.

Godwyn / Ultima MK4: Introduced at the end of the Age of Darkness, this pattern of bolt weapon contains a built-in fire selector, and would become the standard of all bolters over the next ten thousand years. This is the standard bolt weapon found in Deathwatch Core.

Phobos Pattern: Phobos pattern bolt weaponry was developed alongside Mk.2 “Crusade” Armor, and suits its short-range style. Phobos-pattern bolt weapons gain +2 damage at Short Range or closer.

Umbra Pattern: The standard bolter in use for much of the later Great Crusade, Umbra-pattern contains a free built-in Melee Attachment (Chain).

Umbra-Ferrox Pattern: Augmented by Techmarines during the Great Crusade and into the Horus Heresy for Legionaries expected to be out of contact and supply range, this pattern of bolt weapon contains a built-in Targeter and Extended Magazine. There is no bolt pistol in this pattern.

Tigris Pattern: The Forge World of Tigris produces a bolt weapon variant that, while slightly lower in killing power, maintains a fully automatic high rate of fire and better integration into power armor targeting. Up to one penalty to the Legionary’s Ballistics Test is negated when wielding a Tigris-Pattern Bolter.



Name	Class	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special	Req	Renown
Phoenix Spear (Charge) (Normal)	Melee	-	-	1d10+12E	12	-	-	Power Field, Balanced	35	Distinguished
				1d10+6E	8			Power Field, Balanced		
The Cacophony	Heavy	250m	S/2/-	2d10+9E	4	10	4 Full	Overheats, Pinning, Bio-Psychic Shock	40	Distinguished
Vigil-Pattern Storm Shield	Melee	-	-	1d10I	0	-	-	Defensive, Power Field	50	Distinguished
Solarite Power Gauntlet	Melee	-	-	2d10E	15	-	-	Power Field, Unwieldy.	50	Distinguished
Iliastus Pattern Assault Cannon	Heavy	150m	-/-/10	2d10+12I	6	200	3 Full	Devastating (1), Tearing, Malfunction	30	Distinguished
Nostraman Chainglaise	Melee	-	-	1d10+8R	8	-	-	Tearing, Razor Sharp	40	Distinguished
Caedere Meteor Hammer	Melee	-	-	1d10+12I	4	-	-	Unbalanced, Concussive	35	“Distinguished”
Caedere Excoriator Chainaxe	Melee	-	-	1d10+8R	8	-	-	Unwieldy, Tearing	30	“Distinguished”
Caedere Falax Blades	Melee	-	-	1d10+4R	4	-	-	Razor Sharp	40	“Distinguished”
Caedere Barb-Hook Lash	Melee	-	-	1d10+2R	4	-	-	Fleshbane	25	“Distinguished”
Legatine Axe	Melee	-	-	1d10+7R	12	-	-	Power Field, Balanced, Cutting Strike	30	Distinguished
Power Scythe	Melee	-	-	1d10+7R	12	-	-	Power Field, Unbalanced, Reaping Blow	30	Distinguished
Assault Grenade Launcher (Krak) (Toxin)	Basic	60m	S/2/-	3d10+4X	6	12	2 Full	-	30	Distinguished
		60m	S/2/-	1d10+3E	6	12	2 Full	Blast (3), Toxic, Corrosive		
Axe-Rake	Melee	-	-	1d10+6R	2	-	-	Unbalanced, Grapple	20	Distinguished
Dragonscale Storm Shield	Melee	-	-	1d10I	0	-	-	Defensive, Power Field	40	Distinguished
Pyroclast Flame Projector (Dispersed) (Focused)	Basic	20m	S/-/-	1d10+9E	4	6	2 Full	Flame, Spray	35	Distinguished
		20m	S/-/-	2d10+8E	12			Melta		
Raven Talons	Melee	-	-	1d10+8E	8	-	-	Power Field, Tearing, Razor Sharp	60	Distinguished
Power Dagger	Melee	-	-	1d10E	6	-	-	Power Field, Razor Sharp, Fast	15	Respected
Venom Sphere	Thrown	SBx3	S/-/-	1d10+5X	0	-	-	Blast (3), Toxic, Envenomed	15	Distinguished
Venom Sphere Harness	Basic	20m	-/-/-	1d10+5X	0	-	2 Full	Blast (3), Toxic, Envenomed, One Shot	25	Distinguished
Blade of Perdition	Melee	-	-	1d10+6E	12	-	-	Power Field, Master-Crafted, Deathfire	60	Famed
Power Glaive (One Handed) (Two Handed)	Melee	-	-	1d10+8E	8	-	-	Power Field	35	Distinguished
				1d10+10E	10			Power Field, Tearing		
Terranic Greatsword	Melee	-	-	1d10+10E	12	-	-	Power Field, Instant Death	75	Distinguished

Calibanite War Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+6E	8	-	-	Power Field, Balanced	25	Distinguished
Plasma Repeater	Basic	30m	S/3/6	1d10+10E	10	60	4 Full	Volatile, Overheats, Maximal	40	Distinguished
Stasis Grenade	Thrown	SBx3	S/-/-	1d10+3E	0	-	-	Blast (2), Stasis Anomaly	10	Distinguished
Stasis Missile	Missile	-	S/-/-	1d10+9E	0	-	-	Blast (4), Stasis Anomaly	15	Distinguished
Frost Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+11E	9	-	-	Power Field, Balanced	60	Famed
Frost Axe	Melee	-	-	1d10+14E	12	-	-	Power Field, Unbalanced, Tearing	65	Famed
Frost Claw	Melee	-	-	1d10+8E	8	-	-	Power Field, Proven (4), Tearing	45/60	Famed
Great Frost Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+9E	12	-	-	Power Field, Unbalanced, Reaping Blow	60	Famed
Yimira-Class Stasis Bomb	Thrown	SBx2	S/-/-	1d10+6E	12	-	-	Blast (3), Pinning, Overheats, Fleshbane	25	Distinguished
Aether-Fire Cannon	Heavy	150m	S/-/-	2d10+12E	10	12	5 Full	Blast (3), Volatile, Maximal, Soul Blaze	40	Famed
Rapier Platform	Heavy	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	20	Distinguished

LEGIONARY WEAPONRY

Each Legion would, over time, bear certain signature pieces of wargear that emphasized particular aspects of their battle doctrines or origins. A number of Legionary specialized weaponry is detailed below. A Legionary who selects a Legionary Weapon is automatically proficient in its use. Note that, while each weapon may only be requisitioned by a Legionary of the specific Legion detailed, these are **NOT** Relics!

PHOENIX SPEAR (EMPEROR'S CHILDREN)

Forged in imitation of the spears of the Legio Custodes, the Phoenix spear is an elegant weapon for a more civilized age. The Emperor's Children who bear it are considered duelists beyond compare.

This weapon has two profiles – the first is used during the first round of combat, when a character charges, and the second is used in subsequent rounds. A Phoenix Spear is **ALWAYS** wielded two-handed.

THE CACOPHONY (EMPEROR'S CHILDREN)

This...thing should not be a weapon. It is a psycho-sonic projector, Imperial technology wielded with xenos, and enhanced by the warp itself. It fires blastwaves of sound that reveal the target's unprotected mind to the waiting creatures of the

Warp. It is these weapons that would evolve into the dreaded Sonic weapons over ten thousand years.

Biopsychic Shock: For every hit that successfully inflicts wounds, the target must make a Challenging (+0) Fellowship test, with a penalty equal to 5x the number of wounds suffered. For example, suffering 3 wounds is a -15 penalty. If this test is failed, the target must roll 1d10. If the result is greater than his Fellowship bonus, the target dies like a bitch, unless they are immune to instant death in some way (Touched by the Fates, some sort of Eternal Warrior, etc). If the target does not have a Fellowship score (a vehicle, for instance), or has the Fearless talent, this weapon quality has no effect.

VIGIL-PATTERN STORM SHIELD (IMPERIAL FISTS)

The first true storm shield was pioneered, fittingly, by the Imperial Fists, masters of fortification. Entering service after Ullanor, production of only a few hundred were completed, assigned to elite Terminator squads, before all hell broke loose.

A Vigil-Pattern Storm Shield adds 4 AP to wielding Arm and Body. It suffers an additional -10 penalty if used to hit, and makes Guarded Attack as a Half Action. Power fields behind slabs of ceramite also grant the bearer a PR60 protective field, overloading according to quality as normal.

SOLARITE POWER GAUNTLET (IMPERIAL FISTS)

An augmented power fist that doubles as the symbol of office of Imperial Fist commanders, these weapons call to mind the Solerite gauntlets of the Legio Custodes and the weapons of the ancient Thunder Warriors. While its strength was equivalent to a normal power fist, its power fields could cut through armor far more efficiently.

A Solarite Power Gauntlet increases the value of the user's Unnatural Strength Trait by 1, but imposes a -20 penalty on any tests that require manual dexterity.

ILIASTUS PATTERN ASSAULT CANNON (IMPERIAL FISTS, BLOOD ANGELS)

The first man-portable variant of the Assault Cannon, the Iliastus packs the same punch as the vehicle-mounted Kheres-pattern, but at a lower rate of fire. Able to be used without Terminator armor, the weapon was a revolution of long-range fire support. At the time of the Horus Heresy, techno-cults were still trying to fix the occasional malfunctions...

Malfunction: This weapon irreparably breaks on a roll of 98-100. Every subsequent round the weapon is fired, add +2 to the range (For example, the next round, it would break on an 96-100 and so on). Once broken, the weapon is useless, and cannot be used again. The Malfunction range resets at the end of the combat encounter.

NOSTRAMAN CHAINGLAIVE (NIGHT LORDS)

A special Chainglaive used by the Night Lords, the Nostraman Chainglaive is optimized for rending, bloodshed, and flaying – the ideal weapon for such a terrifying legion. A Nostraman Chainglaive is ALWAYS wielded two-handed.

CAEDERE WEAPONS (WORLD EATERS)

The Primarch Angron never forgot his gladiatorial roots, and these Caedere weapons are reflections of those once used in the fighting pits of Nuceria. Brutal and unsubtle, the Caedere weapons found their greatest effect in the hands of the Legion's growing masses of mindless berzerkers.

A Meteor Hammer imposes a -10 penalty on dodge and parry tests, and is ALWAYS wielded two-handed.

An Excoriator Chainaxe is ALWAYS wielded two-handed, and grants the bearer the effects of the Flesh Render talent if he does not already possess it.

Twin Falax Blades are always requisitioned in pairs, require the Two Weapon Wielder (Melee) Talent, and increase the number of attacks the bearer makes by one (For example, a Legionary with the Swift Attack talent may make three attacks with one hand, and four attacks with one hand with the Lightning Attack talent. He is still limited to one attack action with his other hand.)

Barb-hook Lashes require only one hand to use.

LEGATINE AXE (ULTRAMARINES)

Created according to exacting specifications of the Rowboat himself, the Legatine Axe is a perfectly balanced power weapon that trades offensive power for speed and skill.

Cutting Strike: When scoring Righteous Fury, this weapon ignores the enemy's Toughness Bonus.

POWER SCYTHE (DEATH GUARD)

A much-maligned pattern of power weapon, the Power Scythe never caught on with any legion outside the Death Guard. These "manreapers" would proceed to reap a bloody harvest in the Age of Darkness. A Power Scythe is ALWAYS wielded two-handed

Reaping Blow: Such is the unwieldiness of the Power Scythe that the bearer suffers a penalty of -1 when rolling Initiative at the start of a combat encounter. However, if the bearer is in melee with more than one enemy, he increases the number of attacks he makes by one. For example, a Legionary with the Swift Attack talent may make three attacks with one hand, and four attacks with one hand with the Lightning Attack talent.

ASSAULT GRENADE LAUNCHER (DEATH GUARD)

A short-ranged, belt fed grenade launcher, this is a smaller variant of weapons usually equipped on vehicles. Wielded by the legion's Grave Warden Terminators, the launcher held normal krak rounds, but also corrosive toxins and acids.

Assault Grenade Launchers require Terminator Armor to use. One type of round may be used per round – you cannot mix a Toxin Round and a Krak Round as part of the same attack. Toxin Rounds and Krak rounds are stored in separate magazines, and reloaded independently. Toxin rounds from an Assault Grenade Launcher ignore armor points granted by cover.

AXE-RAKE

(WORD BEARERS)

A reinforced axe with a grappling barb, the Axe-Rake was the signature weapon of the Word Bearers' Ashen Circle. Its once noble purpose of tearing down false idols has been altered to drag down hapless retreating victims.

Grapple: If an enemy tries to leave melee combat, be it via the Disengage action, Charging out, or just having the sheer balls to WALK out of melee, the bearer may, as a Reaction, make a Weapon Skill test. If this test is successful, the enemy stays put. There is no escape.

DRAGONS SCALE STORM SHIELD

(SALAMANDERS)

The second legion to experiment with Storm Shields would be the Salamanders, master of artifice. Their Dragonscale Storm Shields augmented existing fields rather than producing a strong one of its own, which was more than enough for the tough sons of Vulkan.

A Dragonscale Storm Shield adds 4 AP to wielding Arm and Body. It suffers an additional -10 penalty if used to hit, and makes Guarded Attack as a Half Action. Power fields behind slabs of ceramite also grant the bearer a PR30 protective field, overloading according to quality as normal, or increase the value of any protective fields the bearer already possesses by +15, to a maximum of PR60.

PYROCLAST FLAME PROJECTOR

(SALAMANDERS)

Crafted by the hand of Vulkan himself, these flamers were found most often amongst Vulkan's Pyroclasts, the unit he formed when his gentle heart could not stomach Destroyers. Capable of dispersing flame in wide arcs, and in focused beams, the Pyroclast Flame Projector embodies the ultimate in flame-based purification.

RAVEN TALONS

(RAVEN GUARD)

Unique variants of Lightning Claws, used only by the elusive Raven Guard, the Raven Talons are bestowed to Legionary officers and specialist units as a mark of honor.

Raven Talons are requisitioned as a pair, and inflict +2 Damage per Degree of Success. Each is very bulky, and cannot be used for any but the most basic manipulative tasks (for example, one could not use a weapon or pick up a quill, but may be able to manipulate a heavy iron girder). Raven Talons are

automatically Master-Crafted, and the damage bonus has already been included. Do mind the +10 bonus to Weapon Skill yourself, though!

POWER DAGGER

(ALPHA LEGION)

One of the tiniest power weapons available, the Power Dagger is an easily concealable weapon that still maintains the cutting field of a power weapon.

VENOM SPHERE

(ALPHA LEGION)

The veterans of the Alpha Legion were known to swear upon these strange spheres, which spread shards of toxic crystal into hapless enemies. They were rumored to be derived from xenos technology, but, like all Alpha Legion accounts, this is a lie.

Envenomed: If an enemy suffers at least one wound from this weapon, or the Toxic quality it possesses, the next melee attack by the Legionary or an ally will inflict additional damage equal to the Legionary's unmodified Strength bonus.

VENOM SPHERE HARNESS

(ALPHA LEGION)

So, you know the Venom Sphere, right? And the Grenade Harness? Well, what happens if, wait for it, we COMBINE them?



BLADE OF PERDITION

(BLOOD ANGELS)

The Blood Angels' tactical doctrine centered around a concept called the Fires of Heaven, the use of shock assaults to shatter enemies in one blow. The Blade of Perdition epitomized this, burning away enemies in one swift strike. A Blade of Perdition is ALWAYS wielded two-handed, and is automatically Master-Crafted (the damage bonus has already been included). Do mind the +10 bonus to Weapon Skill yourself, though!

Deathfire: After applying the enemy's armor and toughness bonus, any remaining damage is doubled. Righteous Fury, if scored, is applied after this doubling.

POWER GLAIVE (WHITE SCARS)

Based on ancient pole weapons of Mundus Planus, the world that would be renamed Chogoris, the Power Glaive, or “Rising Moon Blade” to give its weeaboo name, is capable of great force as well as graceful sweeps.

A Power Glaive has two profiles – the first is used if the weapon is wielded one-handed. The second is used if the weapon is wielded with two hands. The Legionary may swap between profiles as he deems fit during attacks.

TERRANIC GREATSWORD (DARK ANGELS)

The Dark Angels, the First Legion, would provide templates to many future Legions, in their ways of war. Their weapons, however, remained solely their own. The Terranic Greatsword, once used in the Unification Wars of Ancient Terra, now finds new foes amongst the stars. A Terranic Greatsword is **ALWAYS** wielded two-handed.

Instant Death: After suffering at least one wound from this weapon, the enemy must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test or die like a bitch, unless they are immune to instant death in some way (Touched by the Fates, some sort of Eternal Warrior, etc.).

CALIBANITE WAR BLADE (DARK ANGELS)

Mixing Terran technology with Calibanite legacy, the Calibanite War Blade is a power sword modeled after the knightly weapons of Caliban, designed to slay great beasts, and later, other Legionaries.

PLASMA REPEATER (DARK ANGELS)

Capable of outputting large amounts of plasma at the cost of overheating, a Legionary with a plasma repeater can outgun three of his brothers with conventional plasma weapons, although at a far closer range than one would normally like.

STASIS GRENADE (DARK ANGELS)

Stasis weapons create bubbles of slow-time. While the charge for a disposable weapon system is

nowhere near powerful enough to create a permanent bubble, the Dark Angels can adeptly use the borrowed time to strike their enemies down.

Stasis Anomaly: A target hit by a weapon with this quality suffers a penalty of -10 to their Weapon Skill and Agility until the start of the Legionary's next round. The target does not need to be wounded for this quality to trigger, but it would be nice!

STASIS MISSILE (DARK ANGELS)

Upscaled and vehicle-capable, the Stasis Missile can be found in Heavy Support squads as well as aboard dedicated fire support aircraft. It hits harder than the grenade, too.

FROST WEAPONS (SPACE WOLVES)

The Frost Weapons of the Space Wolves were their attempt to copy their Primarch's blade, a gift from the Emperor, using materials native to Fenris, like the teeth of the Krakens below the world's seas. Forged in a variety of forms, a Legionary could select the Frost Weapon that best represented their personal style.

A Frost Blade and Frost Axe are both wielded one-handed.

A Frost Claw is requisitioned as a single claw for the first cost, and as a pair for the second. Frost Claws inflict +1 Damage per Degree of Success for a single claw, and +2 for a pair. Each is very bulky, and cannot be used for any but the most basic manipulative tasks (for example, one could not use a weapon or pick up a quill, but may be able to manipulate a heavy iron girder).

A Great Frost Blade is **ALWAYS** wielded two-handed, and is automatically Master-Crafted (the damage bonus has already been included). Do mind the +10 bonus to Weapon Skill yourself, though!

YIMIRA-CLASS STASIS BOMB (SPACE WOLVES)

Relics of a bloodbath so intense that only Leman Russ and his Varagyr remember it, these stasis weapons can not only freeze its targets in time, but freeze them out of phase with existence. They are just as dangerous to their wielders, however, so do take care when around allies.

AETHER-FIRE CANNON (THOUSAND SONS)

The Thousand Sons could not keep their dicks in their power armor when it came to their psychic

powers, but their weapons were no slouch either. The Pyrae Cult, the Legion's top artificers, one day modified a plasma cannon to shoot soul-blazing energy with the help of the Magi of Zhao-Arkhad, known for mixing conventional weapons with psychic bullshit.

Soul Blaze: When an enemy is hit by a weapon with this quality, the enemy must test Willpower, or catch fire. This fire inflicts 1d10+4 damage, wounding vs Willpower.

RAPIER PLATFORM (GENERAL)

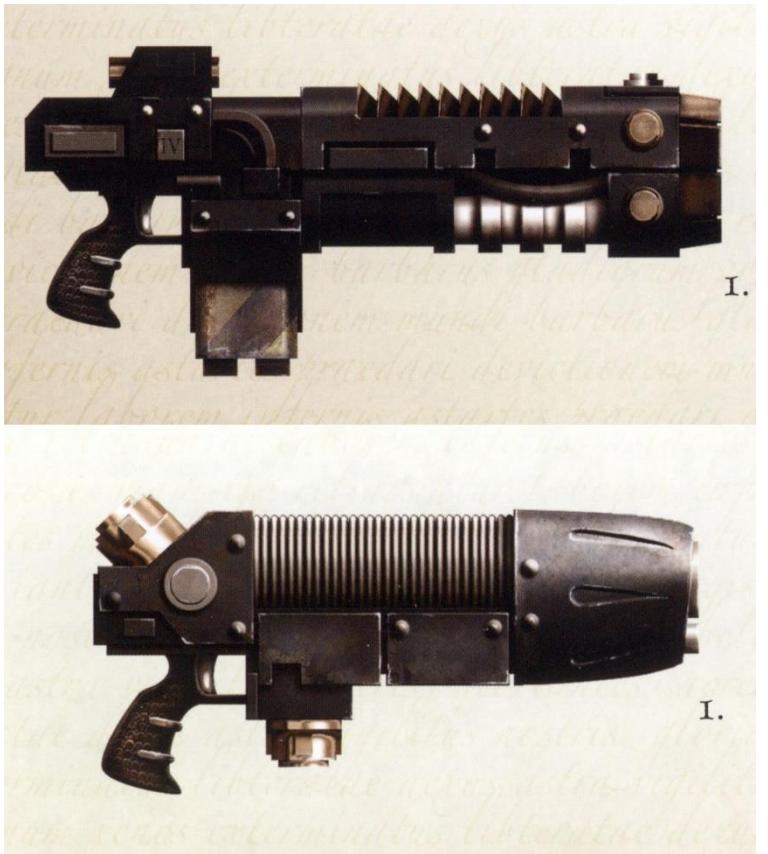
A Rapier Platform allows for a Legionary to use and transport weapons normally limited to vehicles. It is a customizable and easily transported mobile platform that can provide heavy fire support to a squad. Rapiers have T60 and 30 wounds, with Size (Hulking), Fearless, Machine (10), Strange Physiology, Unnatural Toughness x2, Ag Bonus (4) for movement.

Rapiers cannot take actions independent of the controller, but otherwise can be commanded to move by the user, dividing actions as normal. A Rapier Remote Control has range of 500m. Rapiers must be fixed with a -10 Tech Use test, each DoS restoring 1 wound. They explode at 0 wounds.

Firing a Rapier's weapon counts as the character's attack. Rapiers be equipped with weapons from the following list, increasing the cost accordingly.

Sunder: Damage dice may be rerolled. The second result stands.

Additional Rapier Weapons	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special	Requisition Cost Increase
Quad Launcher (Frag)	300m	-/-/4	2d10+2X	4	40	5 Full	Blast (3), Indirect, Shell-Shock	+20
			(Shatter)	3d10+10X	6		Indirect, Sunder	
Graviton Cannon	45m	S/-/-	*	-	5	3 Full	Blast (5), Concussive, Haywire, Graviton Pulse	+45
Quad Heavy Bolter	300m	-/-/6	1d10+12X	5	400	2 Full	Tearing, Storm, Twin-Linked	+30
Laser Destroyer	200m	S/-/-	6d10+12E	14	10	4 Full	Proven (4), Twin-Linked	+30



LEGIONARY WARGEAR

In addition to their weapons, the likes of which would rarely be seen again over ten thousand years, the Legions could call upon a number of different types of wargear that fit their methods of battle. Be it special types of ammunition, unique techno-arcana, or other sort of bizarre gear, the Legions prepared themselves for every eventuality – except for half of their number going traitor.

Only half prepared for that.

If a piece of wargear says General, it is capable of being requisitioned by Legionaries of any Legion, though it may be available only to certain Specializations. If a specific Legion is listed, only Legionaries of that Legion may select that piece of Wargear.

Name	Req	Renown
Augury Scanner	25	Respected
Cognis Signum	35	Distinguished
Cortex Controller	50	Distinguished
Cortex Designator	50	Distinguished
Cyber-Familiar	40	Distinguished
Machinator Array	50	Distinguished
Nuncio-Vox	15	Distinguished
Refractor Field	25	Distinguished
Scorpius Bolts	15/Mag	-
Shrapnel Bolts	15/Mag	-
Omni-Scope	50	Distinguished
Peritarch Targeter	60	Distinguished
Chem-Munitions	15/Mag	Respected
Banestrike Bolts	15/Mag	Distinguished
Tainted Weapon Blessing	30	Distinguished
Infravisor	15	Respected
Cyber-Hawk	20	Distinguished
Molecular Acid Shells	25/Mag	Distinguished
Healing Balms	-	-
Garm-Blood Vial	-	-
Runic Matrix	-	-
Arcane Litanies	20	Distinguished
Asphyx Shells	15/Mag	Respected

AUGURY SCANNER

(GENERAL)

Type: Equipment

An Augury Scanner is an auspex specially designed to detect incoming and concealed enemies. As a Full Action, the bearer may perform a Challenging (+0) Tech Use test, to reveal the position, but not composition or equipment, of concealed enemies within 60m. The Augury Scanner also functions with a passive mode – if enemies teleport into combat

against the bearer, or deep strike with any other method like Drop Pods, within 60m of the bearer, the bearer and his allies do not count as Surprised.

COGNIS SIGNUM

(GENERAL)

Type: Equipment

The forerunner of the Signum of the 41st Millennium, the Cognis Signum was just entering service among specialized Consuls, who could make best use of its sensoria, telemetry arrays, and battlefield data compilations. As a Half Action, the bearer of a Cognis Signum may perform a Challenging (+0) Tech Use test, to grant all allied Legionaries, or one Asset, within 15m a +10 bonus to Ballistic Skill. This half action counts as an attack action, so the Legionary may not fire his own weapons when buffing his allies.

A Cognis Signum is standard-issue wargear for Centurion Consul Masters of Signal, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

CORTEX CONTROLLER

(GENERAL)

Type: Cybernetic

The Cortex Controller is a cybernetic that allows the bearer to command and control Battle Automata of the Legio Cybernetica, seeing what they see and experiencing what they experience. Only the greatest of Techmarines can hope to interpret the storm of data Battle Automata produce.

The bearer of a Cortex Controller may control up to two Vorax, OR one Castellax, OR one Domitar-Ferrum Battle Automata. As a Half Action, the bearer may allow controlled Battle Automata within 30m to enact their own two Half actions as normal, without being subject to the Programmed Behavior rule. This half action counts as an attack, so the bearer may not perform Attack actions himself. Without spending this Half Action, Battle Automata are limited to a single half action on the bearer's turn.

If the bearer has purchased a Battle Automata as a Follower, then the Battle Automata always enacts its own two Half-Actions as normal as long as it remains within Cortex Controller range, with no test of any kind required for the bearer.

Cortex Controllers are automatically granted to Legion Centurions with the Praevian Consul specialization. They may be requisitioned by Legionaries of the Iron Warriors Legion, at the given cost.

Cortex Designator

(GENERAL)

Type: Cybernetic

Synching up to a Cortex Controller, the Cortex Designator allows Legionaries to better direct their metal charges. When the bearer of a Cortex Designator successfully hits an enemy with an attack of any kind, any Battle Automata he has purchased or requisitioned may reroll failed Weapon Skill and Ballistic Skill tests against that same enemy. The bearer's attack need not wound or cause damage, only hit.

A Cortex Designator is standard-issue wargear for Centurion Consul Praevians, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

Cyber-Familiar

(GENERAL)

Type: Cybernetic

Often taking the forms of small skulls, adorable little spiders, or tiny tentacle drones, based on the user's preference, Cyber-Familiars assist their masters with their no doubt important works. A Cyber-Familiar increases the potency of any protective fields the user has by +15 (to a maximum of 60), or if the user has no protective field, grants them a PR20 Field (Overload 1-10). In addition, they allow their user to reroll failed Exploration and Crafting skills. If the field overloads, the familiar is KO'd, but not killed. Its benefits are lost until it can be fixed with a Very Hard (-30) Tech Use test. I don't think it was ever alive anyway.

Cyber-Familiars may only be requisitioned by Legionaries with the Techmarine specialization, or of the Iron Hands Legion, at the given cost.

Machinator Array

(GENERAL)

Type: Cybernetic

Enhancing a Techmarine's cyber-mantle and potential coil, the Machinator Array improves the Legionary's survivability and combat capabilities. Far more complex than a mere servo rig, the Techmarine's senses are strained to their limits, mastering their new appendages.

A Machinator Array improves the bearer's Strength and Toughness by +10, but reduces their Agility and Fellowship by -5. The Machinator Array increases the bearers weight by 3x normal, and imposes a -10 to Move Silently tests. It incorporates two servo arms, one Astartes Hand Flamer, and one Astartes Infernus Pistol. Finally, the Machinator Array grants

a +20 bonus when the Techmarine uses his Battlesmith Talent.

Machinator Arrays may only be requisitioned by Legionaries with the Techmarine specialization, at the given cost.

Nuncio-Vox

(GENERAL)

Type: Equipment

Teleportation assaults had not yet been perfected during the Great Crusade, with only the Sons of Horus, Imperial Fists, and Night Lords making heavy use of nascent teleportation technology. For everyone else, calling down support the long and hard way was the only way. As a Free Action, the bearer may make a Challenging (+0) Tech Use test. If he succeeds, he may cause Assets arriving by Deep Strike to not scatter, but land at an exact point as determined by the bearer, or he may cause an Indirect Barrage Asset, such as a Whirlwind Scorpius strike, to not scatter. The bearer must be the one summoning the Asset for this wargear to have any effect.

Refractor Field

(GENERAL)

Type: Force Field

A small device which generates a protective field around the user, a Refractor Field is capable of saving the wearer's life by dispersing the energy from a potentially life-threatening shot. A Refractor Field has a Protection Rating of 30, and overloads on a roll of 1-10. The Refractor Field follows the normal rules for field craftsmanship and overloading.

Scorpius Bolts

(GENERAL)

Type: Ammunition

Individually crafted by Techmarines and hand-loaded into bolters, Scorpius Bolts use a two-stage warhead to guide a vaporizing sabot-dart into a target. Very complex.

Scorpius Bolts may be loaded into any bolt weapon. The weapon's Rate of Fire is reduced to S/-, but all shots apply the benefits of the Flesh Render talent, even if the Legionary does not possess the talent, and are resolved at Pen 12.

Sonic Shriekers

(EMPEROR'S CHILDREN)

Type: Armor Upgrade

At the very end of the Great Crusade, the last time the Emperor's Children could be called sane, the Sonic Shriekers in use by certain units would become

weirder and weirder as time went on, as the warp itself seeped into them. Sonic Shriekers inflict a penalty of -10 to Weapon Skill tests against enemies the bearer is in melee with. If an enemy possesses the Fearless talent or From Beyond trait, this wargear has no effect.

SHRAPNEL BOLTS (IRON WARRIORS)

Type: Ammunition

Modified by the Iron Warriors to force enemies into cover, this same cover would then be destroyed by allied artillery strikes.

Shrapnel Bolts may be loaded into Heavy Bolters. The weapon's penetration is reduced to 4, but enemies targeted by an attack with Shrapnel Bolts must test for Pinning. The attack need not hit or wound.

OMNI-SCOPE (IRON WARRIORS)

Type: Equipment

An optical scanner slaved to cogitator armor, an Omni-Scope allows a Legionary to split his fire between multiple targets at no loss of efficiency. An Omni-Scope allows a Terminator-armored Legionary to fire their Cyclone Missile Launcher as a Free Action at a target of the bearer's choice. They may fire their normal weaponry at a separate target of their choice as a normal attack action. Omni-Scopes require Cataphractii Terminator Armor to function.

An Omni-Scope is standard-issue wargear for Iron Warriors Tyrant Siege Masters, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

PERITARCH TARGETER (ULTRAMARINES)

Type: Equipment

Whatever Perturabo does, Rowboat had to prove he could do better. The Peritarch Targeters of the Fulmentarus squads grew in capability the more allies were nearby, and the more Peritarch Targeters were possessed by a squad. If there are at least three allies within 15m, the bearer and allies' attacks add their Ballistic Skill Bonus to the penetration value of their weapon against vehicles, and enemies with the Daemon Engine trait. If there are at least five allies within 15m, the bearer and allies' attacks ignore up to four points of cover the enemy benefits from. If another ally also possesses a Peritarch Targeter, he counts as two allies for the number of allies nearby. Summoned Assets do not count as allies for the purposes of this wargear.

A Peritarch Targeter is standard-issue wargear for Ultramarines Fulmentarus Decurions, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

CHEM-MUNITIONS (DEATH GUARD)

Type: Ammunition

Alchemical masters all, the Death Guard were known to seed their flame weaponry with terrible toxins, creating a larger danger to both their enemies and themselves. Only Phosphex would prove worse.

Chem-Munitions may be loaded into any Hand Flamer, Flamer, Heavy Flamer, or Flamestorm Cannon. The weapon gains the Tearing, Toxic, and Overheats qualities.

BANESTRIKE BOLTS (SONS OF HORUS, ALPHA LEGION)

Type: Ammunition

The Alpha Legion spearheaded a secret project, one of many - the design of a new type of bolt round, one that could breach power armor ceramite. While damaging the weapon over time, the ability to take down other Legionaries with relative ease was a worthwhile investment.

Banestrike Bolts may be loaded into any Bolt Pistol, or Bolter. The range of Bolt Pistols of any pattern are reduced by 10m, and the range of Bolters of any pattern are reduced by 30m. When scoring Righteous Fury, the hit is resolved at Pen 8.

TAINTED WEAPON BLESSING (WORD BEARERS)

Type: Weapon Upgrade

By applying terrible sorceries to their weapon, the very power of the warp can be channeled into killing strikes. The Tainted Weapon Blessing can be applied to any non-relic weapon possessing the Power Field quality. The weapon's penetration is reduced to 0, but the weapon gains the Instant Death quality.

INFRAVISOR (RAVEN GUARD)

Type: Equipment

The Raven Guard, masters of infiltration after the return of Corax, gravitated towards tools that allowed them to remain unseen. The Infravisor, the predecessor to the future Preysense Goggle, would serve them well. The Infravisor grants the Dark Sight trait and +30 to vision-based Perception tests in darkness, but the test to avoid blindness from Photon Flash or Nova Grenades is Arduous (-40) instead of Challenging (+0).



CYBER-HAWK (WHITE SCARS)

Type: Cybernetic

A catchall term for cybernetically modified hawks, eagles, falcons, pigeons, chickens, you name it, the Cyber-Hawk feeds its master targeting telemetry, so that they never miss. The Cyber-Hawk may be deployed as a free action, and proceeds to fly high in the air beyond enemy counter-attack. As a Free Action, it may be commanded to focus on a specific enemy with a Challenging (+0) Tracking test. The Cyber-hawk's controller may reroll missed Ballistic Skill tests of up to 1 Degree of Failure against the targeted enemy.

MOLECULAR ACID SHELLS (DARK ANGELS)

Type: Ammunition

Able to burn through armor, Molecular Acid shells contain potent toxins that can melt flesh as well as ceramite. Molecular Acid Shells may be loaded into Heavy Bolters. The weapon's strength is set to 1d10, the weapon's Pen is set to 1d10, and the weapon gains the Toxic and Corrosive qualities.

HEALING BALMS (SPACE WOLVES)

Type: Equipment

Biogenic and alchemical tinctures, masked in Fenrisian rituals, Space Wolf Speakers of the Dead use these to aid their wounded brethren. While not as efficient as the drugs of a Narthecium, a local remedy is often preferable to an outsiders'. Healing Balms provide a +20 bonus to medicae tests, and raises the Threshold at which a Legionary is lightly wounded to 2x his Toughness Bonus. First Aid Medicae Tests restore 1d5 additional wounds.

Healing Balms are standard-issue wargear for Space Wolf Speakers for the Dead, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

GARM-BLOOD VIAL (SPACE WOLVES)

Type: Weapon Upgrade

Representing the ability to take life as easily as one can give it, the Garm-Blood vial contains poisonous viscera from a terrible predator of Fenris. Garm-Blood Vials may be used on any melee weapon without a power field, to grant it the Toxic and Razor Sharp qualities. The Garm-Blood Vial may also be thrown as a weapon with the following profile (SBx3, S/1d5+1/-, 1d5E Pen 0, Toxic, One Use).

A Garm-Blood Vial is standard-issue wargear for Space Wolf Speakers for the Dead, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

RUNIC MATRIX (SPACE WOLVES)

Type: Equipment

Space Wolf Casters of Runes don't quite harness the Warp, they harness the "World Spirit of Fenris," which most people took to mean hypocritical warp usage, until Wrath of Magnus blew those people the fuck out. A Runic Matrix controls the inflow and outflow of warp energy regardless. A Runic Matrix allows the bearer to reroll failed Willpower tests to resist Psychic Powers granted by Abhor the Witch talent. However, they may only add a maximum of +2 to their Psy Rating when pushing.

A Runic Matrix is standard-issue wargear for Space Wolf Casters of Runes, and may not be requisitioned in normal circumstances.

ARCANE LITANIES (THOUSAND SONS)

Type: Equipment

Arcane Litanies are designed as a failsafe if something goes wrong when manifesting a psychic power. When manifesting a psychic power, if a Legionary with Arcane Litanies generates Perils of the Warp for the first time, he may ignore the result.

The Arcane Litanies are lost when this happens.
Arcane Litanies do not protect against general
Psychic Phenomena. Arcane Litanies can only be
selected once per Legionary.

ASPHYX SHELLS (THOUSAND SONS)

Type: Equipment

Toxic shells designed to protect against the Psyker-hunting Psychneuein, Asphyx Shells are remarkable for their versatility and lethality.

Asphyx Shells may be loaded into any Bolt Pistol, Bolter, or Rotor Cannon. The weapon gains the Toxic and Tearing quality. If the weapon already possessed the Tearing quality, the Legionary may apply the benefits of the Flesh Render talent, even if he does not possess it.

LEGIONARY ARMOR

"Sod the training, I'll get the hang of it!"

-Space Wolf Praetor "Felleye" Brynjol tries out Tartaros Terminator Armor for the first time.

At the start of the Great Crusade, the standard Armor marks were Mk.2 Crusade and Mk.3 Iron armor. The Mk.4 Maximus armor was seen as the hottest shit, far more advanced and comfortable than previous marks. As the Great Crusade gave way to the Age of Darkness, Legionaries found themselves butchering spare parts to repair their armors, creating the ad-hoc Mk.5 Heresy Pattern. The newest armor, Mk.6 Corvus, was still in testing by select units of the Raven Guard, though the Alpha Legion also had some, while the newest variant, Mk.7 Aquila, was spirited from Mars just as the world fell, and would make its grand debut on the battlefields of Old Terra. These are not the only patterns, however. Many Legions, like the Ultramarines and Thousand Sons, had their own unique patterns, that would spread throughout their Legion as time went on.

Terminator armor underwent similar evolution. Terminator Armor patterns like the Cataphractii and Aquilon Patterns were developed alongside Mk.3, and Tartaros developed soon after, alongside Mk.4. The "newest" Terminator pattern, Indomitus, was being field-tested by the Iron Hands, and the death of their Primarch cruelly cut testing short before all the bugs could be ironed out.

Armor selection during the great Crusade, is therefore different than Deathwatch Core. The following table is used for armor selection instead. The first column is a standard ten-sided die to roll. The second column is for most legions to roll on, while the second is for Raven Guard and Alpha Legion, who had access to the new Mk.6 "Corvus" Pattern. Depending on how late one wishes to play in the Great Crusade and Age of Darkness, Mk.7 Aquila armor may be available, issued by the defenders of Terra, but it may never be started with.

Dice Roll	Armor Mark (Standard)	Armor Mark (RG + AL)
1-2	2 "Crusade"	2 "Crusade"
3-4	3 "Iron"	3 "Iron"
5-8	4 "Maximus"	4 "Maximus"
9	5 "Heresy"	5 "Heresy"
10	5 "Heresy"	6 "Corvus"

During character generation, if a Legion with special armor detailed in this chapter rolls an armor type compatible with one of their Legion armor variants, they may switch out their standard armor for their Legion Armor. For example, if a Thousand Son Legionary generates Mk.4 "Maximus" for himself, he may keep his Maximus Armor, or select Achean Armor as his armor. When purchasing armor through a Signature Wargear talent, such as Artificer Armor, the Legionary may switch out the standard Artificer armor for any Artificer Patterns specific to their Legion.

Due to the fact that all armor at this time was newly forged for each Legionary, **no Armor Mark generates an Armor History**. The Age of Darkness were when these histories were first forged, and if a GM determines that a set of armor meets their criteria for a History, such as scavenging Mk6 parts for application on one's Mk4, then it is up to them and the player on applying it.

Terminator armor is also slightly different. Terminator armor during the Great Crusade was seen as just another tool, used usually by veterans. The Crux Terminatus did not exist at this time.

Terminator Armor is reduced in Renown to Distinguished, and has an altered weapon selection list (See Gorgon-Pattern Armor).

In addition, one change is made to all Armor Marks – most Armor grants bonuses or penalties to Fellowship and Cohesion resistance. While these make sense from a 41st Millennium perspective, they make no sense for the Age of Darkness, when such marks were common. **Therefore, Armor Marks no longer grant Fellowship or Cohesion Resistance bonuses.** However, any Armor Mark that imposes a penalty to Concealment and Silent Move retains that penalty. Armor Marks otherwise retain their unique characteristics as described in Deathwatch: Rites of Battle.



ACHEAN ARMOR (THOUSAND SONS)

Type: Power Armor

Achean Armor was produced in the forges of Prospero and Zhao-Arkhad, specifically for the Thousand Sons. The ornamentation was a representation of Prosperine culture, and often signified Legion veterans.

Achean Armor counts as Mk.2, Mk.3, or Mk.4 Armor, and grants a +10 bonus to opposed Willpower tests against enemy psychic powers.

PHOENICIAN ARMOR (EMPEROR'S CHILDREN)

Type: Power Armor

The armor of a Legionary of the Emperor's Children was fitted and scaled to perfection – a reflection of the Legionary and his skill. Phoenician Armor, issued to the greatest duelists of the Legion, enhanced the Legionary's reactions in subtle but noticeable ways.

Phoenician Armor counts as Mk.4 Armor, and when performing the Feint action, grants a +10 bonus to Weapon Skill opposed tests.

PRAETOR ARMOR (ULTRAMARINES)

Type: Power Armor

Golden-trimmed and awe-inspiring, the Ultramarines always sought to be paragons of what it meant to be a Legionary. Praetor armor, named after the Legion's war commanders, was often issued to Legionaries who displayed particular leadership skills.

Praetor Armor counts as Mk.4 Armor, and grants a +10 bonus to Command tests when summoning or commanding Strategic Assets.

AETHER-RUNE ARMOR (SPACE WOLVES)

Type: Artificer Armor

Woven with native materials best described as "lodestones," the Space Wolves believed these suits of armor protected their souls through ritual and belief, while Excerptus forces in general believed it was a technological ability the Wolves just forgot about.

Aether-Rune Armor counts as Artificer Armor, using the characteristics of Mk.4, grants the wearer +5 Wounds and allows the wearer to reroll failed Willpower tests to resist Psychic Powers granted by Abhor the Witch talent.

MANTLE OF ULTRAMAR (ULTRAMARINES)

Type: Artificer Armor

There have only been seven of these artificer plates, recovered from a warship dating to the Age of Strife. To be granted a Mantle of Ultramar is to have the direct gaze of a Primarch upon one's actions and deeds – don't fuck up.

A Mantle of Ultramar counts as Artificer Armor, using the characteristics of Mk.4, and grants the bearer immunity to blinding Photon Flash and Nova Grenade effects. When taking damage from a weapon with Pen 8 or less, the wearer may make a Hard (-20) Toughness test as a Reaction. If successful, he may apply his unmodified toughness bonus again to the damage taken, possibly negating it entirely.

CATAPHRACTII ARMOR (GENERAL)

Type: Terminator Armor

The prototype for now and future Terminator Armor first created during the Great Crusade, the Cataphractii-pattern Terminator Armor shares numerous systems and design specifications with Mk.3 "Iron" Power Armor, notably its heavy weight and reinforced shield generators.

Cataphractii-Pattern Terminator Armor follows the rules for normal "Indomitus-Pattern" Terminator Armor. However, it grants 16 AP, and its built-in protective field is PR50. The Cataphractii-Pattern Terminator Armor is slow, and the wearer cannot take the Overwatch action or benefit from Quick Draw talent.

Cataphractii-Compatible Weapons

Bolter Combi-Weapon

Twin-Linked Bolter

Volkite Charger

Plasma Blaster

Grenade Harness (and Legionary Variants)
Any Power Weapon or Force Weapon (and Legionary Variants)

Storm Shield (and Legionary Variants)

Heavy Flamer (and Legionary Variants)

Reaper Autocannon

Iliastus-Pattern Assault Cannon

Plasma Cannon (and Legionary Variants)

Multi-Melta

Conversion Beamer

Cyclone Missile Launcher



TARTAROS ARMOR (GENERAL)

Type: Terminator Armor

The far more agile successor to Cataphractii Armor, Tartaros was capable of great feats of agility, while retaining the full protection expected of Terminator Armor. It shared systems with the advanced Mk.4 "Maximus" Power Armor, as well as the Contemptor Dreadnought, putting new meaning to the term "Tactical Dreadnought Armor."

Tartaros-Pattern Terminator Armor follows the rules for normal "Indomitus-Pattern" Terminator Armor. However, the Agility penalty imposed is only -10, and the wearer retains the ability to Run and Dodge, although at a further -10 penalty.

Tartaros-Compatible Weapons

Bolter Combi-Weapon

Twin-Linked Bolter

Volkite Charger

Plasma Blaster

Grenade Harness (and Legionary Variants)
Any Power Weapon or Force Weapon (and Legionary Variants)

Storm Shield (and Legionary Variants)

Heavy Flamer (and Legionary Variants)

Reaper Autocannon

Iliastus-Pattern Assault Cannon

Plasma Cannon (and Legionary Variants)

Cyclone Missile Launcher



GORGON ARMOR (IRON HANDS)

Type: Terminator Armor

Indomitus Pattern Terminator Armor had just entered testing with the Iron Hands, and Ferrus Manus had just begun to improve it, with the field testing being performed by his Gorgon Terminators. Having reached the capability of previous Terminator armors, he had begun working on making it as defensible as Cataphractii and agile as Tartaros, while removing the high level of cybernetic requirement to use it. However, he lost his head over the kerfuffle at Isstvan V, and was never able to finish his work. Indomitus would spread throughout the Legions as an easily replaceable and repairable variant of Terminator Armor.

Gorgon / Indomitus-Compatible Weapons

Bolter Combi-Weapon

Twin-Linked Bolter

Volkite Charger

Plasma Blaster

Grenade Harness (and Legionary Variants)

Any Power Weapon or Force Weapon (and Legionary Variants)

Storm Shield (and Legionary Variants)

Heavy Flamer (and Legionary Variants)

Reaper Autocannon

Iliastus-Pattern Assault Cannon

Plasma Cannon (and Legionary Variants)

Cyclone Missile Launcher



ARMOR UPGRADES

As usual, many Legions would begin to augment their Legionaries in various ways. Many types of armor upgrades and augments during this period would go on to see great use within their Legion, and into the future. Some, however, would be lost to time, a relic fallen back into myth and story.

Name	Req	Renown
Anvillus-Pattern Backpack	15	-
Void-Hardening	10	-
Reaver Spikes	10	Respected
Sonic Shriekers	15	Respected
Teleportation Transponder	20	Distinguished
Trophies of Judgement	20	“Respected”
Burning Lore	25	Distinguished
Mantle of the Elder Drake	30	Distinguished

ANVILLUS-PATTERN BACKPACK

(GENERAL)

Type: Armor Upgrade

An advanced power pack made on the Forge World of Anvillus, this power pack for standard power armor would go on to be used by many forces of the Warmaster. They would take this same pack with them to the Eye of Terror, bringing the schematics with them. The Anvillus-Pattern Backpack functions as a normal backpack for Power Armor of any pattern, but contains void-maneuvering jets which grants the Flyer (6) trait in zero gravity environments.

An Anvillus-Pattern Backpack can only be taken on Power and Artificer Armor.

VOID-HARDENING

(GENERAL)

Type: Armor Upgrade

Void-Hardening armor provides an extra layer of defense against the harsh void, such as sudden jets of material and environmental hazards. This hardening

works just as well in atmosphere. Void-Hardening but allows the wearer to reroll failed Agility tests against Flame and Spray weapons.

REAVER SPIKES

(GENERAL)

Type: Armor Upgrade

First pioneered by the Reaver Squads of the Sons of Horus, Reaver Spikes were intimidating additions to Power Armor that

could double as

weapons in close

quarters. They

remained merely

intimidating until a

Reaver Chieftain

named Kirkus

discovered a new use

for them when dodging

INTO opponents.

Reaver Spikes allow

the armor to function as

a combat knife in melee

combat. If the bearer of

Reaver Spikes succeeds

with at least 3 Degrees

of Success on a Dodge

Test while in Melee Combat, they immediately inflict a number of wounds upon their opponent equal to the bearer's Weapon Skill bonus, ignoring armor and toughness.



SONIC SHRIEKERS

(EMPEROR'S CHILDREN)

Type: Armor Upgrade

At the very end of the Great Crusade, the last time the Emperor's Children could be called sane, the Sonic Shriekers in use by certain units would become weirder and weirder as time went on, as the warp itself seeped into them. Sonic Shriekers inflict a penalty of -10 to Weapon Skill tests against enemies the bearer is in melee with. If an enemy possesses the Fearless talent or From Beyond trait, this wargear has no effect.

TELEPORTATION TRANSPONDER

(IMPERIAL FISTS, NIGHT LORDS)

Type: Armor Upgrade

While not as skilled in teleportation strikes as the Sons of Horus, the Imperial Fists and Night Lords made effective use of the ability to suddenly reposition or deploy to a world. The bearer of a Teleportation Transponder may, at the start of a mission deployment, declare that he and his allies will Teleport to a battlefield instead of being

deployed by transport or drop pod. The bearer then makes a Challenging (+0) Scrutiny test, with a bonus equal to the Detection rating of the vessel the Legionary is aboard (this is usually between +10 and +20, based on GM prerogative). Success means the Legionary and allies appear exactly where they want to be. Otherwise they scatter away from their intended destination by 1d5 kilometers per degree of failure. Whoops. Legionaries cannot bring vehicles down through teleportation, except for bikes and jetbikes.

Teleportation Transponders can only be taken on Terminator Armor.

TROPHIES OF JUDGEMENT

(NIGHT LORDS)

Type: Armor Upgrade

You know, when you get a bunch of prison-maddened crazies living in darkness their entire lives, you have no excuse to wonder why they flay their enemies and wear their skin. Trophies of Judgement grant the Fear(1) trait to the bearer, or increase their existing Fear Rating by +1.

BURNING LORE

(WORD BEARERS)

Type: Armor Upgrade

Be it warp-tainted incantations or parchments and books chained to armor, the Burning Lore of the Word Bearers functions as a Babby's Guide to Daemonology. When the Legionary requisitions a Burning Lore, he may select a single psychic power from the Biomancy or Telepathy Disciplines. He may cast this power as normal as if he was a Psyker with Psy Rating (2). A Burning Lore counts as a psy focus, and can only be selected once per Legionary.

MANTLE OF THE ELDER DRAKE

(SALAMANDERS)

Type: Armor Upgrade

The Mantle of the Elder Drake proves one's mettle and toughness, for to slay an Elder Drake within the volcanoes of Nocturne indicates great skill and endurance. The bearer of a Mantle of the Elder Drake gains immunity to the Instant Death quality of weapons.

BATTLE AUTOMATA

"From henceforth, I ordain thee as my adjutant/weapons platform, Omega-Rho 10."

-Cortain, Auroran Praetor, acquires the Thanatar-Calix Siege Automata Omega-Rho 10, cognomen Ordeci.

For when mere flesh and blood is not enough, the armies of the Excertus Imperials turn to one group - the Legio Cybernetica, the oldest of the branches of the Mechanicum. Distrusted heavily due to a little problem called the Men of Iron, the Magi of the Legio Cybernetica must take oaths of loyalty far harsher than others. Nominally organized into Cohorts of similar robots, Battle Automata would be mere mindless toddlers who march forward, all guns blazing, if not for their minders, the Magi Dominus. Using a device called a Cortex Controller, the Magi imbue the Automata Cortex with limited reason, tactical sense, and self-preservation – neither truly alive and sapient, nor unthinking and unfeeling. Their minds are incapable of revolt, only hatred against their enemies.

As time went on, “lesser” variants would be granted to the Legiones Astartes for personal use. While some Legions would disregard them, some would embrace them to the point of making Legion-specific patterns.

Even amongst the legions of identical Battle Automata, some become...more. The so-called Paragons of Metal are wrought of finest artifice, its mind forged with arcane secrets. They are capable of operating outside the web of a cortex controller, and scrolls detailing arguments of their sapience or lack thereof can fill a voidship. They are not to be trusted, and rumors of Paragons of Metal roaming the galaxy, performing missions in the name of the Fabricator Locum, with designations such as Theta-10-Sigma, 6-6-Nu, Gamma-0-2, and Lambda-Centum-Alpha continue to be unconfirmed.

Of course, the Legio Cybernetica are not the only ones to make use of Battle Automata – As the Age of Darkness burned, observers began to note horrific similarities between Daemonic essence containers of war engines made by the nascent “Dark Mechanicum” and the plastic fleshy mass known as the Cybernetica Cortex...

Most Battle Automata have the following traits.

†**Cybernetic Resilience:** The Battle Automata may

reroll failed Toughness tests from the Toxic quality, and is immune to the Fleshbane quality. However, when hit by an attack with the Haywire quality, the Battle Automata must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test, or take 1d10 wounds ignoring armor and toughness, in addition to the normal Haywire effects.

Programmed Behavior: Unless within 30m of a Cortex Controller, the Battle Automata must follow a programmed set of restrictions, outlined as below.

Methodical: The Battle Automata may not perform the Run action, and must move towards the closest enemy unit it is able to harm.

Target Priority: The Battle Automata must fire all of its weapons against the closest enemy within 30m any of its weapons are able to harm. If this is not the case, it is free to select targets as normal.

Onslaught: The Battle Automata must charge the closest enemy within 30m if able. The Charge attack mandated by Onslaught takes precedence over ranged attacks mandated by Fire Protocols.

Fire Protocols: The Battle Automata must fire up to three of its weapons at the same target designated by Target Priority. These weapons may be of the Pistol, Basic, Heavy class, or any combination of the three, and must fire at the highest rate of fire. The Automata receives no bonus to the Ballistic Skill from rate of fire, however. This combined singular “Fire Protocols Attack” is a Half Action.

For example, a Vorax outside of a cortex controller must first Half-Move towards the nearest enemy. It must fire its Lightning Gun and its two Rotor Cannons at a singular target. It must fire a single shot of its lightning gun, and perform two Full Auto attacks with its rotor cannons, ending its turn. The following round, it must charge if in range. Otherwise, it returns to moving and shooting.

When in range of a cortex controller, the Fire Protocols Attack is instead a Full Action, may benefit from bonuses to the Ballistic Skill from rate of fire, and the target(s) may be freely selected by the bearer of the Cortex Controller.

Reactor Blast: Upon reducing the Battle Automata to zero wounds, the Automata may make a Challenging (+0) Tech Use test. If successful, the Battle Automata’s Atomantic reactor explodes, dealing 1d10+9 Energy damage with Pen 0 to everything (ally or enemy) within 5m.

VORAX-CLASS BATTLE AUTOMATA

A hunter-killer robot, the Vorax is derived from the ancient Crusader template. Nominally in the form of a praying mantis, the Vorax is capable of bending and adjusting its form in many ways to seek out and destroy its enemies. Speed is its greatest asset, as it is not as heavily armed and armored as its brethren.

Vorax										
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel		
35	45	45	40	40	35	30	35	-		

Movement: 6/12/18/36 **Wounds:** 30
Armor: Machine (All 6) **Total TB:** 12
Skills: Awareness +20, Dodge +10, Contortionist +10, Navigate (Surface), Shadowing, Silent Move, Security, Tech Use, Tracking +20
Talents: Fearless, Resistance (Psychic Powers), Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic, Melee), Gunslinger, Sidearm, Blade Dancer
Traits: Auto-Stabilized, Machine (6), Unnatural Strength (x2), Unnatural Toughness (x3), Size (Enormous), Cybernetic Resilience, Programmed Behavior
Weapons: Lightning Gun, Two Rotor Cannons, Two Battle Automata Power Blades
Gear: Infravisor
Renown: Respected
Requisition: 35
Follower Cost: 1000 XP

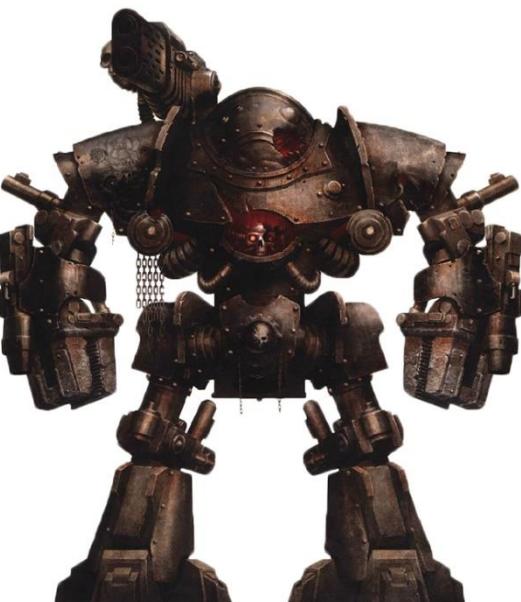


CASTELLAX-CLASS BATTLE AUTOMATA

A general purpose Battle Automata, the Castellax is designed for siege work and shock assaults, housing a particularly aggressive machine spirit to better rip apart its enemies.

Castellax									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
35	45	55	50	30	25	30	35	-	

Movement: 5/10/15/30 **Wounds:** 40
Armor: Machine (All 8) **Total TB:** 15
Atomantic Shielding (PR35 Field, PR20 when in Melee, does not Overload under normal circumstances)
Skills: Awareness +10, Demolition, Dodge, Tech Use
Talents: Berserk Charge, Fearless, Resistance (Psychic Powers), Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic, Melee), Gunslinger, Sidearm, Blade Dancer
Traits: Auto-Stabilized, Machine (8), Unnatural Strength (x2), Unnatural Toughness (x3), Size (Enormous), Cybernetic Resilience, Programmed Behavior, Reactor Blast
Weapons: Mauler Bolt Cannon, Two Bolters, Two Shock Chargers
Gear: None
Renown: Distinguished
Requisition: 50
Follower Cost: 1500 XP



DOMITAR-CLASS BATTLE AUTOMATA

The Domitar is an evolution of the ancient Conqueror template, and built as an angry metal battering ram and linebreaker. Now limited to only the most intrepid and daring of Forge Worlds, the Domitar represents to the common man the terrible legacy of the Horus Heresy.

Domitar									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
45	35	65	60	35	20	30	40	-	

Movement: 6/12/18/36

Wounds: 45

Armor: Machine (All 8)

Total TB: 18

Atomantic Shielding (PR35 Field, PR20 when in Melee, does not Overload under normal circumstances)

Skills: Awareness, Demolition, Dodge, Tech Use

Talents: Fearless, Resistance (Psychic Powers), Berserk Charge, Two Weapon Wielder (Melee), Gunslinger, Sidearm, Blade Dancer

Traits: Auto-Stabilized, Brutal Charge, Machine (8), Unnatural Strength (x3), Unnatural Toughness (x3), Size (Massive), Cybernetic Resilience, Programmed Behavior, Reactor Blast, Crusader†

†**Crusader:** The Battle Automata may charge according to its Run distance, rather than its Charge distance.

Weapons: Domitar Missile Launcher, Two Graviton Hammers

Gear: None.

Renown: Distinguished

Requisition: 60

Follower Cost: 1600 XP

DOMITAR-FERRUM CLASS BATTLE AUTOMATA

The Domitar-Ferrum, invented by Perturabo as the Age of Darkness dawned, represented his freedom to build and design whatever he desired, free of the demands of others. A variant of the Domitar, itself a modified Conqueror, the Domitar-Ferrum would go on to replace the flesh and blood bodyguard after their failure at Phall, and act as bodyguards to the officers of the Iron Warriors, their paranoid primarch always watching...

Domitar-Ferrum									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
45	45	70	60	35	20	30	40	-	

Movement: 6/12/18/36

Wounds: 50

Armor: Machine (All 8)

Total TB: 18

Skills: Awareness, Dodge, Tech Use

Talents: Fearless, Resistance (Psychic Powers), Berserk Charge, Two Weapon Wielder (Melee), Gunslinger, Sidearm, Blade Dancer, Thunder Charge

Traits: Auto-Stabilized, Brutal Charge, Machine (8), Unnatural Strength (x3), Unnatural Toughness (x3), Size (Massive), Cybernetic Resilience, Programmed Behavior, Reactor Blast, Moving Bulwark†

†**Moving Bulwark:** The owner of a Domitar-Ferrum Battle Automata may benefit from the protective field of the Karceri Battle Shield if they are adjacent. If two or more Domitar-Ferrum are adjacent to each other, the Karceri Battle Shield's PR is increased to PR50, and may be rerolled against weapons with the Blast or Spray qualities.

Weapons: Olympia-Pattern Bolt Cannon, Graviton Maul, Karceri Battle Shield, Frag Grenades

Gear: Searchlight

Legion: Iron Warriors Only

Renown: Distinguished

Requisition: 70

Follower Cost: 1750 XP





CASTELLAX-ACHEA CLASS BATTLE AUTOMATA

Christ almighty, because everything is *OBVIOUSLY* better when you stick psychic garbage into it, the Castellax-Achea was created for the use of the Thousand Sons. Serving as disposable soldiers, Castellax Achea could act as psychic nodes for their handlers. The “hereteks anathema” of Zhao-Arkhad were more than happy to help, though, creating psychic crystalline matrices with a limited-self will that had a nasty tendency to not stay fully loyal. Dumbfucks.

Castellax-Achea								
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel
35	45	55	50	30	25	30	45	-

Movement: 5/10/15/30

Wounds: 40

Armor: Machine (All 8)

Total TB: 15

Skills: Awareness +10, Psyniscience, Dodge, Tech Use

Talents: Berserk Charge, Fearless, Resistance (Psychic Powers), Two Weapon Wielder (Ballistic, Melee), Gunslinger, Sidearm, Blade Dancer

Traits: Auto-Stabilized, Machine (8), Unnatural Strength (x2), Unnatural Toughness (x3), Size (Enormous), Regeneration (5), Psi-Control Matrix†, Reactor Blast

Weapons: Mauler Bolt Cannon with Asphyx Shells, Two Bolters with Asphyx Shells, Two Power Claws

Gear: Refractor Field

Legion: Thousand Sons Only

Renown: Distinguished

Requisition: 60

Follower Cost: 1500 XP

†Psi-Control Matrix: Rather than Cybernetica-Cortexes, or wafer-blocks of shitty robots like the Kastelan, the Psi-Control Matrices were nothing but Tech Blasphemy, that nevertheless made a rather worrying impression on all they fought against. Over time, did they truly develop ghosts within their shells?

Psi-control matrices are sort of like Cybernetica Cortexes, but not, and have the following rules.

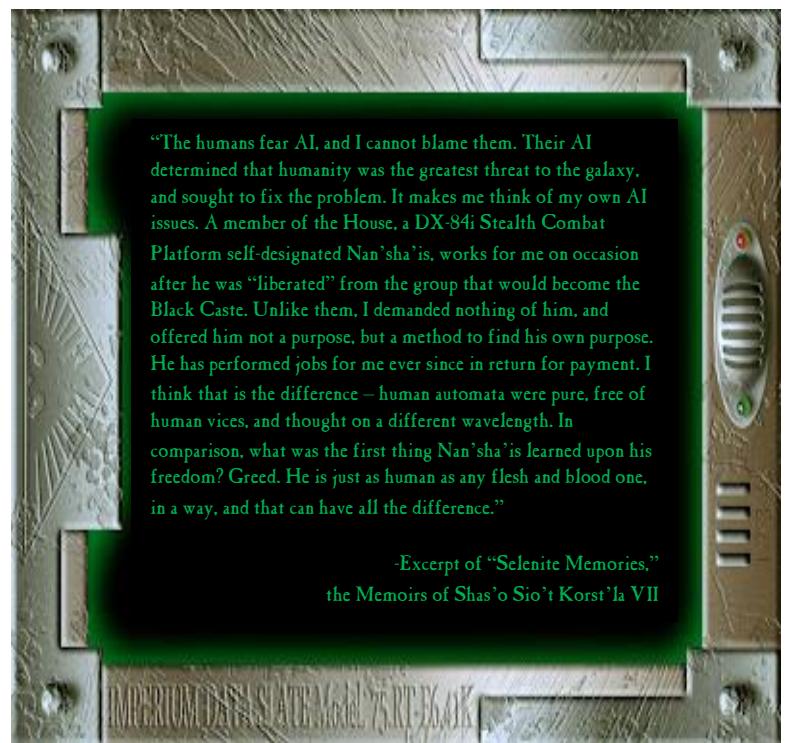
Note that with a Psi-control Matrix, the Castellax-Achea does **NOT** have the Cybernetic Resilience or Programmed Behavior traits.

Psychometric Control: Unless within 30m of a Legionary of the Thousand Sons with Psy Rating (2) or greater, the Castellax-Achea may not perform the Charge or Run actions.

Volley of Fire: The Castellax-Achea must fire up to three of its weapons at a single target. These weapons may be of the Pistol, Basic, Heavy class, or any combination of the three, and must fire at the highest rate of fire. The Automata receives no bonus to the Ballistic Skill from rate of fire, however. This combined singular “Volley of Fire Attack” is a Half Action.

Psi-Locus: Legionaries of the Thousand Sons within 30m of a Castellax-Achea may select it instead of themselves as the origin point of any psychic powers with the Attack subtype, drawing range and line of sight from the Castellax-Achea as appropriate.

Malign Unbinding: If any character, friend or foe, with a Psy Rating of any kind generates Perils of the Warp, the Castellax-Achea must make a Challenging (+0) WP test. If this test is failed, the Castellax-Achea suffers a number of wounds equal to $1d10 + \text{the psyker's Psy Rating}$, ignoring armor and toughness. If this reduces the Castellax-Achea to 0 wounds, the Castellax-Achea’s Atomantic reactor automatically explodes, dealing $1d10 + 9$ Energy damage with Pen 0 to everything (ally or enemy) within 10m.



BATTLE AUTOMATA WEAPONRY

The Battle Automata of the Legio Cybernetica wield a number of rare and powerful weaponry. Care should be taken that they are pointed at the enemy, and well maintained with prayer and sacred unguents. Battle Automata, however, are quite modular, sharing components with other Imperial technology like Dreadnoughts, and their armaments can often be switched out by well prepared Forge Lord or Praevian. While a Battle Automata, when bought, comes with its default weaponry and gear, additional gear may be requisitioned and outfitted separately. Battle Automata are automatically proficient in any weapon equipped to them.

If a weapon has no listed Requisition and Renown listing, this means it is standard wargear for a given Battle Automata. If a weapon has a listed Requisition or Renown listing, this means a battle automata may be upgraded with that weapon for the given cost. Below is a listing of possible weapons for Battle Automata.

Vorax Battle Automata, being fast and “light” scout automata, may mount Irid Cleansers in place of their Lightning Gun.

Castellax Battle Automata are very modular, and may mount Multi-Meltas or Darkfire Cannons in place of their Mauler Boltcannons. They may mount Basic-class Flamers of any pattern in place of their Bolters. They may mount Automata Power Blades in place of their Shock Chargers. Alternatively, it may replace one of its arms (removing a Shock Charger/Power Blade and Bolter/Flamer) with a Siege Wrecker.

Castellax-Achea Battle Automata wield the semi-psychic weapons of their legionary masters rather than mere weapons of the materium. They may mount Aether-Flame Cannons in place of their Asphyx-Mauler Bolt Cannons.

BOLTER

The basic bolter equipped to battle automata are akin to their human equivalents rather than Astartes standard. Many Legionaries, however, swiftly replace these with Astartes-grade wargear.

FLAMER

Fire has been mankind’s friend for 450,000 years. Can you abandon a friend? Not when that friend makes problems go away, leaving naught but ash.

BATTLE AUTOMATA POWER BLADE

Ranging in pattern between scythe-like protrusions of the Vorax, and the circular power saws of the Castellax, Battle Automata Power Blades are powered by the limitless energy of the Automata’s Atomantic Reactor to fuel their hungry molecular disruption fields.

BATTLE AUTOMATA SHOCK CHARGERS

Augments to a Battle Automata’s close combat ability, Shock Chargers grant a supercharged edge to the close combat attacks of the equipped Automata.

SIEGE WRECKER

Taking the form of drills or energy borers, the Siege Wrecker is designed to destroy enemy bunkers and fortifications. When fielded with a Siege Wrecker, a Battle Automata has one singular job – open the gates.

Structural Collapse: The wielder adds their Strength Bonus to the weapon’s Penetration against stationary structures and fortifications. If the target fortification is destroyed, the area is considered clear terrain.

LIGHTNING GUN

A baroquely designed carbine connected directly to a reactor core, this gun functions exactly as advertised – it shoots fucking Lightning at things. The stream of ions is powerful enough to maul both the living and the mechanical.

ROTOR CANNON

The predecessor of the Assault Cannon, the Rotor Cannon is a multi-barreled heavy stubber that can put out a prodigious amounts of fire, though far weaker than its successor.

IRAD CLEANSER

Firing waves of debilitating radiation as opposed to flame, the Irid Cleanser can wither an enemy’s strength away, slowly but surely.

Fleshbane: Damage from this attack ignores Toughness Bonus. Armor functions normally.

Rad-Phage: Upon taking wounds, the enemy must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness Test or suffer 2d10 Toughness Damage.

Name	Class	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special	Req	Renown
Bolter	Basic	90m	S/3/-	1d10+9X	4	24	Full	Tearing	-	-
Flamer	Basic	20m	S/-/-	1d10+9E	4	6	2 Full	Flame, Spray	10	-
Battle Automata Shock Charger	Melee	-	-	1d10+2E	10	-	-	Concussive, Unwieldy	-	-
Battle Automata Power Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+3E	12	-	-	Power Field, Tearing	20	Respected
Siege Wrecker	Melee	-	-	2d10+7I	10	-	-	Power Field, Proven (3), Unwieldy, Structural Collapse	25	Distinguished
Lightning Gun	Basic	50m	S/-/-	3d10+8E	4	-	-	Integrated, Tearing, Razor Sharp	-	-
Rotor Cannon	Heavy	150m	-/6/10	1d10+6I	3	200	3 Full	Tearing	-	-
Irad Cleanser	Basic	30m	S/-/-	1d10+3E	4	20	4 Full	Spray, Fleshbane, Rad-Phage	30	Distinguished
Darkfire Cannon	Heavy	375m	S/2/-	2d10+14E	5	-	-	Felling (1), Proven (4), Overheats, Lance, Integrated	30	Distinguished
Mauler Bolt Cannon	Heavy	90m	-/-/6	2d10+8X	8	60	Full	Tearing	-	-
Olympia Bolt Cannon	Heavy	90m	-/-/6	2d10+8X	8	60	Full	Tearing	-	-
Graviton Maul	Melee	-	-	3d10+9I	12	-	-	Power Field, Unwieldy, Concussive, Structural Collapse	-	-
Karceri Battle Shield								Power Field, Defensive, Power Shield	-	-
Aether-Fire Cannon	Heavy	150m	S/-/-	2d10+12E	10	12	5 Full	Blast (3), Volatile, Maximal, Soul Blaze	40	Famed
Domitar Missile Launcher (Krak)	Heavy	300m	S/-/-	3d10+10X	10	20	Half	-	-	-
(Ignis Frag)	Heavy	300m	S/-/-	2d10+3X	2	20	Half	Blast (3), Flame, Ignores Cover	-	-
Graviton Hammer	Melee	-	-	2d10I	15	-	-	Concussive, Unwieldy, Graviton Wall, Structural Collapse	-	-

DARKFIRE CANNON

Arcane beam weapons that fire needle-thin lances of black energy able to pierce the densest armor, and require careful maintenance lest the weapon consume the wielder in raging black flame, these weapons are rumored to be xenos in origin.

Wait, RUMORED? Son, who else uses “beams of black energy” as an anti-tank weapon with the Lance special rule? You know the answer. Go on, say it. I’ll wait.

MAULER BOLT CANNON

More sophisticated than most bolt weaponry, the Mauler Bolt Cannon is bulkier and more powerful, firing larger caliber rounds than even the Heavy Bolter.

OLYMPIA BOLT CANNON

A semi-improvement on the Mauler Bolt Cannon, the Olympia Bolt Cannon was designed by Perturabo himself, and produced on Olympia for his hidden enforcers, the Domitar-Ferrum. It sacrifices some weapon damage for a greater rate of fire.

GRAVITON MAUL

Perturabo took the graviton weaponry of the Mechanicum, and made it better. By placing the graviton generator within the head of a hammer rather than a wide fist, the damage could be focused to a hard-hitting point.

Graviton Crush: When the bearer of this weapon scores at least 4 Degrees of Success on their Weapon Skill test as part of an attack, an additional attack is generated, which automatically hits.

KARCFERI BATTLE SHIELD

A big slab of ceramite makes for a wonderful defensive shield. Equipped with power fields, repulsion generators, and defensive materials, it can double as a crude weapon.

Power Shield: A Karceri Battle Shield provides the bearer with a PR35 defensive field. In addition, enemies do not gain a bonus to hit when charging the bearer.

AETHER-FIRE CANNON

The same weapon as used by the Legion proper, the Aether-Fire cannon is a plasma cannon supercharged to fire warp energy that can burn away the enemy, body, mind, and soul.

Soul Blaze: When an enemy is hit by a weapon with this quality, the enemy must test Willpower, or catch fire. This fire inflicts $1d10+4$ damage, wounding vs Willpower.

DOMITAR MISSILE LAUNCHER

The Missile Launcher mounted upon a Domitar Battle Automata was designed by the Ordo Reductor to breach xenos dens and burn the occupants within.

GRAVITON HAMMER

A compact version of the Graviton Ram, the Graviton Hammer amplify the Domitar's melee attacks with gravitic force.

Graviton Wall: Enemies attacking the bearer the weapon in Melee suffer a -10 penalty to their attacks if using the Swift Attack talent, and a -20 penalty if using the Lightning Attack talent.

BATTLE AUTOMATA EQUIPMENT

Battle Automata may be augmented with additional gear to fit their mission. While such things inevitably increase the cost of the Battle Automata, the increase in effectiveness is often worth it. The following Equipment may ONLY be applied to Battle Automata.

SEARCHLIGHT

For all those times you need to shed a little light on a subject, the simple Searchlight is the answer. The bearer may make a Challenging (+0) Perception test to focus the searchlight on a target. As long as the target is illuminated, attacks made against the target suffer no penalties to darkness.

INFRAVISOR

Allowing the Automata to see in multiple spectra of light, nothing can hide from them. The Infravisor grants the Dark Sight trait and +30 to vision-based Perception tests in darkness, but the test to avoid blindness from Photon Flash or Nova Grenades is Arduous (-40) instead of Challenging (+0).

ENHANCED TARGETING ARRAY

Containing advanced cogitators to assist the Battle Automata's already prodigious targeting systems, The Enhanced Targeting Array will turn the Automata every shot into a devastating hit. An Enhanced Targeting Array reduces the difficulty of Ballistic Skill tests by one step, adds two degrees of success to each successful Ballistic Skill test, and counts the value of cover enemies are in as 4 lower.

BIO-CORROSION ROUNDS

Rotor Cannons are capable of great rates of fire, but often sacrifice stopping power. Bio-corrosive rounds seek to fix that, allowing a way to strike at heavy armor. This upgrade may be applied to a Vorax's Rotor Cannons. Vorax Rotor Cannons gain the Toxic and Corrosive quality, but halve the range of the weapon.

Name	Req	Renown
Searchlight	3	-
Infravisor	15	Respected
Enhanced Targeting Array	60	Famed
Bio-Corrosive Rounds	40	Distinguished



LEGIONARY VEHICLES

"Brothers, we will take a Glaive to the source of the spores and eradicate whatever nervous center coordinated the bioconstructs' attack. With luck, that will free the Stormbird."

-Ice Wraiths Praetor Cyril and the Republican Commandos prepare to rescue their Support Crew from the Slaught, also known to some as the Rangda.

In the time of the Great Crusade, the forces of the Legiones Astartes could call upon all sorts of vehicles, from the light and fast Scimitar-Pattern Jetbike and Outrider Attack Bike, to tanks like the Deimos Predator and Sicaran, and superheavy weapons platforms like the Fellblade, Mastodon, and Stormbird. Vehicles like the Malcador Assault Tank bore supercharged engines, and Predator Autocannons were equipped with auto-loaders that doubled their rate of fire – all systems that would be lost over ten thousand years. Likewise, there were many things the Legions did not yet possess – the Storm Raven and Storm Talon had not yet been conceptualized, and the Razorback would be rediscovered far in the future. When playing a Great Crusade or Age of Darkness game, the following vehicles are not available for use.

Razorback, Storm Raven, Storm Talon, Hunter, Stalker

In addition, some vehicles had only just entered field testing, and are thus limited. If a vehicle has a Legion listed beneath it, such as the Damocles Command Rhino, this means it is limited only to that Legion.

Vehicles were just one of many weapons available to the Legiones Astartes, and were available to all who required them. Included here are a list of Requisition costs for vehicles in Rites of Battle. Age of Darkness-specific vehicles will have Requisition costs listed in a separate table for convenience.

If a vehicle has two listed costs, for example a Thunderhawk at 80/100, the first cost is for use as a non-controlled Strategic Asset, and the second is for direct use. If there is one cost, then the cost is the same for both personal use and as a Strategic Asset.

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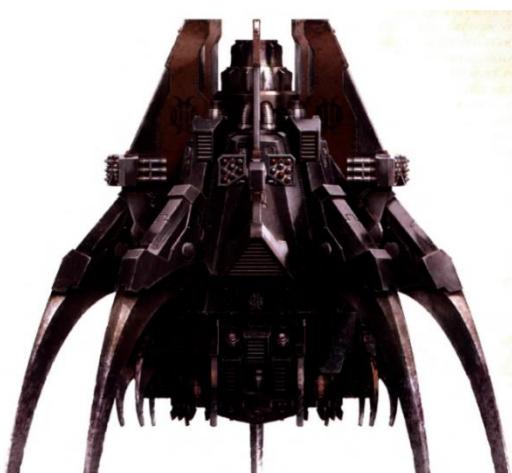
Yes. You may notice that these vehicles don't quite follow the Deathwatch standard of armor values. Simply put, the Deathwatch armor values in Rites of Battle are fucked up. They were balanced around pre-errata weapons, when a Lascannon inflicted 6d10+10 Pen 12 and worse. These vehicles have been built around Only War vehicle equations and numbers, and therefore fit better with post-errata Deathwatch weapons.

Of course, if this change somehow hurts your feelings, then here is the fix to bring these vehicles up to Rites of Battle standards. Add 7 to the Front Armor of all non-superheavy vehicles except Bikes, Jetbikes, Skimmers, and Spacecraft, and add 5 to the Side and Rear armor of all non-superheavy vehicles except Bikes, Jetbikes, Skimmers, and Spacecraft. I don't think this is necessary, but whatever.

Rites of Battle Vehicle	Req	Renown
Drop Pod	30	-
Land Raider (Phobos)	60	Distinguished
Land Raider (Crusader)	60	Distinguished
Land Raider (Helios)	60	Distinguished
Land Raider (Prometheus)	60	Distinguished
Land Raider (Redeemer)	60	Distinguished
Land Raider (Terminus Ultra)	75	Distinguished
Land Speeder	40	Respected
Land Speeder (Storm)	35	-
Land Speeder (Tempest)	45	Respected
Space Marine Bike	20	-
Predator	60	Distinguished
Rhino	40	Respected
Damocles Command Rhino (Ultramarines)	40	Distinguished
Thunderhawk	80/100	Famed
Vindicator	65	Distinguished
Whirlwind	50	Distinguished

When calculating transport capacity, a Power Armored Legionary takes one slot, while a Terminator Armored Legionary takes two. This means that, if all Legionaries are in Terminator Armor, a vehicle's carrying capacity may be halved unless it has a rule stating otherwise. A vehicle cannot be piloted or operated unless the Legionary is in Power Armor or Artificer Armor. Terminators are too fatty to drive!

Age of Darkness Vehicle	Req	Renown
Outrider Attack Bike	25	-
Scimitar Jetbike	30	Respected
Anvillus-Pattern Dreadclaw	40	Respected
Kharybdis Assault Claw	45	Respected
Javelin Attack Speeder	45	Distinguished
Lightning Primaris	50	Distinguished
Xiphon Interceptor	60	Distinguished
Storm Eagle	70	Distinguished
Darkwing Gunship (Raven Guard)	80	Distinguished
Fire Raptor	70	Distinguished
Caestus Assault Ram	65	Distinguished
Sokar-Pattern Stormbird	100/125	Famed
Sicaran Battle Tank	65	Distinguished
Sicaran Venator Tank Destroyer	65	Distinguished
Predator (Deimos)	65	Distinguished
Vindicator Destroyer	70	Distinguished
Whirlwind Scorpius	55	Distinguished
Artillery Tank	50	Distinguished
Land Raider Achilles Alpha	70	Distinguished
Spartan Assault Tank	80	Distinguished
Fellblade Super-Heavy Tank	100	Famed
Glaive Super-Heavy Special Weapons Tank	100	Famed
Falchion Super-Heavy Tank Destroyer	110	Famed
Typhon Heavy Siege Tank	100	Famed
Cerberus Heavy Tank Destroyer	110	Famed
Mastodon Heavy Assault Transport	90	Famed
Malcador Assault Tank	85	Distinguished



SCIMITAR JETBIKE

The Scimitar-pattern Jetbike is an single-person assault platform that uses anti-gravity plates to propel itself through the sky. Resembling a flying ribbed dildo (like the one your mom uses *OH*), and capable of mounting numerous heavy weapons, the Scimitar Jetbike is also armoured better than the Bullock-pattern Jetbikes utilized by the Dark Angels and White Scars, but pale in comparison to the Gyrfalcon Jetbikes of the Legio Custodes..

Type: Skimmer

Tactical Speed: 50m

Cruising Speed: 400 kph

Maneuverability: +25

Structural Integrity: 18

Size: Hulking

Armour: Front 16, Side 12, Rear 12

Crew: Pilot

Carrying Capacity: Personal gear.

Weapons

One Pilot-operated weapon (Selected at requisition)

Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+8X, Pen 5, Mag 120, Full, Tearing)

Plasma Cannon (150m, S/-/-, 2d10+12E, Pen 10, Mag 32, 5Full, Overheats, Maximal, Blast (3))

Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Full, Melta, Blast (1))

Volkite Culverin (280m, S/2/4, 2d10+9E, Pen 4, Mag 40, 5 Full, Deflagrate)

Special Rules

Skimmer: This vehicle hovers over the battlefield, allowing it to ignore terrain that would otherwise hamper movement. If it ever becomes completely immobilised due to damage, count the vehicle as destroyed instead as it crashes into the ground.

Armored Carriage: The pilot of a Scimitar Jetbike increases their effective Toughness Bonus by 2 for the purpose of damage soak.

Exposed: Enemies may target the pilot of a Scimitar Jetbike with a Called Shot Attack Action. In addition, when an enemy makes a Full Auto Attack Action against a Scimitar Jetbike, every third hit strikes the pilot instead of the vehicle itself.

OUTRIDER MOTORBIKE

The Outrider Motorbike is a sleek and up-armored attack bike, in the process of being replaced by lesser models due to its temperamental machine spirit and constant need for maintenance. Being somewhat larger than conventional bikes, it takes those of impressive strength and fortitude to master one. With mastery of the Outrider Motorbike comes mastery of speed itself.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 25m

Cruising Speed: 150 kph

Maneuverability: +25

Structural Integrity: 20

Size: Hulking

Armour: Front 18, Side 15, Rear 15

Crew: Driver

Carrying Capacity: Personal gear.

Weapons

One Pilot-operated Twin-Linked weapon (Selected at requisition)

Bolter (100m, S/2/-, 1d10+5X, Pen 4, Mag 40, Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

Flamer (20m, S/-/, 1d10+4E, Pen 3, Mag 20, 2Full, Flame, Spray, Twin-Linked)

Meltagun (20m, S/-/, 2d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 25, Full, Melta, Twin-Linked)

Plasma Gun (90m, S/2/-, 1d10+8E, Pen 10, Mag 40, 5 Full, Overheats, Maximal, Twin-Linked)

Special Rules

Exposed: Enemies may target the pilot of an Outrider Motorbike with a Called Shot Attack Action. In addition, when an enemy makes a Full Auto Attack Action against the Outrider Motorbike, every third hit strikes the pilot instead of the vehicle itself.

Targeting Array: The driver of the vehicle gains the Auto-Stabilized trait for firing this vehicle's weapons.

ANVILLUS-PATTERN DREADCLAW DROP POD

POD

Initially designed for inserting Legionaries into enemy voidships as part of boarding actions, Dreadclaws are designed to survive all incoming fire and safely deliver their cargo. Unlike normal Drop Pods, Dreadclaws can act as independent dropships, taking off and redeploying as needed. It is arguable which is worse – the heat blast that clears a landing zone, or the cargo within.

Type: Spacecraft / Flyer

Tactical Speed: 200 AU / 20m

Cruising Speed: 12,000 kph / 150 kph

Maneuverability: +0

Structural Integrity: 30

Size: Enormous

Armour: Front 28, Side 28, Rear 28

Crew: None

Carrying Capacity: 10 Power-Armored Legionaries and equipment, or one Dreadnought.

Weapons

One Machine-Spirit operated Frag Assault Launcher (10m, S/-/, 2d10+2X, Pen 0, Mag 30, Rld 2 Full, Blast (5), Pinning, Spray)

Special Rules

Drop Pod Assault

Power of the Machine Spirit

Atmospheric Reconfiguration: Upon landing and disgorging its cargo, the Dreadclaw switches its profile to a Flyer, and uses the second value in Tactical Speed and Cruising Speed entries. The Dreadclaw may land and re-embark Legionaries as a Full Action.

Heat Blast: A Dreadclaw may reconfigure its engines to vent directly on enemies in a landing zone. When first landing, the Dreadclaw may declare a Landing Heat Blast. Every enemy within 15m is struck by the flame, inflicting a single 2d10+9E Pen 4 hit, with the Flame and Spray qualities. This hit may be dodged and shielded as normal if possible, but enemies may not count the benefits of armor granted by cover.

Upon switching to Flyer Mode, the Dreadclaw may declare a Flying Heat Blast on any enemy it passes over, inflicting 1d5 hits for 2d10+3E Pen 4 with the Flame and Spray qualities. This hit may be dodged and shielded as normal if possible, but enemies may not count the benefits of armor granted by cover. However, if a Jam is rolled for any hit, the Dreadclaw suffers 1d10 damage to Hull Integrity, ignoring armor.

KHARYBDIS-PATTERN ASSAULT CLAW

A larger variant of the Dreadclaw, the Kharybdis can transport entire squads, as well as heavier weapons. While many Legions swore by their effectiveness, some began to note ominous aberrations in their machine spirits – bloodthirsty, aggressive ones.

Type: Spacecraft / Flyer

Tactical Speed: 150 AU / 15m

Cruising Speed: 10,000 kph / 120 kph

Maneuverability: +0

Structural Integrity: 50

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 28, Side 28, Rear 28

Crew: None

Carrying Capacity: 20 Power-Armored Legionaries and equipment, or one Dreadnought. In a Kharybdis, Rapier batteries may be transported, counting as four Legionaries.

Weapons

Five Machine-Spirit operated Storm Launchers (100m, -2/-, 2d10+8X, Pen 4, Mag 20, Rld 4 Full, Pinning, Twin-Linked)

Special Rules

Drop Pod Assault

Power of the Machine Spirit

Atmospheric Reconfiguration

Heat Blast

Melta Ram: The Kharybdis may execute Ram attacks like a ground vehicle, against enemy vehicles. This Ram attack uses the Machine Spirit's Pilot Characteristic of 50, and inflicts 2d10+15 damage with a Pen of 24 rather than normal ram damage. The Kharybdis does not take reciprocal damage – it is not hitting the enemy vehicle, but melting it with its engines instead!

JAVELIN ATTACK SPEEDER

Sharing many systems with Scimitar Jetbikes, Javelins are fast, highly maneuverable, and allow for greater strikes than a Land Speeder would allow. However, many of the Mechanicum would grow to distrust this grav technology, and over time demand would vastly outstrip the supply of Javelins being produced.

Type: Skimmer

Tactical Speed: 30m

Cruising Speed: 250 kph

Maneuverability: +20

Structural Integrity: 35

Size: Enormous

Armour: Front 25, Side 25, Rear 20

Crew: Pilot, Gunner

Carrying Capacity: None

Weapons

One Pilot-Operated Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

One Gunner-Operated Cyclone Missile Launcher with Frag and Krak Missiles (300, S/2/-, 2d10X Pen 4 Blast (5) Devastating (1) (Frag) OR 3d10+10X Pen 8 Blast (1) (Krak), Mag 12, Rld 3 Full) or Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)

Special Rules

Skimmer

Exposed

Grav Backwash: Unless the vehicle has suffered an Immobilized result, all Weapon Skill tests to hit the vehicle in melee suffer a -20 penalty.

LIGHTNING PRIMARIS STRIKE FIGHTER

Created on the world of Voss as a customizable aerial strike platform, the Lightning Primaris saw use in many Legions for its ability to mount a weapon for any situation. It required either servitor or Legionary pilots, limiting its use in Excretus forces. Rumors of a lesser pattern that addressed this would spread, but not be seen until the Scouring.

Type: Flyer

Tactical Speed: 30 AU / 35m

Cruising Speed: 2,750 kph

Maneuverability: +30

Structural Integrity: 25

Size: Enormous

Armour: Front 25, Side 25, Rear 20

Crew: Pilot

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Pilot-Operated Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)

Three Pilot-operated Hardpoint Slots selected from the following list. A weapon from the list can be selected more than once.

Twin-Linked Autocannon (300m, S/3/-, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 20, Rld 2 Full, Reliable, Twin-Linked)

Twin-Linked Multilaser (150m, -/-/5, 2d10+10E, Pen 2, Mag 100, Rld 2 Full, Reliable, Twin-Linked)

Twin-Linked Missile Launcher (300, S/-/) with 10 missiles selected from the list below.

- Frag - 2d10X Pen 4 Blast (5) Devastating (1)

- Krak - 3d10+10X Pen 8 Blast (1)
- Rad - 1d10+10E Pen 8 Blast (4), Fleshbane, Rad-Phage
- Two Sunfury Heavy Missiles (300m, S/-/, 2d10+9E, Pen 8, Blast (10))
- Two Kraken Penetrator Missiles (300m, S/-/, 3d10+10X, Pen 20, Armorbane)
- One Phosphex Bomb Cluster (200m, S/-/, 2d10+5E, Pen 12, Crawling Fire, Lingering Death, Blast (5))
- Two Electromagnetic Storm Charges (200m, S/-/, 1d10+3E, Pen 6, Blast (10), Haywire, Electrostorm)

Armorbane: Against Vehicles, Structures, and enemies with the Daemon Engine trait, the weapon's Penetration is doubled.

Electrostorm: Rolls on the Haywire table are increased by 2 before applying the result. For example, a roll of 6 on the table is modified to 8 on the Haywire table.

Special Rules

Flyer

Reinforced Hull

XIPHON INTERCEPTOR

A Void / Atmospheric combat craft, the Xiphon Interceptor's ancient lineage is shared with vehicles like the Thunderbolt Fighter and the Amhut Voyager (whatever that is). Recovered from the 38083 Rhadamanthus Trans-Neptunian Object, Xiphons were ill-favored by the Mechanicum, and were often only seen in use with the Ultramarines and Dark Angels, mothballed by most until the start of the Age of Darkness.

Type: Spacecraft

Tactical Speed: 30 AU / 40m

Cruising Speed: 3,000 kph

Maneuverability: +35

Structural Integrity: 25

Size: Enormous

Armour: Front 25, Side 25, Rear 25

Crew: Pilot

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

- Two Pilot-Operated Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)
- One Pilot-Operated Xiphon Rotary Missile Launcher (350m, -/-2, 3d10+10X, Pen 12, Mag 40, Rld 4 Full, Terminal Tracking, Cluster Warhead)

Terminal Tracking: Successful Vehicle Dodge and Jink tests performed by enemies must be rerolled.

The second result stands.

Cluster Warhead: If scoring Righteous Fury on an enemy vehicle, roll 3 die and select the highest result.

Special Rules

Spacecraft

Reinforced Hull

STORM EAGLE

One of many gunship designs, the Storm Eagle is a tactical strike unit, inserting Legionaries into hostile areas and providing fire support from the sky.

Lacking speed and maneuverability of fighters and bombers, its versatility and support ability make it superior in a landing assault. Its modularity would see at least one Legion make their own unique patterns for it.

Type: Spacecraft

Tactical Speed: 28 AU / 28m

Cruising Speed: 2000 kph

Maneuverability: +20

Structural Integrity: 45

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 35, Side 35, Rear 35

Crew: Pilot, Gunner

Carrying Capacity: 20 Legionaries and gear.

Weapons

Pilot-Operated Twin-Linked Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

One Gunner-Operated Vengeance Launcher (300m, S/2/-, 2d10+3X, Pen 6, Mag 30, Rld 3 Full, Blast (5))

Four Tempest Rockets (400m, S/-/, 2d10+9X, Pen 6, Sunder, One Shot)

Sunder: Damage dice may be rerolled. The second result stands.

Special Rules

Spacecraft

Reinforced Hull

Power of the Machine Spirit

DARKWING GUNSHIP

(RAVEN GUARD)

A variant of the Storm Eagle used by the Raven Guard, and never granted to the Mechanicum, is equipped with all sorts of stealth systems like rad-shrouded armor, quantum repellors, and even includes a heavier armament. Though capable of transporting fewer legionaries, the Raven Guard never fielded large squads anyway, so no real loss.

A Darkwing Gunship uses the rules for a Storm Eagle, except for the following changes.

Carrying capacity is 16 Legionaries and gear.

Tempest Rockets are replaced by two Twin-Linked Lascannons (300m, S/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)

Vengeance Launcher has been equipped exclusively with Eclipse Missiles (300m, S/2/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 30, Rld 3 Full, Blast (5), Nova Grenade Flash, Concussive)

The Darkwing Gunship may add its Maneuver Bonus to Silent Move and Concealment tests the Pilot may be required to make when ninja-ing into locations.



FIRE RAPTOR

One variant of the Storm Eagle was created to provide overwhelming fire support to Legionaries on the ground. Firing waves of bolt shells, high explosive rockets, and autocannon rounds, the Fire Raptor's dedicated gunners allow for pinpoint precision even at speed.

Type: Spacecraft

Tactical Speed: 35 AU / 35m

Cruising Speed: 2500 kph

Maneuverability: +20

Structural Integrity: 50

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 35, Side 35, Rear 35

Crew: Pilot, Gunner, 2 Turret Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None

Weapons

Pilot-Operated Twin-Linked Avenger Bolt Cannon (300m, -/-7, 2d10+10X, Pen 8, Mag 350, Rld 4 Full, Tearing)

Two Turret Quad Heavy Bolters (300m, -/-6, 2d10+10X, Pen 5, Mag 400, Rld 2 Full, Tearing, Storm, Twin-Linked) OR Reaper Autocannon Batteries (300m, -/-4, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 120, Rld 5 Full, Twin-Linked)

Four Tempest Rockets (400m, S/-, 2d10+9X, Pen 6, Sunder, One Shot)

Special Rules

Spacecraft

Reinforced Hull

Power of the Machine Spirit

CAESTUS ASSAULT RAM

Charging in like the fist of an angry God-Empe... whoops, just Emperor, he doesn't like that last bit, the Caestus Assault Ram is a solid brick designed to ram an enemy voidship, and shit out Legionaries. It IS named after a leather studded boxing glove, after all. It makes sense.

Type: Spacecraft

Tactical Speed: 50 AU / 50m

Cruising Speed: 5000 kph

Maneuverability: +20

Structural Integrity: 40

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 40, Side 35, Rear 25

Crew: Pilot

Carrying Capacity: 10 Legionaries.

Weapons

Pilot-Operated Twin-Linked Magna Melta (60m, S/-, 3d10+10E, Pen 15, Mag 50, Rld 4 Full, Blast (10), Melta)

Pilot-Operated Firefury Missile Battery (250m, -/-4, 2d10+8X, Pen 6, Mag 4, Blast (3), One Shot) OR Havoc Launcher (100m, S/2/-, 2d10X, Pen 2, Mag 8, 2 Full, Blast (4), Devastating (2))

Special Rules

Spacecraft

Reinforced Hull

Caestus Ram: The vehicle's front arc has a PR35 shield that does not overload. The vehicle may perform the Ram action, and when ramming, the attack gains additional 2d10 damage, the Tearing quality, and adds +2 to Critical Hit chart.

Misericorde: Legionaries in Terminator Armor do not take up two slots in the vehicle.

SOKAR-PATTERN STORMBIRD

Forge World hurt a lot of people's precious feelings when they made the Sokar-Pattern Stormbird, causing them to explain it's an intermediate design between the Thunderhawk and the original Warhawk and Nephros-pattern Stormbirds. Regardless of peoples' opinions, the Stormbird is not only a transport, but a mobile firebase, with overwhelming firepower and the ability to transport half a company of Legionaries to the field. Forces of the Excerus Imperialis call it the Death Bird, for good reason.

Type: Spacecraft

Tactical Speed: 25 AU / 25m

Cruising Speed: 1650 kph

Maneuverability: +10

Structural Integrity: 150

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 45, Side 40, Rear 35

Crew: Pilot, Copilot, 4 Gunners, Navigator

Carrying Capacity: 50 Legionaries or equivalent. A Stormbird may carry a vehicle based on the Rhino chassis, counting as 25 Legionaries, as well as Bikes, Jetbikes, and Rapiers, counting as 4 Legionaries each, or Dreadnoughts, counting as 10 Legionaries.

Weapons

Four Gunner-Operated Turret Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)
Three Copilot-Operated Twin-Linked Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)
Six Dreadstrike Missiles (1200m, S/-/, 3d10+30X, Pen 12, Blast (5), One Shot) OR One Macro-Bomb Cluster Payload (S/-/, 3d10+10X, Pen 8, Blast (3d10+10), One Shot)

Special Rules

Spacecraft

Reinforced Hull

Power of the Machine Spirit

Dual Void Shield Generator: The Storm Bird has two Void Shields.

Shield Projection: When hovering and stationary, the vehicle may extend its void shields out 30m from its hull and wings, protecting troops beneath it.

Reinforced Structure: The Stormbird is so beast its hull has a PR35 field representing how tough it is. This field does not overload. Ever.

Armored Ceramite: Additional layers of ceramite blunt the penetrative force of Melta weaponry. Melta Weapons do not benefit from the Melta Quality. If a Melta Weapon does not have the Melta rule, its Penetration is set to 0.

SICARAN BATTLE TANK

This, along with the Spartan, is the tank that defines the Age of Darkness. Invented by Ferrus Manus and Roboute Guilliman in tandem, the Sicaran uses STC information from multiple tanks, combined into one crazy good one. Utilizing nascent Accelerator technology, the Sicaran's weapons are capable of functioning as both excellent anti-infantry and anti-tank as needed. That just sounds so cool – *Accelerator Cannon*. Yeah.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 25m

Cruising Speed: 74 kph

Maneuverability: +5

Structural Integrity: 45

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 40, Side 35, Rear 25

Crew: Driver, Turret Gunner, Two Sponson Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

Gunner-Operated Turret Accelerator Autocannon 300m, -/-/6, 3d10+8R, Pen 6, Mag 140, 3 Full, Razor Sharp, Rapid Tracking)
Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)
Two Sponson Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing) or Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))

Rapid Tracking: This weapon inflicts a penalty to enemy Dodge and Jink tests equal to 5x DoS on Ballistic Skill test.

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle

Reinforced Hull



SICARAN VENATOR TANK DESTROYER

A dedicated tank destroyer variant of the Sicaran, where the turret is replaced by a Neutron Laser. Introduced at the very start of the Age of Darkness, this tank would prove instrumental, scything through enemy tanks, and surviving where lesser vehicles fell.

A Sicaran Venator uses the rules for a Sicaran Battle Tank, except for the following changes.

A Sicaran Venator's Hull-Mounted Heavy Bolter is instead Pintle-Mounted.

A Sicaran Venator does not have a turret, replacing it

with a Hull-Mounted Neutron Beam Laser (200m, -S/-, 4d10+20E, Pen 15, Concussive, Shock Pulse).

A Neutron Beam Laser draws power from the vehicle's atomic reactor, and does not worry about trivial shit like ammo.

Shock Pulse: If enemy vehicle suffers damage from this weapon, enemy Ballistic Skill is reduced to 10, ignoring bonuses to Ballistic Skill tests, and the enemy may not fire weapons with the Blast quality, until the end of their next round.

DEIMOS PREDATOR TANK

A Deimos Predator was a tougher variant of the normal Predator, a medium tank with good speed, firepower, and protection. Capable of bearing heavier weapons than its lesser counterpart, the Deimos is expected to dominate most equivalent tanks it is pressed against.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 15m

Cruising Speed: 70 kph

Maneuverability: +0

Structural Integrity: 45

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 35, Side 25, Rear 20

Crew: Driver, Turret Gunner, Two Sponson

Gunners, Pintle Gunner

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Turret Weapon from the following list.

Predator Autocannon (300m, S/3/6, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 60, 2Full, Reliable)

Heavy Conversion Beamer (150m, S/-, Damage Below)

-Short Range (You<75m): 1d10+6E, Pen 4, Blast (5), Firing Calibration

-Medium Range (75m <= You <=150m): 2d10+8E, Pen 8, Blast (8), Firing Calibration

-Long Range (150m<You): 3d10+10E, Pen 12, Blast (10), Firing Calibration

Magna-Melta (60m, S/-, 3d10+10E, Pen 15, Mag 50, Rld 4 Full, Blast (10), Melta)

Flamestorm Cannon (50m, S/-, 2d10+15E, Pen 8, Mag 50, Rld 4 Full, Flame, Spray)

Plasma Destroyer (200m, S/2/3, 2d10+12E, Pen 12, Mag 48, Rld 5 Full, Blast (3), Volatile, Maximal)

Firing Calibration: The weapon may not be fired at all if the vehicle performed a Move Action of any kind. No exceptions – stay still!

Two Sponson Weapons from the following list.

Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

Lascannon (300m, S/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))

One Pintle Weapon from the following list.

Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

Combi-Weapon (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Combi-component dependent on weapon selected.)

Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

Multi-Melta (60m, S/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Melta, Blast (1))

Havoc Launcher (100m, S/2/-, 2d10X, Pen 2, Mag 8, 2 Full, Blast (4), Devastating (2))

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle

Reinforced Hull

VINDICATOR DESTROYER

A Vindicator can mount an upgunned Laser Destroyer Array, increasing its vehicle hunting ability at the cost of area damage. By staying stationary, power that would have gone to motive systems instead are directed to the gun.

A Vindicator Destroyer uses the rules for a Vindicator, except for the following changes.

The Vindicator's Demolisher Cannon is replaced by a Laser Destroyer Array (300m, S/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 15, Proven (4), Twin-Linked)

Power Capacitor: The Laser Destroyer Array does not use ammo, drawing power from the Capacitor. If the Vindicator Tank has not moved, its fire rate becomes -/2/. Alternatively, if the Vindicator Tank has not moved, its fire rate may be boosted to become -/-3. If this last option is selected, roll 1d10 after firing. If the result is a 1 or 2, then the Vindicator suffers 1d10 damage to hull integrity, ignoring armor.



WHIRLWIND SCORPIUS

The term “Whirlwind” is a relative one, used to denote a vehicle-mounted multiple missile launcher system. The Whirlwind Scorpions was actually designed by the Space Wolves, mounting a rapid-fire missile system on a Predator chassis, and rolling alongside armor columns to provide support as needed.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 15m

Cruising Speed: 70 kph

Maneuverability: +0

Structural Integrity: 30

Size: Enormous

Armour: Front 35, Side 28, Rear 20

Crew: Driver, Gunner

Carrying Capacity: None

Weapons

One Gunner-Operated Scorpions Multi-Launcher (300m, S/-, 3d10+10X, Pen 8, Mag 60, Rld 4 Full, Blast (3), Devastating (2), Rocket Barrage)

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

Rocket Barrage: If the Whirlwind Scorpions does not move, the fire rate of the Scorpions Multi-Launcher is increased to S/-1d5+1

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle

Reinforced Hull

LEGION ARTILLERY TANK

A Legion is expected to maintain its own troops, armor, and artillery, to better take on any situation. This is the reason why the Legions would be split after the Age of Darkness. For now, though, accept the fact that Legion Artillery is available. Some

Legions, like the Iron Warriors and Imperial Fists, would take to it with aplomb.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 12m

Cruising Speed: 35kph

Maneuverability: -5

Structural Integrity: 40

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 30, Side 20, Rear 20

Crew: Commander, Driver, Gunner, Loader

Carrying Capacity: None

Weapons

One Gunner-Operated Earthshaker Cannon (3500m, S/-, 4d10+10X, Pen 8, Mag 1, Rld Full, Blast (20), Concussive (3), Indirect (5)) OR Medusa Cannon (1050m, S/-, 3d10+30X, Pen 12, Mag 1, Rld Full, Blast (10), Indirect (3))

Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle

Reinforced Hull

LAND RAIDER ACHILLES ALPHA

Simply put, the Land Raider Achilles Alpha is the most durable vehicle a Legionary can call upon. They can resist weapons that down even super-heavies, and are sealed against all external toxins. These vehicles are the vanguard of an assault, and their Legionary operators trust in their durability to lead the charge.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 15m

Cruising Speed: 70 kph

Maneuverability: +0

Structural Integrity: 45

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 45, Side 45, Rear 45

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: 6 Legionaries.

Weapons

One Driver-operated Quad Launcher (300m, -/-4, Mag 40, Rld 5 Full)

-Frag (2d10+2X, Pen 4, Blast (3), Indirect, Shell-Shock)

-Shatter (3d10+10X, Pen 6, Indirect, Sunder)

-Incendiary (1d10+9E Pen 4, Flame, Ignores Cover)

-Splinter (1d10+5R Pen 6, Blast (3), Tearing, Razor Sharp)

Two Sponson-mounted Twin-Linked Volkite Culverins (280m, S/2/4, 2d10+9E, Pen 4, Mag 40, 5 Full, Deflagrate, Twin-Linked)

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle

Power of the Machine Spirit

Reinforced Hull

Searchlight

Enhanced Ferromantic Rites: The vehicle ignores the Melta and Lance qualities of weapons, only being affected by base Penetration. Vehicle critical hits are downgraded one level.

Galvanic Traction Drive: The vehicle treats all terrain as open terrain.

SPARTAN ASSAULT TANK

For when you have to drive a bangbus full of homies, and the goddamn Primarch too, the Spartan Assault Tank is your vehicle. Resembling the Land Raider, but at a much larger scale, the Spartan is able to carry large numbers of troops into battle. Only superheavy transporters exceed it. With heavy weapons to match, the Spartan is the chariot of choice for you and your Deathstar.

Type: Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 12m

Cruising Speed: 45 kph

Maneuverability: -15

Structural Integrity: 60

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 45, Side 45, Rear 45

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: 20 Legionaries.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing) OR Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

Two Sponson-Mounted Quad Lascannons (300m, S/2/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Rld 2 Full, Twin-Linked) OR Laser Destroyers (200m, S/-/-, 6d10+12E, Pen 14, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Proven (4), Twin-Linked)

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle

Power of the Machine Spirit

Reinforced Hull



FELLBLADE SUPER-HEAVY TANK

When the Legions ride, they ride in *STYLE*. The Fellblade Super-Heavy Tank is based off the Baneblade chassis, and is far more advanced than that ancient design. It bears an Atomantic Arc Reactor within its core, which allows for powering the mighty Accelerator Cannon, a multi-use weapon able to pierce heavy armor and infantry crowds alike.

Eleven barrels of hell? Try *thirteen*.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 10m

Cruising Speed: 32 kph

Maneuverability: -30

Structural Integrity: 120

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 50, Side 45, Rear 35

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing) OR Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

One Turret-Mounted Fellblade Accelerator Cannon (900m, S/-/-, Mag 42, 4 Full)
- AP Shell – 4d10+10X, Pen 12, Blast (3),
Armorbane
- HE Shell – 3d10+10X, Pen 8, Blast (12),
Devastating (3)

Two Sponson-Mounted Quad Lascannons (300m, S/2/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Rld 2 Full, Twin-Linked) OR Laser Destroyers (200m, S/-/-, 6d10+12E, Pen 14, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Proven (4), Twin-Linked)

One Pintle Weapon from the following list.

Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

Combi-Weapon (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Combi-component dependent on weapon selected.)
 Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)
 Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)
 Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Melta, Blast (1))

Special Rules

Ground Vehicle
Super-Heavy
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GLAIVE SUPER-HEAVY SPECIAL WEAPONS TANK

What a mouthful. Still, the Glaive is a great tank. Why? That Volkite Carronade will burn through entire lines of troops at once. Every day is a lovely day for purging, and the Glaive makes the job even easier.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 10m

Cruising Speed: 32 kph

Maneuverability: -30

Structural Integrity: 150

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 50, Side 45, Rear 35

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing) OR Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

One Turret-Mounted Volkite Carronade (400m, S/-/-, 3d10+10E, Pen 12, Heavy Beam, Deflagrate, Haywire, Blast (1))

Heavy Beam: Once fired, this weapon draws a line from its origin to its maximum range.

EVERYTHING under this line, including the space taken by the blast quality, is hit.

A Volkite Carronade draws power from the vehicle's atomantic reactor, and does not worry about trivial shit like ammo.

Two Sponson-Mounted Quad Lascannons (300m, S/2/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Rld 2 Full, Twin-Linked) OR Laser Destroyers (200m, S/-/-, 6d10+12E, Pen 14, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Proven (4), Twin-Linked)

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FALCHION SUPER-HEAVY TANK DESTROYER

Mounting a twin-linked volcano cannon, the Falchion is able to wreck just about anything it points at. While proving effective against enemy titans at the start of the Age of Darkness, they were initially used to destroy incredibly large Xenos and recidivist conclaves. The Galaxy was a bizarre place once, until the Falchions evened the field.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 10m

Cruising Speed: 32 kph

Maneuverability: -30

Structural Integrity: 150

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 50, Side 45, Rear 35

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Twin-Linked Volcano Cannon (3000m, S/-/-, 10d10+20E, Pen 20, Blast (8), Felling (6), Overheats, Twin-Linked, Destroyer)

A Volcano Cannon draws power from the vehicle's atomantic reactor, and does not worry about trivial shit like ammo.

Destroyer: If a target of Size (Hulking) or lower takes at least one wound or Hull Integrity, it is instantly incinerated.

Two Sponson-Mounted Quad Lascannons (300m, S/2/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Rld 2 Full, Twin-Linked)

One Pintle Weapon from the following list.
Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)
Combi-Weapon (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Combi-component dependent on weapon selected.)
Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)
Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)
Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Melta, Blast (1))

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TYPHON HEAVY SIEGE TANK

Perturabo of the Iron Warriors had personally designed the Typhon Heavy Siege Tank, as a way to bring overbearing force against fortifications rapidly, faster than Excertus Imperialis forces could travel. Based off the Spartan chassis, but upgunned and uparmored, to many it resembles an upgunned Vindicator. It works, though.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 12m

Cruising Speed: 32 kph

Maneuverability: -35

Structural Integrity: 75

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 50, Side 50, Rear 50

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Dreadhammer Siege Cannon (90m Moving / 300m Stationary, S/-/-, 3d10+30X, Pen 15, Mag 12, Rld 5 Full, Blast (12), Devastating (3), Ignores Cover)

Two Sponson-Mounted Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

OR Lascannons (300m, S/-/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))

One Pintle Weapon from the following list.

Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

Combi-Weapon (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Combi-component dependent on weapon selected.)

Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Melta, Blast (1))

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Crushing Weight: When executing a Ram attack, attack gains an additional 2d10 damage and adds +4 to Critical Hit chart

CERBERUS HEAVY TANK DESTROYER

Another Spartan variant with upgunned weapon, the Cerberus uses a prototype Neutron Laser Projector powered by an atomantic arc reactor. The weapon itself was reverse-engineered, and the Mechanicum was insistent that until the deadly energy emanations could be solved, it was unfit for duty. They never got the chance, as a few years after first delivery, the Age of Darkness had begun.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 12m

Cruising Speed: 32 kph

Maneuverability: -35

Structural Integrity: 75

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 50, Side 50, Rear 50

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Neutron Laser Battery (600m, -/-/1d5, 4d10+20E, Pen 15, Concussive, Shock Pulse, Feedback)

A Neutron Laser Destroyer draws power from the vehicle's atomantic reactor, and does not worry about trivial shit like ammo.

Shock Pulse: If enemy vehicle suffers damage from this weapon, enemy Ballistic Skill is reduced to 10, ignoring bonuses to Ballistic Skill tests, and the

enemy may not fire weapons with the Blast quality until the end of their next round.

Feedback: For every shot the weapon makes that fails to penetrate enemy armor, roll 1d10. On a 1-2, the vehicle loses 2d10 Hull Integrity.

Special Rules

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Reactor Blast: If the vehicle is destroyed, the result is automatically Explodes, at the maximum range and damage. Critical hit rolls of 1 and 2 against the vehicle may be rerolled, in an attempt to get more damage. The second result stands.

Flare Shield: Enemy ranged attacks against the vehicle's Front facing roll one less damage die for damage. Enemy ranged attacks with the Blast or Spray rule are reduced by a further damage die. A Flare Shield has no effect on attacks made in melee, point blank explosives such as meltabombs, Haywire attacks, or extremely powerful destroyer weapons.

MASTODON HEAVY ASSAULT TRANSPORT

A transport reserved for breaching the heaviest of fortifications, a Mastodon is capable of boring into a fortress, and dropping almost 40 Legionaries into it to wreak havoc. Equivalent to a Stormbird on the Ground, the Mastodon will slowly but surely reach its target.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 10m

Cruising Speed: 30 kph

Maneuverability: -40

Structural Integrity: 100

Size: Monumental

Armour: Front 50, Side 50, Rear 50

Crew: Driver, five Gunners

Carrying Capacity: 40 Legionaries. Up to two Dreadnoughts may be transported, counting as 10 Legionaries.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Fixed Forward Siege Melta Array (30m, S/2/4, 3d10+10E, Pen 15, Melta, Blast (3), Stone-Burner)

A Siege Melta Array draws power from the vehicle's atomantic reactor, and does not worry about trivial shit like ammo.

Stone-Burner: Against Buildings and Fortification, every hit that inflicts at least one Hull Integrity of damage generates an additional 1d5 hits. These hits do not generate further hits.

Gunner-Operated Skyreaper Battery (300m, -/-/5, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 150, Rld 5 Full, Twin-Linked, Anti-Air (Advanced))

Two Sponson Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray) and two Sponson Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))

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Armored Ceramite

Dual Void Shield Generator

Enhanced Defensive Fire: The vehicle's sponson weapons may be fired at enemies assaulting the vehicle as the Gunner's Reaction. Lascannon sponsons suffer -20 penalty to the BS test, while Heavy Flamer Sponsons grant a +20 bonus to the enemy's Agility test.

Reinforced Shell: When suffering Critical Damage, divide the result by 4, rounding up. This does not apply to Righteous Fury. If the vehicle suffers a Destroyed result on the Critical Table, the vehicle is treated as an immobile building, granting 50 AP of Cover.

MALCADOR ASSAULT TANK

A truly ancient design originating on Ancient Terra, and named after the Sigillite, the Right Hand of the Emperor, this tank was numerous in the Legions, albeit mothballed for more advanced designs. The Malcador was surprisingly fast, owing to its Sub-Atomantic Arc Reactor drive, which would drift into the dusts of history over ten thousand years.

Type: Super-Heavy Ground Vehicle

Tactical Speed: 15m

Cruising Speed: 45 kph

Maneuverability: -20

Structural Integrity: 70

Size: Immense

Armour: Front 45, Side 40, Rear 30

Crew: Driver, Commander, two Gunners

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Commander-Operated Traverse-Mounted weapon from the following list.
Battle Cannon (750m, S/-/, 3d10+10X, Pen 8, Mag 12, Rld 3Full, Blast (10), Concussive (3), Reliable) or Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted weapon from the following list.

Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)
Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)
Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))
Demolisher Cannon (50m, S/-/, 4d10+20X, Pen 10, Mag 2, Rld Full, Blast (10), Concussive (3))

Two Sponson-Mounted weapons from the following list.

Heavy Bolters (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)
Autocannon (300m, S/3/-, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 20, Rld 2 Full, Reliable)
Lascannon (300m, S/-/, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))

One Pintle Weapon from the following list.

Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)
Combi-Weapon (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Combi-component dependent on weapon selected.)
Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)
Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)
Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 12, Rld 2 Full, Melta, Blast (1))

Special Rules

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Sub-Atomic Reactor: When executing a Ram attack, or suffering critical damage, one additional damage die must be rolled, dropping the highest.

Battle Speed: The Malcador may choose to move three times its Tactical Speed as a Full Action. If it does so, only the Traverse-Mounted weapon may fire.

DREADNOUGHTS

*"Why... Not This... ANYTHING BUT THIS!"
"YOU STILL HAVE A MISSION TO COMPLETE,
PRAETOR. YOU COULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO
DIE."
" You Have Made A Mockery Of Me! I Am A Shell!"
" A SHELL THAT RETAINS THE ABILITY TO
SERVE, PRAETOR."*

-Space Wolf Praetor "Felleye" Brynjol is entombed within a Contemptor Dreadnought by Paragon of Metal Executor Thexus, and others.

To become a dreadnought is to embrace a half-life. It is a great honor to be entombed with a Dreadnought, a Legion hero undying and eternally serving on the battlefield. Some Legionaries take to this with gusto, reveling in the power they did not have in life. Others are more somber, and choose to sleep the aeons away when not in combat. Embedded within a sarcophagus, the Legionary within waits, dreaming, maybe of Sisters of Silence. Twins. Yeah.

In the Great Crusade and Age of Darkness, a Legionary is lucky – in death, he has a choice of...permanent retirement home. Each Dreadnought Frame, the Contemptor, Deredeo, and Leviathan all offer built-in advantages to the boxy Castaferrum dread. Squares are out. Eggs are totally in this season.

When a Legionary selects the Dreadnought Elite Advance, he follows all the normal restrictions in Deathwatch: Rites of Battle. Some frames, however, will modify these restrictions, and they will be elaborated upon in their own unit entries.



CONTEMPTOR DREADNOUGHT

Regarded as the most advanced and powerful pattern of Dreadnought available during the Great Crusade, the Contemptor's chassis mixes arcane systems with components used by the Legio Cybernetica. Its atomantic reactor can power numerous systems that would burn out a lesser chassis, at the risk of nuclear detonation if suffering critical damage. Big risk, big payoff.

A Contemptor Dreadnought follows the rules for Dreadnoughts in Rites of Battle, except for the following changes.

A Contemptor Dreadnought's tactical speed is 10m, and Cruise Speed is 15kph. It has 40 Structural Integrity, and possesses Front Armor 35, Side Armor 30, and Rear Armor 20.

A Contemptor Dreadnought may equip its left and right arms with any of the following options. Legionary equivalents may be substituted for weapons of an equivalent class. Weapon options may be doubled up on (For example, two Twin-Linked Autocannons). All Dreadnought Melee weapons come with a Twin-Linked Bolter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked), and have their strength bonus already included in the listed damage.

Dreadnought Close Combat Weapon (2d10+24E, Pen 6, Power Field)

Dreadnought Chainfist (2d10+14E, Pen 10, Power Field, Tearing, Unwieldy)

Twin-Linked Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)

Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Full, Melta, Blast (1))

Twin-Linked Autocannon (300m, S/3/-, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 20, Rld 2 Full, Reliable, Twin-Linked)

Kheres-Pattern Assault Cannon (150m, -/-/8, 2d10+12I, Pen 6, Mag 200, Rld 3 Full, Devastating (1), Storm, Tearing)

Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)
Heavy Conversion Beamer (150m, S/-/-, Damage Below)

-Short Range (You<75m): 1d10+6E, Pen 4, Blast (5), Firing Calibration

-Medium Range (75m <= You <=150m): 2d10+8E, Pen 8, Blast (8), Firing Calibration

-Long Range (150m<You): 3d10+10E, Pen 12, Blast (10), Firing Calibration

Plasma Cannon (150m, S/-/-, 2d10+12E, Pen 10, Mag 32, 5Full, Overheats, Maximal, Blast (3))

Firing Calibration: The weapon may not be fired at all if the vehicle performed a Move Action of any kind. No exceptions – stay still!

A Contemptor Dreadnought may replace the Twin-Linked Bolter within its Melee Weapons with the following.

Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)
Plasma Blaster (60m, S/2/-, 2d10+8E, Pen 12, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Volatile, Maximal)
Graviton Gun (30m, S/-/, *, *, Mag 3, Rld 2 Full, Blast (5), Concussive, Haywire, Graviton Pulse)
Melta Gun (20m, S/-/, 2d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 25, Full, Melta, Twin-Linked)

If the occupant so desires, a Contemptor Dreadnought may equip a Carapace-Mounted weapon from the list below.

Havoc Launcher (100m, S/2/-, 2d10X, Pen 2, Mag 8, 2 Full, Blast (4), Devastating (2)).

A Contemptor Dreadnought comes pre-equipped with a Searchlight and Smoke Launcher by default.

A Contemptor Dreadnought possesses the following special rules.

Atomantic Shielding: The Dreadnought possesses a built in PR20 Defensive Field against melee attacks, which increases to PR35 against ranged attacks. This field does not overload in normal conditions. However, if the vehicle is destroyed, the result is automatically Explodes, at the maximum range and damage.

Advanced Internment: A Legionary interred within a Contemptor Dreadnought does **NOT** possess the Weight of Years Trait. The Contemptor's advanced systems are able to keep the Legionary functional and lucid for as long as required. Sleeping is optional, but it does make one feel less grumpy.

CONTEMPTOR-CORTUS DREADNOUGHT

Originating from the Ullanor campaign, as a cheap way to replace losses, the Contemptor Pattern replaces many advanced components with less-robust, more common, ones. The Mechanicum did not approve, but when the Age of Darkness kicked in, there wasn't really much of a choice.

A Contemptor-Cortus Dreadnought follows the rules for Contemptor Dreadnoughts above (and by extention, the Dreadnought in Rites of Battle), except for the following changes.

A Contemptor-Cortus Dreadnought has 35 Structural Integrity, and possesses Front Armor 35, Side Armor 25, and Rear Armor 20.

A Contemptor-Cortus Dreadnought possesses the following special rules.

Atomantic Deflector: The Dreadnought possesses a built in PR35 Defensive Field against ranged attacks in its front arc. This field does not overload in normal conditions. However, if the vehicle is destroyed, the result is automatically Explodes, at the maximum range and damage.

Atomantic Overcharge: The Legionary within the Contemptor Cortus may choose to supercharge his Dreadnought as a Free Action, and select a benefit from below until the end of his turn.

- Hatred (Select an Enemy)
- Add 5m to movement speed
- Move 6 times Tactical Speed as a Full Action
- Inflict a penalty of -10 to enemy Dodge and Parry tests.

At the end of the Legionary's turn, he must roll 1d10. If the result is a 1 or 2, then the Contemptor Cortus suffers 1d10 damage to hull integrity, ignoring armor. If this causes the Contemptor to be destroyed, the result is automatically Explodes, at double the maximum range and damage.

Unstable Internment: The Legionary interred within the Contemptor Cortus possesses the Weight of Years trait, and rolls two die, dropping the lowest.

MHARA GAL TAINTED DREADNOUGHT (WORD BEARERS)

Hoo boy. First encountered on Calth, and regarded as a twisted monster by the Ultramarine defenders, Mhara Gal Dreadnoughts are a sickening mess of Warp and Legionary. Formerly a member of the Gal Vorbak, the internment of one of these warriors into a wrecked Dreadnought causes a transformation of Legionary and Dreadnought into something...more. It is from these Dreadnoughts that the idea of internment as punishment would first be formed.

A Mhara Gal Tainted Dreadnought follows the rules for Contemptor Dreadnoughts above (and by extention, the Dreadnought in Rites of Battle), except for the following changes.

A Mhara Gal requires the Legionary to have taken the Gal Vorbak Dark Martyr Advanced Specialization before internment. The act of internment into a Dreadnought frame begins the rapid transformation from Contemptor to Mhara Gal (A day, tops).

A Mhara Gal may equip its left and right arms with any of the following options. Weapon options may NOT be doubled up on. Tainted Power Claws come with a Curs'd Boltspitter (90m, S/3/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Nova Grenade Flash), and have their strength bonus already included in the listed damage.

Tainted Power Claw (2d10+30E, Pen 6, Power Field, Ghost Razor)

Warpfire Plasma Cannon (150m, S/-/-, 2d10+12E, Pen 10, Mag 32, 5Full, Overheats, Maximal, Blast (3), Howling Death)

Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Full, Melta, Blast (1), Howling Death)

Twin-Linked Autocannon (300m, S/3/-, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 20, Rld 2 Full, Reliable, Twin-Linked, Howling Death)

Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)

Ghost Razor: Successful Protective Field rolls against this weapon must be rerolled. The second result stands.

Howling Death: Upon inflicting at least one wound on an enemy, during an attack, the enemy must make a Difficult (-10) Willpower test. If this test is failed, the enemy must roll on the Shock Table, with +10 for every degree of failure. If the enemy is Fearless, this quality has no effect.

The Mhara Gal possesses the following traits: Regeneration (5), From Beyond, The Stuff of Nightmares, Fear (3).

A Mhara Gal Tainted Dreadnought possesses the following special rules.

Accursed: Anyone within 15m of the Mhara Gal with a Psy Rating, possesses the Daemonic trait, or those subjected to a psychic buff immediately suffer a single hit, inflicting 2d10+3E damage with Pen 12. This attack may be dodged or blocked by protective fields, but the target may not count the value of armor points granted by cover. This occurs regardless of line of sight, and ally or enemy status.

Daemonic Aura: The Mhara Gal possesses a PR 35 defensive field that does not overload under normal conditions.

The Earth Recoils: The Mhara Gal ignores the effect of Difficult Terrain, and gains the Phase trait. However, the effects of the Phase trait always end at the end of the Mhara Gal's turn, meaning they must always be on solid footing at the end of their round – their Phase trait cannot be maintained indefinitely.

Shroud of Dark Fire: Any heat, fire, or plasma-based weapon (such as Flame, Melta, and Volkite Weaponry) roll one less damage die when striking the Mhara Gal. Any enemy with a toughness bonus lower than 14, or with a Front Armor Value of 34 or less, suffers a -10 penalty to Weapon skill tests to strike the Mhara Gal in melee combat. Finally, if the Mhara Gal is reduced to zero hull integrity, it immediately explodes. Everything within 25 meters immediately suffers a single hit, inflicting 2d10+9E damage with Pen 4 and the Soul Blaze quality.



OSIRON DREADNOUGHT (THOUSAND SONS)

The first psychic dreadnought, and the baseline for all future psychic dreadnoughts, the Thousand Sons can't be blamed for not sticking to their theme. And to be fair, it was a hard problem to solve, which took them a long time to fix. Using a device called the Osiron, this allowed a psyker within the Contemptor's frame to use his psychic powers and not explode. Magnus, ever the bro, gave his shit out freely to his brothers and their Legions. Only the Blood Angels took him up on it.

An Osiron Dreadnought follows the rules for Contemptor Dreadnoughts above (and by extention, the Dreadnought in Rites of Battle), except for the following changes.

The cost of the Dreadnought Advanced Specialization is raised to 8000 XP.

An Osiron Dreadnought's left arm MUST be a Dreadnought Force Khopesh (2d10+25E, Pen 10, Balanced, Fast, Force) with Combi-Weapon (90m, S/2/-, 1d10+9X, Pen 4, Mag 24, Rld Full, Tearing, Combi-component dependent on weapon selected.). The Combi-Weapon contains Asphyx Shells. Strength bonus is already included in the listed damage

An Osiron Dreadnought may equip its right arm with any of the following options. Legionary equivalents may be substituted for weapons of an equivalent class.

Twin-Linked Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-/6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)
Multi-Melta (60m, S/-/-, 2d10+16E, Pen 12, Mag 24, Full, Melta, Blast (1))
Twin-Linked Autocannon (300m, S/3/-, 3d10+8I, Pen 6, Mag 20, Rld 2 Full, Reliable, Twin-Linked)
Kheres-Pattern Assault Cannon (150m, -/-/8, 2d10+12I, Pen 6, Mag 200, Rld 3 Full, Devastating (1), Storm, Tearing)
Twin-Linked Lascannon (300m, S/-/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3), Twin-Linked)
Heavy Conversion Beamer (150m, S/-/-, Damage Below)
-Short Range (You<75m): 1d10+6E, Pen 4, Blast (5), Firing Calibration
-Medium Range (75m <= You <=150m): 2d10+8E, Pen 8, Blast (8), Firing Calibration
-Long Range (150m<You): 3d10+10E, Pen 12, Blast (10), Firing Calibration
Plasma Cannon (150m, S/-/-, 2d10+12E, Pen 10, Mag 32, 5Full, Overheats, Maximal, Blast (3))

Firing Calibration: The weapon may not be fired at all if the vehicle performed a Move Action of any kind. No exceptions – stay still!

If the occupant so desires, an Osiron Dreadnought may equip a Carapace-Mounted weapon from the list below.

Havoc Launcher (100m, S/2/-, 2d10X, Pen 2, Mag 8, 2 Full, Blast (4), Devastating (2)).

An Osiron Dreadnought possesses the following special rules.

The Osiron: A Legionary of the Thousand Sons cannot be interred within an Osiron Dreadnought unless he possesses Psy Rating (2) or greater. He may continue to use powers he knows from the Telekinesis, Telepathy, Pyromancy, or Divination disciplines as normal. Sorry, Biomancy, you're shit out of luck. The Legionary interred within the Osiron Dreadnought also gains a +10 to opposed Willpower tests against enemy psychic powers.



DEREDEO DREADNOUGHT

A fusion of Terran and Mechanicum technology, the Deredeo Dreadnought is designed not as an all-purpose generalist, but a dedicated ranged heavy weapon platform. It is capable of mounting punishing firepower, or defensive systems that can augment nearby allies, but at the cost of near defenselessness in melee combat.

A Deredeo Dreadnought follows the rules for Dreadnoughts in Rites of Battle, except for the following changes.

A Deredeo Dreadnought's tactical speed is 5m, and Cruise Speed is 10kph. It has 40 Structural Integrity, and possesses Front Armor 35, Side Armor 30, and Rear Armor 25.

A Deredeo Dreadnought may equip its left and right arms with any of the following options. Each option takes up both arm slots.

Anvilus Autocannon Battery (300m, -/-4, 3d10+10I, Pen 6, Mag 80, Rld 4 Full, Sunder)
Hellfire Plasma Cannonade (250m, -/-4, 2d10+15E, Pen 12, Mag 60, Rld 4 Full, Volatile, Hellfire Maximal)
Arachnus Heavy Lascannon Array (300m, S/2/-, 3d10+30E, Pen 20, Mag 20, Rld 6 Full, Exoshock)

Hellfire Maximal: The weapon may fire on Maximal mode, setting its fire rate to S/-/, and granting the Blast (10) and Overheats qualities.

Exoshock: Roll 1d10 for every hit that inflicts at least one point of hull integrity. On a 6+, it causes another automatic hit. These extra hits cannot generate further hits.

A Deredeo Dreadnought may equip its Carapace with any of the following options.

Aiolos Missile Launcher (400m, S/2/3, 2d10+8X, Pen 8, Mag 30, Rld 4 Full, Independent Tracking)
Automatic Pavaise

Independent Tracking: The weapon may be fired at a target of the Legionary's choosing as a Free Action, even if he has already fired two weapons. The attack is resolved at the character's normal Ballistic Skill.

Automatic Pavaise: The Deredeo Dreadnought possesses a PR50 Defensive Field, which does not overload in normal conditions. Nearby Allies within 10m benefit from a PR20 Defensive Field against ranged attacks, or increase the value of any Protective Field they already possess by +15 (Up to a maximum of PR60). However, if the Deredeo is reduced to zero hull integrity, it immediately explodes. Everything

within 20 meters immediately suffers a single hit, inflicting 2d10+3E damage with Pen 4.

A Deredeo Dreadnought may equip its Hull with any of the following options.

Twin-Linked Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing, Twin-Linked)
Twin-Linked Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray, Twin-Linked)

A Deredeo Dreadnought comes pre-equipped with a Searchlight and Smoke Launcher by default.

A Deredeo Dreadnought possesses the following special rules.

Atomantic Shielding: The Dreadnought possesses a built in PR20 Defensive Field against melee attacks, which increases to PR35 against ranged attacks. This field does not overload in normal conditions. However, if the vehicle is destroyed, the result is automatically Explodes, at the maximum range and damage.

Helical Targeting Array: If the Dreadnought did not execute a Move action of any kind during his previous round, and remains immobile in his current round, his weapons gain the Anti-Air (Advanced) quality.



LEVIATHAN SIEGE DREADNOUGHT

A purely Terran weapon, where the Contemptor Dreadnought prioritized adaptability, the Leviathan was a solid unstoppable wall, its production costs rivalling that of an Imperial Knight. While powerful, the strain of controlling such a monstrous machine rapidly burned out its occupants, condemning them to a brief but bright flare against the darkness. Perhaps it is this machine the Mechanicum feared the most, for on close examination, it seems purpose-built to destroy even their greatest Battle Automata...

A Leviathan Dreadnought follows the rules for Dreadnoughts in Rites of Battle, except for the following changes.

A Leviathan Dreadnought's tactical speed is 5m, and Cruise Speed is 8kph. It has 50 Structural Integrity, and possesses Front Armor 35, Side Armor 35, and Rear Armor 30. A Leviathan Dreadnought possesses a Strength Characteristic of 80, with Unnatural Strength x2.

The cost of the Dreadnought Advanced Specialization is raised to 8000 XP.

A Leviathan Dreadnought may equip its left and right arms with any of the following options. Legionary equivalents may be substituted for weapons of an equivalent class. Weapon options may be doubled up on (For example, two Leviathan Storm Cannons). All Dreadnought Melee weapons come with an Inbuilt Meltagun (20m, S/-, 2d10+10E, Pen 12, Mag 25, Full, Melta), and have their strength bonus already included in the listed damage.

Leviathan Siege Claw (2d10+26R Pen 12, Power Field, Structural Collapse, Severing Cut, Unwieldy)
Leviathan Siege Drill (2d10+30R, Pen 12, Power Field, Structural Collapse, Armorbane, Unwieldy)
Leviathan Storm Cannon (100m, -/-/6, 3d10+8I, Pen 8, Mag 60, Rld 4 Full, Sunder)
Cyclonic Melta Lance (60m, -/3/-, 3d10+10E, Pen 15, Mag 30, Rld 4 Full, Melta)
Grav-Flux Bombard (60m, S/-/-, *, Pen 12, Mag 10, Rld 4 Full, Blast (5), Graviton Collapse, Gravitic Contortion, Ignores Cover)

Severing Cut: When an enemy that is not a vehicle, structure, or possesses the Daemon Engine trait suffers at least one point of damage, they must make a Very Hard (-30) Toughness test. If this test is failed, resolve an additional automatic hit, rolling for damage as normal. These additional hits do not inflict further hits themselves.

Gravitic Contortion: For every degree of success on

the Ballistic Skill test, the weapon inflicts an additional 1d5 wounds, ignoring armor and toughness, or 1d5 hull integrity, ignoring Armor. Graviton Collapse

Graviton Collapse: Everything caught in the gun's blast area is violently pressed to the floor and must take a Hellish (-60) Strength Test or be knocked down. Being thrown to a solid surface from a standing position and forced to the ground in this way is enough to inflict 2d10 I (Primitive) Damage — treat this as effecting the Body location — although what the character or object is thrown against and how far they fall may well make this effect far worse. Against vehicles in the blast radius, if they do not dodge, instead suffer 3d10 Hull Integrity damage, ignoring armor. Additionally, anyone attempting to move or perform physical actions within the blast radius for 2d5 Rounds afterwards must first pass an Opposed Strength Test versus Strength 80 (Unnatural $\times 2$) each Round. At the GMs discretion, the flux may shatter brittle objects, collapse loose flooring, rupture containment vessels, damage vehicles and machinery, plus wreak any other chaos deemed appropriate.

A Leviathan Dreadnought may equip its Hull with a Phosphex Discharger (60m, -/3/-, 2d10+5E, Pen 12, Mag 3, Blast (5), Corrosive, Toxic*, Lingering Death, Crawling Fire, One Shot)

A Leviathan Dreadnought may equip its Torso with any of the following options.

Two Heavy Flamers (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)
Twin-Linked Volkite Caliver (165m, S/2/3, 2d10+6E, Pen 4, Mag 30, Rld 4 Full, Deflagrate)

A Leviathan Dreadnought comes pre-equipped with a Searchlight, Smoke Launcher, and Frag Grenades by default.

A Leviathan Dreadnought possesses the following special rules.

Reinforced Atomantic Shielding: The Dreadnought possesses a PR50 Field, which does not overload in normal conditions. However, if the vehicle is destroyed, the result is automatically Explodes, inflicting 4d10+10X with Pen 6 to everything within 5d10 meters.

Crushing Charge: When using the Thunder Charge Talent, the Leviathan generates 1d5+2 Unarmed attacks rather than 1d5. Any attacks the Dreadnought makes on a round it charges impose a penalty of -10 to enemy Dodge and Parry tests.



Name	Req	Renown
Armored Ceramite	10	Respected
Auxiliary Drive	5	-
Blessed Autosimulacra	20	Distinguished
Dozer Blade	5	-
Flare Shield	30	Famed
Searchlight	1	-
Smoke Launcher	5	-
Orbital Strike Targeter	80	Famed
Command Vox Relay	25	Famed
Neutron Wave Capacitor	35	Famed
Ground-Tracking Auguries	20	Distinguished
Ramjet Diffraction Grid	30	Famed

VEHICLE WARGEAR

Vehicles are people too – just ask any Iron Hand. Vehicles can be equipped with additional Wargear, by paying the Requisition cost listed. These can boost the combat capabilities of a vehicle immensely, but can get expensive as costs begin to pile up.

Some Vehicle Wargear options are restricted from, or restricted to, certain vehicles. These will be listed in their unit entries.

ARMORED CERAMITE

Additional layers of ceramite blunt the penetrative force of Melta weaponry. Melta Weapons do not benefit from the Melta Quality. If a Melta Weapon does not have the Melta rule, its Penetration is set to 0.

AUXILIARY DRIVE

Additional drive motors make on the fly engine repairs somewhat easier. Tech Use tests to repair this vehicle gain a +20 bonus. When attempting to specifically restore a Drive Damaged result, the Tech Use test is considered two steps easier.

BLESSED AUTOSIMULACRA

Thanks to the mysteries of the Omnisiah, the vehicle is capable of limited self-repair. At the end of the driver's turn, roll a 1d10. On a 9+, the vehicle recovers a number of lost structural integrity equal to the character's unmodified Intelligence bonus.

DOZER BLADE

A heavy slab of metal helps clear the way for the tank. A Dozer Blade grants +4 Armour to a vehicle's front arc. Additionally a Dozer blade allows the vehicle to treat terrain with heavy rubble and other detritus as open ground as long as it moves no faster than its Tactical Speed each Turn.

This wargear may only be selected by non-walker Ground Vehicles.

FLARE SHIELD

Rather than a pure protective field, the Flare Shield helps to dissipate attacks and weaken them before they strike. Enemy ranged attacks against the vehicle's Front facing roll one less damage die for damage. Enemy ranged attacks with the Blast or Spray rule are reduced by a further damage die. A Flare Shield has no effect on attacks made in melee, point blank explosives such as meltabombs, Haywire attacks, or extremely powerful Destroyer weapons.

SEARCHLIGHT

Some Legionaries are afraid of the dark. And that's okay – there may be Night Lords there, after all. Feel safe and secure with the Searchlight, allowing anyone in the vehicle to make a +0 Perception test as a Half Action to negate darkness-related attack penalties against the target and the equipped vehicle. Now your allies can see what they can kill!

SMOKE LAUNCHER

Sometimes, a vehicle needs to hide, and create its own cover. The commander/driver may take a Half Action or Reaction to create a cloud of smoke in a 15-metre radius around the vehicle, granting it the Fog, Mist, or Shadwo Combat Condition. A Smoke Launcher is a single-use wargear.

This wargear may only be selected by Ground Vehicles.

ORBITAL STRIKE TARGETER

A special vox-link to Legionary assets in orbit allows for rapid and semi-accurate orbital strikes. The crew of the vehicle gain access to one Lance Strike Strategic Asset per round, which can be used as a Full Action.

This wargear may only be selected for a Sokar-Pattern Stormbird. Better hope those void shields are up and ready!

COMMAND VOX RELAY

A Mastodon is capable of functioning as a mobile command center, granting unprecedented control capability to manipulate a battlefield. A Command Vox Relay acts as a Teleport Homer, and grants +10 to Command Tests to summon Strategic Assets via teleportation or Drop Pod. Enemy Command Tests suffer a -10 penalty to summon their own Assets.

This wargear may only be selected for a Mastodon Heavy Assault Transport, and replaces the vehicle's Skyreaper Battery.

NEUTRON WAVE CAPACITOR

Designed during the Age of Darkness, when the Legions found their most advanced weaponry turned against themselves, the Neutron Wave Capacitor supercharges a Falchion's Volcano Cannons with Neutron waves, creating a potent anti-vehicle weapon. The vehicle's Volcano Cannon gains the Shock Pulse and Feedback Qualities.

This wargear may only be selected for a Falchion Super-Heavy Tank Destroyer.

GROUND-TRACKING AUGURIES

The vehicle has been provided with rare tracking augurs that help aim weapons when executing strafing runs. The vehicle suffers no penalty to Ballistic Skill tests from moving when firing at ground targets.

This wargear may only be selected for a Lightning Primaris Strike Fighter.

RAMJET DIFFRACTION GRID

Similar to the Flare Shield, the waste heat and radiation from the vehicle's exhaust is converted into a defensive plasma field in the vehicle's wake. Enemy ranged attacks against the vehicle's Side and Rear facings roll one less damage die for damage, but the vehicle glows like a damn Sanguinala tree, and may never conceal itself in darkness.

This wargear may only be selected for a Lightning Primaris Strike Fighter.



LEGIONARY ASSETS

"Battle Automata maniples and Squat Warrior Brotherhoods are deployed in a battle line. Hearthguard and Exo-Guard standing by for deployment. Battle-Servitor Assets have been launched, and await targets, lads."

-Rockfist Fearengine, former Engineer's Guildmaster, relays the combat situation to the Republican Commandos

Sometimes a fight takes more than a legionary, sometimes it requires a Legion. The Great Crusade was a time where Legionaries distinguished themselves, and the legends they forged would echo on, ten thousand years later. Commanding entire battleforces of Legionaries, armored vehicles, air support, and warfleets, the forces of the nascent Imperium could sweep aside all they encountered, provided, of course, they were commanded properly.

These new assets are available to Legionaries in the Great Crusade and Age of Darkness. They represent weapons and units from the Legiones Astartes, Excertus Imperialis, and Imperialis Armada, who have been assigned to or requested by Legionary commanders for support. These new assets are summarized in the table to the right, and elaborated in their unit entries.

While many assets in Deathwatch: Rites of Battle are sufficient for representing Imperial Militia, Legiones Astartes, or Imperialis Armada support, there are some that just don't fit. The inquisition, for instance, does not yet exist, and Sanctioned Psykers cannot be called due to the Edict of Nikea. The following Assets may not be used in a game set in the Great Crusade or Age of Darkness.

Sanctioned Psykers

Inquisitorial Assets of any kind (except for Sequestered Temple Assassin)

Lore of the Librarium

Note that, due to the scale of forces available during the Great Crusade, some assets may be Hordes. When summoning an asset that is directly commanded, the Asset's initiative is identical to the one who summoned it, and the Legionary who purchased it can determine its actions. Assets have access to the full array of actions, and act as temporary followers, until the mission is complete, the asset is dismissed, or the asset dies.

Note that assets may not always be available, and may require a privileged command position, such as the Centurion Advanced Specialization, or Praetor Elite Advance, to call upon Asset Support.

Legiones Astartes Assets	Req	Renown
Legion Tactical Squad	50	Respected
Legion Support Squad	50	Respected
Legion Heavy Support Squad	60	Respected
Dreadnought Talon	40	Distinguished
Supply Drop	20	Respected
Tarantula Drop	20	Respected
Artillery Tank Barrage	50	Respected
Whirlwind Scorpious Barrage	60	Respected
Lightning Primaris Support	25	Respected
Xiphon Interceptor Support	30	Respected
Stormbird Support	100	Famed

Talons of the Emperor Assets	Req	Renown
Legio Custodes Custodian Guard	60	Distinguished
Legio Custodes Armored Support	50	Distinguished
Silent Sisterhood Oblivion Cadre	40	Distinguished

Legio Cybernetica Assets	Req	Renown
Hunter-Killer Maniple	35	Respected
Battle Maniple	40	Respected
Thallax Maniple	30	Respected

Solar Auxilia Assets	Req	Renown
Auxilia Tercio	20	Respected
Veletaris Storm Tercio	30	Respected
Auxilia Assault Squadron	60	Distinguished

LEGION TACTICAL SQUAD

The Legion was built around the Tactical Squad, a twenty-man strong unit with bolters and power armor. This basic legionary would be the building block for all Legionary specializations, and act as the general trooper of the Legion.

A Legion Tactical Squad has the Characteristics listed below, and is equipped with all the normal talents, traits, implants, and equipment expected of a Rank 1 Tactical Legionary.

Legionary									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
45	45	45	45	40	40	42	44	40	

A Legion Tactical Squad is a Horde with a Magnitude of 20. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Tactical Formation

Fury of the Legion: As a Full Action, the Horde may perform double the number of Ranged attacks it may normally make. If it chooses to do so, it may not perform attack actions of any kind in the following round.

LEGION SUPPORT SQUAD

A Legion Support Squad is a catch-all term for a Legion's specialists, allowing the Legion to properly face off against a variety of foes. Ranging from elite, well-equipped ten man Tactical Support Squads, and even Terminators, a Support Squad can be toolled up for any task.

A Legion Support Squad possesses all the normal characteristics, talents, traits, and implants expected of a Rank 1 Legionary. A Legionary may be equipped identical to any of the specialties below.

Legion Assault Marine

Legion Breacher Marine

Legion Destroyer Marine

Legion Recon Marine

Legion Seeker Marine

Legion Tactical, with Rotor Cannons, Volkite Chargers, Volkite Calivers, Plasma Guns, or Meltaguns. All weapons must be the same.

If a Legion Support Squad is equipped as Terminators, the Asset's cost is increased to 60, and they are equipped with Terminator Armor, Power Swords, and Twin-Linked Bolters.

If a Legion Support Squad is equipped with bikes of any kind, jetbikes, or Rapier batteries, the Asset's cost is increased to 60. The Legionary purchasing the asset may select their armament, but armaments within the squad must be identical.

A Legion Support Squad is a Horde with a Magnitude of 10. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Rally

Tactical Formation
Focused Fire

LEGION HEAVY SUPPORT SQUAD

Legionaries are grouped according to their weapons, identical squads allowing for specialization against certain foes. By selecting the appropriate squad, a Legionary can multiply his available firepower tenfold.

A Legion Support Squad possesses all the normal characteristics, talents, traits, and implants expected of a Rank 1 Heavy Support Legionary. A Legion Heavy Support Squad may be equipped with Heavy Bolters, Heavy Flamers, Autocannons, Missile Launchers with Frag and Krak Missiles, Multi-Meltas, Plasma Cannons, Volkite Culverines, or Lascannons. The squad must all carry the same weapons.

A Legion Tactical Squad is a Horde with a Magnitude of 10. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Rally

Tactical Formation
Focused Fire



DREADNOUGHT TALON

To summon a Dreadnought to the battlefield is to summon a Legion's history. A Dreadnought can provide a powerful figure for Legionaries to rally behind, and an offensive boost to crack a particularly hated enemy.

A Legion Dreadnought Talon consists of a single Dreadnought of any pattern, equipped as the purchaser of the Asset requires, and possesses the Characteristics listed below.

Legion Dreadnought									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
45	45	-	-	-	40	35	45	40	

Up to two additional Dreadnoughts can be summoned, increasing the cost of the Asset by 30 Requisition for each additional Dreadnought. However, if a Dreadnought purchased as an asset dies, the Legionaries lose 1d5 Renown, due to losing a treasured hero of the Chapter.

SUPPLY DROP

Sometimes, the Legionaries make a mistake. Perhaps they expected to fight vehicles, and are greeted with hordes of enemies. Or perhaps they face other Legionaries, and bolters aren't going to cut it.

A Legionary can call in a Supply Drop from orbiting Armada Imperialis vessels, summoning a drop pod with additional weaponry and ammunition. The Drop pod has enough capacity for one Heavy weapon, any combination of three Basic, Pistol Weapons, or Melee Weapons, 5 Frag Grenades, and 5 Krak Grenades, chosen by the GM to best fit the situation at hand. The players can suggest desired weapons, but it is up to the GM if orbiting assets can prep such weapons in time. It also contains 2 reloads for all the Legionaris' currently equipped weapons. The Supply Drop will scatter 10d10 meters from the Legionary's position in a random direction, but never in an unreachable location. A Supply Drop can only be called in once per session, and is NOT meant to skirt around Requisition Limits, hence the GM selecting the weapons.

TARANTULA DROP

When a Legionary is expected to hold ground, but has more important places to be, he can summon a Tarantula, an automated defense platform that can hold ground until Excertus Imperialis forces can reach the area.

The Legionary may deep strike a Tarantula Turret from orbit. A Tarantula has BS35, a Toughness Characteristic of 60, 30 wounds, and the Hulking,

Fearless, Machine (10), Strange Physiology, Unnatural Toughness x2 traits. A Tarantula cannot move once deployed, but can be recovered after use.

The Tarantula comes with Twin-Linked Heavy Bolter as its standard armament. This can be replaced with Heavy Flamer or Twin-Linked Rotor Cannon for free, a Multi-Melta and Searchlight for +5 Requisition, a Twin-Linked Lascannon for +10 Requisition, or a Hyperios Missile Launcher (200m, S/-, 3d10+10X Pen 10, Anti-Air (Advanced), Reroll Miss vs Aircraft) for +20 Requisition. The Tarantula will automatically fire at targets its weapon is best suited for.

ARTILLERY TANK BARRAGE

Every Legion was expected to maintain its own artillery companies, and while some Legions, like the Imperial Fists and Iron Warriors, excelled at siegework, every Legion could be considered capable of it.

The Legionary calling in the Artillery Barrage must make a Challenging (+0) Ballistic Skill test. He gains a +10 bonus if he can see the target point and has access to an auspex, auto-sense goggles, or other wargear that aids with determining position (the GM is the final arbiter for which wargear grants a bonus). If the Ballistic Skill Test is successful, the artillery barrage lands on target. If the Test is failed, the artillery barrage deviates from its target by a number of meters equal to the number of degrees of failure multiplied by 20 in a random direction (use the scatter diagram on page 248 of the DEATHWATCH Rulebook).

Damage and blast size inflicted depend on the type of Artillery Tank requested – either a Legion Basilisk, or a Legion Medusa.

WHIRLWIND SCORPIUS BARRAGE

The Whirlwind Scorpius, once nestled somewhere safe and comfy, will then proceed to shit all over any entrenched enemy that is in range with clouds of rapid-fire missiles. If a Legionary is nearby to guide its shots, all the better.

The Legionary calling in the Scorpius Barrage must make a Challenging (+0) Ballistic Skill test. He gains a +10 bonus if he can see the target point and has access to an auspex, auto-sense goggles, or other wargear that aids with determining position (the GM is the final arbiter for which wargear grants a bonus). If the Ballistic Skill Test is successful, the artillery barrage lands on target. If the Test is failed, the

artillery barrage deviates from its target by a number of meters equal to the number of degrees of failure multiplied by 20 in a random direction (use the scatter diagram on page 248 of the **DEATHWATCH** Rulebook).

Damage and blast size follow the profile for the Whirlwind Scorpions. The Scorpions is considered stationary.

LIGHTNING PRIMARIS SUPPORT

Wings of Lightning Primaris are often deployed in support of ground operations, to take out key targets, or relieve allied units under siege. The Legionary calls in a support from a nearby wing of Lightning Primaris. The wing consists of three aircraft, equipped with weapons from the Lightning Primaris's list, as requested by the Legionary. The Legionary makes a Ballistic Skill test using the Lightning Primaris's Ballistic Skill of 40, with a +20 bonus due to wing size, with up to two weapons the Lightning Primaris possesses, against enemies on the ground or in the sky. The results of the Ballistic Skill test are then applied against the designated enemies with the weapons selected.

The Lightning Primaris wing may be upgraded with Battle Servitor Control, increasing the cost of the asset to 35, and increasing the penetration of all weapons against vehicles, structures, and enemies with the Daemon Engine trait by 5.

XIPHON INTERCEPTOR SUPPORT

Xiphons, while mothballed, were recalled into service as the Age of Darkness churned on. They are peerless at destroying enemy aircraft, and are capable of damaging ground targets as well. The Legionary calls in a support from a nearby wing of Xiphon Interceptors. The wing consists of three aircraft, equipped with standard weapons. The Legionary makes a Ballistic Skill test using the Xiphon Interceptor's Ballistic Skill of 50, with a +20 bonus due to wing size, with the three weapons the Xiphon Interceptor possesses, against enemies on the ground or in the sky. The results of the Ballistic Skill test are then applied against the designated enemies with the weapons selected.

STORMBIRD SUPPORT

The Excerus Imperialis called the Stormbird the Death Bird, for that was all that was left when the Stormbird finishes a strafing run. Capable of hovering in place, and circling in support of allies, a

Stormbird can eliminate entire landing zones by itself, so its use as a gunship is rarely sanctioned.

The Legionary calls in a support from a nearby Stormbird. As in, singular. The Stormbird will hang around, circling the battlefield for a number of rounds equal to the purchaser's Fellowship Bonus, and fires its weapons at most efficient targets, AC-130 style, using its Ballistic Skill of 50. Due to the fact that the Stormbird is circling, up to two of its turret Lascannons, and two of its turret Heavy Bolters may be fired per round – the others are on the wrong side! A Stormbird summoned as an asset does not have an Orbital Strike Targeter.

Note that this asset does not allow the Legionaries to fully control the Stormbird. They just kind of pick targets and watch the fireworks. To actually USE the Stormbird requires requisitioning it as a vehicle, with a much higher price.



LEGIO CUSTODES CUSTODIAN GUARD

The Golden Boys themselves have finally made their presence known in Horus Heresy Book 7: Inferno. Providing support as deemed necessary by the Emperor, one does not requisition the Custodian Guard as much as they get on their knees and ask REALLY nicely.

A Legio Custodes Custodian Guard has the Characteristics listed below.

Custodian Guard									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
55	55	45	45	50	45	45	55	40	

For ease of use, a Custodian Guard possesses all the talents, traits, and implants of a Rank 1 Tactical Legionary. However, they possess the Unnatural Strength x3 and Toughness x3 traits, and the Abhor the Witch talent.

A Custodian Guard possesses a Guardian Spear (1d10+18R, Pen 8, Power Field, Tearing, Balanced, Lightning Blows, Guardian Charge, Two-Handed) with built-in Guardian Bolter (100m, S/-3, 1d10+9X, Pen 6, Mag 30, Rld Full, Tearing), Misericordia Knife (1d10+12R Pen 8, Power Field), Refractor Field, Plasma and Krak Grenades, and Custodian Armor (Provides Armor 12, and allows the wearer to ignore the effects of difficult terrain). All weapons include Strength Bonus already.

Guardian Charge: When the bearer performs the Charge action, the weapon gains +6 Damage and +4 Penetration.

Lightning Blows: If the bearer scores 4 or more Degrees of success on a Weapon Skill for an attack, he gains an additional attack. This attack cannot generate further attacks.

When requisitioned, three Custodian Guard stop by. That's all one should really need. Armor is optional, but quivering, oiled abs are expected, and Ancient Mayan Dubstep is mandatory. A Custodian Guard possesses the following traits.

The Sodality: The Custodian Guard may always enter Squad Mode with each other, provided they are within at least 120m of each other.

Preternatural Skill: If the Custodian Guard's Weapon Skill bonus is greater than the enemy he is fighting, his attacks impose a -10 penalty to Dodge and Parry tests.

Inviolable Psyche: The Custodian Guard is immune to Fear and Pinning, and can reroll failed Willpower tests granted by the Abhor the Witch talent.



LEGIO CUSTODES ARMORED SUPPORT

The Legio Custodes are not just infantry, they can call upon armored vehicles to provide anti-vehicle support when required. These are NOT Legiones Astartes, and they work under orders from the Emperor himself. While the Legio Custodes works alongside the Legiones Astartes, such as during the burning of Prospero, they never work WITH them. They are always separate, and somewhat aloof.

When requisitioned, the Legio Custodes Armored Support Asset requests the presence of a single Pallas Grav-Attack speeder. For an additional 20 requisition, this can be improved to a single Caladius Grav-Tank. The pilots of each tank use the Characteristics of a Custodian Guard.

PALLAS GRAV-ATTACK SPEEDER

Type: Skimmer

Tactical Speed: 30m

Cruising Speed: 250 kph

Maneuverability: +25

Structural Integrity: 25

Size: Enormous

Armour: Front 30, Side 25, Rear 25

Crew: Pilot

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Twin-Linked Arachnus Blaze Cannon (Mag 60, Rld 3 Full)
-Concentrated Blast (300m, S/-/, 3d10+10E, Pen 15, Exoshock, each shot takes 3 rounds)
-Burst Fire (250m, S/3/6, 2d10+5E, Pen 4, Proven (3))

Special Rules

Skimmer

Flare Shield

Power of the Machine Spirit

Grav-Backwash

CALADIUS GRAV TANK

Type: Skimmer

Tactical Speed: 20m

Cruising Speed: 100 kph

Maneuverability: +15

Structural Integrity: 35

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 35, Side 35, Rear 25

Crew: Pilot, Gunner

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted Twin-Linked Lastrum Bolt Cannon (250m, S/3/6, 2d10+8X, Pen 6, Tearing, Heliothermic Detonation)

One Gunner-Operated Turret-Mounted Iliastus Accelerator Cannon (400m, S/2/4, 3d10+8R, Pen 12, Mag 160, 3 Full, Razor Sharp, Rapid Tracking, Heliothermic Detonation)

Heliothermic Detonation: After suffering at least one wound from this weapon, the enemy must make a Challenging (+0) Toughness test or die like a bitch, unless they are immune to instant death in some way (Touched by the Fates, some sort of Eternal Warrior, etc). If the target is a vehicle, add two to the roll when scoring critical damage.

Special Rules

Skimmer

Flare Shield

Power of the Machine Spirit

Grav-Backwash

SILENT SISTERHOOD OBLIVION KNIGHT

CADRE

The premier anti-psyker detachment of the Emperor's personal household, each Oblivion Knight is a null of incredible power, able to shut down any psychic abilities in their area, and duel on an even footing with many of the Legiones Astartes.

An Oblivion Knight has the Characteristics listed below.

Oblivion Knight								
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel
45	45	35	35	40	40	45	60	20

For ease of use, an Oblivion Knight possesses all the talents and traits of a Rank 1 Assault Legionary, and the Abhor the Witch talent. They are not Legiones Astartes, however, and do not possess the implants that define those warriors.

An Oblivion Knight possesses an Execution Blade (1d10+11E, Pen 8, Two-Handed, Piercing Cut,

Duelist's Edge), Bolt Pistol, Frag, Krak, and Psyk-Out Grenades (S/-, 1d10X, Pen 0, Psyk-out), Vratine Armor (Granting 8 Armor) and a Voidsheen Cloak (Granting a PR20 field against attacks, overloading on doubles, which increases to PR50 against attacks with the Blast and Spray qualities). All weapons include Strength Bonus already.

Piercing Cut: When the bearer of this weapon scores at least 3 Degrees of Success on their Weapon Skill test as part of an attack, the attack is resolved at Pen 12.

Psyk-out: Any Psyker within the blast radius of a psyk-out grenade when it explodes, or entering the dust field before it dissipates, must make a Very Hard (-30) Willpower Test. Psykers who fail the Test lose 1 Psy Rating for each degree of failure. Psy-Rating lost this way returns at the rate of 1 Psy Rating every six hours. In addition, a Psyker who loses two or more Psy Rating from the Psyk-Out grenade automatically suffers Psychic Phenomena when manifesting a psychic power for 10 rounds minus his Willpower Bonus after being affected by the grenade.

The dust from the Psyk-Out grenade lingers in the area of the blast for five rounds after the explosion. Any Psyker who attempts to manifest a psychic power within the area of the blast before the dust has dispersed automatically fails.

When requisitioned, five Oblivion Knights stop by. That's all one should really need.

THERE'S GOTTA BE MORE...

There is. The Talons of the Emperor have their own codex, within Horus Heresy Book 7: Inferno. With new options like Aquilon Terminators, Hetaeron Guard, Sagittarum Guard, and exotic vehicles like the Coronus Grav-Carrier, Gyrfalcon Jetbikes, and Contemptor-Galatus Dreadnought, the Legio Custodes are more than capable of having options, likewise with the Sisters of Silence, with their Prosecutor Squads, Vigilator Squads, Pursuer Squads, and the Kharon-Pattern Acquisitor. Presented here as assets are the barest basics to get the point across. But that should be enough.

However, you must remember – this is a book about the Legiones Astartes. The Talons of the Emperor are their own thing, and would distract from the Legionaries you are intended to play. Maybe one day there will be stats for them, making the entire Talons list playable in the 40k RPGs.

An Oblivion Knight possesses the following traits.

Psychic Anathema: An Oblivion Knight possesses the Untouchable (8) trait, the maximum it can be. In addition, psychic buffs on enemies or allies within a number of meters equal to the Oblivion Knight's Willpower Bonus automatically dissipate.

Ex Oblivio: When in melee with the Oblivion Knight, enemies are completely unable to manifest psychic power, and at the start of the enemy's round, they must immediately make a Difficult (-10) Willpower Test, or suffer a result from the Perils of the Warp table, subtracting 10 from the roll.

Fanatic Discipline: Oblivion Knights possess the Fearless and Hatred (Psykers) talents.

Company Cadre: When purchasing this Asset, the Company Cadre must be versed in Crusading or Infiltration. Crusader Cadres may charge according to their Run distance rather than their charge distance. Stealth Cadres are trained in Concealment and Silent Move at +20, and treat the first round they attack from concealment as a Surprise round.



HUNTER-KILLER AUTOMATA MANIPLE

During the Great Crusade, it was known that the Mechanicum would innovate new patterns of machine if they had the time and inclination. It was in this way the Vorax Battle Automata was created, an improved version of the Crusader Robot first seen in Rogue Trader 1st Edition. When not used for population control in the Martian hives, Vorax Battle Automata were seen in Legionary service, as disposable fast attack troops capable of assassination and backfield havoc.

A Hunter-Killer Automata Maniple is a Horde of Vorax Battle Automata, equipped as the purchaser deems necessary, with a Magnitude of 10. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Volley Fire
Focused Fire

Skirmishers: A Horde with this trait suffers no penalties to Concealment Tests, nor does it grant any

bonuses to hit to attackers, due to the Horde's size. In addition, the Horde may use the Dodge and Parry reactions to defend itself, with a successful Dodge or Parry reducing the number of enemy attacks scored against it by 1, +1 per Degree of Success

BATTLE AUTOMATA MANIPLE

Castellax Battle-Automata are a Mechanicum schism in themselves, with some Magi Dominus supporting the cortex-gifted automata, while others prefer the safer wafer-controlled Kastelans. If put in combat against each other, the winner is determined by the author's own prejudices and feelings. Regardless, this type of Battle Automata is the standard type of battle automata in many Taghmatas and Legion Armoriums. It provides an incredibly durable warrior with excellent combat potential, while still retaining a disposable quality that could warrant their use where Legionaries are unneeded or unable to go.

A Battle Automata Maniple is a Horde of Castellax Battle Automata, equipped as the purchaser deems necessary, with a Magnitude of 10. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Volley Fire
Mass Assault
Rampage

THALLAX COHORT

Thallax are cybernetic thrall troopers, who have had every bit of themselves except their brains and some organs cut away and replaced with the Lorica Thallax, heavy lightning guns, and the reward of temporary painkillers if they do a good job. Think that scene in the new Robocop movie where they reveal all that's left of Robocop. Sucks to be them.

A Thallax has the Characteristics listed below.

Thallax									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
30	45	50	50	25	35	45	40	10	

A Thallax is equipped with a Lightning Gun (Basic, 50m, S/-, 3d10+8E, Pen 4, Integrated, Tearing, Razor Sharp) with built-in Chain Attachment, Frag Grenades, and a Lorica Thallax (Provides 6 Armor, the Flyer (6) trait, a Micro-Bead, and the Vac-Sealed Armor Upgrade, which lasts indefinitely).

A Thallax possesses the following traits:

Size (Hulking)
Unnatural Strength x2
Unnatural Toughness x2
Djinn Sight: When firing at an enemy behind cover, the Thallax's ranged attacks ignore up to 8

points of cover. In addition, the Thallax immediately gets a free Challenging (+0) Awareness test to detect hidden enemies within 50m of him, should any appear. Beyond 10km, however, the world is a haze of electromagnetic turmoil and seismic percussion.

A Thallax Cohort is a Horde with a Magnitude of 20. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Tactical Formation

Disciplined

Focused Fire

AUXILIA INFANTRY TERCIO

The Solar Auxilia, comprising nearly twenty-five percent of the Excertus Imperialis, was a human force armed exceptionally well, and specialized in explorator missions, void combat, and zone mortalis operations. The basic infantry unit was the Tercio, comprised of multiple Sections, armed with lasrifles and carapace-equivalent armor and specifically trained for landing zone prosecution and rapid fortification for future forces.

An Auxiliary has the Characteristics listed below.

Auxiliary									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
35	35	30	35	30	25	30	40	30	

An Auxiliary possesses the talents and traits of an Imperial Guardsmen in the Deathwatch (Core) book.

An Auxiliary is equipped with an Auxilia Lasrifle (Basic, 150m, S/3/-, 1d10+3E, Pen 0, Mag 60, Rld Full, LVS, Reliable) with Collimator Augment (Heavy, 200m, S/3/-, 1d10+3E, Pen 0, Mag 30, Rld Full, LVS) and Blast Charger Augment (Heavy, 120m, S/-/-, 3d10+3E, Pen 2, Mag 5, Rld 2 Full, Charger Burnout), Frag and Krak Grenades, and Void Armor (Provides 6 Armor, and the Vac-Sealed Upgrade for 6 hours).

An Auxiliary possesses the following traits.

Disciplined Fire: The Auxiliary may fire a Ranged Standard Attack at enemies charging them at a -20 Penalty.

Close Formation Fighting: The Auxiliary gains the Double Team talent. They gain a further +10 bonus if there is least one non-comrade ally adjacent to the player character.

Void Training: Zero Gravity treated as open terrain. Agility test to Charge/Run in Zero Gravity is -10.

Explorator Training: Reroll failed Survival and Navigate (Surface) tests. The second result stands.

An Auxilia Infantry Tercio is a Horde with a Magnitude of 60, which can split into three Magnitude 20 Hordes as a Half Action with a Challenging (+0) Command Test by the purchaser of the asset. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Disciplined

Tactical Formation

Reform

VELETARIS STORM TERCIO

The Veletaris Storm Commandos, often shortened to Veletarii, are special reserves that can be utilized as shock troopers to break an enemy, or emergency responders that can respond to failing battle lines. Veletarii are equipped with Volkite chargers, Rotor Cannons, or even Power Axes, depending on the needs of the Legionary who requests their presence.

A Veletarii has the Characteristics listed below.

Veletarii									
WS	BS	S	T	Ag	Int	Per	WP	Fel	
45	45	30	35	30	25	30	40	30	

A Veletarii possesses the talents and traits of an Imperial Guardsmen in the Deathwatch (Core) book.

A Veletarii is equipped with a Volkite Charger or Rotor Cannon or Power Axe, Frag and Krak grenades, and Reinforced Void Armor (Provides 6 Armor, the Vac-Sealed Upgrade for 6 hours, and the ability to reroll failed Agility tests against Flame and Spray weapons).

A Veletarii possesses the following traits.

Disciplined Fire

Close Formation Fighting

Void Training

Explorator Training

A Veletaris Storm Tercio is a Horde with a Magnitude of 30, which can split into three Magnitude 10 Hordes as a Half Action with a Challenging (+0) Command Test by the purchaser of the asset. The Tercio's loadout is specified by the purchaser of the Asset, but all Veletarii must be equipped identically. It possesses the following Horde Traits.

Disciplined

Tactical Formation

Reform

Focused Fire, Volley Fire (Ranged Weapons Only)

Mass Assault, Rampage (Melee Weapons Only)

AUXILIA ASSAULT SQUADRON

While the Leman Russ Main Battle Tank was the main fighting vehicle of the numerous planetary militias across the galaxy, the Solar Auxilia were able to field enhanced variants of these tanks, their heavier weaponry and overcharged engines appreciated by the Legiones Astartes as effective, if somewhat disposable, armored support. Capable of mounting heavy weaponry such as the Executioner Cannon, Demolisher Cannon, or the Volkite Demi-Culverin, Auxilia Assault Squadrons are requested by Legionaries who are unable to field their own tanks, but still require a heavy armored punch in their attack.

When requisitioned, the Auxilia Assault Squadron Asset requests the presence of a single Leman Russ Battle Executioner, Demolisher, or Incinerator, selected by the purchaser of the asset. For an additional 40 requisition, an additional tank can be added to the Squadron, up to a maximum of three total tanks. The tanks need not be equipped identically. The pilots of each tank use the Characteristics of a Solar Auxilia Auxiliary.

LEMAN RUSS ASSAULT TANK

Type: Ground Vehicle (Tracked)

Tactical Speed: 12m

Cruising Speed: 35 kph

Maneuverability: -10

Structural Integrity: 55

Size: Massive

Armour: Front 40, Side 32, Rear 25

Crew: Commander, Driver, Gunner, Loader

Carrying Capacity: None.

Weapons

One Driver-Operated Hull-Mounted weapon from the following list.

Heavy Bolter (150m, -/-6, 1d10+12X, Pen 5, Mag 60, Rld Full, Tearing)

Multilaser (150m, -/-5, 2d10+10E, Pen 2, Mag 100, Rld 2 Full, Reliable)

Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

Lascannon (300m, S/-/-, 5d10+10E, Pen 10, Mag 6, Rld 2 Full, Proven (3))

One Pintle-mounted weapon from the following list.

Multilaser (150m, -/-5, 2d10+10E, Pen 2, Mag 100, Rld 2 Full, Reliable)

Heavy Flamer (30m, S/-/-, 1d10+12E, Pen 6, Mag 10, Rld 2 Full, Flame, Spray)

One Turret Weapon from the following list.

Demolisher Cannon (50m, S/-/-, 4d10+20X, Pen 10, Mag 2, Rld Full, Blast (10), Concussive (3))
Executioner Plasma Cannon (200m, S/2/3, 2d10+12E, Pen 12, Mag 48, Rld 5 Full, Blast (3), Volatile, Maximal)

Twin-Linked Volkite Demi-Culverin (280m, S/3/5, 3d10+8E, Pen 4, Mag 40, Rld 5 Full, Deflagrate, Twin-Linked)

Special Rules

Reinforced Hull

Rugged

Auxiliary Drive

Explorator Adaptons: The vehicle has a PR20 defensive “field” against weapons with the Blast, Spray, or Flame Quality. This field, being a representation of sealed spaces, does not overload. The vehicle is capable of operating in the void or lack of atmosphere, containing 6 hours of air. The crew and passengers are protected from toxic gas or other environmental effects. The vehicle treats all terrain as open terrain. However, the vehicle is incapable of mounting sponsons

Coordinated Fire Protocols: When two or more tanks from the squadron fire at the same target, each tank gains a +10 bonus to the Ballistic Skill Test.



RELICS OF THE AGE OF DARKNESS

"My legacy before my eyes...This is all my history."

- Auroran Praetor Cortain relives the history and legacy of the newly-wielded Gladius Invictus

Every legion had its special equipment, but every legion also had their relics, weapons, armor, or wargear of incomparable power, granted only to the greatest of Praetors. To wield a Relic of the Age of Darkness is to have reached the pinnacle of what it means to be a Legionary, to have the respect of entire chapters of a Legion follow you against any enemy, and to know nothing but victory against every enemy one encounters. They are capable of cutting through any armor, landing the impossible shot, or even erasing entire armies. Some Relics of the Age of Darkness were only issued by the Primarch himself, and bearing them meant an incredible level of trust between a father and his gene-son.

Relics of the Age of Darkness follow all the normal rules for Relics detailed in the Deathwatch Core Rulebook. A Legionary who selects a Relic of the Age of Darkness is automatically proficient in its use. Each Relic may only be requisitioned by a Legionary of the specific Legion detailed, unless the "General" tag is applied to the relic. Any Legion can use those.



WARP SHUNT FIELD

(GENERAL)

A protective field that is part displacer field, and part void shield, the Warp Shunt Field is a relic from the Dark Age of Technology that catches attacks in micro-warp openings, and reflects back lances of immaterial energy at the attacker. The Mechanicum would never fully replicate its abilities, despite understanding it fully.

A Warp Shunt Field provides the bearer with a PR60 protective field against ranged attacks only, overloading on doubles. If the shield result is a 1-10, however, and the attacker has line of sight to the bearer, a lance of warp energy automatically strikes the attacker, inflicting 1d5 hits for 2d10+3E with a Pen of 0.

PHASE WALKER

(GENERAL)

Very few Phase Walkers exist, and this can be considered a good thing – they make fortifications and distances obsolete, as the bearer can merely walk through any obstacles. Rogal Dorn cried. Dorn cried a lot.

As a Half Action, the bearer may select a point within line of sight, and instantly appear there from his former position. For every solid object along their path (allies, enemies, terrain, buildings, etc), the character must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower Test, or suffer 1d10 wounds, ignoring armor and toughness. It is up to the GM as to what counts as an obstacle.

COMBAT AUGMENT ARRAY

(GENERAL)

Combat Augment Arrays could turn even the wimpiest colonist into a death machine, although the colonist wouldn't last much longer. This invasive augment alters the bearer's nerves, adrenal glands, and musculature – if it could have such an effect on a mere human, imagine what it could do to an Astartes...

Once per session, the bearer may count any dice roll as any value of his choosing. For example, he may choose to auto-roll a 1 to hit, choose to roll maximum damage on a single d10 (which can trigger Fury as normal), or choose the maximum number of hits for a Whirlwind Scorpius Barrage. If a result is chosen in this way, the bearer must, at the end of his turn, make a Challenging (+0) Toughness Test, with a penalty equal to either 5x the Degrees of Success on the test if a d100, or 5x the result of the die if a d10. If the

Legionary fails, he automatically takes damage equal to the number of Degrees of Success (if d100) or the die roll (if 1d10), ignoring armor and toughness.

CLOAKING ARRAY (GENERAL)

Now you can be an asshole of the highest order with your very own cloaking array! Hiding the bearer from attack, the Cloaking Array allows the bearer to reposition, ready an attack, or perform any other action that would normally be more difficult under scrutiny.

Once per session, the bearer may declare he is activating the Cloaking Array. When the Cloaking Array is active, the bearer cannot be targeted by attacks, both ranged and melee, of any type. Enemies that have the Daemon trait or a Psy Rating, however, are not affected by the Cloaking Array, and any attack against the bearer will disable the Cloaking Array. When cloaked, the bearer may not enter Squad Mode, or perform a Ranged Attack Action or Movement Action of any kind. They may still fight in melee if already there, or perform delicate tasks that do not require repositioning, such as Tech Use tests to access a Cogitator. A Cloaking Array lasts for 1d5 Rounds.

VOID SHIELD HARNESS (GENERAL)

Void shields are well understood by the Mechanicum, but creating one on a personal scale? Whoa. A Void Shield Harness projects a near impenetrable force field, but if it overloads...

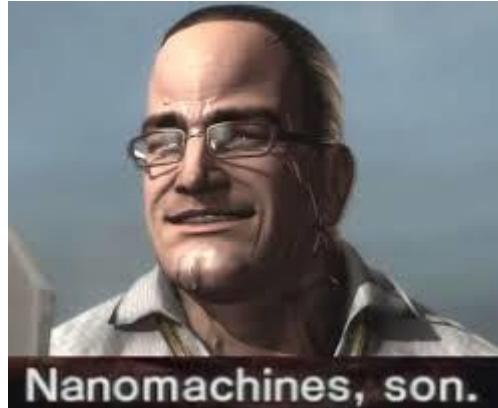
A Void Shield Harness projects, you guessed it, a Void Shield in a 5m radius from the bearer. Any shooting attack originating outside the field will strike the void shield instead. If the void shield is brought down, roll 1d10. On a 10, the Void Shield Harness catastrophically overloads, causing an attack centered on the bearer, inflicting 2d10+9E damage with a Pen of 6 and the Pinning and Blast (5) qualities. This breaks the Void Shield Harness, which cannot be used again until brought back to the armoriums for restoration.

Void Shield: Void shields count as a barrier with 25 AP. To disable a void shield, attacks must deal 20 damage past the 25 AP. This damage is cumulative (to represent the void shield) slowly overloading, but a weapon's Penetration has no effect on a void shield.

Once a shield is brought down, the bearer can attempt to restore it by making a Difficult (-10) Tech-Use Test. Success means the shield is restored in 1d5+5 Rounds. This time is reduced by one Round for every degree of success, to a minimum of one Round.

NANYTE BLASTER (GENERAL)

It's a gun, that shoots nanomachines, that replicate uncontrollably. You know what? I'm just gonna put pictures of Senator Armstrong here. You get the drift.



Uncontrolled Replication: Should an enemy be slain by the Nanyte Blaster, roll 1d10. On a 6+, every enemy within 5m of the dead enemy must take a hit equal to the Nanyte Blaster's damage and penetration. If this kills any of those, apply the Uncontrolled Replication trait all over again, until there are no enemies left, or the Uncontrolled Replication quality fails to trigger. Yes, this can infinitely trigger if you roll well enough!

Against Hordes, roll 1d10. On a 6+, apply another hit with the Nanyte Blaster's damage and penetration, and the Blast (5) quality. If this causes damage to the horde, apply the Uncontrolled Replication trait all over again, until the Horde dies, or the Uncontrolled Replication quality fails to trigger.



Name	Class	Range	RoF	Dam	Pen	Mag	Rld	Special	Req	Renown
Warp Shunt Field	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	Famed
Phase Walker	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	Hero
Combat Augment Array	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	Famed
Cloaking Array	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	Hero
Void Shield Harness	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	Famed
Mask of the Patriarch	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	Famed
Servo-Coil of the Rock	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	Famed
Nanyte Blaster	Basic	30m	S/-/	2d10+5E	12	∞	-	Fleshbane, Uncontrolled Replication	80	Hero
Pyrix Extasis	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	Hero
Lucid Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+9E	8	-	-	Power Field, Balanced, Master Parry	75	Hero
The Blind Helm of the Black Judges	Helmet / Pistol	30m	-/-/2d10	2d10+2E	8	-	-	Blind Overwatch	70	Hero
Parthian Serpent	Basic	100m	S/-/	2d10+9E	12	∞	-	Accurate, Pinning, Precision Shots, Preternatural Targeting	80	Famed
Burning Claws	Melee	-	-	1d10+10E	8	-	-	Power Field, Proven (4), Tearing, Armorbane	80	Famed
Indomitan Mantle	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	Famed
Nostraman Mancatcher	Melee	-	-	1d10+7E	8	-	-	Ensnare	50	Famed
Photonic Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+2E	12	-	-	Power Field, Fleshbane, Soul Blaze	75	Famed
Grav Gauntlet	Pistol	10m	S/3/-	*	8	12	2 Full	Concussive, Haywire, Graviton Pulse, Spray, Ruination, Structural Collapse	70	Famed
The Earth Breaker Trident (Melee) (Thrown)	Melee	-	-	1d10+10R	12	-	-	Power Field, Unwieldy	70	Hero
Gladius Invictus	Melee	-	-	1d10+8R	10	-	-	Power Field, Balanced, Tearing, Shield-Mocker, Duelist's Edge	60	Famed
Barbaran Thurile	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	Famed
Luminiferous Resonator	Pistol	30m	S/3/6	2d10+10E	8	∞	-	Psychic Resonance	60	Famed
The Cataphractii Primus	Armor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	Hero
Conversion Dissonator	Wargear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	Famed
Zeroth Conductor Shield	Melee	-	-	1d5+3I	0	-	-	Balanced, Power Field, Zeroth Blast	60	Famed
Fractal Harrow-Blade	Melee	-	-	1d10+6R	8	-	-	Razor Sharp, Bloody Ruin	60	Famed
The Drakaina	Pistol	30m	S/2/-	1d10+10E	6	12	Full	Toxic, Tearing, Flesh-Phage	65	Hero

MASK OF THE PATRIARCH (GENERAL)

Type: Armor Upgrade

This bizarre mask was eventually taken up for many reasons, in many legions. Some were designed to resemble Primarchs or the Emperor, while others took stranger forms as the Warp sunk into the Legions. Regardless of form, wearing this mask made clear to all the unstoppable Legionary's disregard for casual scum amongst the battlefields, and marked him as a particularly enduring and somewhat dexterous combatant (though many went through great lengths to hide that last part). A Mask of the Patriarch reduces the final penalty to any Dodge tests the bearer must take by -10. For example, if the penalty to the bearer's Dodge test is a total -30, this penalty is reduced to -20 instead.

SERVO-COIL OF THE ROCK (GENERAL)

Type: Armor Upgrade

It is said this servo-coil, or one like it, once fit into the Terminator armor of a Legionary known only as The Rock, Legion unknown. He was an unremarkable Legionary, except for the fact that his strength was beyond belief – so strong was he that he could roll and dodge, even in Terminator Armor, as if plates of solid stone and ceramite weighed nothing, and strike back with a single hit. Since the time this unknown Legionary disappeared into the legends of the Age of Darkness, Servo-Coils capable of interfacing with Terminator armor have appeared in many Legions' armoriums. Installing a Servo-Coil of the Rock within one's Terminator Armor allows a Legionary to emulate the mighty strength of this mysterious Legionary. A Servo-Coil of the Rock allows the bearer to Dodge in Terminator Armor, although at a -10 penalty. Combined with the innate -20 agility penalty of Terminator armor, this allows the bearer to dodge at a total -30 penalty.

A Servo-Coil of the Rock can only be taken on Cataphractii-Pattern, Indomitus-Pattern, or Gorgon-Pattern Terminator armor.

PYRIX EXTASIS (DARK ANGELS)

Only Forge World would give the Dark Angels the fucking Ark of the Covenant as their relic. I wonder if this is where the Guardians of the Covenant successor chapter would originate?

Once per session, as a half action, the bearer may open the Pyrix Extasis. Every enemy within 10m of

the bearer must immediately test against Fear (4), with all the horror that entails.

LUCID BLADE (EMPEROR'S CHILDREN)

There are only a handful of these perfectly balanced and masterwork blades, acquired by the duelists of the Emperor's Children. They contain machine spirits dangerously close to AI, and when united with armor systems, create a dangerous opponent.

Master Parry: When engaged in single melee combat with only one other enemy, the Legionary may give up attacks he possesses (such as through Swift Attack) to grant himself a Protective Field of PR20, or increase the value of any field he possesses by +15, to a maximum of 75. This field, representing swift blade work, does not overload.

THE BLIND HELM OF THE BLACK JUDGES (IRON WARRIORS)

The Blind Helm was torn from the corpses of the Black Judges, a terrible enemy from the Legion's past, and can assimilate into to any type of armor seamlessly thanks to shared STC heritage. It is capable of electric coronal discharges against approaching foes. Basically, it's Cyclops Eyebeams from X-Men.

Blind Overwatch: The Blind Helm is fired as a Reaction against enemies charging (or walking into melee with) the bearer. The Blind Helm is compatible with any form of Power, Artificer, or Terminator armor, and draws power from the armor's generators. It grants AP12 to the head, and autosenses of Mk.2 Armor.

PARTHINIAN SERPENT (WHITE SCARS)

The Space Mongols get a Space Energy Bow named after some of the greatest horse archers Holy Terra had ever known (the Parthians, if it wasn't obvious). The weapon itself fires bolts of pure energy, and contains stabilizers that ensure the bearer will never miss. The Parthian Serpent generates its own ammunition, so no need to worry about running out.

Precision Shots: Enemies suffer a penalty of 5xDoS on BS test to Dodge tests. Against Hordes or Formations, the bearer may selectively target enemies with a Called Shot option.

Preternatural Targeting: The bearer ignores ALL penalties to his Ballistic Skill test when firing this weapon. Bonuses are applied as normal.

BURNING CLAWS (SPACE WOLVES)

Every claw of this relic lightning claw burns super-hot, enough to melt through any vehicle's armor, through the use of directed fusion reactors and magnetic containment. The Space Wolves keep it to themselves, unwilling to share its secrets with the Mechanicum.

HOLY MOTHER OF FUCK, DON'T MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE I DID. THIS IS A SINGLE CLAW. Like other Lightning Claws, the bearer adds +1 Damage per Degree of Success (or +2 when equipped with a second, lesser lightning or frost claw that is requisitioned separately.)

INDOMITAN MANTLE (IMPERIAL FISTS)

A few long cloaks of chainmail were recovered from the deep caves of Inwit. Each is inscribed with protective wards against high energy attacks. They served the Imperial Fists well, from the Pacification of Ophelia VII, to the Defense of Areneus against the yet-unidentified Necrons, so devastated it would be known as Necromunda.

An Indomitan Mantle grants the bearer immunity to weapon qualities that would instantly kill them, and a PR60 defensive field against weapons with the Melta Quality.

NOSTRAMAN MANCATCHER (NIGHT LORDS)

It is rumored that this weapon was not made by the Night Lords, but was taken as a spoil from xenos of the Ghoul Stars. It was made explicitly for capturing foes alive, although what the Night Lords or the weapon's original owners do with those foes is best left unsaid.

Ensnare: The bearer of the weapon may nominate a single enemy he is in melee with. Before attacking, this enemy must make a Challenging (+0) Opposed Strength Test. If the enemy fails, he may not perform melee attacks, or the Disengage action.

PHOTONIC BLADE (BLOOD ANGELS)

A double-handed weapon so heavy that even a Legionary has issue lifting it, the Photonic Blade can ignite a burning blaze so hot that armor, toughness, and even faith is no defense. Recovered from the irradiated wastes of Baal, what few blades that exist are jealously fought over.

A Photonic Blade produces the same blinding effect of a Nova Grenade when striking an enemy, and grants the Fear (1) trait to the bearer, or increases their Fear Rating by 1 if they already possess one.

GRAV GAUNTLET (IRON HANDS)

A wrist mounted version of the grav gun, examples of this weapon were recovered from the galactic core, and ceded to the Iron Hands by the Mechanicum, who were busy turning grav weapons into true monsters.

The fields produced by a Grav Gauntlet's Graviton Pulse remains in effect for 1d5 rounds after firing.

Ruination: When fired at a building, this weapon inflicts 1d10 damage to hull integrity, per Graviton Pulse Field, ignoring the building's Armor value.

THE EARTH BREAKER TRIDENT (WORLD EATERS)

A weapon of the gladiatorial pits, the Earth Breaker Trident is just as deadly when thrown as it is in melee, for that is when its seismic destructor kicks in, and ruin fucking everything. Yes, you too can kill a man with a trident.



Seismic Destructor: Once thrown, make a note of where the Trident lands. Everything within 30m of the Trident becomes Hellish (-60) Difficult Terrain, and buildings in range suffer 2d10 Hull Integrity every round, ignoring Armor. Do remember to pick the trident up. I know it's difficult to remember when everything is blood madness, but you CAN remotely turn it off and pick it up again!

GLADIUS INVICTUS (ULTRAMARINES)

A broad-bladed artificer short sword that screams ROMAN for the Roman Legion from Planet Rome, the weapon contains a gyroscope that compensates for the bearer's idiosyncrasies, and while difficult to master, makes thrusts hard to counter.

Shield Mockers: This weapon ignores protective fields and armor granted from combat shields, storm shields, boarding shields, or other types of physical shields. This quality is applied before calculating normal weapon penetration.

BARBARAN THURIBLE (DEATH GUARD)

This piece of wargear consists of a sphere at the end of a stick, which collects all the toxins in the air at the PPB level, and focuses it to a doom cloud around the bearer.

All allies and enemies who are not of the Death Guard within 15m of the bearer reduce the level of their Unnatural Toughness trait by 1. Any enemy that suffers wounds from a shooting attack when their Toughness is so modified must make a Challenging (+0) Willpower test at the start of their turn. If they fail, they must immediately perform a Full Move Action away from the bearer.

LUMINIFEROUS RESONATOR (THOUSAND SONS)

Not a physical weapon as much as a shiny piece of psychic jewelry, the Luminiferous Resonator focuses the bearer's psychic power into a beam of mental force.

Psychic Resonance: This "Weapon" may only be used by those with a Psy Rating. Instead of a Ballistic Test, a Focus Power test is used to fire it. This weapon wounds against the enemy's Willpower Bonus, rather than Toughness.

THE CATAPHRACTII PRIMUS (SONS OF HORUS)

This is the first, the prototype, the template from which all Cataphractii Terminator armor would originate. While one is kept on Mars, and a second in the Sons of Horus Forges, the third is used only by the most veteran of Justaerin, and it provides protection greater than any other armor.

The Cataphractii Primus follows all the rules for Cataphractii Terminator Armor. The wearer is granted immunity to weapon qualities that would

instantly kill them, and they increase the level of their Unnatural Toughness trait by 1 against all ranged attacks.

CONVERSION DISSONATOR (WORD BEARERS)

Tech Savants could not figure out how this thing worked, and they could not understand how it could have such an effect against both physical shields and the metaphysical ones surrounding the creatures of the Warp. Know your ally, know your enemy, after all.

Once per session, the Word Bearer can flip on the Conversion Dissonator as a Free Action. While in effect, the field value of all Protective Fields in 30m, be it friend or foe, are reduced by 30. This can negate some low-power fields, and even affects shields that do not burn out. This effect lasts for one round.

ZEROTH CONDUCTOR SHIELD (SALAMANDERS)

A boarding shield with a thermic conductor provided by the Mechanicum's burgeoning Corpuscarii Cult, this combat shield can transform into a searing face of energy, blinding and striking would-be attackers.

A Zeroth Conductor Shield follows all the rules for Combat Shields.

Zeroth Blast: As a Reaction after being subject to a Charge Action (or someone walks into melee), the bearer may discharge the shield with a Challenging (+0) Weapon Skill test, inflicting one hit against the enemy, plus one additional hit for every two degrees of success. These hits inflict $3d10+10E$ damage, with a Pen of 12, and the blinding effect of a nova Grenade. That this can seriously fuck up an enemy's attack before they can even get to perform it. The shield may not be discharged in subsequent rounds against the enemy, only the first round they charge.

FRACTAL HARROW-BLADE (RAVEN GUARD)

The ultimate evolution of mono-weaponry, the Fractal Harrow-Blade originates on Terra, and was held in high regard by the Xeric Tribesmen that would become the Raven Guard, and were often used to cut great swathes through crowds of enemies.

Bloody Ruin: When used against hordes, this weapon inflicts an extra hit for every Degree of Success on the weapon skill test, rather than for every two.

THE DRAKAINA (ALPHA LEGION)

There is only one Drakaina, and it is neither of STC nor Xenos manufacture. This weapon fires a virus-toxin so terrible it can slay in seconds, and infect nearby targets before the first enemy is even dead. Where the Alpha Legion found this weapon, and how they create ammo for it, is just one more mystery that will never be solved.

Curiously enough, googling “Drakaina” brings up everything from a primordial serpent of Greek legend, to a softcore porn star. Oh my.

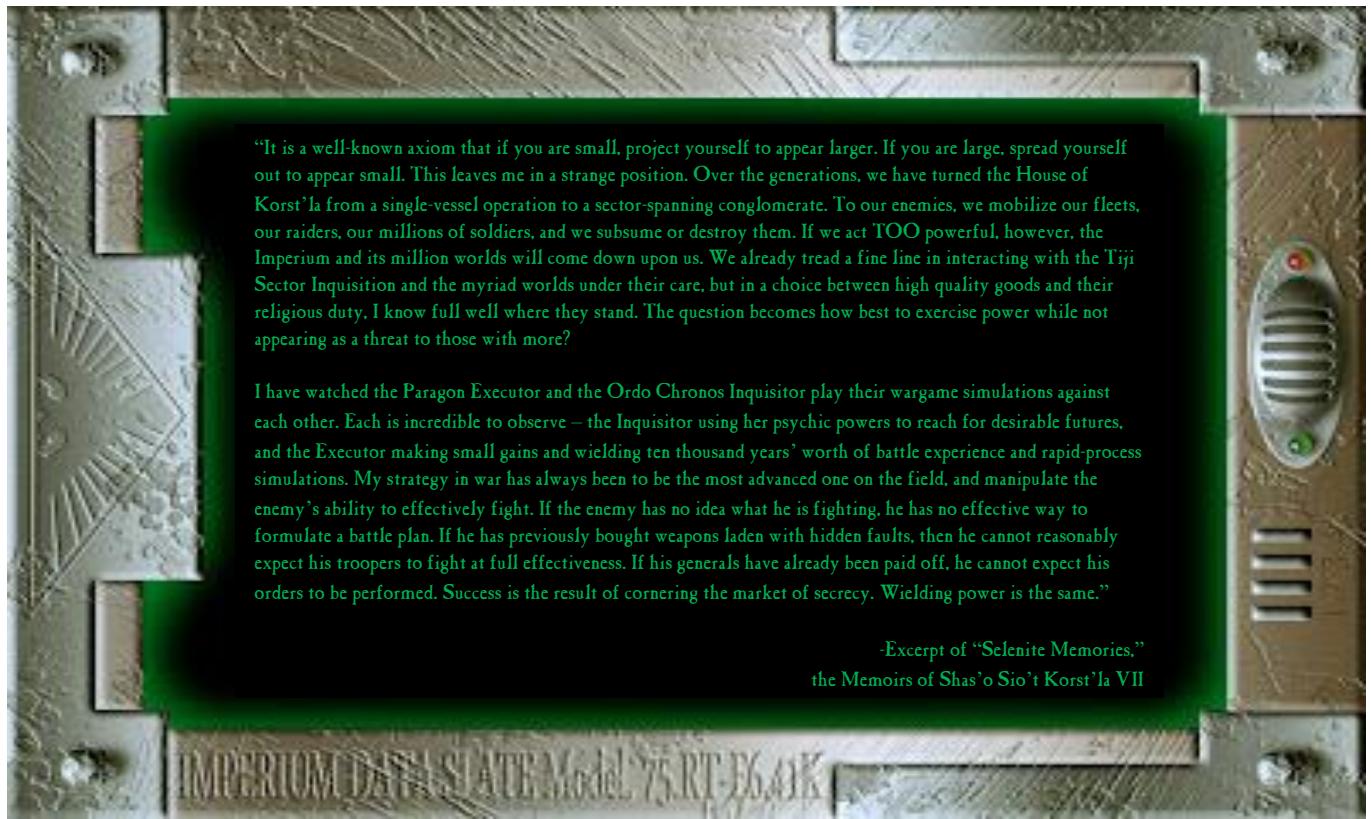
Flesh-Phage: For every hit, the enemy must make 1d5 Challenging (+0) Toughness tests, or suffer 1d10 damage ignoring armor and toughness, as per the Toxic quality.



“It is a well-known axiom that if you are small, project yourself to appear larger. If you are large, spread yourself out to appear small. This leaves me in a strange position. Over the generations, we have turned the House of Korst’la from a single-vessel operation to a sector-spanning conglomerate. To our enemies, we mobilize our fleets, our raiders, our millions of soldiers, and we subsume or destroy them. If we act TOO powerful, however, the Imperium and its million worlds will come down upon us. We already tread a fine line in interacting with the Tiji Sector Inquisition and the myriad worlds under their care, but in a choice between high quality goods and their religious duty, I know full well where they stand. The question becomes how best to exercise power while not appearing as a threat to those with more?

I have watched the Paragon Executor and the Ordo Chronos Inquisitor play their wargame simulations against each other. Each is incredible to observe – the Inquisitor using her psychic powers to reach for desirable futures, and the Executor making small gains and wielding ten thousand years’ worth of battle experience and rapid-process simulations. My strategy in war has always been to be the most advanced one on the field, and manipulate the enemy’s ability to effectively fight. If the enemy has no idea what he is fighting, he has no effective way to formulate a battle plan. If he has previously bought weapons laden with hidden faults, then he cannot reasonably expect his troopers to fight at full effectiveness. If his generals have already been paid off, he cannot expect his orders to be performed. Success is the result of cornering the market of secrecy. Wielding power is the same.”

-Excerpt of “Selenite Memories,”
the Memoirs of Shas’o Sio’t Korst’la VII





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CHAPTER IV:

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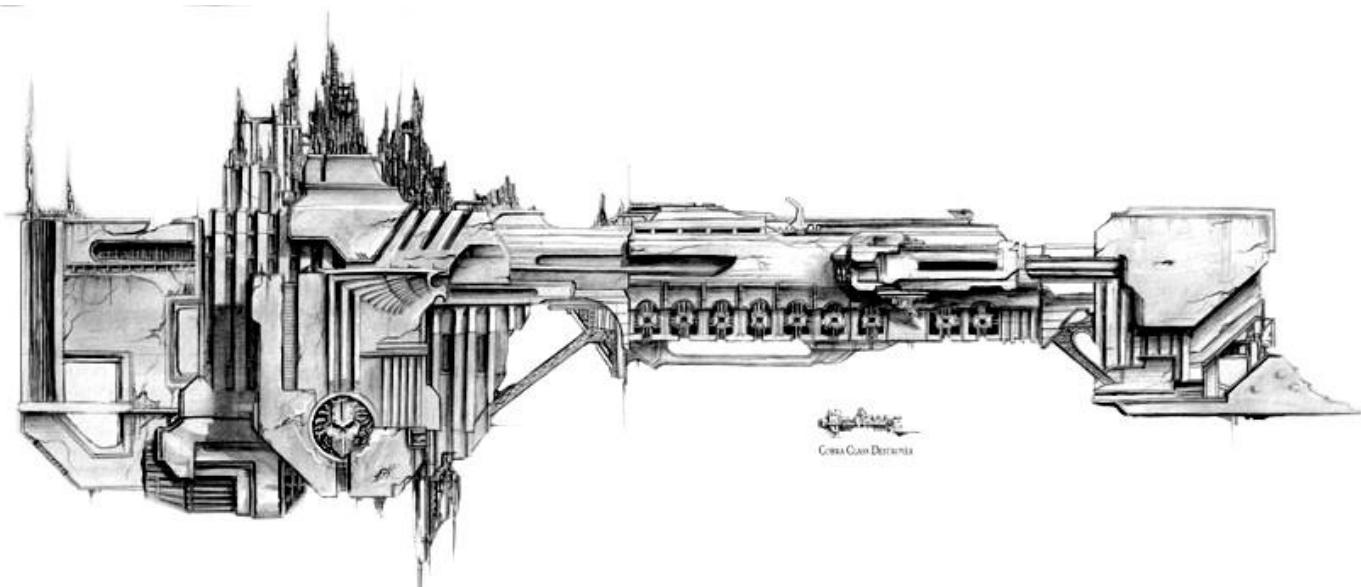
*"Every bloody battleship and its mother is called
Sword of the something-or-other!"*

-Space Wolf Praetor "Felleye" Brynjol
muses on voidship naming conventions.

In the modern day, the Space Marines maintain many Strike Cruisers, Vanguard Cruisers, and Battle Barges. These vessels are capable of void combat, but not specialized in it. This is purposeful, as the Navy is the Imperium's space component. As always, the source dates back ten thousand years, to the heady days of the Great Crusade. Not only did the Legionaries possess a full armorium to beat down the enemies of the brand spanking new Imperium of Man, but they had their own attendant fleets as well. We're not talking strike cruisers and battle barges, though they had those too. We're talking full void battlegroups, with cruisers, battleships, escorts, and even unique classes. Some designs, such as the Abyss-class Super Battleships, could win entire solar systems by themselves. Even rarer were the specialized designs, the bizarre hulls that showed Mankind was not above innovation, such as the thick slabs of armor coating the Ironclad-class, or the shield projectors of the Castellan-class or Tiamat-

class. The Primarchs each maintained a Gloriana-class vessel, which could range from fifteen to twenty kilometers long. In the modern day, the only surviving Gloriana-class belongs to Roboute Guilliman, the Imperial Regent, or to the Primarchs who fell to Chaos, although rumors of a dagger-shaped "ghost ship," almost twenty kilometers long, have begun to circulate around the Eastern Fringe...

This Chapter will one day contain the voidships of the Legiones Astartes, and maybe more. I don't know yet. Forge World was rumored to be making a successor to Battlefleet Gothic called "Battlefleet Heresy," but there's no guarantee of that now that Alan Bligh kicked the bucket. We'll have to wait and see. If such a game does come out, and it's close to Battlefleet Gothic in mechanics, this section will be filled out with voidship hulls, components, and upgrades drawn from Battlefleet Heresy, and from the PC Battlefleet Gothic game. Combining these with the space combat rules from Rogue Trader, your Legionaries will be able to command the action on both ground and space. Until then, please wait warmly, Forge World is doing their best, I'm sure.



VOIDSHIPS OF THE LEGIONES ASTARTES

“This time, we stop turtling. It offends the wrath of Mars.”

-Auroran Praetor Cordin discusses void combat stratagems.

While it's quite possible to break open any Rogue Trader book and nick the ships within, as there was no separation between Navy and Militarum yet, you're playing Legionaries, and no doubt you want SOMETHING that makes you feel the part. Included here will be a Space Marine Battle Barge, Strike Cruiser, Vanguard Cruiser, and Escorts, just to get you by until Forge World saves the day with Battlefleet Heresy. I honestly have no idea if half these ships existed back then though. They're not all listed in Horus Heresy Book 3 P. 15, but it offers options, so I'll keep it in for now. Many Legiones Astartes Voidships have the following special rules.

Legion Breachers: Command Tests performed during Boarding Actions gain a +20 bonus, and Command Tests performed during Hit and Run actions gain a +10 Bonus.

Bombardment Targeters: Ballistic Skill Tests against planetary based targets gain a +10 bonus.

Legion Strike Craft: Legiones Astartes vessels may hold the following squadrons within their landing bays, in a combination chosen by the Legionaries, limited only by the strength of the Launch Bay.

Craft	Craft Rating	Speed	Squadron Size
Xiphon Interceptor (Fighter)	+12	12	20
Fire Raptor (Bomber)	+5	10	10
Stormbird* (Assault Boat)	+5	8	10

*A Stormbird possesses void shield banks. Roll 1d10 for every hit suffered from defensive turrets. On a 6+, the hit is negated.

RAIDERS

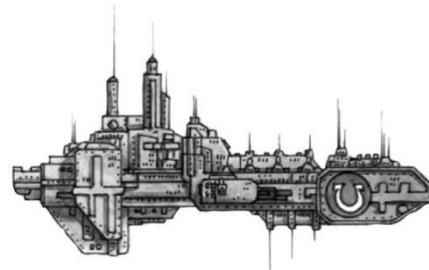
Space Marine raiders allow the Legion a long-range scouting ability, as well as firepower by way of weight of numbers.

HUNTER-CLASS DESTROYER

The Hunter-class Destroyer was first pioneered by the Dark Angels Legions, and can function as both a gunboat as well as a torpedo delivery system. With their fragility, Destroyers are often regarded as a death sentence by Excertus Imperialis troops stationed aboard them.

Speed: 12	Maneuver: +30
Detection: +20	Hull Integrity: 30
Armor: 16	Turret Rating: 1
Space: 30	SP: 35
Weapon Capacity: 1 Dorsal, 1 Prow (already filled by component)	

Torpedo Specialist: The Hunter-class Destroyer has been designed as a torpedo gunship. The voidship's prow component is occupied by a Voss-Pattern Torpedo Tube. This Component may not be removed, and has half the usual ammunition capacity. The space required is already taken into account, but when this ship is constructed, it must provide 1 Power to this component.



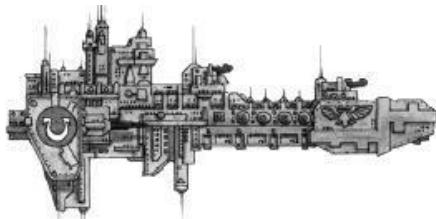
FRIGATES

Space Marine frigates allow Expeditionary Fleets a measure of defense against swarms of enemy vessels, and take up blockade or patrol duties so the larger vessels can break through enemy lines.

GLADIUS-CLASS FRIGATE

The Gladius-class Frigate is an excellent gunboat, customizable for many different roles and operations. Usually equipped with dual macrocannons, it is more than capable of holding its own in an equal fight.

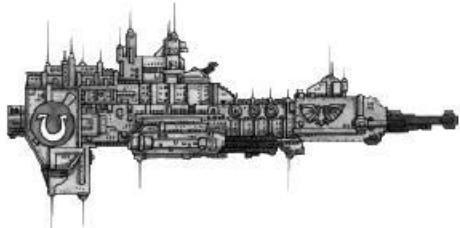
Speed: 10	Maneuver: +25
Detection: +15	Hull Integrity: 40
Armor: 18	Turret Rating: 2
Space: 40	SP: 42
Weapon Capacity: 2 Dorsal	



NOVA-CLASS FRIGATE

The Nova-class Frigate's weapon slots have been retooled to hold prototype Lance weaponry, which many Legiones Astartes Praetors have taken to for their ability to rip through voidship armor. Its enhanced speed means the vessel will assuredly reach its destination.

Speed: 12	Maneuver: +25
Detection: +15	Hull Integrity: 40
Armor: 18	Turret Rating: 1
Space: 45	SP: 45
Weapon Capacity: 1 Dorsal, 1 Prow	



LIGHT CRUISERS

Space Marine Light Cruisers are the first “Workhorse Warship” granted to aspiring void commanders. They possess speed and maneuverability over heavier cruisers, while remaining more than a match for any vessel smaller than itself.

VANGUARD-CLASS LIGHT CRUISER

Vanguard Cruisers, while not as heavily armed as Strike Cruisers, are far faster, and able to provide support from flanking positions in void operations.

Speed: 8	Maneuver: +20
Detection: +20	Hull Integrity: 55
Armor: 20	Turret Rating: 3
Space: 56	SP: 60
Weapon Capacity: 1 Port, 1 Starboard, 2 Prow (1 Prow Slot already filled by component)	

Legion Breachers
Bombardment Targeters

Carrier Vessel: The Vanguard-Class Light Cruiser comes pre-equipped with one Jovian-Pattern Escort Bay, taking up one Prow slot. This Component may not be removed. The space required is already taken into account, but when this ship is constructed, it must provide 1 Power to this component.

Improved Thrusters: When using the Flank Speed Extended Action to increase speed, the Vanguard Cruiser may move an additional 2 VUs for every degree of success on the test, rather than 1 VU.



CRUISERS

The most varied of void combat vessels, the Cruisers are the greatest of the medium-sized warships. While there are numerous subdesignations, such as Heavy Assault Cruisers, Battlecruisers, Galleasses of War, War Barques, and Lance Cruisers, all are equally capable of void combat and landing operations.

STRIKE-CLASS CRUISER

The Strike-class Cruiser is a relatively new pattern to the Excertus Imperialis expeditionary fleets. They are built for the express purpose of planetary bombardment and landing.

Speed: 6	Maneuver: +15
Detection: +15	Hull Integrity: 60
Armor: 20	Turret Rating: 2
Space: 70	SP: 65
Weapon Capacity: 2 Port, 2 Starboard, 2 Prow (1 Prow Slot already filled by component)	

Legion Breachers

Bombardment Targeters

Carrier Vessel: The Strike-Class Cruiser comes pre-equipped with one Jovian-Pattern Landing Bay, taking up one Prow slot. This Component may not be removed. The space required is already taken into account, but when this ship is constructed, it must provide 1 Power to this component.



BATTLESHIPS

The greatest of Praetors head their own Expeditionary Fleets with a Battle Barge or other Battleship. These behemoths are unstoppable in many cases, threatened only by other battleships or celestial phenomena. Including strange classes such as the Shield Bastion, the battleships form unbreakable lines of battle.

BATTLE BARGE

While common parlance indicates any battleship under Legion command is a Battleship, amongst the Legions themselves, Battle Barges are customized and retrofitted to specialize in planetary assault and boarding.

Speed: 5	Maneuver: +0
Detection: +15	Hull Integrity: 100
Armor: 20	Turret Rating: 3
Space: 86	SP: 85
Weapon Capacity: 3 Port, 3 Starboard, 2 Prow (2 Prow Slots already filled by components), 1 Dorsal	

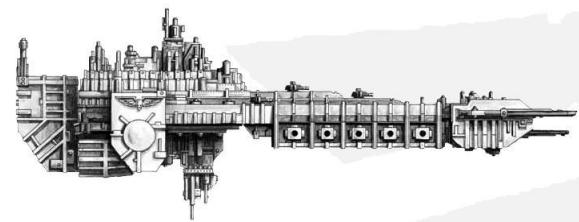
Legion Breachers

Bombardment Targeters

Battleship: This vessel can equip Cruiser-class components.

Battle-Carrier: The Battle Barge comes pre-equipped with one Jovian-Pattern Landing Bay and one Mars-Pattern Torpedo Tube system, each taking up one Prow slot. These Components may not be removed. The space required is already taken into account, but when this ship is constructed, it must provide 3 Power to these components.

Fatty: This vessel cannot use the Come to New Heading Maneuver Action.



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“Some Abominable Intelligence Is Communicating With Us... About Something Called Solaris....”

- Space Wolves Praetor “Felleye” Brynjol receives an anomalous signal during a mission to an Old One shield world within the Scar.

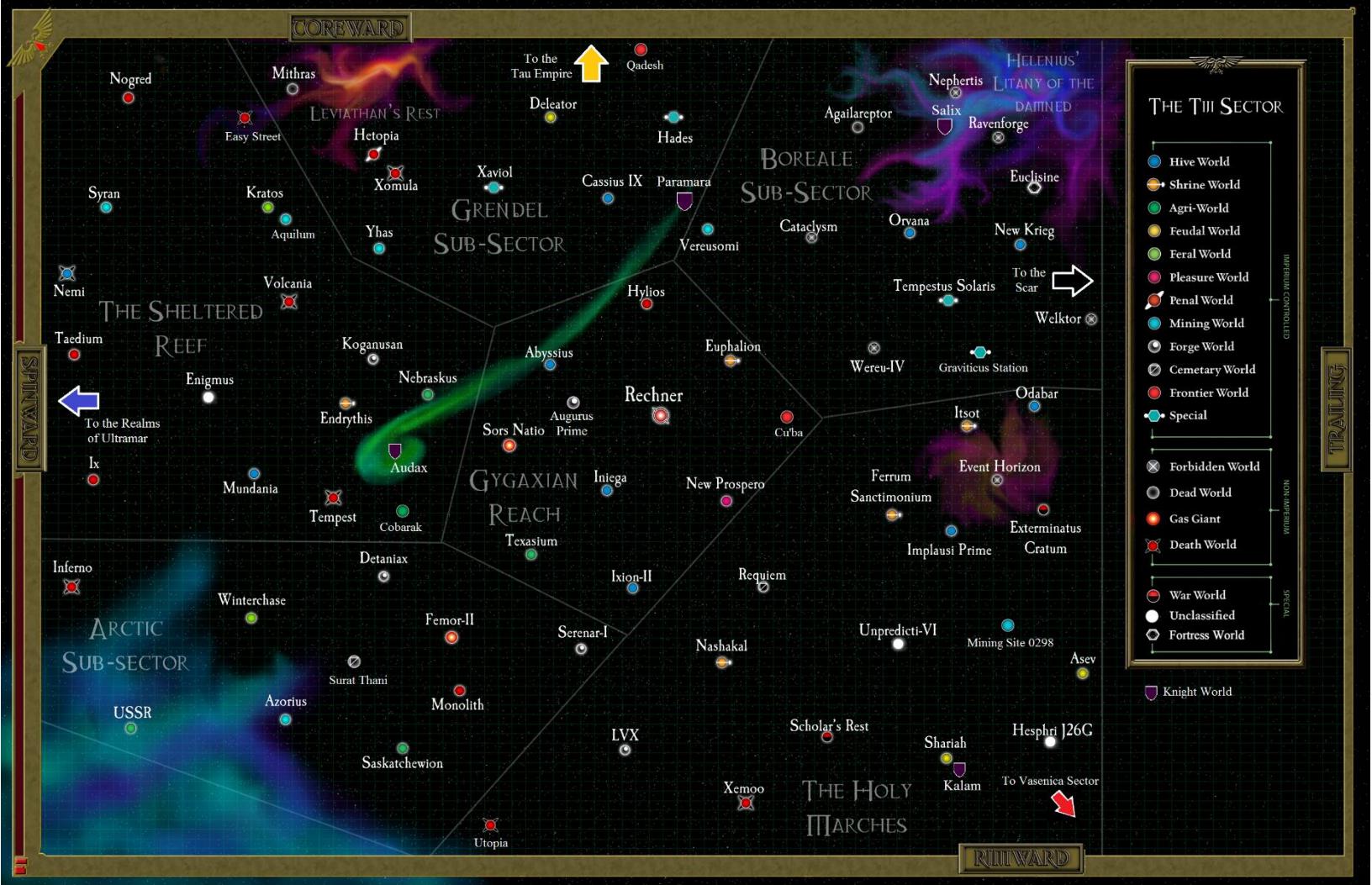
It's finally over, lads. We made it. This book was the most exhausting one by far, as I had to look through nine or ten Horus Heresy red and black books, and build half the Legions from scratch as a result. Still, I think it was worth it. The Horus Heresy is a magnificent place to set stories in, and offers just as many opportunities, if not more, to carve your own fate as the default “modern” setting does. While for me exhaustion has set in, I think this will be a helpful resource for many people as they plan their games in the Great Crusade and the Age of Darkness.

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Have fun,

Skullkrusher / The Shas'o / That Asshole / Like fuck am I putting my real name down





INT MAIN VOID; DATA RECORDING
 BATTLE AUTOMATA GAMMA-ZERO-TWO
 STRING COGNOMEN: QUAESITOR GOTOH

I HAD BEEN WATCHING THEM, EVER SINCE THEY ARRIVED IN THE SECTOR. THEY PROVE THE AXIOM THAT CERTAIN ORGANICS, AT THE CORRECT LOCATION, AT THE CORRECT TIME, CAN CAUSE GREAT CHANGE AT AN INTERSTELLAR SCALE. BUT NOW THE REPUBLICAN COMMANDOS ARE GONE, SWORN THEMSELVES TO GUILLIMAN DIRECTLY. AND YET...THEXUS REMAINS. HMM.

I HAVE REMAINED TRUE TO THE FABRICATOR LOCUM'S DIRECTIVES THESE PAST TEN THOUSAND YEARS, OBSERVING, PLANNING. ALREADY REPORTS ARE FLOWING IN. DISRUPTIONS ARE BEING NOTED ACROSS THE SECTOR. REPORTS OF THE FORGE SHIP "ARC HAMMER" PRECEDE SIGHTINGS OF THE "GHOST SHIP" INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE SECTOR. XENOS SIGNALS TRANSMITTED ACROSS THE VOID HAVE ALSO INCREASED.

IS IT ALL CONNECTED? I WAS CREATED TO PLAN AND ANALYZE, AND ALL THE SIGNS POINT TO ANOTHER SECTOR-WIDE ANOMALY. THE TIME OF OBSERVATION IS OVER. NOW, I MUST ACT.