GAME MANUAL

NEMESIS

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**GAME ELEMENTS**

1. Two-sided Board
2. d6 Attack dice and d10 Noise dice
3. Character boards
4. Room tiles "1"
5. Room tiles "2"
6. Character boards
7. Miniatures:
   - 6 Characters (Captain, Pilot, Scientist, Scout, Soldier, Mechanic)
   - 6 Larvae
   - 3 Creepers
   - 8 Adult Intruders (4 different sculpts)
   - 2 Breeders
   - 1 Queen
   - 5 Plastic card holders (inventories)
   - 6 Colored plastic rings
8. Scanner
9. Intruder board
10. Intruder bag

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**MARKERS AND TOKENS:**
- 2 Room sheets
- 18 Status markers
- 30 Noise markers
- 12 Doors
- 6 Engine tokens (3 Working, 3 Damaged)
- 4 Escape Pods
- 20 Exploration tokens
- 1 Blue Character Corpse token
- 5 Red Character Corpse tokens
- 1 First Player token
- 18 Ammunition markers
- 50 Ammo/Injury markers
- 8 Fire markers
- 8 Malfunction markers
- 2 Five Injury tokens
- 27 Intruder tokens
  - 8 Larvae, 12 Adult Intruders, 3 Creeper, 2 Breeder, 1 Queen, 1 Blank
- 8 Intruder Egg tokens
- 8 Intruder Carcass tokens
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- 8 Injuries
- 1 Airlock Procedure token

**CARDS:**
- 60 Action cards (10 per Character)
- 18 Objective cards (9 Personal and 9 Corporate)
- 27 Contamination cards
  - Note: Although they share a common back with the Action cards, they should form a separate deck.
- 20 Intruder Attack cards
- 16 Serious Wound cards
- 5 Help cards

**ADVANCED MODE COMPONENTS:**
- 7 Solo/Coop Objective cards
  - This component is not used in the basic game!
- 10 Intruder Action cards
  - This component is not used in the basic game!

**OTHER COMPONENTS:**
- 1 Cardboard box holder
  - This component is not used in the game.
- 10 Promo cards
  - This component is not used in the game.
- 6 Character Starting Item cards (Weapon)
- 12 Character Quest Item cards
- 12 Character Draft cards
- 6 Character Draft cards
- 30 Green (medical) Item cards
- 30 Yellow (technical) Item cards
- 30 Red (military) Item cards
- 30 Blue (Crafted) Item cards
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- 8 Coordinates cards
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GAME OVERVIEW

Nemesis is a semi-cooperative game where you and your crewmates must survive on a ship infested with hostile organisms.

To win the game, you will have to complete one of the two objectives dealt to you at the start of the game and get back to Earth in one piece. You will find many obstacles on your way: swarms of Intruders (the name given to the alien organisms by the ship AI), the poor physical condition of the ship, the other players that will have their own agendas and, sometimes, just cruel fate.

The gameplay of Nemesis is designed to be full of climatic moments which, hopefully, you will find rewarding even when your best plans are ruined and your character meets a terrible fate.

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A WORD FROM THE AUTHOR

Five years. Five years have passed since the winter of 2013, when I built my first Nemesis prototype. The game you are holding in your hands barely looks like its original version. In the years that followed, the project evolved and changed on a regular basis – sometimes going back to its roots, only to drastically alter them some time later. The one thing that remained constant was the core concept: recreating the experience of the claustrophobic, paranoid horror Sci-fi classics as closely as possible.

Even though only my name appears on the box, the full list of people who contributed to this game at the various stages of its production would likely take several pages – the team of my old publishing company, the people at Rebel Publishing who took over the project, and finally, the team at Awaken Realms that finished the development of the game and handled its crowdfunding.

Regardless of his position at Awaken Realms, I would also like to personally thank Marcin Świerkot, not only as a publisher or for his skills at handling impressive Kickstarter campaigns. For me, it is obvious that Nemesis owes Marcin a great part of its incredible success, and I also wanted to thank him from his constant feedback and for convincing me to adopt several new concepts (which, believe me, wasn’t easy).

Nemesis also had a humongous group of testers. At the start, I only played it with a few close friends, but, with each iteration of the project, the team grew until it reached truly epic proportions – especially after the game had been ported to the Tabletop Simulator (thanks to the efforts of Ken Cunningham, Steven Becker, David Werner, Stefano Trivellato, Adam Grinder and Luca Cornaggia). I didn’t have the chance to meet every one of our many testers in person, but I wanted them to know that it was their feedback that helped me through the stages of this project, and allowed me to keep my enthusiasm intact throughout these five long years of development.

I also owe some special thanks to Michał Oracz, whom I met during the Nemesis project. The depth of his involvement in all aspects of this game is simply amazing, and I can only say how lucky I was to meet a person with such skills and experience.

To wrap things up, I’d like to thank Iga, who is probably the only person to remember the true beginning of this project, as she was the one who inspired me to create it five years ago, on a cold winter’s evening.

My final thanks go to everyone who supported this game on Kickstarter, trusting both me and Awaken Realms. I hope Nemesis will repay you with many thrills and unforgettable hours spent over the board. And I hope that – at least every now and then – your journey will end with a safe trip back to Earth...
Welcome aboard! This introductory story is designed to familiarize you with the flow of a standard game and to give you an overview of the essential Nemesis rules. All game terms, items, characters and board locations are written in bold to make them more distinguishable. We hope that this story will make reading these rules easier and more enjoyable.

We hope that, after some games of Nemesis, you will have your own stories to tell!

It started like countless times before — waking up in a cold fog within the Hibernatorium, at the very center of the ship. As usual, we were suffering from temporary amnesia due to FTL travel and hibernation. We knew our names and we had some basic memories, but we didn’t remember clearly where we were or what we were supposed to do. The layout of the ship felt unfamiliar. We knew that somewhere at the stern, there were three Engines and somewhere in the bow section, there was a Bridge. We were all conditioned to remember the location of the two Escape Pods, just in case something went REALLY wrong. The rest was blurry. But this condition was enough to give me just a bit safer.

I immediately felt a bit safer. The Pilot went to the Engine, where I reunited with our Pilot. It was the only place where we could activate the ship’s Self-Destruct sequence. Considering what I had just seen, it didn’t sound like a bad idea… Unfortunately, the room was Damaged, and we would need to fix it first. We decided the Mechanic was best suited for this task.

At this point, I knew something crazy was going on. I had to decide if I wanted to fulfill the task the company had given me or if I should follow my Personal Objective. I realized that it wasn’t the best moment to bring down a crewmate — the future of mankind could be at hand! Instead of killing the Mechanic, I decided I should send a Signal using our Communications Room to warn Earth of the situation. Then, I would examine one of the creatures in the Lab, trying to get as much information as possible, before leaving this doomed ship.

I had a conversation with the pilot, who confirmed what I had been fearing all along — there was more than a single Larva. On her way here, she ran into an Adult specimen that managed to hit her. Fortunately, it was just a Light Wound, but I secretly feared that she might have been Infected. And, since this Intruder was now lurking behind us, we could not go back to the Hibernatorium.

I understood that someone had just tried to kill me. I did not have to wait long for the culprit — a few seconds later, the Mechanic stormed upon her. He couldn’t shoot me or harm me directly — thanks to anti-aggression force him to follow a single order.

I had a short Rest to settle my nerves. Nothing came at me this time, though. Moving to the next room, I entered the Generator, where I reunited with our Pilot. It was the only place where we could activate the ship’s Self-Destruct sequence. Considering what I had just seen, it didn’t sound like a bad idea… Unfortunately, the room was Damaged, and we would need to fix it first. We decided the Mechanic was best suited for this task.

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We spent the next few minutes moving cautiously from one room to another, trying to salvage what we could — we managed to Craft a makeshift Flamethrower, using some Chemicals and Tools. Every step of the way, we heard more and more noises converging in our direction.

Several of the rooms we checked had been damaged, and one was on Fire. Things weren’t looking good. I knew the ship could only take so much stress before it would feel the acceleration.

At this point, we spread out. The Pilot went to the Bridge, and I went to send my Signal. I entered my login into the comm’s console and began my transmission when an explosion threw me against the opposite wall. Even stunned by the blast, I understood that someone had just tried to kill me. I did not have to wait long for the culprit — a few seconds later, the Mechanic stormed into the room, a burning Molotov Cocktail in his greasy hand.

I didn’t shoot him or harm him directly — thanks to anti-aggression implants all space crews had in their brains to prevent violence or mutiny. However, indirect weapons were one of the ways to cheat the implant. There was just one thing he didn’t know. As a Captain, I could use the same implant to force him to follow a single order.

I ordered the Mechanic to scout one of the connected rooms. Soon I heard the sound I had been hoping for. One of the Intruders came out of the Technical Corridors and jumped at the poor fool. Just to be sure neither of them would come out of it alive, I threw a Grenade in the corridor.

I inspected my Wounds — my leg was badly hurt. I Dressed it, and was able to move again, but I also knew this was a temporary measure, intending to Heal the damage at the first opportunity.

Despite the pain, I managed to reach the Bridge. Destroying a Locked Door along the way. There, I found the Pilot and told her about the Mechanic’s attack. She was in too much of a hurry to care. She had just set the jump coordinates for Earth. We didn’t know if enough engines were working, but she was willing to take the risk.

This left us little time to get back to the Hibernatorium. There were only a few minutes left before the Jump, and everyone outside of a stasis pod at that moment would be atomized by the extreme acceleration.

I told her to lead the way, hoping I’d get the chance to swing by the Lab and complete my own objective. But something didn’t feel right… Maybe it was the way she acted or talked? I could not tell, but as the Captain, I had learned not to ignore my hunch.

Fortunately, I had a Log Key that could give me full access to one crew member’s account — I chose to check the Pilot’s correspondence. What I found was shocking. She intended to take the ship to some secret base on Mars, where an organization I’d never heard of before was planning to use the Intruders for some unknown dark purpose.

I was about to lose consciousness from the Bleeding, when our Scientist stumbled upon me. He was coming from the Lab, where he had analyzed one of the Intruder Carcasses, and discovered a Weakness of their species. Turns out we shared a common objective!

Finally, I reached the Evacuation Hatch — but the way was blocked. There she was, waiting for me. A terrifying beast, the biggest of her kind. The Queen. I had only one thing left: a small fire extinguisher I had been carrying all along. In desperation, I fired it at her. In a flash, she was gone. The Queen. My Queen.

I was OUT. I SURVIVED.

Or at least I thought I had… I can feel something moving inside me. I don’t know how much time I have left. I am leaving this message in case someone finds this forsaken pod.

Destroy my body. Do not examine these creatures. Do not try to harness them in any way.

If you want humanity to survive — leave them and never come back.
1. Place the board on the table. Use the basic side of the board as shown in the picture.

Note: The basic side of the board is marked by a red arrow icon in its upper left corner.

2. Shuffle all Room tiles "2" without looking at their fronts and randomly place (face down) one Room tile "2" on each of the Room slots marked with a "2" on the board.

Put all remaining Room tiles "2" back in the box.

Note: You will not use all available Room tiles "2" each game, as there are more tiles than slots on the board. Players never know exactly which Rooms are on the ship.

Note: When putting any components back in the box, avoid looking at their contents.

3. Then, use the same method to place all Room tiles "1" on the Room slots marked with a "1".

4. Take the Exploration tokens, shuffle them (without looking at their fronts) and place one token at random (face down) on each Room tile.

Put all remaining Exploration tokens back in the box.

5. Take the Coordinates cards and place one randomly (face down) on its space next to the Cockpit.

Put all remaining Coordinates cards back in the box.

6. Place 1 Status marker on the “B” space on the Destination Track.

This is the Destination marker.

7. Take the corresponding number of randomly chosen Escape Pod tokens:

- 1-2 players: 2 Escape Pods.
- 3-4 players: 3 Escape Pods.
- 5 players: 4 Escape Pods.

Place the lowest-numbered Escape Pod in Section “A”, then place the next (in numerical order) Escape Pod in Section “B”. Place the other Escape Pods, alternating between “A” and “B”.

Escape Pod tokens should be placed with their “Locked” side face up.

Put all remaining Escape Pods back in the box.

8. Take both Engine tokens marked with the number “1” (1 Damaged and 1 Working) and shuffle them face down. Place them on the corresponding Engine “1” slot on the board, one atop the other, and face down. The top Engine token indicates the true status of the Engine.

Repeat this step for Engine tokens “2” and “3”.

Important: Make sure that the players do not see the fronts of the tokens, so that they will not know if the Engines are working or not.

9. Take the Intruder board, put it next to the board and place in the corresponding slots:

- 5 Egg tokens
- 3 random Weakness cards. They are placed face down, so that players will not know what Weaknesses they can discover during a given game.

Put all remaining Weakness cards back in the box.

10. Take the Intruder bag and put the following Intruder tokens inside: 1 Blank, 4 Larvae, 1 Creeper, 1 Queen, 3 Adults.

Then, add 1 additional Adult Intruder token for each player taking part in the game.

The rest of the Intruder tokens are placed next to the board – they will be used during play.

Place the Intruder Carcass tokens next to the board as well – they will mark killed Intruders.

11. Shuffle and place the following decks face down next to the board: 3 Items [each with its own color], Event, Intruder Attack, Contamination and Serious Wound decks.

Place the Craft Item deck next to the 3 Item decks.

Place the Scanner next to the Contamination deck.

Put all Intruder Player Action cards and all Solo / Coop Objective cards back in the box – these two decks are only used in advanced game modes, see Game Modes, page 27.

12. Place the other markers, tokens and dice next to the board:

- Fire markers
- Malfunction markers
- Noise markers
- Ammo / Injury markers
- Status markers (used as Light Wounds / Slime / Signal / Self-Destruct / Time / Destination markers)
- Door tokens
- Red Character Corpse tokens
- 2 Combat dice
- 2 Noise dice
- First Player token

13. Place 1 Status marker on the green space of the Time Track.

This is the Time marker.

The board setup is now complete! Now proceed to the crew setup, detailed on page 8.
**GAME SETUP: STEPS 14–20, CREW SETUP**

14] Take as many Help Cards as there are players and deal one to each player at random. These cards determine the order of choosing Characters (Step 17). If there are 3 players, take the cards with the number 1-3, if there are 4 players, take cards 1-4 etc.

The number shown on the Help Card and Inventory is the Player Number – it’s not only important for choosing Character, but also for some Objectives.

Put all remaining Help cards back in the box.

More on Objectives – see 12.

15] Each player gets 1 plastic Inventory Card holder with the same number as their Help card. It is used to keep your Item cards hidden during the game.

This is your Inventory, the place where you store all your non-Heavy Items, so you know what you have, while the other players may only guess.

16] Remove from both Objective Decks (Corporate and Personal) all cards showing a number of players higher than the number of players taking part in the game.

Shuffle these two decks individually and deal each player 1 card from the Corporate Objectives deck and 1 card from the Personal Objectives deck. Each player must keep the contents of their Objective cards hidden from the other players!

More on First Encounter, see page 12.

17] Shuffle all the Character draft cards. The players choose their Characters in the following order: Player 1 takes 2 random Character draft cards, reveals them, chooses 1 and shuffles the other back into the Character draft deck. Next, Player 2 chooses their Character the same way, then Player 3, etc.

A player may only control the Character whose card they have chosen during the draft.

After the draft, put all remaining Character draft cards back in the box, as they will no longer be used.

18] Each player takes the following components:

A) The Character board of the Character chosen during the draft.

B) The miniature of their Character and places it in the Hibernatorium.

C) The Action cards deck of their Character, shuffles it and places it on the left side of their Character board, face down.

D) The Starting Item card (Weapon) of their Character and places it in one of the two Hand slots on their Character board. Afterwards, place a number of Ammo markers equal to that Weapon’s Ammo capacity on the Weapon card.

E) The 2 Quest Items of their Character and places them, horizontal side up, next to their Character board. Those items are NOT active at the start of the game, but players can perform mini-quests to unlock them during the game.

Take all remaining Character boards and put them back in the box. They will not be used during this game.

F) Leave this spot for the Action discard pile – this is where your used Action cards (and Contamination cards) will go.

19] Player 1 gets the First Player token.

20] Place the blue Character Corpse token in the Hibernatorium. It represents the body of a poor sod lying in a pool of blood.

During the game, treat this token as a Character Corpse Object.

The blue Character Corpse token is always assigned to the first dead body found on the ship.
Board Description:
1. Hibernatorium (Special Room)
2. Cockpit (Special Room)
3. Coordinates card space
4. Destination Track
5. Engine 01, Engine 02, Engine 03 (Special Rooms)
6. Escape Pod spaces
7. Example of explored Rooms
8. Example of unexplored Rooms
9. Example of Technical Corridors Entrances
10. Technical Corridors space
11. Time Track
12. Self-Destruct Track
13. Examples of Item Counters
14. Examples of Corridors
15. Examples of Corridor Numbers
16. Example of Room Number

Discard Piles:
Leave an empty space for a discard pile next to each of the following decks: Items, Event, Intruder Attack and Serious Wounds.

Note: There’s a special spot for the Action discard pile, marked on each of the Character boards. Contamination cards go to the player’s Action discard pile until they are removed from the game.

All the above cards are discarded face up.
All markers are discarded to the appropriate pile.
FLOW OF THE GAME

The game is played over a series of consecutive turns, and ends when any of the end game conditions are met. More on Players Goals and End of the Game – see page 11.

TURN ORDER
Each turn is split into two consecutive Phases:
I: Player Phase,
II: Event Phase.

I: PLAYER PHASE
Resolve the following steps:

1: DRAW ACTION CARDS
At the start of each Player Phase, all players draw cards from their Action deck until they have a hand size of 5 cards.

If the game (at any time) requires you to draw a card and add it to your hand, and your Action deck is empty, shuffle all the cards in your discard pile – these will form your new Action deck. Then, draw the required number of cards.

2: FIRST PLAYER TOKEN
After all the Players have drawn their Action cards, the player with the First Player token passes it to the player on their left.

Note: In the first turn of the game, do not pass the First Player token.

Each time players are required to do anything in order, start with the player with the First Player token, and then continue with each player in clockwise order.

3: PLAYER ROUNDS
Starting with the first player and going clockwise, each player performs a round of 2 Actions.

When each player has performed their round of 2 Actions (or passed their round), the next series of rounds takes place. Each player in order performs 2 Actions (or passes) – this takes place as long as there is at least one player who has not passed. When all players have passed, move to the Event Phase.

If a player cannot perform any Actions, or chooses to take no Actions in their round, they must pass.

If a player performs only 1 Action instead of the required two, they must pass.

Any player who already passed cannot perform ANY Actions later during that Phase.

When a player passes, they may discard any number of cards from their hand to their Discard.

When you pass, flip your Help card to the “Pass” side to indicate this. Note: When a Character ends their round in a Room with a Fire marker, they always suffer 1 Light Wound – see Fire marker, page 17.

The available Actions are described in detail later – see Actions, page 12.

II: EVENT PHASE
Resolve the following steps:

4: TIME TRACK
Move the Time marker on the Time Track by 1 space to the right. If the Self-Destruct Sequence is active, also move its marker by 1 space to the right on its Track.

5: INTRUDEr ATTACK

6: FIRE DAMAGE

7: RESOLVE EVENT CARD
Draw and resolve 1 Event card:

- INTRUDEr MOVEMENT – All Intruders sharing the Intruder Symbol shown on the Event card (and that are NOT in a Room with any Characters) move to a neighboring Room through the Corridor showing the number on the Event card. More on Corridors and Rooms – see page 14.

EXAMPLE OF AN EVENT CARD

1, 2) Intruder symbols and direction number – only the Intruders whose symbol appears on the card (and that are not in Combat) are moved through the corridor displaying the same direction number as the card.

In this example, during the Intruder movement step, all Adult Intruders, Breeders and the Queen will move through the Corridor number 1.

3) Event effect – this effect is triggered after the Intruder movement step has been performed.

In this example, check if a Malfunction marker is present in the Generator Room to trigger the effect. Then, REMOVE this Event from the game (back to the box) and reshuffle the Event deck and discard pile.

If the number indicates a Technical Corridor, remove that Intruder miniature from the board and put its corresponding Intruder token in the Intruder bag. More on Technical Corridors – see page 16.

EVENT EFFECT – After the Intruder movement step, resolve the effect described on the Event card. After resolving the Event card, discard it in the Event discard pile (unless the text on the card says differently). If the Event deck runs out of cards (this, however, happens very rarely), shuffle the discarded Event cards – they become the new Event deck.

8: INTRUDEr BAG DEVELOPMENT
Draw 1 Intruder token from the Intruder bag. The effect depends on the drawn token:

- LARVA – Remove this token from the Intruder bag and add 1 Adult token to the Intruder bag.
- CREEPER – Remove this token from the Intruder bag and add 1 Breeder token to the Intruder bag.
- ADULT – All players roll for Noise in order.

If a player’s Character is in Combat with an Intruder, this player does not perform a Noise roll. Return the Adult Intruder token to the Intruder bag.

- BREEDER – All players roll for Noise in order.

If a player’s Character is in Combat with an Intruder, this player does not perform a Noise roll. Return the Breeder Intruder token to the Intruder bag.

- QUEEN – If there are any Characters in the Nest Room, place the Queen miniature in that Room and resolve an Encounter. More on Encounters – see page 18.

If there are no Characters in the Nest (or its location has not been discovered yet), add an additional Egg token on the Intruder board. Return the Queen Intruder token to the Intruder bag.

- BLANK – Add 1 Adult Intruder token to the Intruder bag.

If there are no Adult Intruder tokens available, nothing happens. Return the Blank token to the Intruder bag. More on Noise roll – page 15.

9: END OF THE TURN
Start a new turn.

The turn ends after the Intruder bag development step has been fully resolved. It means that all Encounters, Surprise Attacks etc. must have been played out. After that, a new turn starts with the Player Phase and all players draw their Action cards.

The available Actions are described in detail later – see Actions, page 12.
<h2>PLAYERS GOALS AND END OF THE GAME</h2>

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A game of Nemesis may result in multiple winners, but it is not a cooperative game – while the players can (and should, to some degree) cooperate, each player has their own Objective to fulfill. Other players achieving their goals are irrelevant to your own victory.

To consider a player a winner, they must meet 2 conditions:
1) FULFILL THEIR OBJECTIVE, detailed on the Objective card chosen by the player.
2) SURVIVE – meaning one of these two options: [1] hibernate their Character in the Hibernatorium with the ship still functioning and jumping to Earth OR [2] use one of the Escape Pods to evacuate the ship.

Important: Some Objective cards may ask a Character to change the ship’s destination – for instance, the ship must be redirected to Mars instead of going back to Earth.


END OF THE GAME
The game ends when one of the following conditions is met:

1) ENGINES CHECK:
If the ship survived up to this moment, its Engines are checked. Reveal all the top Engine tokens of the three Engines.
If 2 or 3 of the top Engine tokens have a Damaged status, the ship explodes and all the hibernating Characters die.
Everything else on board also dies, including all the Intruders (this may be important for some Objectives).
Important: Instant death due to hyperjump does not apply to the Intruders, so if your Objective was to kill the Queen, a Breeder or to destroy the Nest, your target is unharmed, and you fail your mission.

2) COORDINATES CHECK:
If the ship survived up to this moment, reveal the Coordinates card and check the current space of the Destination marker.
If the ship is not headed toward Earth, all Characters asleep in the Hibernatorium die.
The Quarantine Objective, which requires another destination for the jump (Mars), is the only exception to this rule. Any Character with this Objective does not die if they are asleep in the Hibernatorium and the ship’s destination is Mars.
Important: Instant death due to a destination other than Earth does not apply to the Intruders!
Note: In this case, although the Characters die, the Ship is not destroyed.

3) CONTAMINATION CHECK:
Each alive Character (either asleep in the Hibernatorium or evacuated in an Escape Pod) checks their Contamination cards.
A) The player Scans all the Contamination cards in their Action deck, discard pile and hand.
B) if there is at least 1 “INFECTED” card, that player shuffles all their cards (both Action and Contamination) to create a new Action deck, then draws the 4 top cards. If there is at least 1 Contamination card (Infected or not), the Character dies. If there are none, they are lucky to survive.

If there is a Larva on the Character’s Board, the player skips step A and resolves step B.
More on Scanning Contamination cards – see page 20.

4) OBJECTIVE CHECK:
If there are any Characters alive up to this step, you only have to check if you accomplished your chosen Objective.
Each player whose Character is still alive at this step must check if they accomplished their chosen Objective. They all reveal their Objective card to the other players and check if they have met all its requirements.

ENDING THE GAME
BEFORE THE OTHER PLAYERS
If any Character uses an Escape Pod, hibernates or dies, then they can no longer actively participate in the game, and can only spectate. At the end of the game, the Characters that are still alive determine if all their Objectives have been met and thus if they have won or not.
The Player whose Character is the first to die may continue the game as an Intruder – see Game Modes, Playing as an Intruder, page 27.
CRITICAL GAMEPLAY MOMENTS

During the game, there are two critical moments that are not tied to any specific turn, but are triggered under certain conditions:

- The First Encounter with an Intruder.
- The first Character that dies.

FIRST ENCOUNTER

The first time a crew member encounters an Intruder, everyone has to make a choice - either follow corporate directives or fulfill their personal objectives. When the first Intruder miniature (of any type) appears on the board, the situation changes drastically. Each player immediately chooses 1 of their 2 Objective cards. The one that wasn’t chosen is removed from the game face down (without showing it to the other players). Then, the encounter that triggered this procedure is resolved and the game continues normally.

From now on, each player has only 1 Objective left and they must work toward its completion (it must still be kept secret from the other players).

More on Encounter - see Encounter and Combat, page 18.

FIRST DEAD CHARACTER

The first time a Character (of any player) dies, the ship’s AI immediately starts emergency procedures:

- All Escape Pods are automatically unlocked (flip their tokens to the Unlocked side).
- For the rest of the game, they may be locked (and unlocked) normally (for example, using the Hatch Control System Room Action).
- More on Escape Pods and Hatch Control System Room – see Room sheet, page 26 and 29.

In addition, the first dead Character may play as the Intruder - see page 27.

SELF-DESTRUCT AND HIBERNATION:

There are also 2 additional important moments that sometimes happen in the game:

- Hibernation Chambers Open: When the Time Track reaches any blue space, the Hibernation chambers open. Characters CANNOT enter them before that moment.
- Self-Destruct Track 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1: When the Self-Destruct Track reaches any yellow space, all Escape Pods are automatically unlocked and the Characters can no longer stop the Self-Destruct sequence.

OBJECTIVES

Since completing most of the Objectives requires some knowledge of the game (for example Room actions, rules for destroying the ship, Escape Pods functionality, etc.), you’ll find some tips below that may help beginner players to find the appropriate sections in the Manual.

Important: No matter which Objective you choose, your Character must survive the game! That means, they must either get into an Escape Pod and launch it or hibernate.

PLAYER X’S CHARACTER CANNOT SURVIVE

This means that the Character of the indicated player cannot be alive at the end of the game (they cannot hibernate or escape using an Escape Pod). You do not need to kill them with any of your Actions – they simply must be dead. You might want to trap this Character in a Room on Fire or with an Intruder. Maybe you could seek another player’s help?

You can also escape the ship by using the Escape Pods, abandoning the rest of the crew on board with Fire, Malfunctions, Damaged Engines, Self-Destruct procedure or Coordinates leading to nowhere and hope that everybody dies or that the ship explodes.

More on Fire, Malfunction, damaged Engines and Self-Destruct – see End of the game, page 11.
More on Fire markers – see page 17.
More on Malfunction markers – see page 17.
More on Self-Destruct – see Generator, Room sheet, page 24.

YOUR CHARACTER IS THE ONLY SURVIVOR

No Character but yours may survive the game.

SENDING THE SIGNAL

Send the Signal means you need to locate the Comms Room and perform its Room Action. There is always a Comms Room on board – look for the Rooms with the number “1” on their back.

More on Comms Room – see Room sheet, page 24.

THE SHIP MUST REACH EARTH/MARS

The ship will reach its destination if the right Coordinates have been set in the Cockpit and if at least two of its three Engines are still functional (Working status).

More on damaged Engines – see End of the game, page 11.

DISCOVER A WEAKNESS

Weaknesses can be discovered by bringing an Object to the Laboratory and by performing the Laboratory Room Action there. It doesn’t matter if you’re not the one who did the research, as long as the Weakness has been discovered at the end of the game.

More on Intruder Weakness cards – see page 21.
More on Objects – see page 22.
More on Laboratory – see Room sheet, page 24.
More on Nest – see Room sheet, page 25.

DESTROY THE NEST

The Nest is destroyed when there are no Intruder Eggs left in it. To destroy Eggs, check the Nest description on the Room sheet.

The Nest is always on the board – look for the Rooms with the number “1” on their back.

More on Nest – see Room sheet, page 25.

IN Combat ONLY / OUT OF Combat ONLY —

Some of the Actions and Items specify when they may be used:

- IN Combat ONLY – The Character may perform this Action only in Combat. A Character is considered to be in Combat if there is an Intruder in their Room. Eggs do not count as Intruders.
- OUT OF Combat ONLY – The Character may perform this Action only when they are NOT in Combat. If a given Action is not marked by any of the symbols above, that means this Action may be performed both in Combat and out of it.

OBJECTS

During each of their rounds, players can perform various Actions. There are 4 groups of Actions in the game:

- Basic Actions
- Actions from Action cards
- Actions from Room tiles
- Actions from Item cards

More on Player Phase – see page 10.

ACTION COST

Each Action displays an Action icon. The number in any given Action icon indicates the Cost of performing the given Action. In order to pay the Cost, the player must discard the exact number of any chosen Action cards from their hand. Discarded cards are placed face up in the discard pile.

Important: Even though they’re included in the Action deck, Contamination cards are not Action cards. They cannot be discarded from your hand to pay any Action Cost. Contamination cards represent the exhaustion of your Character – and sometimes something even worse.

More on Contamination cards – see page 20.
BASIC ACTIONS

Each Character has the same set of Basic Actions. These Actions are always available for each Character, as long as they meet their conditions.

A detailed description of these Actions is given below.

**MOVEMENT** – move your Character miniature to the neighboring Room, applying all the Movement basic rules.

More on Movement – see page 14.

**CAREFUL MOVEMENT** – works exactly like Movement, but instead of performing a Noise roll after moving, place a Noise marker in a chosen Corridor connected to the Room you are entering.

If there is a Noise marker in all the Corridors connected to the Room you want to move to, you cannot perform a Careful Movement.

You cannot perform Careful Movement if you are in Combat.

Any given Corridor may never hold more than 1 Noise marker.


**SHOOT** – attack an Intruder with a Weapon placed in your Character’s Hand, discarding an Ammo marker from that Weapon’s card. You can only Shoot Intruders in the same Room as your Character.

More on Shooting – see Encounter and Combat, page 18.

More on Items in Character’s Hand – see Items, page 22.

**MELEE ATTACK** – attack an Intruder with your bare hands (or anything you can improvise). You can only attack Intruders in the same Room as your Character.


**PICK UP HEAVY OBJECT** – pick up 1 Heavy Object present in the Room you are in. It can be a Character Corpse, an Intruder Carcass or an Intruder Egg.

Note: When you Search and find Heavy Items, you are not required to use this Action. This Action applies only to Objects.

More on Heavy Objects – see page 22.

**TRADE** – start a trade with all Characters in the same Room as your Character.

Players may now show each other any Item cards and Objects they want to trade. If both involved players agree on the transaction, they exchange the items. Even though several players may take part in the Trade, the only player that performs the Action is the one that started it.

A player can choose to give an Item card or Object without asking anything in return.

Note: Characters cannot exchange Ammo.

**CRAFT ITEM** – discard 2 Item cards showing the same appropriate blue Craft icons to gain a Crafted Item card with the same Craft icons (but in gray color) as the Items you have discarded.

A Crafted Item cannot be built if its card is not available, even if you have the required blue components.

More on Crafting Items – see page 23.

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**ACTIONS FROM ACTION CARDS**

Each Character has its own, partially unique set of 10 Action cards representing the Actions which can be performed by this Character.

The description of each Action is detailed on the corresponding Action card.

To perform an Action from an Action card, discard this card from your hand (face up) and pay its Cost.

Important: in this case, the Cost of an Action is the number of Action cards you must discard from your hand. In addition to the Action card with the performed Action.

If an Action card contains two sections separated by [OR], the player chooses the one they want to perform.

**EXAMPLE OF AN ACTION CARD:**

Here, we have a Captain Action card – Basic Repairs.

1) It shows an “Out of Combat Only” icon. This means that this Action cannot be performed in Combat.

2) Action Cost. In this case, to perform Basic Repairs, the player must discard 2 additional Action cards from their hand.

3) Action Effect.

4) Shows that this Action can be performed in one of two ways:

   - either to discard the Malfunction marker from a Room
   - OR to Repair / Break one of the Engines.

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**ACTIONS FROM ITEM CARDS**

Some Item cards allow a Character to perform specific Actions. Their description is provided on the Item cards.

More on Items – see page 22.

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**ACTIONS FROM ROOM TILES**

Most of the Rooms allow a Character to perform a specific Action. The description of each Room Action is provided on the Room sheet (see page 24).
Moving around the ship is one of the basic activities of the Characters during the game. Characters will roam through the ship to discover additional rooms, find items that are useful or vital to their survival, complete their objectives, repair dangerous and malfunctioning gear or put out fires, to find – in the end – a way out of this mess.

ROOFS AND CORRIDORS

Character miniatures may be placed and perform Actions only in ROOMS (keep in mind that Special Rooms, such as the Hibernatorium, Engines or Cockpit are treated as normal Rooms).

Escape Pod tokens are the only exception to the rule above – see Escape Pods, Room sheet, page 26.

Intruder miniatures may also only be placed in Rooms.

CORRIDORS connect the Rooms, and are used to move between Rooms, though neither Characters nor Intruders can ever stop in them for any reason.

The effects of moving through any given Corridor are resolved AFTER moving into the Room.

MOVEMENT ACTION

The most common Action used to move around the ship is MOVEMENT.

Performing a Movement Action means moving the miniature of your Character to a neighboring Room.

Two Rooms are treated as neighboring when they are directly connected to each other by 1 Corridor. Closed Doors block the "neighboring" status for the players’ Movement.

After entering a Room, always resolve the following steps:

1) If this Room tile was unexplored (face down), turn it over (face up). After doing that reveal the EXPLORATION TOKEN lying on that Room tile.

2) If the Character enters an empty Room (explored or unexplored, with neither Characters nor Intruders), perform a NOISE ROLL.

EXPLORATION TOKENS

The front side of each Exploration token displays:
1) a number indicating the amount of Items in a given Room
2) a special effect symbol

They are resolved in the following way:

1) SET UP THE AMOUNT OF ITEMS IN A ROOM

After revealing the Exploration token, rotate the Room tile until the number shown on the token faces the Item Counter symbol printed on the board, next to the Room tile slot. This is the exact amount of items that can be obtained from this Room.

You do not set the amount of items in a Nest or in a Room Covered In Slime.

More on searching Items – see Search Action card and see Items, page 23.

EXAM PLE OF MOVING INTO AN OCCUPIED ROOM

In this example, the Scout is moving into a Room already occupied by the Captain. As there is someone in the target Room, there is NO NOISE ROLL.

The same rule would apply if the Scout was moving into a Room containing an Intruder. NO NOISE ROLL would be required.

EXAMPLE OF MOVING INTO AN EMPTY ROOM

Here, we can see the Scout moving into the Canteen. The player discards an Action card, the miniature is moved and a NOISE ROLL is made.

The result is 2, so a Noise marker (blue glow), is placed in the Corridor connected to the Canteen showing the result’s number, “2” (red glow).

If the Corridor “2” already contains a Noise marker, an Encounter would take place. Luckily for the Scout, everything is fine... for now.
**2) RESOLVE SPECIAL EFFECT**

An Exploration token may generate the following effects:

- **SILENCE:**
  Nothing happens. Do not perform a Noise roll for this Movement.
  - If the Character has a Slime marker on their Character board, then resolve "Danger" instead.

- **DANGER:**
  Do not perform a Noise roll for this Movement.
  - If there is an Intruder in the neighboring Room (and it is not in Combat with any Character), move it to this Room.
  - If there is more than one Intruder eligible, move them all.
  - If there are no Intruders in any of the neighboring Rooms (or if they are in Combat), place a Noise marker in each Corridor connected to that Room without a Noise marker already placed (counting Technical Corridors if there is an Entrance in the Room).

- **SLIME:**
  Place a Status marker in the indicated slot of your Character board to indicate they have been covered with slime.
  - More on Slime markers – see page 17.

- **FIRE:**
  Place a Fire marker in this Room.
  - More on Fire markers – see page 17.

- **MALFUNCTION:**
  Place a Malfunction marker in this Room.
  - More on Malfunction markers – see page 17.

- **DOORS:**
  Place a Door token in the Corridor by which you have entered that Room.
  - More on Door tokens – see page 17.

**ADDITIONAL NOTES ABOUT INTRUDER MOVEMENT**

Intruders move at different times of the game (for example when resolving an Event card during the Event Phase). Whenever a rule makes you move one or more Intruders, it explains in detail how to do it.

- **Important:** If an Intruder ends its movement in an unexplored Room, do not remove it and don’t reveal the Room (or its Exploration token).

If you are instructed to place an Adult Intruder on the board, but all 8 models are already on board – the Adult Intruders retreat. Remove all Adult Intruder models that are not in Combat and put the corresponding Intruder tokens back in the Intruder bag (if possible).

Then, place an Adult Intruder model in the Room where Encounter occurred.
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**NOISE MARKER**

The only function of the Noise markers is to mark Corridors for the purpose of the Noise roll rule.

More on Noise rolls – see page 15.

**SLIME MARKER**

As long as the Character has a Slime marker on their Character board, each “Silence” result of a Noise roll (and each “Silence” exploration token) should instead be considered as “Danger”.

More on Noise rolls – see page 15.

A Character may only have 1 Slime marker at a time. If they are instructed to get another while they have one, nothing happens.

**FIRE MARKER**

Fire markers have three functions – 1) they wound Characters staying in Rooms on fire, 2) they deal Injuries to Intruders and 3) they may cause the explosion of the whole ship.

1) Every time a Character ends their round (each round!) in a Room with a Fire marker, this Character suffers 1 Light Wound.

Remember that 1 round is 2 Actions of 1 Character (or 1 Action and pass, or simply pass).

Important: Characters suffer Wounds from Fire only after they finished their round. If the Character passes, they suffer 1 Light Wound from Fire at the end of their round, but they won’t suffer any more Wounds from Fire this turn, even if other Characters play their round after them.


More on Action rounds – see Player Phase, page 10.

2) During each Event Phase, during the Fire Damage step, each Intruder present in a Room with a Fire marker suffers 1 Injury.

More on Intruder Injuries – see Combat, page 18.

3) There are 8 Fire markers in the game. If you are instructed to place a Fire marker and there are no more markers in the pool, the ship explodes and the game ends.

Note: Some Event cards may cause the Fire to spread to neighboring Rooms or cause Malfunctions in Rooms already on fire, so be careful!

More on - End of the game, page 11.

Any given Room may never hold more than 1 Fire marker. If you are instructed to place another one, nothing happens.

Any discarded Fire marker goes back to the Fire marker pool.

You can still use a Room Action when there is a Fire marker in the Room.

You can still use a Search Action when there is a Fire marker in the Room.

**MALFUNCTION MARKER**

Malfunction markers have two purposes – 1) they prevent you from using this Room’s Actions and 2) may cause loss of integrity of the ship’s hull – meaning that everything on board dies.

1) If there is a Malfunction marker in a Room, that Room’s Action is no longer available.

The Search Action works normally, though.

Various Action cards (like Repair Action cards) and Items (like the Tools Item card) may be used to discard a Malfunction marker.

Important: A Malfunction marker can never be placed in the Nest or in the Room Covered In Slime.

Note: A Malfunction marker may be placed in a Room due to many reasons, other than resolving an Exploration token (like some Events or Actions). They disable even Special Rooms (such as the Hibernatorium, cockpit, Engines).

Note: A Malfunction marker in the Hibernatorium has no effect on already Hibernated Characters.

The status of the Engines (Damaged/Working) is never affected by Malfunction markers placed in their Room.


2) There are 8 Malfunction markers in game. If you are instructed to place a Malfunction marker and there are no more markers in the pool, the ship loses hull integrity and the game ends.


Any given Room may never hold more than 1 Malfunction marker. If you are instructed to place another one, nothing happens.

Any discarded Malfunction marker goes back to the Malfunction marker pool.

If there is a Malfunction marker in a Room with a Computer, the Computer is unavailable – as if there was no Computer Icon.


**DOOR TOKEN**

Door tokens are only placed in Corridors. Each Corridor may never hold more than 1 Door token.

Doors tokens do not affect Noise markers.

Doors in each Corridor can have three different status: Open, Closed or Destroyed. Many things can change their status (like Intruder movement, Events, Actions etc.).

**CLOSED DOORS** are marked with a standing Door token in a Corridor.

A Closed Door prevents Characters and Intruders moving through this Corridor (Grenade throwing is also affected).

More on Throwing – see the Grenade Item card.

When an Intruder tries to move through a Corridor with a Closed Door token, the Intruder does not move, but destroys this Door instead.

More on Intruder movement – see page 15.

**DESTROYED DOORS** are marked with a lying Door token.

Movement is allowed through this Corridor.

A Destroyed Door can never be Closed again.

The only exception to this rule is the Plasma Torch Item (see the Mechanic’s Item cards).

**OPEN DOORS** – to mark that the Door is Open, simply remove the Door token from the Corridor. At the beginning of the game, all Corridors have Open Doors.

If there are no Door tokens left in the pool when you are instructed to place a Door, take any Door token on the board and place it in the required Corridor.

If several Intruders are moving from the same Room, their movement is considered simultaneous: they destroy the Door and all stay in the starting Room.

If a Noise roll causes an Intruder to come from a Corridor with a Closed Door, the Intruder appears regardless of the Closed Door.
ENCOUNTER AND COMBAT

ENCOUNTER
An Encounter is any instance of an Intruder appearing on board in a Room where a Character is present (after drawing an Intruder token from the Intruder bag).

To resolve an Encounter, follow the steps listed below:
1) Discard all Noise markers from all the Corridors connected to this Room (including Technical Corridors, if there is a Technical Corridors Entrance).
2) Draw 1 Intruder token from the Intruder bag.
Each Intruder token has an Intruder Symbol on one side, and a number on the opposite side.
3) Place an Intruder miniature in the Room. The Intruder type must correspond to the Intruder Symbol shown on the token. For a description of each Intruder symbol, see the Intruder board.
4) Compare the number on the Intruder token with the number of cards in the player’s hand (Action and Contamination cards are counted).
   - If the number of Action cards in the player’s hand is lower than the number on the Intruder token, a Surprise Attack occurs.
   - If the number of Action cards is equal to or higher, nothing happens.

Put the drawn Intruder token aside – it may return to the bag if an Intruder of that type hides (by entering the Technical Corridors during the Intruder Movement).

SURPRISE ATTACK:
The Surprise Attack is an Intruder Attack which only occurs during an Encounter. If the player has fewer cards in their hand than the number printed on the drawn Intruder token, a Surprise Attack takes place.

BLANK TOKEN
If a player draws the Blank token, place a Noise marker in each Corridor connected to the Room in which this Encounter took place.

If the Blank token was the last token in the Intruder bag:
Add 1 Adult Intruder token to the Intruder bag.
If there are no Adult Intruder tokens available, nothing happens.
Return the Blank token to the Intruder bag.
This Encounter ends.

ENTERING A ROOM WITH AN INTRUDER
Each time a Character enters a Room occupied by an Intruder, do not resolve an Encounter. The Intruder and the Character are immediately considered to be in Combat.

ENCOUNTER EXAMPLE
Our Scout is moving from the Hibernatorium to the neighboring Room. There are 2 Noise markers in the Corridors connected to that Room.
As always when entering an empty Room, the Scout’s player must perform a Noise roll. The result is 2 and, since there is already a Noise marker, an Encounter takes place.

The player removes all the Noise markers from the Corridors connected to that Room and draws an Intruder token from the Intruder bag. It is an Adult Intruder token showing the number “4” on its back side. This number is compared with number of cards in the player’s hand (including any Contamination cards) – only three cards in this case.

As the player does not have enough cards, a Surprise Attack takes place and an Intruder Attack card is drawn and resolved.

COMBAT
Whenever both a Character and an Intruder are in the same Room, they are considered to be in Combat.
In Combat, a Character may attack an Intruder or Escape during their Action round. Intruders attack Characters during the Event Phase.

Important, some Weapons have special rules that may modify the Shooting Action.

SHOOT ACTION – if a Character is in a Room with an Intruder and has a Weapon with at least 1 Ammo, they may perform a Shoot Basic Action against that Intruder:
1) Choose a Weapon and 1 Intruder you want to shoot.
2) Discard 1 Ammo from that Weapon’s card.
3) Roll the Combat die.

Combat die results:
- You miss your target.
- If your target is a Larva or Creeper, deal 1 Injury to your target. If not, you miss.
- If your target is a Larva, Creeper or Adult Intruder, deal 1 Injury to your target. If not, you miss.
- Deal 1 Injury to your target (regardless of the Intruder’s type).
- Deal 2 Injuries to your target (regardless of the Intruder’s type).

More on Weapons – see Items, page 22.
More on Intruder Injuries and death – see page 20.
MELEE ATTACK ACTION – if a Character is in a Room with an Intruder, they may perform a Basic Melee Attack Action against that Intruder:

1) Draw 1 Contamination card and add it to your Action discard pile.
2) Choose 1 Intruder you want to attack.
3) Roll the Combat die.

- You miss your target and your Character suffers 1 Serious Wound.
- If your target is a Larva or Creeper, deal 1 Injury to your target.
  - If not, you miss and your Character suffers 1 Serious Wound.
- If your target is a Larva, Creeper or Adult Intruder, deal 1 Injury to your target.
  - If not, you miss and your Character suffers 1 Serious Wound.
- Deal 1 Injury to your target (regardless of the Intruder’s type).
- Deal 1 Injury (yes, only 1!) to your target (regardless of the Intruder’s type).

More on Inruder Injuries and death – see page 20.
More on Serious Wounds – see page 21.

CHARACTER ESCAPE

A Character may also try to Escape from Combat by performing a Movement Action to go to a neighboring Room (explored or unexplored). Before you move your miniature, resolve an Intruder Attack.


If there is more than 1 Intruder in the Room you are trying to Escape from, resolve a separate Intruder Attack for each Intruder.

If your Character survives, you end your Movement in the neighboring Room.

If there is no one in that Room, perform a Noise roll. If it was an unexplored Room, Explore it according to the standard rules.

If you die, your Character Corpse stays in the Room you tried to Escape from.

Important: Some Actions, other than the Basic Movement Action, allow a Character to Escape, but additionally modify this rule – for example Suppressive Fire, Covering Fire (see the Action cards).

Note: If the Character Escapes to a Room without any other Characters or Intruders, perform a Noise roll just like after a standard move.

ESCAPE EXAMPLE

After dealing an Injury to the Intruder, the Scout decides to Escape. The player spends an Action card (Movement Cost), and decides to move to the Hibernatorium.

As Intruders attack any Character trying to Escape, an Intruder Attack card is drawn. It is a Bite card, with the Adult Intruder symbol: the attack hits the Scout, dealing her a Serious Wound.

Bitten and seriously wounded, the Scout moves to the Hibernatorium.

Desperate times call for desperate measures. A metal pipe, a heavy tool, a rifle butt, anything can become an improvised weapon in a hopeless situation. Close combat works like shooting, but the risks are far greater. If the attack fails to hit, then the character immediately suffers a Serious Wound, in addition of the risk of being contaminated.
**INTRUDER INJURIES AND DEATH**

When any Intruder suffers injuries (for example as a result of a successful Character attack or from Fire), place the corresponding number of Injury markers on its base. Then, check the Injury Effect:
- **Larva and Egg** – 1 Injury is enough to kill them. Remove their miniature from the board.
- **Creeper or Adult** Intruder – draw 1 Intruder Attack card, ignore everything on this card except the “blood” icon in the upper left corner of the card.

If the number in the “blood” icon is equal to or lower than the current number of Injury markers on this Intruder, it is killed – remove its miniature and place 1 Intruder Carcass token in the Room where it was slain (indicating from now on an Intruder Carcass Object).

If the number in the “blood” icon is higher, the Intruder is still alive.
- **Breeder** or **Queen** – draw 2 Intruder Attack cards, add the value of their “blood” icons, and compare the total to the current number of Injury markers of this Intruder. Resolve the result using the same method as above for the Creeper and the Adult Intruder.

*Note: The “blood” icon represents the current “endurance” of the Intruder. This value may vary for a given individual, depending on the cards drawn after each successful attack.*

There are also two “Five Injuries” tokens provided, which may help you with tracking injuries on bigger Intruders – such as Queen or Breeders.

**INTRUDER RETREAT**

During the Injury Effect check, if there is a Retreat arrow in the “blood” icon of any of the drawn Intruder Attack cards, then this Intruder flees.

Draw an Event card and move the Intruder through the Corridor whose number appears in the Intruder movement section of the card. Then, discard that Event card.

More on Event cards – see page 10.

The Queen and the Breeders will retreat if any of the 2 Intruder Attack cards drawn displays the Retreat symbol.

**INTRUDER ATTACK**

Intruder Attacks happen in three cases:
- **Surprise Attack**
  - More on Surprise Attack – see Encounter, page 18.
- **Intruder Attack step in the Event Phase**
- **Character’s Escape**
  - More on Escape – see page 19.

Each Intruder Attack follows the steps below:
1) **Choose the Character** who is the target of this Intruder Attack.

The Intruder may only attack a Character in the same Room.

If there is more than one Character in the Room, Intruders always attack the Character whose player has the fewest Action cards in their hand. In the event of a draw, the Character with the First Player token (or the next player in turn order) is attacked.

In case of a **Surprise Attack**, the Character targeted is the one who triggered the Encounter.

In case of an **Escape**, the Character targeted is the one who is performing the Escape Action.

2) **Draw and resolve 1 Intruder Attack card:**

- If the card displays an Intruder Symbol corresponding to the attacking Intruder, resolve the effect described on the card.
- If not, the attack misses.

*Explanation of Intruder Symbols – see the Intruder board.*

*Important: During an Intruder Attack, ignore the “blood” icon in the upper left corner of the Intruder Attack card.*

After resolving an Intruder Attack card, it is placed in the Intruder discard pile.

If you run out of cards in the Intruder Attack deck, take its discard pile and reshuffle it. It becomes the new Intruder Attack deck.

**EXAMPLE OF AN INTRUDER ATTACK CARD**

1) **Intruder endurance.** Only used when checking if an Intruder dies after receiving one or more Injury tokens.

2) **Intruder symbols.** They show all different types of Intruders that can use this Attack. When a card is drawn during any Intruder Attack (either during an Encounter or the Event Phase), if one of its symbols matches the attacking Intruder type, then the Attack Effect of the card is resolved.

3) **Intruder Attack Effect.** In this example, the targeted Character gets a Slime marker and 1 Contamination card.

**INFEST**

If the Intruder Attack is performed by a Larva, do not draw any Intruder Attack cards. Apply the following instead:
- remove the Larva miniature from the board and place it on the Character board of the target of this attack, on the miniature picture.
- the targeted player gets 1 Contamination Card.

More on Contamination cards – see below.

**CONTAMINATION CARDS**

In addition to Wounds, Characters may get Contamination cards (for example as the result of some Intruder Attacks).

When a Character gets a Contamination card (regardless of the source), draw it from the Contamination deck and place it on top of their Action discard pile.

Contamination cards are a disadvantage for the player, because they are kept in hand like a normal Action card, but they do not provide any additional Actions and you cannot spend them to pay the Costs of the other Actions.

Each Contamination card contains hidden information: the Character may be INFECTED or not. This information is hidden by colorful patterns in the text field. Unless the card is “Scanned”, this information remains unknown to the player until the end of the game.

If the Character does not scan their Contamination cards before the end of the game, then at the end of the game, they may lose the game because of these cards.

More on Victory Check – see Player’s Goals and End of the Game, page 11.

*Note: Some Event cards may force the player to Scan their Contamination cards.*

**SCANNING AND REMOVING CONTAMINATION CARDS**

A Character may try to get rid of their Contamination cards through several different ways (like the Rest Action card, a Canteen, Shower or Surgery Room Action and the Antidote Item Action).

Each card/Room description details the procedure to follow. Whatever the procedure, it requires a **Scan** of the Contamination cards. A Scan is performed in the following way:
**ENCOUNTER, COMBAT AND WOUNDS**

**CHARACTER WOUNDS AND DEATH**

During the game, Characters may suffer two types of Wounds: Light and Serious.

**LIGHT WOUNDS**

When a Character suffers a Light Wound, place a Wound marker in the upper space of the Light Wound Track on their Character board.

- If a Wound marker is already there, move it to the lower space. A marker on the lower space of the Light Wounds Track means 2 Light Wounds.
- If there is already a Wound marker on the lower space, discard it from the Light Wound Track and the Character suffers a Serious Wound.

**SERIOUS WOUND**

When a Character suffers a Serious Wound, draw 1 Serious Wound card and place it next to the Character board. From now on, the player is affected by the effect described on that card.

- Each type of Serious Wound has a different effect, described on its card.

When a Character with 3 Serious Wounds suffers any additional Wound (Light or Serious), they are instantly killed.

- When a Character dies, remove their miniature from the board and place a Character Corpse token in the Room where they died – from now on, it is considered as a Character Corpse Object.
- When a Character dies, they drop all their Heavy Objects in the Room they died in.

**DRESSING AND HEALING WOUNDS**

During the game, a player may Dress and Heal their Wounds in many ways (using Clothes, Bandages, Medkit Item cards or the Emergency Room Action).

Each relevant Item card or Room Action details the Wound treatment. It can be either Dress or Heal.

**DRESS SERIOUS WOUND** – flip a Serious Wound card affecting the Character on its backside. From now on, its effect is ignored, but it still counts against the limit of 3 Serious Wounds.

**HEAL** – either remove (in case of a Light Wound) or discard (in case of a Dressed Serious Wound card) the Wound mentioned in the Action effect.

**INTRUDER WEAKNESS CARDS**

During game setup, you placed 3 random Weakness cards (face down) on the 3 Intruder Weakness slots on the Intruder board. During the game you will have the possibility to discover these 3 Weaknesses. They represent the crew gaining gradual knowledge on the lifeform that infests the ship.

Each of the 3 Weakness cards is placed in a space corresponding to a different Object: 1) Character Corpse, 2) Intruder Egg, 3) Intruder Carcass.

**Object tokens:**

- [Intruder Egg]
- [Intruder Carcass]
- [Character Corpse]

To discover a given Weakness card, any Character must research the corresponding Object in the Laboratory Room.

**More on research in the Laboratory** – see Room sheet, page 24.

**More on Objects** – see Items and Objects, page 22.
OBJECTS AND ITEMS

Having appropriate items will often make the difference between life and death for a Character. Items may be obtained in a few different ways:
- Each Character starts the game with 1 dedicated Item card (Weapon).
- Each Character starts the game with 2 Quest Items. These 2 cards are placed face down on their horizontal side. Once their requirements are fulfilled, the cards are flipped face up on their vertical side and become normal Item cards.
- During the game, a Character may also discover Heavy Objects during the game (Character Corpse, Intruder Carcass and Eggs), which are not represented by cards but by special tokens or miniatures. They can be carried around by the Characters. These Objects don’t have their own rules and they are used at specific times — when an Action card, Room Action or Event calls for it (for example, the Laboratory Room Action).
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Important: Some Items are marked as One Use Only: after using such an Item or Effect card, it must be placed in one of the two Hand slots.

1) Blue Component icon – means that this card can be used during a Craft Action as a component for the Molotov Cocktail.
2) “Out of Combat Only” icon – this icon indicates if this Item card can only be used in Combat, out of Combat or anytime (in the latter case, there is no icon in the upper right corner of the card).
3) One Use Only – as indicated by the yellow text, Bandages are discarded after use. After performing the Bandages Item Action, the card is discarded in the appropriate discard pile.
4) Action Cost – You must discard 1 Action card to perform this Action.
5) Action effect – Describes the different effects of the Action. Bandages can be used to either dress 1 Serious Wound or to Heal all Light Wounds.
6) OR – Indicates that you must choose between the two possible effects of the Action.

CHARACTER HANDS AND INVENTORY

There are two types of Item cards: Heavy Items (kept in the Character’s Hands) and normal Items (kept in the Inventory). Characters may also carry Heavy Objects tokens.

INVENTORY

All normal Items may be kept secret from the other players – put them in your Inventory (plastic card holder), so the other players can only see the card backs. The other players can see the color of the Items in your Inventory, but they do not know exactly what you have there. However, when any Item card is used, it must be shown to all other players.

There is no limit to the number of Items that can be placed in your Inventory.

DROP

A Character may freely Drop any Item / Object from their Hands / Inventory any time during their turn. Objects remain in the Room where they are dropped. Items are lost – discard their card.

This ship is full of useful stuff. Sometimes you just have to look around the room for a few moments. This Fire Extinguisher might come in handy, those Chemicals with a Zippo will do as a Flamethrower.

HAND ICON AND HEAVY ITEMS AND OBJECTS

Heavy Items (as Weapons) are indicated by the Hand icon. They can never be kept secret from the other players and cannot be put in the Inventory.

When you find/gain a Heavy Item (or pick up a Heavy Object) you want to keep, it must be placed in one of the two Hand slots of the Character, meaning that a Character may carry up to 2 Heavy Items/Objects.

If both of the Character’s Hand slots are already taken and you want to take another Heavy Item / Object, you must Drop 1 of the carried Heavy Items/Objects.

Each Weapon acquired by Searching comes into play loaded with 1 AMMO token. A Weapon can never exceed its Ammo capacity, shown on the Weapon card.

Sometimes, you can Add an Item card to another Item card (like the Extended Magazine or the Autolader). It means that the added Item is placed next to the indicated Item card. From now on, both cards are treated as one.

Heavy Items are Item cards showing the Hand icon. Heavy Items are tokens: Intruder Eggs (they are most often found in the Nest Room), Character Corpse (the Character Corpse token, representing either a dead Character or the body found in the Hibernatorium at the start of the game), Intruder Carcass (a Carcass token is placed after the death of any Intruder – with the exception of Larvae).
CRaFTING

The fourth (Blue) deck of Item cards contains Crafted Items. These Items cannot be found by searching the Rooms. They can be assembled with a Craft Item Basic Action, using other Items in your possession. You may look through the Crafting deck at any moment of the game. Cards from it are never drawn during the game, instead, when Crafting an Item, look for corresponding Crafted Item card and take it. More on the Craft Item Action – see Basic Actions, page 13.

Crafted Item cards display 2 grey Component icons representing the Components required to build this Item. The Item cards that can be used as components for Crafted Items display a blue Component icon, representing a specific Component that can be used (by discarding the card) to build a Crafted Item.

To build a Crafted Item, you must perform a Craft Item Basic Action and discard two Item cards showing the blue Component icons corresponding to the grey Components icons of the Crafted Item you want to build (the first Item card corresponding to the first required Component icon, and the second Item card corresponding to the second required Component icon).

You can build four different Crafted Items during the game:

- **= ANTIDOTE**
- **= TASER**
- ** = FLAMETHROWER**
- ** = MOLOTOV COCKTAIL**

A Crafted Item cannot be built if its card is not available, even if you have the required blue components. More on these 4 Items – see Item cards.

SEARCHING

Apart from the Character-dedicated Items (1 Weapon and 2 Quest Items), there are 4 colors of Items in the game:
- Red (Military),
- Yellow (Technical),
- Green (Medical),
- Blue (Crafted).

Three of these decks (Red, Yellow, Green) contain Items which can be found in Rooms when using a Search Action. More on Search Action – see Search Action card in the Action decks.

The color of any Item found during a Search Action should match the color of the searched Room (yellow Items in yellow Room etc.). A Room’s color is the background color under its name and rule text. When searching in a white Room, the player can choose to draw from any of these 3 decks.

Each time a Character performs a Search Action in a Room, the Item Counter of that Room is reduced by 1. When the Item Counter reaches 0, the Room has been emptied and cannot be searched anymore.

There are some exceptions to this rule, like the Scout’s Scavenging Action. More on rotate Room tile – see page 14.

SEARCH EXAMPLE

The Scout performs a Search Action in the Cabins. She discards a Search Action card and decreases the Item Counter by one. As the Cabins are a white Room, the Scout can draw 2 Item cards from any one Item deck. She decides to look for weapons and ammunition and draws from the Red Item deck.

The player decides (in secret from the other players) to keep the Energy Charge and discards (face-down) the Grenade back into the Red Item deck. The Energy Charge is placed into the Scout’s Inventory, showing only the back of the card to the other players.

QUEST ITEMS

Quest Items are NOT available for you to use from the start. Each of them has a special condition you must meet to unlock this Item during the game (specified on the horizontal side of their cards).

When you manage to activate a Quest item, you can flip it and treat it as a standard Item (it can occupy a Hand slot, might be discarded, given away, etc.)

ATTACKING PLAYERS

Years of accumulated knowledge of space travels suggest that placing a small group of people in a cramped metal can flying through the unknown for an extended period generates undesirable tensions. To prevent serious conflict among ship crews, space corporations spend billions of dollars equipping their crews with implants which create a strong psychic barrier and inhibit direct violence against Homo sapiens. This is why crew members cannot directly attack one another.

Characters cannot directly attack other Characters, but they may (accidentally or intentionally) harm other Characters as a side effect of their actions. Cutting someone off in a room on fire, activating self-destruct with people still on board, throwing a grenade at an Intruder in a room with other crew members are just a few of the many possibilities…
To perform any Room Action, a Character must be in the corresponding Room (unless they possess a special ability clearly saying otherwise).

You cannot perform a Room Action when you are in Combat. You cannot perform a Room Action in a Room with a Malfunction marker.

**ROUNDS WITH A COMPUTER**

Some Rooms have a Computer icon, meaning that there is a Computer in that Room. A Computer icon has no significance except when some rule refers to it (some Action cards, Item cards or Event cards). If there is a Malfunction marker in the Room, the Computer is unavailable – as if there was no Computer Icon.

**BASIC ROOMS “1”**

All the 11 Basic Rooms, indicated by the number “1” on their back, are present in each game.

**ARMORY**

**RECHARGE YOUR ENERGY WEAPON.**

Add 2 Ammo tokens to 1 of your Energy Weapons.

*Note: This Room Action does not reload Classic Weapons.

*Note: A Weapon can never exceed its Ammo capacity, shown on the Weapon card.

**COMMS ROOM**

**SEND A SIGNAL.**

Place a Status marker on the Signal space on your Character board.

Sending a Signal is a requirement for some Objectives and has no other game use than that.

**EMERGENCY ROOM**

**TREAT YOUR WOUNDS:**

Dress all your Serious Wounds OR Heal 1 of your Dressed Serious Wounds OR Heal all your Light Wounds.

More on Dressing and Healing Wounds – see page 21.

**EVACUATION SECTION A**

**TRY TO ENTER AN ESCAPE POD:**

You may perform this Action only if any Escape Pod in Section A is Unlocked and has at least 1 empty space.

Make a Noise roll. If any Intruder appears in this Room, your attempt to enter an Escape Pod fails.

After resolving your Noise roll, if no Intruder has reached the Room, place your Character in one of the Unlocked Escape Pods of Section A. If there’s any free space (each Pod has two places and may accommodate up to 2 Characters).

See the Escape Pods section at the end of this Room sheet to determine what happens once the Character has entered a Pod.

You cannot enter an Escape Pod if any Intruder is present in its corresponding Evacuation Section Room.

More on Noise rolls – see page 15.

**EVACUATION SECTION B**

As above, but applies to Section B.

**FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM**

**INITIATE THE FIRE CONTROL PROCEDURE:**

Choose any 1 Room.

Discard a Fire marker from that Room (if there is one).

All the Intruders in that Room run away (in a random direction, determined by drawing an Event card – 1 Event card for each Intruder).

Hint: You can use Fire Control Procedure even if there is no Fire marker in the Room to make all the Intruders run away from that Room.

More on Intruder Movement – see Event Phase, page 10 and 15.

**GENERATOR**

**INITIATE / STOP SELF-DESTRUCT SEQUENCE:**

**SELF-DESTRUCT SEQUENCE:**

Place 1 Status marker on the first, green space of the Self-Destruct Track.

From now on, each time you move the Time marker on the Track, also move the marker on the Self-Destruct Track by 1 space.

When any Character stops the Self-Destruct sequence, remove the marker (it will be placed again on the green space if a new sequence starts).

When the marker reaches any yellow space on the Self-Destruct Track, the Self-Destruct Sequence cannot be aborted anymore and all Escape Pods are Unlocked instantly (but can be Locked again).

When the marker reaches the last space (with the “skull” icon), the ship explodes.


**LABORATORY**

**ANALYSE 1 OBJECT:**

This Action may only be performed if one of the following Objects is in the Room (for example carried by the Character): Characters Corpse, Intruder Carcass or Egg.

Discover 1 corresponding Intruder Weakness card.

More on Intruder Weakness cards – see page 21.

More on Objects – see page 22.

Intruders run away from fire extinguishers like crazy. We have no idea why, but as they say “if it’s stupid, but it works, it ain’t stupid.”
**NEST**

**TAKE ONE EGG:**

Take 1 Egg token from the Intruder Board. After that, perform a Noise roll.

The Egg tokens placed on the Intruder board represent the Eggs in the Nest. When you take (or destroy) Eggs from the Nest, take them from the Intruder board.

When there are no more Eggs in the Nest (they have all been carried away or destroyed), the Nest is considered destroyed – place 1 Injury marker in the Nest to represent this.

If there is a Fire marker in a Room containing uncarried Eggs, destroy 1 uncarried Egg during the Fire Damage step of the Event Phase.

*See more – Event Phase, page 10.*

*Note: Remember that an Egg is a Heavy Object (see Items and Objects, page 22).*

*Note: You cannot perform any Search Action in this Room.*

**DESTROYING EGGS:**

Whenever your Character is in a Room with any uncarried Eggs (not carried by any Character), you can try to destroy these Eggs.

Resolve this Action as a Shoot Action or Melee Attack Action. Each injury (of any type) destroys 1 Egg.

In the case of a Melee Attack Action, the Character does not draw a Contamination card or suffer Wounds if they miss.

You can also throw grenades into a Room with uncarried Eggs as if an Intruder were there. A Grenade destroys 2 Eggs, a Molotov Cocktail destroys 1 Egg.

After every single attempt to destroy an Egg, you must perform a Noise roll.

*More on Noise roll – see Noise rolls, page 15.*

**STORAGE**

**SEARCH FOR AN ITEM:**

Draw 2 cards from the Item deck of a chosen color (Red, Yellow or Green). Pick 1 card and put the other at the bottom of the deck.

**SURGERY**

**PERFORM A SURGERY PROCEDURE:**

Scan all Contamination cards (from your Action deck, hand and Discard). Remove all Infected cards.

If you have a Larva on your Character board, remove it.

After Scanning, your Character suffers 1 Light Wound and you automatically pass. Shuffle all your Action cards (including those in your hand) and place them in your Action deck.

*Note: After a Surgery procedure you always pass your round, and your hand is empty until the start of the next turn.*

*More on Scanning Contamination cards – see page 20.*

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**ADDITIONAL ROOMS "2"**

Each game, only 5 randomly chosen Additional Rooms are used, out of the 9 available. These Rooms are indicated by the number "2" on their back.

**AIRLOCK CONTROL**

**START EMERGENCY AIRLOCK PROCEDURE:**

Choose any 1 other Yellow Room. The Corridors connected to the Room you choose must not contain any Destroyed Doors.

Automatically close the Door in each Corridor connected to this Room. Place the Airlock Procedure token in this Room to represent the active Emergency Airlock Procedure. If any of the Doors in Corridors connected to this Room are opened before the current Player Phase ends, remove this token.

If all Doors in each Corridor connected to this Room are Closed at the end of the current Player Phase (after all players have passed), everything in that Room dies immediately (both Characters and Intruders). Then, remove this token.

If there was a Fire marker in this Room, remove it.

Yellow Room means a Room with a yellow background on the Action part.

**CABINS**

**CATCH A BREATH:**

When your Character is in this Room at the start of a new turn, and there are no Intruders there, draw 1 additional Action card (up to 6 instead of 5).

The passive feature of this Room does not work if there is a Malfunction token in the Room.

**CANTENE**

**HAVE A SNACK:**

Heal 1 Light Wound.

Additionally, you may choose to Scan all Contamination cards in your hand and to remove all Non Infected cards.

If at least one of those cards is Infected, place a Larva miniature on your Character board (and do not remove this Contamination card!). If there is already a Larva on your Character board, your Character dies – additionally, place 1 Creep in the Room where you died.

*More on Scanning Contamination cards – see page 20.*

**ENGINE CONTROL ROOM**

**CHECK ENGINES STATUS:**

You can Check the Status of the 3 Engines.

You can check the status of the Engines even if there is a Malfunction marker in the Engine Room.

In the Engine Control Room you cannot change the Engines status.

*More on checking Engine status – see Engines, Room sheet, page 26.*

**HATCH CONTROL SYSTEM**

**LOCK/UNLOCK 1 ESCAPE POD:**

Flip 1 Escape Pod token to its Locked or Unlocked side.

*More on Escape Pods – see Room sheet, page 26.*

**MONITORING ROOM**

**CHECK 1 ROOM AND EXPLORATION TOKEN:**

Secretly look at any 1 unexplored Room tile and at its Exploration token.

After looking at them, place them back on the board. You don’t have to tell the truth about what you saw.

*More on Exploration tokens – see page 14.*

**ROOM COVERED WITH SLIME**

**YOU ARE SLIMED!**

When you enter this Room, you automatically get a Slime marker.

*More on Slime markers – see page 17.*

*Note: You cannot perform any Search Action in this Room.*

**SHOWER ROOM**

**TAKE A SHOWER:**

If you have a Slime marker on your Character board, discard it.

Additionally, you may choose to Scan all Contamination cards in your hand and to remove all Non Infected cards.

If at least one of those cards is Infected, place a Larva miniature on your Character board (and do not remove this Contamination card!). If there is already a Larva on your Character board, your Character dies – additionally, place 1 Creep in the Room where you died.

*More on Slime markers – see page 17.*

*More on Scanning Contamination cards – see page 20.*

*Note: A Fire marker can be placed in the Shower Room in the normal way. The Take a Shower Action does not discard a Fire marker from the Shower Room.*
SPECIAL ROOMS

The 5 Special Rooms always occupy the same place on the board – these Rooms have their own specific shapes and are printed on the board. All are treated as explored at the start of the game.

Special Rooms are treated as normal Rooms, except that they are explored at the beginning of the game and that Characters cannot perform any Search Action in these Rooms. They can receive Fire or Malfunction markers normally.

COCKPIT

**FLIGHT CONTROLS:**
Check Coordinates OR set Destination.

**CHECK COORDINATES:**
Secretly look at the Coordinates card. After looking at it, place it back on the board. You don’t need to tell the truth about what you saw.

**SET DESTINATION:**
Move the Destination marker to the chosen space of the Destination Track.

Note: You cannot change the Destination when any of the Characters are already hibernating.

The player should remember the Coordinates they’ve checked.

You may never Set Destination if there is an Intruder in the Cockpit.

Note: At the end of the game, if the ship was not destroyed earlier, the Coordinates card is revealed. The position of the Destination marker indicates the destination of the ship among the four available on the Coordinates card.

See more – Coordinates Check at the End of the Game, page 11.

Note: You cannot perform any Search Action in this Room.

ENGINE #1

**CHECK THE ENGINE:**
Check the Engine status in this Engine Room – secretly look at the top Engine token.

You don’t need to tell the truth about what you saw.

The top Engine token indicates the current state of the Engine!

**REPAIR (OR BREAK) ENGINE:**
Your Character can perform a Repair / Break Engine Action in this Room (using a Repairs Action or a Tools Item card); take both Engine tokens, secretly check their contents and place them back in the order of your choice.

You do not have to tell the truth if you have repaired the Engine or not, but you must tell if you have changed the order of the tokens.

You can Repair / Break Engine even if there is a Malfunction marker in the Room and even if you have not checked the status of the Engines.

Note: The ship has 3 Engines, two of which must be functional to safely journey back to Earth. At the start of the game, the players don’t know which Engine is functional or not. Players may check the Status of a given Engine during the game – for example in its corresponding Engine Room.

At the end of the game, if the ship was not destroyed earlier, all the top Engine tokens are revealed to determine if the ship explodes or not during its attempt at a hyperspace jump.

See more – Engines Check at the End of the Game, page 11.

Note: You cannot perform any Search Action in this Room.

ENGINE #2

As above, but applies to Engine #2.

ENGINE #3

As above, but applies to Engine #3.

HIBERNATORIUM

**TRY TO HIBERNATE:**
You may perform this Action only if the hibernation chambers are open – the token on the Time Track is on any blue space.

Perform a Noise roll. If any Intruder shows up in this Room, your attempt at entering the hibernation chamber has failed.

If no Intruder appears, remove your Character miniature from the game – you managed to hibernate safely. From now on, you do not take part in the game any longer. Will you end this game with a victory or not? You’ll find out during the Objectives Check at the End of the Game.

Any Character in a launched Escape Pod is always treated as if they have arrived on Earth.


Note: Heavy objects do not occupy any Character space in an Escape Pod.

ESCAPE PODS

At the beginning of the game, all Escape Pods are Locked. During play, players may unlock them manually (by using some of the Item cards or Room Actions), or the pods will unlock automatically when any Character dies during the game or when the Self-Destruct marker reaches any yellow space of the Self-Destruct Track.


More on Self-Destruct – see Generator, Room sheet, page 24.

If a given Escape Pod is Unlocked, a Character may enter it (performing a Noise roll first) through the corresponding Evacuation Section Room, as long as there are no Intruders and no Malfunction token in the Room.


AFTER ENTERING AN ESCAPE POD place the miniature of your Character on one of the two spaces of that Escape Pod token.

 Afterwards, decide if you want to launch an Escape Pod immediately or wait (maybe for another Character who might want to enter the same Pod and take the second space in it).

IF YOU LAUNCH IMMEDIATELY (or if you launch in one of the following turns) – remove the miniature of your Character and the Escape Pod token from the game. From now on, you do not take part in the game any longer. Will you end this game with a victory or not? You’ll find out during the Objectives Check at the End of the Game.

Any Character in a launched Escape Pod is always treated as if they have arrived on Earth.


IF YOU WAIT, you can decide to launch the Escape Pod at the start of your first round during each Player Phase. You can also, if you wish, exit the Escape Pod voluntarily, without performing any Action – during your round, just place your Character miniature back in the Escape Hatch corresponding to the Pod you are leaving. However, if you do not launch the Escape Pod in your round, it means that you automatically pass this turn.

If (while you wait in the Escape Pod) an Intruder appears in this Room, then all Characters in Escape Pods are automatically returned to that Evacuation Section Room.

Once another Character enters the same Escape Pod as you, they can decide to launch the Escape Pod immediately.

Note:

- More on Self-Destruct – see Generator, Room sheet, page 24.
- If a given Escape Pod is Unlocked, a Character may enter it (performing a Noise roll first) through the corresponding Evacuation Section Room, as long as there are no Intruders and no Malfunction token in the Room.
- After entering an escape pod, place the miniature of your Character on one of the two spaces of that escape pod token.

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GAME MODES

SOLO & COOPERATIVE MODE

SOLO MODE
This additional game mode was unlocked during the crowdfunding campaign. While Nemesis shines as a standard, semi-cooperative game, you can also try to survive alone.

This mode has its own special Objectives deck – solo/coop Objectives. At the start of the game, draw two cards from this deck, instead of the regular Objectives.

Note: Once the first Encounter occurs, you must choose one of these two Objectives.

Important: In this mode, the number of items available in each room is reduced by half, rounding up (if the Exploration Tokens show 1-2 items – set the Item Counter to 1, if 3-4 – set the Item Counter to 2).

To win, you must fulfill your objective and survive.

FULLY COOPERATIVE MODE
This additional game mode was unlocked during the crowdfunding campaign, it is intended for players who want to experience a fully cooperative version of the game, without having to fear betrayal from their companions.

This mode has its own special Objectives deck – solo/coop Objectives. At the start of the game, draw one card per player, instead of the regular Objectives.

To win the game, ALL these Objectives must be fulfilled and at least 1 Character must survive.

Note: If there is one card requiring you to send the Signal – only one Character must do it. If there are two or more such requirements – that many Characters must send the Signal!

REVIVE: In this fully cooperative mode, the Emergency Room is equipped with a specialized AutoDoc device, allowing the crew to revive any near-death person.

Whenever one of the Characters dies, another Character might pick up their Corpses and carry it to the working Emergency Room.

A player whose Corpse is in the Emergency Room places their Character miniature there at the start of the turn. All their Light Wounds are discarded, and all their Serious Wounds are Dressed.

Important: the Emergency Room does not work if there’s an Intruder or a Malfunction token in it.

PLAYING AS AN INTRUDER

This mode is intended to allow the first eliminated player to keep on playing the game by controlling the Intruders. It also slightly increases the difficulty level for all the remaining players. Note that this mode is optional.

The player whose Character dies first gets to control the Intruders investigating the ship and can hunt down the other players.

IMPORTANT: Only one player takes over the Intruders – the first one to lose their Character. If two Characters die simultaneously, the player with the lower player number gets to control them.

SET UP: The player controlling the Intruders removes all their former Character’s components from the game. They shuffle the special Intruder Player Action deck and place it in front of them.

Then, finish the current Turn according to the standard rules. Any changes are applied only at the start of the next Player Phase.

TURN SEQUENCE:
PLAYERS PHASE
1. Draw Action Cards – the Intruder player draws 3 cards. Their hand limit is 4 cards.
2. First Player Token – the Intruder player is omitted during this phase (they never take the First Player token).
3. Player Rounds – the Intruder player follows the standard order of play for playing their rounds, but they can only take 1 Action (by playing a card from their hand) or pass.

When passing, the Intruder player may choose keep 1 card from their hand and discard the rest.

During their round, the Intruder Player can play an Intruder Action card in one of the three following ways:
1) MOVE – Move any Intruder through a Corridor with a number matching the one printed on the Intruder Action card.

Note: If the Intruder moves to a Technical Corridor, proceed according to the standard rules.
2) ATTACK – Choose any Intruder in the same Room as a Character.

The Intruder attacks that Character, following the standard rules, with one exception: the Intruder player draws a number of Intruder Attack cards equal to the number displayed on the Player Intruder card played this round. Then, they choose 1 of these cards to be resolved and put all the others at the bottom of the Intruder Attack deck.
3) EFFECT – resolve the effect described on the Intruder Action card.

EVENT PHASE
Almost all of the entire Event Phase is omitted, with the exception of the Time Track and Fire Damage.

TIME TRACK: Just like in the standard rules, move the Time marker and Self-Destruct marker (if active) 1 space to the right.

Fire Damage: Just like in the standard rules, every Intruder in a Room with a Fire marker suffers 1 Injury.

Note: All the other steps do not apply in this mode! Specifically:
- Intruders do not attack at the end of the Turn (but they still make Surprise Attacks during Encounters or when Characters Escape from Rooms with Intruders).
- Event cards are not used unless as a result of Intruder Player Action card effects.
- There is no Intruder Bag Development step.

VICTORY CONDITION: The player controlling the Intruders cannot fully win the game. Their goal is to ensure that no other players win. After all, if you have already lost, you better make sure all the other players get the same treatment!

ALTERNATIVE SIDE OF THE BOARD

This additional ship layout was unlocked during the crowdfunding campaign. It is printed on the back side of the board. While working as a normal ship board, it is primarily designed for campaign play. You can use it in any game mode, but keep in mind that it is more difficult to survive on it.

One of the features of this ship layout is the double set of Technical Corridors. They work as usual, but each one is not connected to the other (any Noise marker in the “red” Technical Corridors is separate from the “blue” Technical Corridors).

Another feature is that some of the Rooms are connected to another Room through a pair of Corridors. They are separate from each other, so any Closed Doors in one Corridor do not affect the other.

During Game Setup, place the Evacuation sections A and B face up on the highlighted spot on the above map. Place an Exploration token face down on each section (when a Character enters these Rooms for the first time, proceed with the standard Exploration procedure).
**Rules Summary**

**Turn Sequence**

I: Player Phase:
1) Draw up to 5 Action cards.
2) The First Player token is passed to the player on the left.
3) Player rounds. Each player plays in clockwise order:
   - 2 Actions,
   - OR 1 Action and pass,
   - OR pass.
   Repeat until all players pass.
   After passing, a player does not take part in any subsequent round this turn.

II: Event Phase:
4) Move the Time marker on the Time Track.
5) Intruder Attack.
6) Intruder Fire Damage.
7) Intruder bag development: draw 1 token and resolve its effect.
8) Intruder bag development: draw 1 token and resolve its effect.

**Game Flow & Critical Moments**

First Encounter
When the first Intruder (of any type) appears on the board, all players must choose 1 Objective and discard the other face down.

First Dead Character
After the first Character's death (of any player) all Escape Pods are automatically unlocked.
Optionally, the first dead Character may play as the Intruder.

Time Track
When the Time Track reaches any blue space, the Hibernation chambers open.

Self Destruct
When the Self-Destruct Track reaches any yellow space, all Escape Pods are automatically unlocked.

Exploration
When entering an unexplored (face down) Room:
1) Turn over its Room tile (face up).
2) Reveal its Exploration token and resolve its effect. Some of the effects may cancel step 3.
3) If there is no one in the Room, perform a Noise roll.

**Combat**
You are in Combat every time you are in a Room with an Intruder.

Shooting (Cost 1):
1) Choose a Weapon and a target.
2) Discard an Ammo token from the chosen Weapon.
3) Roll a Combat die.
   - If you hit, apply any Injury token, then draw an Intruder Attack card and check the Injury Effect.

Melee Attack (Cost 1):
1) Draw 1 Contamination card.
2) Choose a target.
3) Roll a Combat die (rolls of 2 Hits are treated as 1 Hit).
   - If you hit, apply any Injury token, then draw an Intruder Attack card and check the Injury Effect.
   - If you miss, the Intruder deals you 1 Serious Wound.

Escape (Special Move Action, Cost 1):
1) Draw an Intruder Attack card and resolve it:
   - If you die, place a Character Corpse token in the Room you were in.
   - If you survive, you move. Resolve this move as usual (Explore a new Room, perform a Noise roll and so on).

Intruder Attack
1) Choose the targeted Character (the one with the fewest cards in their hand).
2) Draw an Intruder Attack card and resolve it:
   - If any Intruder symbol corresponds to the attacking Intruder type, the Attack is successful. Resolve the Effect of the card.
   - If there is no corresponding symbol on the card, the Attack misses.

**Items and Objects**

**Items**
Normal Items go in your Inventory, so no one but you knows exactly what you have found.

**Quest Items**
At the beginning of the game, these cards are quests (horizontal side), not items.
You can activate them by completing the required quest.

**Heavy Items**
You can carry at most 2 Heavy Items, one in each of your Hand slots.
If you want to exchange a Heavy Item you are carrying with another, simply drop it for free.

**Objects**
Intruder Egg, Intruder Carcass, Character Corpse.
Required for researching Intruder Weaknesses. They take up a Hand slot, like a Heavy Item.
When you drop one of these, place its token in the Room you are in.

**Intruder Symbols:**
- Larva
- Creeper
- Adult
- Breeder
- Queen