

*Rites of Battle, a supplement for Deathwatch, provides a host of additional options for players and GMs alike. This book expands on many of the ideas, themes, and systems present in the Deathwatch Rulebook and offers means to enrich and add detail to the adventures of a Kill-team in the Jericho Reach.*

While Dark Heresy focuses on agents of the Inquisition, and Rogue Trader focuses on rogue traders and their crew, Deathwatch casts the players as Space Marines of the Ordo Xenos Deathwatch, a sort of special operations group tasked primarily with defending humanity from alien horrors. Six Chapters are included in the core rulebook, five of which already exist in the Warhammer 40,000 canon: The sixth Chapter, the Storm Wardens, are an original creation of Fantasy Flight Games; the lessons the dev team learned in creating this Chapter are expounded upon in the Rites of Battle supplement, so you can have a go at creating Chapters of your own, you special snowflake, you. Tropes used in Deathwatch game include: Mark of the Xenos gives stats for greater daemons, and each entry begins with a relevant quote. The quote for the Lord of Change entry? Blood Angels characters tend towards this, unsurprisingly. Their Chapter-specific abilities revolve around hitting better and harder in melee, and taking fewer Wounds by virtue of simply not feeling any pain. The Flesh Tearers a Blood Angels successor Chapter given rules in Rites of Battle are even worse ; with the right combination of talents and wargear, they can bring down boss-level monsters in one or two rounds of combat, simply due to the insane bonuses they get from charging and the raw power their many MANY attacks provide. This discrepancy is justified in-universe by saying that these guns were originally designed for the Space Marines in the first place, and that everyone else in the Imperium is using knock-offs scaled down for ordinary human use. The Sacris Claymore, signature weapon of the Storm Wardens, is a sword big enough that a Space Marine, a seven-foot tall killing machine that can bench press a truck, needs two hands to wield it effectively. The Power Claymore described in Rites of Battle is basically the same thing with a power field wrapped around it, and the Relic Blade is an even bigger and nastier version of that. Rites of Battle details the "black shields", Astartes who forsake their Chapters of origin and dedicate themselves to the Deathwatch. Chapter Trappings of various sorts, which have in-game rules effects, and Honours, which are primarily a roleplaying device. Deathwatch characters are likely to find themselves in the middle of one of these, courtesy of the Tyranids. Examples include the free quickstart adventure, Final Sanction, and the introductory adventure given in the core rulebook, Extraction. One of the main objectives of the crusade into the Jericho Reach the main setting of the game is to secure a warp gate that leads to the other side of the galaxy. Conveniently, this also allows Deathwatch to cross over with the default campaign settings for Dark Heresy and Rogue Trader , despite the literally astronomical distances between them. Crowning Moment of Awesome: Invoked, by name and link, as a goal of the Demeanour game mechanics. Dying Moment of Awesome: The game provides rules for this; see Heroic Sacrifice , below. Following the arrival of Hive Fleet Dagon in the Reach, certain Imperial commanders and Tau leaders have suggested temporary alliances in order to stand against the Tyranid threat. The Tau Commander Flamewing exemplifies this mindset. While all Space Marines are heroic in the classical sense, if nothing else , Tactical Marines fit the trope best. Their abilities tend to skew towards leadership and command, with a secondary role as the Jack of All Stats. Hunting the Most Dangerous Game: The heretek Magos Phayzarus from Mark of the Xenos takes this a step beyond the norm, hunting Space Marines in order to consume their precious gene-seed. This is a major Berserk Button for any Space Marine worth the title. Ultramarines who become insane automatically cop this attitude. Jack of All Stats: The Ultramarines, as usual. While Marines of other Chapters get to add a bonus to two specific abilities, Ultramarine characters get to pick which two abilities to improve. Leave Him to Me: The rest of the Kill-team is generally expected to kill everyone else in the room while the boss is occupied. The Assault Marine -- strong and tough as any other Space Marine, able to make two melee attacks straight off the bat, and thanks to his Jump Pack , very, very fast. The right character build can take this to Beyond the Impossible territory with a two-ton, Powered Armored Space Marine who can sprint at a theoretical rate of nearly three-hundred miles per hour. That is going to do some serious damage to whomever he crashes into The

Apothecary , whose abilities mainly center around healing and boosting the performance of his Kill-team. Can also learn to create toxins. Kind of subverted in that Apothecaries are no more squishy than other Space Marines. More so than the other two 40k roleplaying games, since characters in Deathwatch are specifically intended to engage in military operations and deal with military-grade threats. Much like a well-built Assault Marine, a well-built and well-equipped Devastator Marine can destroy an entire Horde of enemies in a single turn though the latest round of errata has scaled this back significantly. Deathwatch Kill-Marines, introduced in the Rites of Battle supplement, are specialists trained to perform solo missions without the support of their battle-brothers. Space Wolves get bonuses that lend themselves well to tracking and infiltration, filling an advanced scout role. Of the Warhammer 40, variety, of course, with everything else that implies. Dark Angels characters tend towards this, with abilities that trade movement ability for heightened defenses, temporary Wounds and improved firing capabilities. The Rites of Battle supplement allows for player characters to be interred in Dreadnoughts. However they have to be near death and of high level and renown.

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*II: The Call of War Deathwatch Chaplain "Honour the fallen; speak their Rites of Passage with pride. Give respect unto the battle gear of the dead.*

History[ edit ] Space Marines were first introduced in Warhammer 40, Rogue Trader by Rick Priestley , which was the first edition of the tabletop game rulebook. In this first incarnation, the religious themes that appeared in later editions were not as strong. Their bodies and minds were toughed by "bio-chem" and "psycho-surgery"; no mention was made of "gene-seeds", thus Space Marines did not carry the blood of their Primarch. The book Realm of Chaos: It also first described the Horus Heresy, which was the civil war in which nine of the Legions converted to the worship of the Chaos Gods. Two of the original 20 Legions and their respective Primarchs are not named and are described as redacted from Imperium history. To me the background to 40K was always intended to be ironic. The whole Imperium might be running on superstition. In terms of playing style, they are a versatile army that neither excels nor fails at any particular tactic, though certain Chapters do have variant rules. Individual units are typically not strongly specialised and can substitute in other roles, meaning mistakes and setbacks are easy to compensate for. Their tough armour means that they do not have to be maneuvered as carefully as units of other armies such as the powerful but frail Eldar. These qualities make them ideal for beginners. From the time of their initiation to their deaths in battle, they spend their entire multi-century lives fighting in the name of the deified Emperor of Mankind. They are 8 feet tall 2. Recently introduced are the Primaris Space Marines, an even more powerful variant of astartes released at the very end of the 41st millennium, and largely seen in action in the 42nd millennium. Origins[ edit ] In the distant future, the Emperor of Mankind created the twenty Primarchs: However, they were separated from him and their legions by the Chaos Gods while they were still in incubation and scattered on worlds spread through the galaxy. This would have a lasting impact on each Primarch and their Legion. During the late 30th millennium AD, the Emperor uses the Space Marine Legions to conquer the human-inhabited worlds of the galaxy, uniting them in the Imperium of Man and reuniting the Primarchs with their Legions. As the campaign draws to a close, a number of Primarchs under the leadership of the Imperial Warmaster Horus, and their Legions convert to the worship of the evil Chaos Gods and rebel against the Emperor during the Horus Heresy. The rebels are ultimately defeated and banished, though they continue to harass the Imperium as Chaos Space Marines. The Legions of Space Marines who remained loyal to the Emperor are restructured into smaller units called "Chapters" to make a future mass rebellion unlikely. Creation of a Space Marine[ edit ] Recruits are chosen from the best warriors among humanity. However, they must be young adolescent males as deviating age or gender will result in guaranteed death if the subject in question has augmentation attempted. The potential recruit is first subjected to testing, including tissue compatibility tests and psychological screening. Relatively few get past this initial selection process. Those that do pass are termed "neophytes", and the process continues with the surgery, indoctrination, conditioning, and training that will make them Marines. Those that survive but fail from surgery or screening are either retained as Chapter Serfs or lobotomized and turned into Servitors to serve the Chapter. The surgical process takes a great deal of time and can be lethal. The recruit receives gene-seed implants, along with chemical-therapy, hypnotherapy, and training necessary for allowing the functioning and development of the implanted organs. The implants transform their bodies and minds and give them inhuman abilities. Some notable abilities and attributes include enhanced strength, unnatural reaction times, increased durability, acid spit, a closed gland that is harvested at death for new gene-seed spores after maturing, or operating for long periods without sleep by temporarily switching off parts of their brains. After this implantation process is initiated and after associated training is taken, the recruit becomes a "Scout Marine" and charged with sniping, infiltration, and reconnaissance duties. After more general training and the completion of their augmentations, they join the Chapter as full "battle brothers". Organization[ edit ] Space Marines are organized into "Chapters", which conventionally contain about a thousand Space Marines plus an unspecified number of Initiates and support staff. The majority of Chapters follow the organisational structure detailed in the Codex Astartes. Currently

there are at least four chapters which have numbers exceeding one thousand Space Marines: Even then however, their numbers pale in comparison to the original Astartes Legions. Each Chapter is a fully integrated military unit, possessing starships, aircraft, and land vehicles they do not possess sea units as the tabletop game does not model sea combat. Each Chapter also rules one or more worlds from which they draw resources and recruits. Each Chapter is led by a Chapter Master. Each Chapter is autonomous; there is no higher authority that commands all Space Marines except the Emperor and the loyalist Primarchs, if only in principle. Nonetheless, any Chapter may be subject to censure or even excommunication by the Inquisition should it waver in its duty to defend the Imperium. Notable Chapters[ edit ] The Ultramarines are the prototypical Space Marine Chapter, and follow the template laid out in the core rulebook on Space Marines. There are many other Chapters which have variant rules, which are described in their own dedicated rulebooks. The most unexpected of all are the Space Wolves with their cavalry consisting of Fenrisian Wolves that tower over the average man. Videogame appearances[ edit ] Space Marines are the most common protagonists in Warhammer 40, related videogames. They have appeared in the following titles:

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Much like my Alpha Legion review I will cover all different aspects of their rules in 30k, including unique wargear and unit options as well as all special characters before ending with their Primarch Fulgrim. So today will look at legion specific rules as well as legion specific rites of war. I am taking these rules from the crusade compendium red book and the Istavaan book, so I apologise if the rules have been altered in other books or an FAQ I have missed! Legion Specific Rules These are basically the chapter tactics of the Horus heresy, but whizzing around the room pumped full of cocaine and caffeine. These rules really do give you a great feel for how the legions operate in distinct and different styles. This is the flavour which is really drawing people into to 30k I think when coupled with the beautiful models and relatively balanced and communicative design teams. But they can always regroup as normal regardless of casualties, so no waiting for that double 1 to show up. This is an absolutely devastating special rule for a legion that has some absolutely fantastic combat options, as you will see in the unique units and wargear post. I run a Baal Strike force in 40k because despite losing objective secured, striking at initiative before regular marines is pivotal in breaking that marine vs marine deadlock. This is even more apparent in 30k when space marine are the dominant faction, even more so than 40k. Additionally, unlike in 40k, space marines can be swept and destroyed if they break in combat. This rule counts towards your sweeping advance so you have a better chance of running down your opponent if you break them in combat! Martial Pride - Characters, much like chaos champions foreboding! Losing in the combat that a challenge is part of causes an additional -1 Ld debuff on top of negative modifiers for more wounds lost. This is the single biggest reason for bothering to really kit out any characters you have to have that edge in challenges, as well as being far more careful in picking and choosing your fights. Remember, you can get run down from a lost combat too! A Rite of War is basically akin to codex specific detachments in 40k such as the real space raiders detachment, the champions of fenris and the Baal Strike Force etc. Its NOT like a formation. You can only take a rite of war if you have a Master of the Legion in your army. This will either be a Praetor read chapter master, a Delegatus a special type of captain or a named special character including the Primarchs. In the main 30k rulebook you are presented with several rites of war that your Master of the Legion can take. An example of this is Pride of the Legion. Pride of the Legion allows you to take terminators and veterans as troop choice and you HAVE to use them to fulfil your compulsory slots. However this comes with restrictions, you are not allowed an allied detachment and if all your veterans and terminators die you grant the enemy an additional victory point. The rites are supposed to allow you to play your legion with awesome fluffy rules but also represent the flaws that a legions particular style of engagement exposes, either physically or mentally. The Maru Skara is entirely geared to getting you up close and personal as soon as possible with the enemy. This is fantastic for getting right up in your opponents face in a way that is absolutely reliable and can really mess with your opponent. You can do some disgusting things when you take all upgrade options like dedicated transport land raiders into account, but really I feel this is designed to encourage the use of properly fast units with jump packs or bike for example. I will come back to this Rite of War when I cover the unique units and wargear and give you some possible builds that are mostly fluffy but should also pack a whallop. This Rite of War works better at higher points values where the ability to reserve more stuff than normal becomes very helpful whilst not leaving you with two few bodies on the table. This allows you to take a very minimal force which takes full advantage of your outflanking units and use them in a hammer vs anvil situation. The 3rd Company Elite This is a nice little additional Rite that basically plays on the fact that we love noise marines! And in 30k these are called Kakophonie Marines and I will cover them in the next post. Essentially this Rite of War does a couple of important things: Brilliant for challenges and making you more survivable. Other than that it comes with a few limitations:

## 4: Deathwatch - Rites of Battle (Supplement) | 40k RPG Tools

*Deathwatch: Rites of Battle is an excellent addition to the Deathwatch line. Besides introducing rules to create custom Marine Chapters, it also details several advanced careers and deeds to further flesh out player characters (PCs) during creation.*

I also want to use the Rites of battle book to make the chapters in the Badab book any advice on that would greatly helpful. The setting or using non-Deathwatch Marines Deathwatch makes for a good RPG setting because it gives a logical rationale for marines from various chapters to work together in small squads. One could, of course, work hard and come up with a rationale for small groups of marines to work together as a non-Deathwatch force within the setting, but I personally think that it would be a bit of a stretch, and would look pretty unconvincing and contrived. There are little hints sprinkled within the books that the Deathwatch are secretly active in the region: Imagine a Deathwatch campaign in which the players roleplay the interaction between members of chapters later involved in the war. These marines have been seconded to the Deathwatch, and are sworn to its service. Now imagine that, say, a PC marine of the Mantis Warriors chapter and a PC marine of the Raptors chapter forge bonds of respect and friendship during the period from the early Badab Schism when Luftgt Huron stopped paying the Tithe all the way to the destruction of the Palace of Thorns. It strikes me that the conflict is a fantastic historical backdrop where good roleplaying can create immensely rewarding campaigns that involve complex interaction between friends who could also be enemies. Foreshadowing would be a useful device here: Astal Claws PCs seconded to the Deathwatch could be either hubristic and arrogant or well-intentioned and noble, depending upon your interpretation of the background. Lamenters Marines could be tragic and flawed. Minotaurs and Fire Hawks marines could be combative and unpleasant Foreshadowing is used heavily in the Horus Heresy series of novels in my view a little overused but it could be a fun device for players knowledgable of the Badab War to employ. Many of the existing DW adventures set in and around the Jericho Reach could be adapted to the Maelstrom zone. You could end your campaign with your players choosing sides in the Badab War conflict, or perhaps choosing to remain true to the Apollyon Oath and continue serving the Imperium despite the actions of their compatriots. Badab War Chapters So rather as you suggest creating non DW marines, I would suggest adapting the existing rules system to create DW marines from chapters portrayed in the Badab War books. There are two ways to do this: The easy way is to adapt the rules set out in "Rites of Battle" for successor chapters to those chapters who fought in the Badab War. In my view, many of the chapters who fought in the war stayed fairly true to the archetypes and concepts of their parent Legions, so little adaptation of the current ruleset is required. Have a look at pages 52 to 68 of the "Rites of Battle" book for examples of the small amounts of adaptation required. For the sake of words of background and a small rules modification to enhance the flavour of your successor chapter, you have a complete set of rules for a Deathwatch character from chapter that took part in the Badab War. Look at pages 55 and 63, which contain rules for playing the Novamarines and Lamenters respectively. I think the "short form" adaptation could probably be applied to the following Badab War conflict chapters:

### 5: Deathwatch - Warhammer 40k - Lexicanum

*Supplement for Deathwatch RPG. Smart People Should Build Things: How to Restore Our Culture of Achievement, Build a Path for Entrepreneurs, and Create New Jobs in America.*

Deathwatch Marine Space Wolves Rather than following the standard Codex Astartes organization, the Space Marines themselves are drawn from many different chapters. These chapters have sworn sacred oaths to raise a unit of Space Marines specifically for this task. The warriors are then gathered together to fight where and when they are needed. There are also several secret bases spread throughout the Imperium, which provide a launch site for their crusades. They also are equipped with a new shoulder pad with the symbol of Deathwatch onto their other side. Once in the employ of the Deathwatch, there is no set length of time for service, rather it is as long as the commander deems necessary. Each Space Marine may serve a discrete amount of time, or for the duration of a mission, which may be a number of years. Once the mission is complete, the Space Marine is allowed to return to his chapter, under an oath of silence, as their duty has been fulfilled. They also include the recovery and study of alien devices and artifacts. Sometimes it is necessary to use a weapon against the enemy who created it, although this is not taken lightly. The Deathwatch are constantly vigilant for sabotage, or to advise if it is truly safe to use a weapon of xenos origin. Their word is law, and can requisition anything they desire to complete their objective. They are the best armed and trained units in the Imperium. They might be deployed in areas where conventional methods are insufficient or if the troops available are not properly equipped or trained for the task. The presence of a Deathwatch team is always welcomed, even though they are feared by all those who know of them. Needing experience and knowing that no new Foundings could be created in such a short time, the recruits were to be drawn from a multitude of existing Chapters. Despite the reluctance of the High Lords of Terra to approve the creation of this force, desperation forced their hand. Thus standing in vigil of their fallen brothers, the Deathwatch came to be. Their first mission was to eliminate the Ork Attack Moon plaguing Terra. It was agreed that the Deathwatch would fall under the purview of the Inquisition but that a Space Marine would serve as a Chapter Master. Foreseeing an age where mankind would eventually consume the Imperium itself, the conclave sat and debated for many years. Some advocated the annihilation of all xenos, some that certain less-violent civilizations should be "tolerated". However a strategy was eventually formed and the Conclave requested an audience with many assembled Chapter Masters of the Adeptus Astartes. These tactical methods are taught at every Watch Fortress. By concentrating on tightly-packed hordes of their foes, corpses of the enemy slow the advances of those behind. They were developed by Squad Veridium to combat Orks and Tyranids. First created by Jaaghen Khan, Venator tactics involve using Jetbikes to engage in long running battles leading their fire. The enemy is eventually struck by an encirclement maneuver that swings back to surround them. Malleus tactics involve using Land Raiders to claim larger enemies before using Power Weapons to engage them in close combat.

### 6: Warhammer 40, Rites of War - Wikipedia

*Warhammer 40, Rites of War* is a turn-based strategy game based on the *Panzer General 2* engine by [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com) is set in the fictional Warhammer 40, universe. It was produced by Games Workshop in , and concerns the invasion of a Tyranid Hive fleet and the Eldar and Imperial efforts to defeat it.

To wear the Chapter icon is a subject of intense pride for a Space Marine, and to deface or obscure it is treated as a heinous crime. It is said by some that Traitors prove themselves to the Ruinous Powers by spurning their Chapter icon and the Imperial Aquila as evidence of their willingness to turn their back on their Primarch and the Emperor of Mankind. However, amongst the ranks of the Deathwatch there are anonymous warriors who bear no Chapter mark, their right pauldron showing only featureless black. By ancient tradition, a Space Marine with his heraldry obscured may present himself before a Watch Commander and petition for admittance to the Deathwatch. Should he be accepted, only the silvered skull of the Deathwatch will mark out the allegiance of these so-called "Black Shields", who shun the company of other Space Marines until the time of battle is upon them. Such warriors are unique to the Deathwatch and even there, they are regarded as figures of ill omen. The Black Shield is a Space Marine without a Chapter, an individual who has severed himself from the very things that defined him as a Battle-Brother of the Adeptus Astartes. Though fully within his rights to refuse admittance, a Watch Commander will seldom refuse. The Deathwatch is an alliance of Chapters open to all Chapters, and for those of no Chapter it offers a path to atonement for any willing to undertake it. A lifetime spent guarding the outer reaches of the galaxy against the alien threat will perhaps earn a Black Shield the right to be interred in the tombs of the fallen in a great Watch Fortress one day. In this way, in death at least, the Black Shield can reforge the bonds of brotherhood he once chose to sever. Black Shields are a rarity, for a Watch Commander will seldom see more than a handful in his lifetime. No two share the same motivation for taking up the Black Shield, and speculation as to their motives follows them wherever they go. But one thing remains universal amongst all Black Shields; their overriding need and zealous determination to exorcise the demons of their past through faithful and vigilant service to the Deathwatch. Always knowing their own worth in the great struggle against the enemies of Mankind , no Space Marine fights recklessly. That cannot be said for a Black Shield, for he will think nothing of placing himself as bait in a trap or drawing enemy fire. These fatalistic individuals do not seek personal glory through their actions and will do nothing to imperil those around them, but they will always stand ready to give their life if such circumstances arise. A Black Shield accepts the most dreadful privation and hardship as his lot. He will unquestioningly accept missions felt too low and inglorious for other Space Marines to perform. Whether at the forefront of a Kill-team purging a nest of enemies or cloistered for a long and lonely vigil in a Watch Station, a Black Shield offers no complaint. They become pure instruments of the Deathwatch with no thought to their own future. On rare occasions, thanks to their unwavering dedication, Black Shields rise through the ranks of the Deathwatch. Self-applied Loyalist icons, unknown pattern and scheme. Almost from the outset, the war of the Horus Heresy was a vast cataclysm and one whose events moved with such quicksilver pace that mystery, supposition, lies and simple ignorance cloaked much of the bloodshed even as it occurred, casting a veil over much that would never be lifted. Though the roll call of Space Marine Legions , Titan Legio , Auxilia regiments and Mechanicum Taghmata that sided with the Arch-Traitor and those who remained loyal is largely known and accepted, the full truth is far more complex and far more mysterious than commonly believed. Of those who fell at Istvaan V during the Dropsite Massacre , there were survivors, remnants and fleeing fragments shorn of command and driven half mad by treachery; from that point onwards they were isolated, alone. These were the shattered Legions and, while some swiftly returned to the Imperial fold, some did not or would not. Some would go on to wage a bitter war of vengeance alone, some would simply disappear, their fates unknown, their stories untold. But there were others of a darker hue. Despite the paucity of records, accounts of small war bands that were once part of the known Traitor Legions fighting independently persisted throughout the war. In some cases, outcasts forces proudly bore their original colours and may have regarded themselves as the true inheritors of their Legions. It is thought that the Death Eagles

Millennial clashed with their Traitor kin at Lethe and at Revorthe Keep in the Coronid Deeps , but their ultimate fate, like that of so many others, remains unknown. These were merely a handful of still infamous cases, but here are many more unsubstantiated or simply now forgotten which paint a more complex and uncertain picture of this great civil war than is normally accounted. Further to this, and perhaps an even more sinister enigma, are the persistent reports of Space Marine forces appearing bearing no sign or seal of heraldry or origin at all, or stranger yet, heraldry which bears no mark known during the Great Crusade. A handful of extant accounts, now sealed beyond all retrieval, make reference to a loosely-termed and non-formal class of warrior known as the " Blackshields ". The majority of Blackshields appear to have been of the Legiones Astartes, though some may once have belonged to other factions. Although whether the "black" Legionaries were merely turncoats or, as some have whispered, perhaps raised by the Traitors from the chimeric gene-seed of the Istvaan dead for their own terrible purposes, none can now say for certain. Some may be the sole survivors of their Chapters with all of their Battle-Brothers lost to war, disaster or the irreversible deterioration of their gene-stock. With no other Chapter organisation left, the survivor joins the Deathwatch to mark his final years. The saga of his Chapter is over and now it only remains for him to fill his ending with purpose. To do so in the guise of a Black Shield is an act of pious humility from a warrior who honours his brothers so much that he will set aside his personal glory so that the actions of the living may never besmirch the legend of the dead. Alone amongst his fellows the Black Shield did not fall into corruption or the subtle traps of the Archenemy , keeping his faith when all about him lost theirs. He may have suffered terrible trials as madness spread through the ranks of his comrades. Friends or even trusted leaders may have turned against him for refusing to embrace their new creed and join their foul rites. He may have witnessed the soul-blasting sight of daemonic servants of the Ruinous Powers disporting themselves in the once-hallowed halls of his own fortress-monastery. Such a Black Shield is driven by disgust to turn forever from the twisted mockery his Chapter has become, and evinces a deep personal desire to expunge the sins of his Battle-Brothers through his own zeal and purpose. It has been whispered that Black Shields also include those that have damned themselves in some way. Perhaps they gave heed to the honeyed promises of the Archenemy in a moment of weakness, or gave way to overweening pride and anger, or were tainted by contact with aliens or other dark forces. Whether redemption can ever be truly found for the Lost and the Damned only the God-Emperor Himself can say. A Space Marine who feels that they have failed their Chapter in some critical undertaking may choose to take the Black Shield to forever hide the shame of their failure. A great relic entrusted to their care may have been lost, or a vital mission they led miscarried in tragic fashion with unconscionable casualties. The Black Shield may even have had to refuse some suicidal or pointless order in the heat of battle with the best of reasons and yet feel that they can no longer remain amongst their Chapter. Regardless of their reasons, the Battle-Brother will be struck from the Chapter annals without further comment and forever forgotten. It is believed that some of the sternest Chapters even exercise this permanent exile as a form of punishment, even though such a separation would be more kindly served by death. Still, a trained Space Marine is a resource not to be squandered and the Deathwatch can find duties for those rejected by their masters.

### 7: Badab war and using non-deathwatch space marines - Deathwatch - FFG Community

*The alternative: a Deathwatch campaign within the Badab War setting So this leads me on to my alternative suggestion: having the PCs work as a Deathwatch unit within the Badab war setting, during the timeframe from about M41 to the end of the Badab War.*

Tempest Blades - A special class exclusive to the Storm Wardens , who wield massive two-handed Power swords around on the battlefield dueling worthy enemies, which will eventually end in their deaths. First Founding - Finally getting around to adding the remaining four First Founding Chapters and gives additional information about the other First Founding Chapters along with the Traitor Legions, along with ways to use the latter as antagonists. The Jericho Reach - Another fluff book, this one focuses on notable Deathwatch kill-teams and their locations in the Reach. Also comes with a pre-written adventure as well. The Nemesis Incident - A free download that explains a critical part of the history of the Storm Wardens. Rising Tempest - Interesting adventure book focusing on the Tau trying to weasel their way into Imperial space, and what will happen if the naive blueberry cunts do it. Provides rules for generating your very own space hulk! Things that rock[ edit ] The Demeanor rules actually encourage roleplaying. Lets you play as whatever Chapter you want. You can play as a Dreadnought! Things that suck[ edit ] The Ultramarines are once again shown to be the best Chapter ever at everything While this is normally only available to those who have learned the Ultramarines tactic, a Tactical Marine can attempt to confer his chapter squad mode ability onto the non-chapter members of the rest of his squad by passing a command test, which an Ultramarine Tactical Marine is just built for so that the squad should just have the ability switched on all the time. Characters are overpowered compared to normal humans, making it very hard to use characters in the other 40k RPGs But what did you expect from Space Marines? In addition to losing his hair No, this is complete rubbish, there are lots of Space Marines with hair. A fanmade Salamanders codex that hews closer to the spirit of the chapter than the FFG version. Google is your friend. Un-errata-ed, a few weapons are incredibly disproportionately overpowered to when you can acquire them. Bolters in particular Heavy Bolters are so insane that it requires some mathhammer to describe the extent of this cheese. While this is a little bit silly, it is far from unforgivable. Every shot you hit will do an average of 23 wounds unmodified. A Devastator at this level would most likely have the Mighty Shot talent. In your burst of 10 bolts, factoring in all these bonuses, you will hit shots on average. Or, 15 dice, rolled 3 at a time, keeping the two highest each time. All of which have a one in ten chance of triggering righteous fury. That means effectively your bolt just more than doubled its damage output, and there is a good chance that with tearing, the righteous fury will trigger more righteous fury, and you just one-shotted that daemon prince. If only table-top heavy bolters were anywhere near this strong, the humans would have won ages ago. From personal experience, I have seen a broadside one-shotted by a storm bolter, and two hammerheads shot in the front armor thoroughly wrecked in two turns. And the heavy bolter can be loaded with special ammunition, allowing it to eviscerate things quietly, turn marines into spaghetti, and much more. A quick sanity injection here: On average, you will roll a Each shot which has at least one die showing a 10 will trigger Righteous Fury, so you will trigger this at most the number of times you hit; on average you will have 1. Remember NOT to roll all 15 dice and keep the 10 highest. If you have no Furies, goto step 6. Do each hit in sequence to avoid confusion, since Righteous Fury makes your hits do more damage without adding actual additional hits, despite using an attack roll as an intermediate step. As you are now BS with an unjammable gun, all of your Fury hits land without rolling and rolling will not help, as you now lack the Full Auto ability to land multiple hits with one roll. As these damage rolls can and will generate more Furies, continue chaining your damage rolls for each hit until it finishes exploding. Doing the math for you, you should have generated a total of 2. This means you should have dealt, approximately, 7. Also, you could theoretically turn Eldrad or Ahriman into swiss cheese with this combination. This, makes the devastator objectively the second-best class in the game, by a significant margin. Second best to the Techmarine, the cheesiest cheese to grace the earth. Yes, better than the dedicated assault class. The Techmarine also has EXCLUSIVE access to the best melee weapon in the game, and can get it so early that your powergamer techmarine player will be raping things just

as hard at level one as he will at level 8. To clarify that point, I present to you, the one, the only: And it has 7 pen. With five more dice. To trigger it again. And then comes the servo arm. That can also righteous fury. Also, if you have the general space marine talent combat formation, you can replace your agility bonus for your intelligence bonus for purposes of initiative. So not only are you moving first, but not even Kaldor Draigo is going to be able to stop your cheesemarine from turning everything in front of it into fondue. Also forgot to mention that you can dual wield this shit. Khorne is very pleased. It also only costs 18 requisition, or a little more than a power sword. And has no Renown requirement to speak of. And, with the ability to get artificer armor early in the game, you can have an armor set with 12 everywhere and two history rolls to boot. You then can buy arm mounts, so while you are killing everything with your inexpensive space drills you can have meltaguns strapped to your arms.

### 8: Deathwatch (RPG) - 1d4chan

*I just got my copy of rites of battle today, and I've been reading through the dreadnought section. I agree it isn't quite something for players, but now npcs, thats a different story.*

It is the sacred task of the Deathwatch to stand sentry against all of these terrible xenos races. They are ready to act when such ancient evils rise to threaten Mankind once more. The Space Marines of the Deathwatch form the first, and often only, line of defence against these inhuman horrors. Deathwatch Space Marines do not usually form the standard tactical groups like squads and companies generally used by the Adeptus Astartes. Instead, they operate as small special forces units in close-knit groups of specialists called Kill-teams. If a xenos threat is particularly dangerous, several Kill-teams may be assigned to deal with it, but if the threat is still too much for even the Deathwatch to handle, the Inquisition will be forced to turn to a full Space Marine Chapter or to multiple regiments of the Imperial Guard to deal with it. In general, if a group of Deathwatch Kill-teams cannot deal with a xenos incursion, that means that the Imperium has a major conflict on its hands and must deploy a full range of its military forces to meet the threat. Contents [ show ] Chapter History "We do not hate the alien because he is different, we hate the alien because he had naught but hate in his heart for us. Led by the mysterious Warlord known only as The Beast , this Greenskin invasion threatened the very Throneworld of Terra itself. During this conflict, it was the newly-elected Lord Commander of the Imperium , Chapter Master and sole surviving member of the Imperial Fists , named Koorland , who devised the concept of utilising small elite Astartes Kill-teams to eliminate vital strategic assets of the encroaching Greenskins and eventually, The Beast itself. These Chapters suffered severe losses during the invasion. Thus standing in vigil over their fallen brethren, the seeds of the Deathwatch were sown. Lord Commander Koorland eventually came to an agreement with the Inquisitorial Representative Wienand, to assuage any doubts by the rest of the members of the Senatorum Imperialis , that the Deathwatch would fall under the purview of the Inquisition , but an Astartes would ultimately serve as Chapter Master. These records state that a conclave of Inquisitor Lords -- the Apocryphon Conclave of Orphite IV -- convened with the sole purpose of formulating an Imperium-wide strategy to combat the many xenos threats that assailed Mankind. The members of this conclave were, in the main, drawn from the ranks of the Ordo Xenos , all of whom shared the belief that one day, there would come a time when Humanity would be consumed by slaving xenos beasts, or enslaved to creatures of unutterably alien origins. They foresaw an age when every alien life form in the galaxy, and others from beyond it, might rise up and the Age of the Imperium would come to an end. They had no inkling when such a terrible age might come, but they knew with dreadful certainty that it surely would, and they determined that no effort should be spared to avert such an end. The conclave sat for many standard years, and bitter debate raged back and forth between Inquisitor Lords of many different positions. Some believed that every trace of alien life should be purged from the galaxy, while a few advocated the formation of alliances with those alien races that could be tolerated. Some spoke of ancient, god-like beings that have slumbered since before the creation of Mankind awakening to enslave the galaxy, while others foresaw that death would come at the hands of invasion from other galaxies entirely. While many Puritan Inquisitor Lords declared the conclave itself an admission of defeat for even countenancing that Mankind might not prevail against these threats, wiser counsel prevailed, and a strategy was eventually formulated. The conclave would request an audience with the assembled Chapter Masters of the Adeptus Astartes , and ask of them a solemn undertaking. It is not known how many Chapter Masters assembled to hear the words of the conclave, for such an event has only occurred a handful of times in the long history of the Imperium. Nor were the words of the Inquisitors recorded for posterity. Certainly, enough Chapter Masters must have answered the call, for a quorum of sorts was convened. The conclave presented its prophecy to the Chapter Masters, evoking the galaxy-wide threat of the ravaging xenos. Each of the Masters and Inquisitors took a solemn oath together. They would form a new Chapter, consisting of Veteran Space Marines highly experienced in combating the xenos. This Chapter was dubbed the "Deathwatch", for it would stand guard against the doom foretold by the conclave. Thus, to this day, this joint oath still stands. The Battle-Brothers of the Deathwatch

take the war against the alien to the very darkest reaches of the void, bringing to bear such force as no individual Inquisitor could hope to muster. In this mission, the Ordo Xenos and the Deathwatch are equals, the Inquisitors rooting out the foes for the Deathwatch to eradicate. While neither party is subject to the command of the other, both work in concert towards their common goal, according to those oaths made centuries ago. The two work closely together, ever watchful for that fateful day when the prophecies of the conclave are realised. The Time of Ending has exposed how thin a line lies between the present and the alien apocalypse feared by all Mankind. War Upon the Brink – Inquisitor Apollyon The Deathwatch stand vigilant in the face of overwhelming odds As the 41st Millennium draws to a close, the shield of the Deathwatch has been shaken, shivered and brought to the edge of destruction. A thousand horrors gnaw and tear at the fabric of destiny, foes old and new emerging to take their chance as Mankind is torn apart by its long war against Chaos. The Aeldari fight for a resurgence ten millennia in the making, taking no prisoners as they seek to burn brightly before the end. Their vile Commorrite cousins, the Drukhari , intend to line their larders before the apocalypse breaks, raiding in never-before seen numbers to leave once-thriving worlds empty of sentient life. The Necron dynasties awake faster than the Deathwatch can put them down, long-buried armies lurching to life as ancient overlords attempt to restore a lifeless order to the era of mayhem that greets their awakening. Their green tsunami of violence is set to drown the stars. Further out drift the numberless Bio-Ships of the Great Devourer. Hive Fleets Behemoth and Kraken push their rapacious tendrils further coreward with every standard year, leaving nothing but scoured balls of rock in their wake. Perhaps it is Hive Fleet Leviathan that should be feared the most, for its splinter fleets emerge from under the galactic core to menace Segmentum Solar -- the seat of human civilisation itself. With every standard year more requests are levelled unto the wider Adeptus Astartes by the Deathwatch, citing ancient oaths to claim tithe after tithe. Yet the Astropathic messages flow both ways. Hundreds of Chapters are formally requesting their Battle-Brothers be discharged from their Long Vigils and sent back, despite the tarnishing of their honour that entails. In this time of woe, every Space Marine is vital in the war against the dark powers that seek to capsize reality itself. Whether Humanity will survive to see in a new age is unknown, but the Deathwatch is fighting with every iota of its strength to ensure it. Unable to reach Endasch in time, the Grey Knights sent an astropathic pulse to the Deathwatch. Bludgeoning the enemy to death with crushing weapons proved no mean feat, and it cost the Kill-teams a full half of their number. Yet by limiting the blood spilt, the Deathwatch prevented the Warp breach from ever happening. The surviving Ork Warlord led a Greenskin crusade out of the sub-sector. A solar week later, Augur beacons traced the Ork crusade into the Eye of Terror , and the matter was considered resolved. Bane of the Sslyth Unknown Date - The Slaanesh-worshipping Sslyth of the Vensine Sector were attacked in their nests when Kill-team Decurius descended to save the world from a truly disgusting fate. Taking every Flamer weapon they could muster, they instead descended to the Maiden World of Yddyilia at the height of summer and -- in conjunction with a firestorm barrage -- set swathes of the world aflame. The Exodites of the planet fought hard to repel them, but the Deathwatch stayed one step ahead. Drawn by the psychic distress calls of their backwater kindred, Craftworld Biel-Tan appeared in the night sky. They found the Watch Fortress better defended than they expected, for though it is small, it houses only Venator Kill-teams. Hundreds of Eldar raiders were slain before the last of them chanced upon the chamber -- only to find it empty. It flowed into the nightmarish Shardmaze, and from there to the Mirrored Palace of Plenitia. When the gangling predators proved strong enough to tear apart the Kill-team that hunted them, the Dreadnought Xenomortis was sent to reinforce its Battle-Brothers. Solar months later, the war machine stormed from the ruins of the now-empty Mirrored Palace, every inch of its hull covered in Ur-Ghul blood. They retreated to a safe distance, monitoring the simian aliens that clambered upon their star-frame as it slowly spun out of the cosmos into the cold void. Dregsmasha , a small Kill-team was sent to assassinate the Big Mek leading the war. A misdrop left the team on the wrong side of a storm-swollen river, caught in the teeth of a ferocious blizzard, with Greenskins closing fast. Day of the Barghesi Unknown Date. M41 - After seeing the destruction meted out by Hive Fleet Leviathan across a wide frontage of Imperial space, Inquisitor Kryptman ordered a cordon of worlds in its path laid barren or actively destroyed to starve the Tyranids of sustenance. This drastic measure saw Kryptman excommunicated, with many calling for the death sentence. The gambit was vindicated when the Hive Fleet

followed the psychic spoor of its Genestealers into the biomass-rich Ork Empire , buying the Imperium time to regroup as xenos fought xenos across the system. Extractio Extremis Unknown Date. M41 - Through their Rogue Trader contacts, the Deathwatch was alerted to the presence of a Space Marine Captain in the blood sport arenas of Commorragh. Though it cost the lives of all save Aldric himself, the gladiator Captain was freed in time to catch the Corsair ship as it left, still unaware of its Imperial cargo. The Deathwatch sent to investigate found the system rife with undeath, both mechanical and biological. M41 - Chaplain Ortan Cassius led an Aquila Kill-team to the backwater Mining World of Ghosar Quintus , only to find an alien infestation spread not only throughout the planet, but the Segmentum -- and possibly beyond. The Thief Inquisitor Unknown Date. He brought overwhelming force against the Deathwatch garrison before disappearing, with datacane in hand, taking Inquisitor Gao -- now trapped in a Tesseract Labyrinth -- with him as a cautionary lesson. Crown of the Beast Unknown Date. M41 - Whilst on a destabilisation raid to the war-torn Ork Empire of Octarius , the Kill-teams of the Eye of Octos witnessed a Mekaniak invention that disrupted the synaptic control linking Tyranid organisms to their Hive Mind. Appearing much like a crown of electricity, it was used by the self-appointed King Mek Baddkrasha to break swarm after swarm. The Kill-teams waited for the two xenos armies to decimate each other before diving in, their Furor Teams cutting through to Baddkrasha before escaping with his decapitated head -- crown and all -- for further study. Damnos Revisited Unknown Date. The Enclaves Struck Unknown Date. M41 - With Commander Farsight and his subordinates joining the war for Agrellan , the Deathwatch made an opportunistic attack on the Farsight Enclaves. Rise of the Alien Unknown Date. The Deathwatch find itself stretched to breaking point and beyond. For millennia, it has watched, waited, and fought amongst the lost stars and abandoned worlds of the Reach. Its domains have stood since a time now long forgotten and lost to the oblivion of dead history. It has seen worlds conquered by the Imperium fall once again to darkness. Its watch has been a thing of millennia. Ancient secrets, long since locked and sealed, are now open, and there can be no doubt: These places are held by it and it alone, secret and well-guarded. These domains range from the vast and mysterious Watch Fortress Erioch , which circles a dying star, to the many lesser Watch Stations standing silent vigil on forlorn worlds, airless moons, and in the dead marches of space throughout the Jericho Reach. These domains best serve the Deathwatch by providing places where they can gaze into the darkness beyond, re-arm, gather information, or as a last resort hold the line against the many enemies of Mankind that infest the Jericho Reach. The Deathwatch moves between these secret domains using rapid strike vessels and reconnaissance craft, often unseen by both enemies and allies. The Long Watch The presence of the Deathwatch in the Jericho Reach is the consequence of an ancient resolution and sacrosanct order. To fulfil this compact, the Deathwatch built its hidden Watch Fortress in the dead system of Erioch on the ruins of an artefact ancient before man first walked the soil of Terra. For millennia, the Deathwatch has ensured that some of its number have remained in this dark place, there to stand watch. Their determination has never wavered.

## 9: Library - Deathwatch | 40k RPG Tools

*The Deathwatch Space Marines serve the Ordo Xenos of the Imperial Inquisition as its Chamber Militant, the warriors of last resort when the Inquisition needs access to firepower greater than the Astra Militarum or a team of its own Acolytes or even Throne Agents can provide.*

Origins[ edit ] The origin of the Deathwatch is apparently a point of contention, since over the decades there have been several different accounts of how they came to be, with variances across the codices, novels and roleplaying games. The Deathwatch RPG eventually put a name to this meeting and called it the Conclave of Orphite IV and in this telling the Ordo Xenos already existed, who shared the belief that without imminent action, humanity would be consumed by alien beasts and the Age of Imperium would come to an end. The Deathwatch RPG and the original fluff differ on what form the Deathwatch would exactly take, as in the original 90s articles, "Deathwatch Kill Teams" were basically a synonym for the "Ordo Xenos Kill Teams", where squads would be raised at the behest of individual Inquisitors and commanded by them, but in certain exceptional cases these Kill Teams might be led by a Deathwatch Librarian or Captain. Beyond this, GW had been very neglectful of the Deathwatch for decades and never really provided any new fluff or crunch. Conversely, in the RPG of early s, the Deathwatch would become its own entity with a heirarchy of ranks, capable of sustaining and directing itself without direct input from the Inquisition and was not beholden to the Inquisition explicitly calling them equals , though still tied to the Inquisition who would root out the foes for the Deathwatch to eradicate. Recent Origins[ edit ] This article contains spoilers! You have been warned. The old but still-used front for the Deathwatch RPG core rules Come late however, practically all of the above is retconned directly. From there the Deathwatch were given the best equipment that the Imperium had, and they were even allowed to innovate with whatever they wanted , though how the fuck the AdMech were convinced to agree to that is left up to the reader. With regards to the status of "Chamber Militant"; the Codex for the Deathwatch and their section in Imperial Agents outright ignores any Inquisitorial attachment. Following the release of the Codex though, the Beast Arises Series offers a take on their origin that differs in some ways. Beast, the Orks were an almost unstoppable force and many marine chapters were slaughtered. So he colluded with Grand Master Assassin Vangorich yes, the dude that killed all the High-Lords, and he was a rather cool dude back then to create much smaller kill-teams with mission specific profiles which would be better suited to cripple or behead a threat rather than slug it out on a battlefield. Thus many chapter mixed units were formed and have their armor painted black, they forgoed their allegiance to the chapter and most importantly, its dogma. With this concept the Space Marines would have an extremely flexible force: It was a specialist force, but all the specialists were mixed in giving each unit an edge on every possible situation. The Deathwatch was the love child of Koorland himself, although the most of the High Lords other than Vangorich, who had inspired them protested its creation, primarily based on deep seated fears of an Astartes re-unification following the Horus Heresy and that it was bad enough that Koorland was an Astartes High Lord himself, fearing him turn into a dictator amusingly he would later go on to shoot the Ecclesiarch for Heresy. He only gave it up when he was called out on the fact that he was already the Chapter Master of the Imperial Fists as well as being the Lord Commander of ALL Imperial armed forces; So having a third title was a bit of a push. The Inquisition happily took over the role as overseers to the Deathwatch because they themselves owe allegiance to no single master other than the Emperor, so in theory were not likely to go AWOL with a powerful force of Space Marines. Koorland agreed, but with three caveats: That he would appoint a Space Marine to oversee all strategic aspects of the Deathwatch. Towards the War of the Beast, the Inquisitorial Representative s decided that the Inquisition itself could be better served by dividing their attentions between Xenos and Daemon, rather than arguing over which was the greater threat. The differences between the codex and surrounding sources place doubt on what exactly happened, since no source can seem to agree on the details. Other differences with the codex: The tie-in novel to the codex: Organisation and Chapter Strength[ edit ] Another point of contention is how the Deathwatch is organised and how many marines they actually have. The original fluff barely made any reference to how the Deathwatch was organised

aside from being an ad-hoc arrangement of temporary squads and fortresses under the command of the Inquisition. In the Beast Arises, Koorland set that the Deathwatch be set to "chapter strength" back in M32, and appointed a single Watch Commander to oversee strategic aspects while taking his orders from the Inquisition. Admittedly, even the Watch Commander himself had no idea what the position entailed. These new fortress commanders are usually Watch Masters but the codex implies this may not always be the case. Despite nominally being referred to as a chapter, the issue of "chapter strength" also seems to have been ignored, though this depends on how large you assume the "average" Kill Teams to be. A traditional Fortress such as Talassa Prime has been shown to have five companies of four kill-teams plus a Watch Captain. All in all this puts a watch fortress at somewhere between - space marines. The Deathwatch tie-in novel shows around members mustering at fortress Furor Shield, though this was a joint action including watch teams from nearby jurisdictions, but probably remains a good estimation of roughly how large a bulked out fortress can be. Across the Imperium there are four "primary" fortresses which probably have either significant strategic value or play host to unique facilities Talasa Prime is said to be a major training facility plus fourteen other regular fortresses, which are all said to generally follow the same core structure, so the concentrated bulk of the chapter would be anywhere between - Deathwatch Marines, much higher than "Chapter Strength", assuming all of the Fortresses are equivalent in strength to the primary ones. Though it is not made clear whether or not those small stations fall under the purview of the closest Fortress and being assigned squads from there, or if they have their own discrete commands, otherwise that would add about another - to their roster. Nor does it account for any Deathwatch Marines on detached duties Kill-Marines that appear in the RPG but are not mentioned in the codex unless you count those units which can be deployed in squad sizes of 1. In addition, the 8th Edition Deathwatch Codex mentions that Roboute Guilliman assigned "multiple chapters" worth of Primaris Marines to the Deathwatch. Given the possible final numbers anywhere between around - marines, assuming the Deathwatch maintains itself at full strength all of the time, and that all Watch Fortresses are equal in strength. If that seems like a huge amount, remember that would imply that each chapter of the thousand or so in the Imperium are donating only about two to five marines at any given time. But given the number of repeat chapters represented in Talasa Prime alone, added to the fact that apparently hundreds of chapters are risking dishonour by actually requesting their battle brothers return to their parent chapter, this unusually high number may not be an unfair estimation. Induction and Training[ edit ] Calling on ancient oaths and debts of honour from hundreds of Space Marine Chapters, the Deathwatch forces requests each Chapter to volunteer a handful of its best warriors to be conscripted into the Deathwatch. This usually occurs when the old Deathwatch-conscripted marine dies in battle or returns after he fulfils his term of service to the Deathwatch. Some Chapters view recruitment into the Deathwatch as a great honour, with the warrior both envied and revered by his battle brothers for being chosen. Others, either view the conscription as little more than an inconvenience as it robs them of their best warriors or as a chance to get rid of marines too insubordinate to mix with the battle companies but too well-celebrated to be demoted. As their recruits are full-fledged space marines and not mere neophytes, they usually believe they have some idea what to expect; most assume that they will be brought to a heavily-fortified space station where they will be trained much in the same way they are already trained , but with more specialized weapons after all, Space Marine training is already quite intense and comprehensive. This notion is immediately proven wrong as the inductees first gaze upon a Watch Fortress. What greets them is a systemless planet floating in the middle of nowhere, encircled by a colossal artificial ring, supposedly built millions of years ago by an ancient alien civilisation. It is on this ring, bristling with Imperial gun batteries and missile defences, that the Deathwatch and its private fleet of warships make their home. Deathwatch Marines with Bolt Pistols only? The Deathwatch know how to conserve for the really big things. The ring station is so large that the Imperium has built entire orbital cities into their ancient superstructure; including individual quarters for thousands of space marines and serfs, vast customizable training fields, including artificially-recreated planetary environments. The recruits are sworn into the Deathwatch and are forced to undergo hypno-indoctrination to put the Watch above all their old loyalties, and then undergo months of intensive retraining in unconventional tactics. They are divided into 6-man Kill Teams, no two members being from the same chapter. The inductees are also introduced to their

new arsenal; each of them is given a Combi-weapon built to accept a range of attachments and ammunition, for every Deathwatch space marine must have a secondary and tertiary weapon for any eventuality. As part of the training, each marine is forced to watch endless hours of vid-recordings of space marines losing battles against Xenos. The lesson there is two-fold, one is to understand Xenos strategies, tactics, and weaponry, including all their strengths and weaknesses. The other is that though the Deathwatch marines come from diverse backgrounds, apparently nothing creates better unit cohesion and hatred against the Xenos than for a Space Marine to watch helplessly as another space marine fights a desperate and ultimately doomed last stand, again and again across thousands of battles. At that point the point is pressed home--it does not matter what chapter you are from, the Space Marines in the recordings were mercilessly slaughtered and you must now avenge them with extreme prejudice. The experience is so realistic that all inductees must be physically restrained to their seats prior to donning the vid gear which in all likelihood includes a Pain Glove nicked from the Imperial Fists, so that the Deathwatch trainees get to feel the pain the Astartes victims of Xenos likely felt in those recordings, which must be especially unnerving if the recording a trainee is watching came from a helmet cam mounted to an unfortunate Astartes being disemboweled and then beheaded by a Genestealer or certain Dark Eldar. At the end of their training, every Deathwatch Space Marine has not only been reforged into an unparalleled Xenocide machine, but a Deathwatch Kill-Team as a whole will royally fuck up the shit of their target. Though extremely rare as Deathwatch is more of a small unit spec-ops force meant to infiltrate and eliminate specific objectives and targets instead of fighting all-out battles, the arrival of additional Deathwatch Kill Teams typically spells the end of whatever unlucky Xeno son of a bitch is on its receiving end. And if the shit has hit the fan to the extent that one hundred or so Deathwatch members have to deploy to just one battle and organize into an actual company, it probably means that the Imperium is going to be sending a lot more than just the space marines. Before deployment, each marine has the Deathwatch pauldron added to their armour and has the rest of their suit painted black. This process is surprisingly dangerous and must be carefully overseen as the machine spirit of the armour must be coaxed into accepting its new designation. Each suit of Deathwatch armour is thereafter twice blessed; a unique entity in itself and a single-minded foe against xenos. The earliest rules for Deathwatch were a 6th-edition Apocalypse formation in the Damnos book, where two Sternguard Squads Squads and a Captain would get Preferred Enemy one Xenos codex and an additional special ammunition profile called Aniphase Rounds AP4, forces Necrons to re-roll successful Reanimation Protocols. From here their representation would slowly accelerate In the game Deathwatch: While not a full army, it did give a small set of special units using the packaged models, each of which was based on the hero of a story written by Black Library and led by a younger, un-nommed Ortan Cassius. A good majority of the units also have Sternguard ammo, making them far more useful than their Damnos forebears. Then, in August a full Codex went up for pre-order alongside a new game called "Death Masque" which featured new models for the Eldar Xenos filth! However, they do get one genuinely unique vehicle in the form of the Corvus Blackstar, an airborne transport that carries a decent amount of firepower, as befitting the Deathwatch. One of the great things about the Deathwatch is that the kill team kits provide a lot of goodies for kit-bashing some of your other Space Marine armies. Some of the items available are listed below: Lots of chapter specific pauldrons.

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