

# Camarilla Rules Addendum- US Addendum, March 27, 2008

This addendum provides the rules for the Camarilla's live-action chronicle and provides a level playing-field throughout the organization. Storytellers are not permitted to change or ignore approval requirements or take more than reasonable leeway to bend the rules to develop stories. Rules from this supplement and sanctioned White Wolf books must be particularly strictly observed when character death is a likely possibility.

**US Addendum Clarification:** Some scenes may be scripted for cinematic purposes, with the concurrence of those involved, under the WW rule of negotiated results.

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## CHAPTER ONE: UNIVERSAL [U.0.00]

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This chapter provides general rules that apply to all venues and incorporates Mind's Eye Theatre (WW50000) into the Camarilla's live-action chronicle.

The Optional Rules from Mind's Eye Theatre are not used in the sanctioned chronicle, with the exception of Morality Derangements (p103) and A Matter of Resolve (p174), which are universally applied.

### APPROVALS [U.1.00]

These rules supplement information in membership materials regarding approvals.

#### How Approvals Work [U.1.01]

All character sheets are Low Approval for creation and updating. Anything from sanctioned material that can be applied to a character sheet is Low Approval unless otherwise specified in this document.

#### Notifications [U.1.02]

Notifications require an acknowledgement from certain Storytellers and are usually used for tracking purposes. They don't require standard approval, although they should be added to the Camarilla's approvals database (where available) as usual. Any additional information requested by a Storyteller in a comment on the notification must be supplied.

#### Universal Approval Lexicon [U.1.03]

CHARACTER CLASS – groups or classifications that are optional to join (e.g. orders or covenants).

CHARACTER TYPE – the inherent (and usually unchangeable) classifications for supernatural beings (e.g. clan), or classifications that become unchangeable once made (e.g. bloodline). Characters are automatically assigned to the venue specific to their character type. Mundane mortal characters can be assigned to any venue at creation (but must be assigned to one venue).

PLACE OF POWER – a location where the power or presence of the supernatural is especially strong in some way (e.g. Loci, Hallows, Wyrms' Nests, [Trods](#)).

PLAYER CHARACTER – a character portrayed by a player

POWER STAT – the measure of a supernatural creature's inner strength and affinity. In Requiem this is Blood Potency, in Forsaken it is Primal Urge, in Awakening it is Gnosis, in Created it is Azoth, [and in Lost it is Wyrd](#).

STORYTELLER CHARACTER (NPC) – a character created by a Storyteller as part of his venue storyline

VENUE – a World of Darkness game based around a type of supernatural (e.g. Forsaken).

#### Weaknesses and Dramatic Failures

Some character types or classes described in White Wolf material have a weakness or flaw that relies on the "dramatic failure" system. In live play these characters treat automatic failures (i.e. drawing an Ace) as a dramatic failure when that is relevant to their weakness or flaw. This is an exception to Mind's Eye Theatre not using dramatic failures.

## Probability

Several combinations of effects deny a character the 10-again rule but allow for the 8-again or 9-again. In the instance of a 9-again, but no 10-again, the effects cancel and treat the draw with the standard 10-again rules. In the instance of an 8-again but no 10-again, treat it as a 9-again.

## Power Stats

Storytellers are encouraged to require extensive waiting periods (e.g. 6 months) between buying each dot of a power stat, but this is not mandatory. Characters with power stats of 6 or higher must have a background of reasonable length on file with their direct Storyteller or be removed from play. Power stats of 9 or 10 require Top Approval. [See the relevant venue sections for further requirements.](#)

## Modifier Categories [U.1.04]

In the Camarilla, a pool to take an action is separated into the 'base pool' and the 'modifiers'. A 'base pool' is the unmodified Attribute + Skill + Equipment + Specialization, or the relevant pool listed in the power description. E.g. 'base pool' for fighting with an axe is unmodified Strength + Weaponry + Axe + Specialization (if any); 'base pool' for Dominate 1: Command is unmodified Intelligence + Intimidation + Dominate + Specialization (if any).

Any adjustments beyond this base are considered 'modifiers'. The maximum adjustment (positive or negative) from modifiers is 15 or the 'base pool', whichever is higher. Exceptions to this limit are identified in this document.

**For the purposes of this rule, Defense is considered a pool whose base is comprised of the unmodified Attribute + unmodified Equipment + appropriate merit such as Fighting Styles. Taking a Dodge action increases the base pool for Defense. Initiative is considered a pool whose base is comprised of the unmodified Dexterity + unmodified Composure + appropriate merits such as Fast Reflexes. Health is considered a pool whose base is comprised of unmodified Size + unmodified Stamina.**

Mundane items used in play may provide up to a +5 bonus to [non-combat](#) test pools (see MET p193). [Mundane items may not provide bonuses to supernatural challenges.](#) Any other mechanics require Global Approval.

## General Approval Limitations [U.1.05]

### Low Approval

- Canon Materials: Antagonist storyteller character types that appear in specific books for the venue.
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- Canon Materials: Antagonist storyteller characters that come from character-types available for player characters in the venue. These NPCs may only use custom mechanics if such mechanics are available at Mid Approval to PCs.
- Character : Sheet rewrite for members who have played the venue for less than 3 months.
- Character: Anything intended for your character type or class from core venue books and subgroup-specific books (e.g. it is Low Approval for a Guardian of the Veil to access mechanics from the Guardians of the Veil book).
- **Character: The following merits from venue-specific book are Low Approval for all venues: Staff (Ghouls), Anonymity (Blood of the Wolf), Shield-Bearer (War Against the Pure), Tunnel Rat (World of Darkness: Chicago), and Parkour (Strange Alchemies).**
- Character: Virtue/Vice change of the player character.
- [Character IC Knowledge: Occult specialization in "spirits" for characters in the Forsaken and Awakening venues.](#)
- Cross-Venue Scenes - Short and small scale with no challenges need. Direct ST must be notified. Any Storyteller in a character's approval chain may ban subsequent interactions if these scenes are exploited for more than brief and casual contact.
- Storyteller Authority: Minor magical items, rituals and effects that are part of local storylines do not require special approval. These must be temporary, not directly benefit player characters and be limited to the local venue.
- Storyteller Authority: Temporary places of power.
- Spirits: Rank 1-4
- Storyteller Authority: Minor changes to a scene, e.g. reversing a mistaken rules call within the session. High Notification is required if any participant is unhappy with the results.

**US Addendum Addition:** A werewolf pack's first locus (at rating 1-3) and a mage cabal's first Hallow (at rating 1-3) only requires Low Approval.

## Mid Approval

- Storyteller Authority: Use cross-venue NPCs that appear at a game or directly interact with player characters.
- Storyteller Authority: Storylines that include repeated use of cross-venue NPCs.
- Storyteller Authority: All places of power unless otherwise specified.

## High Approval

- Canon Materials: Access to non-supernatural items and mechanics from their own venue but a different character type or class (e.g. it is High Approval for an Iron Master to have a social merit usually only available to Storm Lords).
- Character IC Knowledge: Specialty in "off-types" in the same venue (e.g. a vampire knowing about a specific bloodline they are not part of).
- Character Sheet: To have supernatural characters under the age of 12. This includes characters who became supernatural creatures before the age of 12, even if they are now older. [NPCs are subject to the same approval levels based on age as PCs. STs have until July 1, 2008 with High Notification to conclude any storylines involving NPCs that fall into this category. After July 1, 2008 maintaining the NPCs requires full approval.](#)
- **Character Sheet: To infiltrate a different character type of class under an alternate identity (e.g. it is High Approval for a member of the Mysterium to create a fake identity and infiltrate the Free Council).**
- Character Sheet: To regain control of a retired PC and return that PC to play
- Spirits: Rank 5
- Spirits: For a spirit to possess Numina that duplicates other supernatural powers rated higher than the spirit's rank. Example spirits (such as those required listed in canon materials) are an exception to this and require no special approval.
- Storyteller Authority: Waiving the restrictions on build guidelines for Storyteller characters (NPCs).
- Storyteller Authority: Any other objects that would kill a character despite previously perfect health (or fully paralyze them or deny opportunity to escape), or devices that would lead to immediate or inevitable death.
- Storyteller Authority: for player characters to use mundane weapons and projectiles that cause aggravated damage to supernatural creature types (including fire and silver).
- Storyteller Authority: Significant alteration or removal of scenes from continuity, particularly involving player character death or other significant effect (e.g. Torpor, loss of limb).
- Custom mechanics: If learned in-game from other player characters (unless otherwise noted). E.g. a custom vampiric bloodline with custom mechanics would be Global Approval for the first player character, and High Approval for player characters subsequently avused into the bloodline.
- Custom mechanics: Duplication of items approved at Global unless otherwise noted. E.g. a customized flak jacket would be Global Approval for the first player character and High Approval for player characters who subsequently duplicated it.

## Top Approval

- Canon Material: Access to non-supernatural items and mechanics from another venue (e.g. it is Top Approval for a Daeva to possess the Storm Lord social merit).
- Storyteller Tools: Access to Military personnel or hardware - for each instance or use.
- Storyteller Tools: Access to any kind of Storyteller "hit squad" (e.g. Moroi) called in by a player character to affect another player character.
- Character IC Knowledge: Specialty from different venues (e.g. a Forsaken understanding the Free Council).
- Character Sheet: Rewrite for members who have played in the venue in excess of three months.
- Character Sheet background: If you were a major figure in mortal or supernatural affairs in an affiliate nation, tied into published IC timeline/events of that country, or resided there for more than 100 years, you must get that affiliate's Top Approval. If the background is for a country that is not a Camarilla Affiliate, approval is needed from the AMST DPOM. This approval should be logged as a Low Notification on the database (where available) with a pasted email from the appropriate Top Approval storyteller.
- Character Sheet: Antagonist character types as player characters (e.g. a Belial's Brood vampire PC). Includes being an Antagonist character type in background.
- Character Sheet: Conversion of a Secondary Character to a Primary Character (as defined in [U.2.00]).
- Spirits: Rank 6 through 8.
- Spirit Interaction: To call, control or otherwise employ spirits or ghosts against other player characters who exist outside the Awakening or Forsaken venues.
- Storyteller Tools: Mobile places of power. Places of power that grant XP benefits.

**US Addendum Addition:** Living places of power (e.g., Living Loci) are Top Approval in the US Camarilla Chronicle.

## Global Approval

- Canon Affecting: Usage of any unique ("named") characters or antagonists from source material.
- Canon Affecting: Usage of any unique magic items from source material.
- Canon Affecting: Significantly reshaping paradigm in one or more venues (e.g. wide scale destruction of the Masquerade). This approval must be obtained \*before\* the reshaping actions take place.
- Character Background: Interaction with unique (named) Storyteller characters or major historical figures. This approval is waived if the interaction happens as part of storyline or chronicle interaction with officers on the Master Storyteller's staff.
- Character Background: Anything related to the Vatican: This also requires approval from the Italian affiliate.
- Custom mechanics: With guidelines for creation in sanctioned material. (Ie: Devotions, Rotes). [Custom Oaths, Crúac & Theban Sorcery & Fontal Rituals and Coils of the Dragon are not currently available.](#)
- Spirits: Rank 9+
- Spirits, etc: Use of a true Deity or divine entity from any religion.
- Changes to continuity on global lists.
- Anything impossible or disallowed in this addendum may be allowed with Global Approval. Any applications for such things must demonstrate overwhelming benefit for the chronicle.

**US Addendum Clarification:** Any item disallowed by the US Addendum (sections in gray boxes) may be allowed with Top Approval. Similar to the above section, such applications must demonstrate overwhelming benefit for the US chronicle and paradigm, not merely the character.

Unless otherwise specified in this document or appendices, characters may never have access to supernatural mechanics or benefits inherent to another character type or class (e.g. only True Members of the Carthian Movement may learn supernatural powers from the Carthians book). An exception is powers that are activated by one character that bestow benefits on another character (e.g. a member of the Invictus being given an item enhanced by Lancea Sanctum powers). These rules are often superseded by venue-specific details in this document's Appendices for items and mechanics that are commonly shared.

## Altered Levels of Approval

Becoming a character type or character class that a character usually wouldn't have access to requires an approval two steps higher than normal (e.g. a non-Invictus vampire character [joining a bloodline from the Invictus book](#) would require Global Approval rather than High Approval).

If your character resided (as a supernatural) for more than a year, or impacted on local affairs (as mortal or supernatural) in any area, you must get written approval from the local Storyteller of that area.

Performing in-character actions affecting a large area requires approval of the principal Storyteller with the lowest approval authority over that area (e.g. affecting New York City would require approval from the city's Domain Storyteller, affecting parts of Scotland and England would require approval from the UK National Storyteller).

The cross venue settings document on the MST website explains other types of cross-venue interaction, and must be followed.

## Grandfathering [U.1.06]

If something was listed as a specific approval level in previous rules document has increased in approval requirement here, it will be "grandfathered". In order to keep the approval, a notification must be sent to the same level as the item's new approval level. This section will change with each addendum update to address specific changes between versions.

The following items are not grandfathered;

- Custom mechanics are grandfathered but existing custom items will be reviewed by representatives of the Master Storyteller. They may be altered or removed from play.
- Clan and Covenant status approved at High is grandfathered but will be reviewed by that character's Top Approval Storyteller.

## Affiliates Without Global Approval Database Access [U.1.07]

If a player is from an affiliate that does not use the approvals database they are responsible for confirmation of items requiring special approval or notification when attending a game other than their home game. The confirmation (written or electronic) must

be from the highest approval Storyteller for each item. This is in addition to any other Venue Style Sheet requirements at the game being visited.

## Global Setting Review Guidelines [U.1.08]

The following guidelines have been established to be not acceptable for Custom Mechanics. Those items already approved by the Global Setting Review that may contradict these guidelines remain in play as approved.

- Cannot prevent another power from working.
- Cannot replicate a ritual or other power in part or whole (e.g. a Theban Sorcery version of Deflection of Wooden Doom).
- Cannot cause damage without a challenge.
- Cannot cause damage in response to an attack.
- Cannot allow inescapable killboxes.
- Cannot allow unstoppable fair escapes.
- Cannot provide more than one effect.
- Cannot allow other characters to access the user's powers (e.g. allowing another character to turn into mist via Body of Spirit).
- Cannot alter how a power works (e.g. a normally Instant action that becomes Reflexive).
- Cannot contradict the Addendum or setting.

## EXPERIENCE POINTS [U.2.00]

Player characters are either 'Primary' or 'Secondary' characters, created according to sanctioned material. Each player can have one Primary character in each venue, and can have a second Primary character in a single venue.

Any number of Secondary characters can be created. Players can voluntarily take fewer than the allocated starting dots.

Primary characters add experience points (xp) based on the Membership Class (MC) of their player;

They add 30 xp plus 20 xp per MC at creation. A bonus of 40 xp is given at MC 3, 6, 9, 12 and 14. E.g. At MC 5 a Primary character receives  $170 \text{ xp} - (30 + 5 * 20) + 40 = 170 \text{ xp}$ .

Secondary characters add 50 xp only, as if created at MC 1.

These xp are added after normal character creation is complete, before entering play (i.e. they cannot be spent on "creation only" merits). A maximum of 50% of this xp can be spent in a single area; Attributes, Skills, Supernatural Advantage, Merits or supernatural powers (e.g. Disciplines). The 50% rule doesn't apply to characters created at MC 1 or mundane characters in the Mortals venue.

**US Addendum Clarification:** In the Forsaken venue, Renown is a category of it's own for purposes of the 50% rule listed above.

Up to ten xp can be left unspent and saved; other unspent xp is lost when the character enters play.

When a player gains new MC levels, all their Primary characters add 20 xp per level gained (plus 40 xp gained at the MC milestones mentioned above). If a player loses MC levels, all their Primary characters lose xp equal to the worth of the MC. This may cause characters to go into "xp debt" (they do not lose dots from their sheet), which must be paid off before anything else is bought for that character.

**US Addendum Clarification:** If experience point debt occurs from other sources or reasons, this section is followed in the same manner; the debt must be paid off before purchasing anything else.

**US Addendum Clarification:** US members who have passed the old Ordeal "Wisdom of the Stage" may add 3 Experience Points to their characters at creation. These Experience Points are treated the same as Member Class granted Experience Points, with all the same limitations.

## Experience Point Earning [U.2.01]

After entering play a character can earn a maximum of 10 xp per month (exceptions noted in U.2.02)].

A maximum of 5 xp per game may be awarded. Storytellers can use the "After a Chapter" and "After a Story" systems described in MET if this is noted in the game's Venue Style Sheet.

A player's direct Storyteller can award up to 5 xp per month for activities not related to a game. E.g. bonuses for written downtimes, character journals, end-of-story bonuses, etc. **No more than 3 xp per month may be awarded for a single activity.**

**US Addendum Clarification:** While Storytellers cannot earn XP for Storytelling per se, Storytellers may, with Low approval, consider XP earned through Proxies, nonchallenge scenes, and email role-play as "Game experience awards," with the applicable limits from that section rather than "Non-game experience awards".

## Over-Cap Experience Points [U.2.02]

Each of the following awards can be earned in excess of the usual 10 xp monthly maximum. Multiple over-cap awards are cumulative unless noted, **but may not exceed 20 over-cap xp per year on any character.**

- Each US region and each Affiliate nation can sponsor **twelve** "Featured Game of the Month", **per venue per year.** These events can award up to **2** over-cap xp.
- Official regional conventions can award up to 4 over-cap xp for characters in each venue played.
- Official national conventions can award up to 6 over-cap xp for characters in each venue played.
- Official global events such as the International Camarilla Conclave can award as many over-cap xp as the Master Storyteller desires.
- For a well-played death scene, bonus xp points can be awarded to use on the player's next character in that venue. 5 xp can be awarded at Low Approval, 10 xp at High Approval or 20 xp at Top Approval. These awards are doubled for players who have been Camarilla members for less than six months. The awards are applied to the player's new character in the first month of play. "Good death" awards can only be approved for a player once a year.

Unless otherwise specified, all such awards must be entered on the approvals database (where available) at Low Approval. If players have portrayed multiple characters in the same game session they can split the over-cap xp between the characters (the full bonus is not applied to both characters) as they see fit.

**US Addendum Addition:** Over-cap awards from cross-venue play (such as playing a Forsaken PC at a Requiem FGotM) require High Approval in the US Camarilla.

## PLAYER CHARACTERS [U.3.00]

### Character Sanctioning and Records [U.3.01]

The player's direct Storyteller must approve all their characters for that particular venue. Any time there is a discrepancy between the player's copy and the copy on record, the Storyteller's copy is considered accurate.

A complete character record includes: character sheet, verification of any special approvals, and an experience point log. The experience point log details how starting dots were spent at creation and how xp was spent afterwards. It will list games attended and xp awards. All xp awards must be dated.

### Retirement [U.3.02]

A player can choose to retire a character. Once retired, the character becomes an NPC under the control of the player's direct Storyteller (or the temporary supervision of the supervising Storyteller of a particular game or convention). The character's activities are then limited to resolving unfinished business with other player characters or story elements, unless both the player and the Storyteller have agreed the character can become a recurring NPC.

Dead characters may not be resurrected.

## Character History [U.3.03]

Players should create well-researched background with tie-ins with other player characters. Player characters cannot genuinely have been major historical figures or fictional characters. No character can be made to engage in activities that would immediately set off real-world alarm bells (avoid IRA bombers, Nazi torturers, etc). Storytellers are strongly encouraged to deny any backgrounds that may lead to conflict with real world authorities or civic organizations. Any references to real world terrorist organizations in emails or other communications must include a clear disclaimer that the communication is a prop for entertainment.

Avoid reusing names from current or prior White Wolf works or other copyrighted fiction.

## Character Knowledge [U.3.04]

Characters have access to in-character (IC) information applicable to their venue and type. E.g. a Forsaken character would usually have access to casual knowledge from Werewolf: The Forsaken and from books or portions of books specific to her character type and class.

Characters who have had contact with or studied another type of creature or supernatural society, and can produce specialized knowledge on the topic, require special approval. They must have a minimum of 1 dot of the Occult skill, with a speciality in their area of expertise.

Common sense should be applied. Information stated in published material to be commonly known does not require a specialty. Information stated in published material to be particularly secret or rare may be unavailable even with a specialty. This rule is not intended to affect knowledge acquired "in game". See the document ["Thoughts on Character Knowledge"](#) on the Master Storyteller website.

## STORYTELLER CHARACTERS (ANTAGONISTS) [U.4.00]

Each NPC must be approved by a principal Storyteller. NPCs are created like player characters but are not subject to approval limitations that specify "player characters".

Storyteller characters can be built with xp equating to MC 10 (or the Storyteller's own MC if higher). Additional xp can be added, up to 20 xp per month since January 2005.

## Spirits and Ghosts [U.4.01]

Spirits and ghosts can spend a maximum of 50% of their normal Essence pool per turn. [Spending Essence to increase pools is an exception to \[U.1.04\]. The bonus derived from Essence does not count as part of the +/- 15 limit.](#)

**US Addendum Addition:** NPCs may not be utilized either as the target of powers that would give PCs long term or permanent benefit nor as the source of such powers. This limitation may be waived, on an individual, case-by-case, basis with High Approval.

For example, the Oath of Blood Loyalty may not be give disciplines to NPCs nor used to receive them from NPCs. It is not the intent of this section to prevent characters from using Possession, powers that enhance feeding, or powers such as Stalwart Servant, which are explicitly designed to apply to retainers.

Pledges in the Lost venue are an exception to this rule. Storytellers must remain vigilant to ensure Pledges confer a risk/burden as well as a reward, even when made with NPCs.

## SYSTEMS [U.5.00]

Testing for all venues is performed using systems presented in Mind's Eye Theatre. Dice pools equate to draw bonuses (with the exception of "multi-draws" detailed below). If a tabletop source book calls for a system permutation, use the live-action version (MET p181-184).

All Morality draws (including creature type versions such as Humanity, Harmony and Wisdom) use the "multi-draw" system of pulling multiple cards (MET p101-102). Bonuses or penalties add or remove draws.

There is conflicting text regarding the maximum number of characters that can attack a target at the same time. MET p26 is correct – four attackers maximum.

There is conflicting text regarding Willpower being spent to bolster a draw. A Willpower point adds +2 to a Resistance Attribute during a resisted test or to Defense (when the Willpower user is not making a draw). When used to bolster the spender's draw, including a contested resistance draw, it adds +3.

### **Limitations to One-Shot-Kills [U.5.01]**

Any powers or mechanics that would incapacitate or completely paralyze a character are modified for sanctioned play. Any single test that would deny a target their Defense for subsequent attacks now allows them to retain their Defense. It takes High Approval to bypass this restriction, with the exception of vampiric staking which requires no special approval. The grappling maneuver "immobilize" does not place a character in a killing blow situation.

### **Poisons and Toxins [U.5.02]**

No poison or toxin inflicts its damage all at once. A minimum of one turn passes before a toxin begins to take effect. Damage is inflicted at the rate of no faster than one per turn, minute or hour, depending on substance. A resistance draw is made each time damage would be imposed until a number of tests equal to the poison's toxicity have been made. Multiple applications of a toxin add virulence to the total number of draws made, they do not mean multiple draws at a time.

### **Weapons and Equipment [U.5.03]**

New weapons and armor are allowed if their mechanics are identical to existing standard weapons, or if the mechanics make those statistics worse.

The range of a derringer is 10 yards.

Bulletproof armor does not downgrade crossbow bolt/arrow damage to bashing. Attacks from non-firearms projectile weapons (e.g. crossbows) are made using the attacker's choice of Firearms or Athletics, and do not deny the target their Defense.

Storytellers may allow player characters to occasionally use improvised weaponry to inflict aggravated damage, but these will not be common or part of a planned attack. This does not apply to other means of inflicting aggravated damage as per sanctioned material. Storyline effects that inflict aggravated damage to supernaturals require no special approvals but should be carefully monitored.

### **Proxy Play [U.5.04]**

"Proxy" refers to sending your character sheet to a Storyteller other than your own, to portray a character without your physical presence. 48 hours must be given to the Storyteller supervising the scene, unless they give an exception. A Low Storyteller email approving a proxy to commence is sufficient.

To proxy a character the player must provide a character sheet, a brief description of intentions, motivations, personality and reactions to possible situations.

When proxying, a player grants the Storyteller all rights to the character for the duration of the proxy. Storytellers may modify proxy rules further in their Venue Style Sheets.

Storytellers must keep players informed of proxy progress, providing updates at least on a weekly basis, and must portray proxied characters to the best of their ability and in keeping with the player's proxy instructions.

### **Economies of Scale in Venue Style Sheets [U.5.05]**

Storytellers can set up their own guidelines for monitoring commodities that fuel supernatural creatures, e.g. Vitae, Essence etc. These must be recorded in the Venue Style Sheet.

## Exceeding Limits [U.5.06]

No effect allows a character to exceed normal expenditure limits of vitae, essence, mana, pyros, glamour or willpower unless otherwise stated in this addendum or a White Wolf book.

## MERITS [U.6.00]

All venues use the simple or graduated Merit cost described in MET p32. Simple cost merits have a single rating or an "or" separating listed ratings. E.g. Fast Reflexes is a simple cost merit as it is rated "1 or 2" rather than "1 to 2".

### Gaining and Losing Merits [U.6.01]

If a player character acquires ownership or access to something in-game that would normally be represented by Merit dots, they must pay the requisite xp after a one month period and the new Merit dots be added to their character sheet. This can result in xp debt. This cannot be avoided by passing ownership of items back and forth or leaving them in convenient locations where they are not "owned" but access is easy.

Merit dots are lost permanently when the things they represent are lost or destroyed (e.g. a fetish is broken, a retainer is killed). A player's direct Storyteller decides if attempts to destroy Merit dots are permanent or temporarily successful. Note such changes in a character's experience log. Storytellers may temporarily remove or reduce Merits as part of a story if those Merits are later recoverable without xp expenditure.

If a character loses dots in a shared Merit such as Haven or Totem the Storyteller should give the remaining invested characters the chance to cover the loss themselves with xp expenditure.

### Specific Item Merits [U.6.02]

Characters can possess multiple versions of Merits that represent specific items, people or places. Allies, Haven, Herd, Retainers, Sanctum, Hollow, Status are not cumulative when determining the maximum rating for a Merit. E.g. a character can have a dozen 3-dot Retainers without exceeding the Merit rating (1 to 5).

**US Addendum Clarification:** For feeding tests, while a character may have multiple Herd or Havens (with Location points) only a single instance of Herd and Haven (Location) are applicable to any given feeding test. The bonus applicable from each of those categories is limited to +5 each.

### Magic Item Merits [U.6.03]

Merits for magic items are simple-cost Merits. These items are not considered custom items if built strictly according to existing creation rules. All such items must be entered on the database (where available) for tracking purposes. 5 dot items and above are High Approval unless different levels are defined elsewhere.

### Merit-based Storyteller Characters [U.6.04]

The Large Scale Game mechanics option is used to create Retainers (MET p146). Allies, Mentors, Retainers and similar Merit-based NPCs are created and portrayed by the Storyteller.

Such NPCs that represent or interact with government agencies require the special approval of the Storyteller with jurisdiction over that level of agency or body. E.g. Having contacts in the FBI requires Top Approval from the US National Storyteller, to influence the Red Cross would require Global Approval).

Retainers can have lesser templates specific to the character's venue (e.g. ghouls in Requiem, sleepwalker in Awakening, etc) at Low Approval and supernatural templates native to the character's venue at High Approval. Retainers cannot be any type of supernatural creature from another venue unless specifically allowed in this supplement. Vampire regnants must pay the monthly Willpower costs to upkeep their ghoul Retainers.

## Fighting Style Merits [U.6.05]

Boxing, Kung-Fu and Two-Weapon Fighting may not be used with any form of shapeshifting power, whether that is natural claws and teeth, Feeding the Crone, supernatural claws or any effects that transform the user into inhuman shapes. The Werewolf Dalu form is an exception to this.

## Society Status Merits (Generic Rules) [U.6.07]

The Status Merit in the Mind's Eye Theatre book is not available for supernatural organizations. Any status in a supernatural group not specifically detailed in the relevant venue book is not sanctioned for play. **Player attempts to develop large scale in-character supernatural groups/organizations which might warrant a formal status system are advised to contact their relevant venue AMST.**

**US Addendum Clarification:** Status means, in part, as being perceived as a member of that group or organization. It is not the same as that group respecting an outsider. For instance, a Gangrel character with a lot of Mekhet friends and allies does not have Mekhet Clan status. If, however, that Gangrel character were to "go native" to the point where everyone thought he was a Mekhet, then it is possible to apply for Mekhet clan status.

## Fame (Generic Rules) [U.6.08]

The Merit Fame is renown and recognition within the Mortal world. Fame in a supernatural community is not sanctioned for play.

## Multipliers and Speed [U.6.09]

When a multiplier is given, e.g. for Speed, animal forms or Celerity, or something gives "double" or "best of two" abilities, these add and do not multiply. E.g. the Gunslinger Merit and Time 2 "Glimpse of the Future" both provide the better of two draws, and if used together would provide the best of three draws, not the best of four.

## CHAPTER TWO – REQUIEM [R.0.00]

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This chapter incorporates Mind's Eye Theatre Requiem (WW50001) into the Camarilla chronicle.

Only the following optional rules are used; True Covenant Status (p135), Deceitful Creatures (p162), Soul Shards (p224), Travel and Vampiric Gatherings (p18). Storytellers may use the Price of Blood (p327) if described in their Venue Style Sheet. The Fourth Tradition (p21) is available if approved in the Venue Style Sheet.

## CHARACTERS [R.1.00]

### Backgrounds [R.1.01]

It is High Approval to have existed prior to 1650AD. It is Top Approval to have existed prior to 1000AD. It is Global Approval to be a Pre-Longinian character and not usually permissible.

Having sired children in background (before the character enters play) does not require expenditure of a Willpower dot.

**US Addendum Clarification:** Altering a character history to include additional historical Embraces does not require approval as a character re-write (if that is all it does), nor does it cost a retroactive Willpower dot loss.

### Ghouls [R.1.02]

Player character ghouls may have vampire merits with High Approval. They may learn their regnant's covenant specific powers with Top Approval. They cannot learn Coils of the Dragon.

### Blood Potency [R.1.03]

Physical augmentation with Vitae is limited. When a character spends vitae to add to physical test pools the applied bonus from that Vitae can be no higher than the natural unmodified Attribute or +5, whichever is higher. Physical augmentation from Vitae to

increase physical test pools is an exception to [U.1.04]. The bonus derived from physical augmentation does not count as part of the +/- 15 limit.

Player characters who must feed from vampires must feed from other player characters (not storyteller characters or other mechanisms).

## Humanity [R.1.04]

It is Top Approval to make a step towards Golconda (just buying Humanity does not count). Achieving Golconda is Global Approval.

**US Addendum Alteration:** The daytime Humanity cap does not affect draws that do not target other characters. All resistance draws, for instance, are unaffected by the daytime Humanity cap.

## Diablerie [R.1.05]

If a player character diablerizes it must be logged as a High Notification in the approvals database (where available). The notification must include information on all players and characters involved, and what was gained from the diablerie. Diablerising NPCs provides no benefits to the diablerist but they do give the usual downsides. Background diablerie does not require tracking.

## ORGANIZATIONS [R.2.00]

### Bloodline [R.2.01]

It is High Approval for player characters to join Bloodlines from sanctioned material. It should not be particularly difficult to join a bloodline in game if recruited by another player character. Storytellers should hesitate to approve bloodlines specific to a geographical area, it may be better to create a custom bloodline with a similar theme rather than write a canon-bending story to justify the sanctioned bloodline.

**US Addendum:** The following Bloodlines are Top Approval instead of High:  
Architects of the Monolith (Bloodlines the Hidden)  
Bohagande (Bloodlines the Hidden)  
Gethsemani (Bloodlines the Hidden)  
Gorgon (Circle of the Crone)

Characters creating or joining bloodlines before entering play must satisfy the Blood Potency requirements at the time they enter play, despite any background description of torpor after achieving the bloodline in the character's history. When applying for a custom bloodline a character may "rediscover" a bloodline created in history (rather than "create" a new one ICly) but must still meet the same requirements as a bloodline founder. For player-created custom bloodlines that no longer have active characters in play, it is Top Approval to rediscover them.

Custom bloodlines that add Animalism, Celerity, Obfuscate, Resilience or Vigor to the existing discipline set and are only for a single clan require High Approval to create (despite the presence of custom mechanics for the bloodline weakness).

Custom bloodlines that meet one of the following criteria are Top Approval:

- Has two or more Uncommon Disciplines (Auspex, Dominate, Majesty, Nightmare, Protean);
- Swaps out two of the three favored clan disciplines;
- Allows two or more clans to join.

Custom bloodlines cannot duplicate Unique Disciplines in whole or in part (e.g. a Daeva bloodline with Obtenbration is not allowed). No bloodline may have two custom disciplines.

To enter play as part of a custom bloodline requires agreement from the player of the most senior character in that bloodline (usually the bloodline founder). This is not required for characters who find a way to join in game.

**US Addendum (MOIRAI):** Joining the Moirai requires Top Approval, however the plotline's first phase has been closed, so new applications are unlikely to be accepted. For now, the Moirai may not have Clan Status: Moirai. Characters sired by the Moirai conform to the original clan of their parent, not to the Moirai's current discipline set and clan flaw, but may be avused into the Moirai at BP 2, as per usual structures.

The Moirai are a plotline, not a stable addition to the US chronicle, and players must expect significant changes as the plotline evolves. Information on the Moirai is available from the NST's office, and changes will be made available to players and STs with each step of the ongoing plot.

## **MERITS [R.3.00]**

### **Society Status Merits (Clan and Covenant) [R.3.01]**

Please also refer to [Appendix 3 – Requiem Status Guidelines](#)

#### **Clan**

It is Top Approval for ghouls to have Clan Status. They may have Covenant status 1 with High, 2 with Top and 3 or more with Global Approval.

Clan or Covenant Status 3 is Mid Approval, 4 is High Approval and 5 is Top Approval. A character cannot enter play with more than 2 dots of Clan or Covenant status. Characters must wait a number of months equal to twice the dots of status they are gaining between increases in Clan or Covenant status dots, including regaining dots stripped in game. (e.g., if a character gained Crone Status 4 in January, ten months would have to pass before they can apply for Crone status 5).

Clan and Covenant status is free. All xp spent on Clan or Covenant status will be refunded (this includes xp spent on status which was subsequently stripped). Merit dots spent at character creation on Clan or Covenant status may be reassigned to other Merits, with the exception of Blood Potency or Merits specified as Creation Only.

It is High Approval to have status in a different Clan than the character's real clan. It is Top Approval to hold status in a second Clan. If a character holds status in more than one clan they are limited to a total of 3 status across those Clans.

#### **Covenant**

Changing True Covenant status is Top Approval. This applies if a character has ever previously held True Covenant status – i.e. if they are changing Covenant directly or have spent time Unaligned. It is a separate Top Approval for a character to keep Covenant specific benefits of their previous Covenant if they change Covenant or become Unaligned. If the benefits are lost no xp is refunded.

It is Top Approval to hold True Covenant Status in two Covenants. It is Global Approval to hold True Covenant Status in both the Invictus and the Carthian Movement. It is not possible to hold True Covenant Status in more than two Covenants simultaneously.

A character must have True Covenant Status and at least a single dot of status to utilize Covenant specific benefits.

It is High Approval for a character to purchase status in a Covenant that they do not have True Covenant Status in.

If a character has status in more than one Covenant they are limited to a total of 5 status across those Covenants. It is Top Approval to hold status 3 or 4 in one Covenant if the character also holds status in another.

Outside the nation that a status level was approved in, Clan or Covenant status is considered to be one lower. This limitation can be removed with Global Approval.

Publicly giving up membership in a Covenant leads to an immediate loss of all dots in that Covenant's status and removal from Covenant specific groups, lists etc.

#### **Covenant Positions**

There is no status requirement to hold Covenant positions. Some positions may require an approval to hold.

## Status Stripping and Expulsion

The Storyteller must inform the affected player when the declaration to strip status [or expel from the covenant](#) is made public.

Stripping status requires 10 x the level of status of the character being stripped. [Expulsion from a covenant requires 20 x the level of status of the character being expelled](#). There is no requirement to have support from characters of the same status level (e.g. 50 status 1 characters may strip a status 5).

A public in-character censure of the target character must be made. This must have a clear out-of-character note explaining the attempt to strip status [or expel from the covenant](#), list all characters (and their status) supporting the attempt, and the total status in support. The note must give contact details of the supervising Storyteller.

Characters may defend themselves by getting support from other characters opposed to the strip/[expulsion](#). They have 14 days to gather support, from when the supervising Storyteller tells them of the attempted strip. The strip is cancelled if equal or more status dots oppose the attempted strip than support it. If a character who previously supported the strip changes their mind and opposes it, they must do so publicly and in-character.

50% of the minimum support for a strip must come from within the nation of the character being stripped. If there is not enough status in a nation to make 50% achievable, that nation's NST shall use their own judgment to decide if national support warrants a successful strip.

If a character fails to strip their target they may not attempt to strip the same target for 90 days. [Only the Invictus and Lancea Sanctum Covenants may expel members per Mind's Eye Theatre: Requiem](#). [All Covenants may make use of the status stripping mechanics](#).

**US Addendum Clarification:** The Storyteller, in such cases, need not go through the normal process for status removal. They may remove the status; though the reason for doing so should be explicitly stated.

## Loaned Status

A character can loan their status to another character. The character receiving the loan is considered to have the same status as the character making the loan, in specified situations. The conditions that the status can be used in should be detailed, and the supervising Storyteller of the scene has final call on whether loaned status can be used in that situation. Loaned status is not cumulative with a character's existing status. Loaning status is "all or nothing", a character cannot loan part of their status. You cannot loan status outside Clan or Covenant (e.g. a member of the Lancea Sanctum cannot loan their Covenant status to a member of the Invictus).

To use loaned status a player must provide an item card or other proof from the player whose character is loaning the status. This must provide; the name of the character loaning the status, their domain and region, their supervising ST contact details, verification of any approvals related to the status, and a short description of the situation the status may be used in.

Loaned status is subject to normal status restrictions, based on the approval jurisdiction of the character loaning the status.

## Kindred Legend [R.3.02]

The Kindred Legend merit is a vampire-specific equivalent of Fame, including mechanical benefits. See MET p142.

Kindred Legend is a 5 dot merit. Kindred Legend 1-3 is Global Approval. Kindred Legend 4-5 is reserved for use by the Master Storyteller.

The Kindred Legend merit can be specified as relating to a small set or subculture. These are limited to; Clan, Covenant, Nation, Bloodline. Approval levels for these subcultures are unchanged. More limited [supernatural](#) subcultures [should be reflected in character background and through roleplay](#).

Kindred Legend doesn't need to mean positive standing. It does not require a character to be respected or obeyed. The positive modifier (as per Fame) to social interaction does not benefit pools for supernatural powers. A character who has the Kindred Legend based on negative standing or infamy gains +1 to Intimidation.

Kindred Legend costs xp as per normal Merit costs. It cannot be purchased at character creation. Approval may be removed by members of the character's ST chain.

## **DISCIPLINES, DEVOTIONS AND RITUALS [R.4.00]**

Disciplines at level 6 and above are not available (and cannot artificially be made available by any power).

Only player characters can teach Disciplines that require teachers as per MET Requiem. The basic Disciplines (those described in Mind's Eye Theatre: Requiem) are Low Approval to learn, regardless of clan. Unique Disciplines cannot be taught to any character not of that bloodline, including ghouls.

Devotions from sanctioned material are Low Approval to learn provided the character has the prerequisites. Devotions associated with a bloodline cannot be learned by those who are not members of that bloodline.

It is Global Approval to develop custom devotions as per MET Requiem. It is High Approval to learn a custom devotion from a player character teacher. Custom devotions cannot be taught by NPCs. Custom devotions can't be learned in background unless they are part of a custom bloodline application (maximum of two devotions).

A character can only have one pending custom power application at any time, and can only be approved for one custom power which they developed themselves every 6 months of in-game time. E.g. as of August 2007 a chronicle length character should have no more than 5 custom powers they developed themselves. Characters with more than five custom powers should consider these grandfathered, but can't develop more until the age of the chronicle "catches up".

The xp cost for custom devotions is usually three times the total number of Discipline dots needed (e.g. a devotion requiring Dominate 2 and Resilience 3 would cost 15 xp). The creation must know all the required Discipline dots before the devotion can be approved.

A character must spend a number of months studying and developing, equal to whichever Discipline has the highest number of dots in the devotion. This waiting period starts when the devotion is approved.

Custom devotions can never banish the banes of vampiric existence (e.g. a custom devotion using Resilience could not make a vampire less vulnerable to sunlight).

Custom devotions cannot significantly modify existing Discipline powers or overcome their limitations, although some book published devotions do this. E.g. a devotion to make a Discipline power reflexive instead of instant would not normally be allowed.

Custom devotions can't replicate existing Discipline powers, devotions or sorcery, even in a weaker form. The same limitation, in broader terms, applies to the powers of other supernatural creatures.

**US Addendum Clarification:** The exception to mirroring other Devotions is lifted for the purpose of following guidelines handed down by National or Global Storytellers. For example, if an Obtenebration Devotion is published using a specific set of mechanics, then other Devotions that employ the same mechanics are not only allowed, but encouraged.

## **Clash of Wills (Auspex) [R.4.01]**

There is an editing error in MET Requiem p159. Use this system instead;

A character with Auspex that encounters a use of Obfuscate can draw Wits + Investigation + Auspex to establish a number of Clash of Wills successes. These successes last for an hour and are compared to activation successes for Obfuscate to see if the Auspex user can pierce them. The Auspex user needs more successes than the Obfuscate user, unless the Obfuscate power was activated under their direct observation, in which case they need equal successes to pierce the Obfuscate.

Obfuscate users must record the number of successes gained on activation of Obfuscate powers.

Players cannot redraw Clash of Wills or reactivate Obfuscate to achieve more successes. It is the players, not the characters, who know the number of successes.

Clash of Wills can pierce the effects of Obfuscate based devotions or, at Storyteller discretion, other illusory effects.

**US Addendum Alteration:** Characters using the third or fifth dot of Obfuscate may not initiate a supernatural challenge targeting an unwilling character without becoming visible. Non-supernatural challenges don't break Obfuscate, nor does activating a supernatural power that doesn't require a challenge. Characters may freely use the first two dots of Auspex without risk of breaking their Obfuscate even if the Auspex targets an unwilling character.

### **Twilight Projection (Auspex) [R.4.02]**

A character in Twilight Projection can use the Auspex powers Heightened Senses, Aura Perception and Spirit's Touch. No other powers will function, including Auspex based Devotions unless specified in their description.

A character whose body is destroyed while in Twilight Projection needs Top Approval to continue its existence.

### **Sovereignty (Majesty) [R.4.03]**

Ignore the MET Requiem text describing this power being used against repeated aggressions. Sovereignty is only tested against any one character once per scene. The Majesty loses ties in a contested draw. The test result dictates if a character can attack the Sovereignty user for the rest of the scene. An attempt to break Sovereignty doesn't count towards the maximum number of characters who can attack the Sovereign vampire in a turn.

### **Haven of Soil (Protean) [R.4.04]**

Gangrel cannot move while interred in the earth with this Discipline.

### **Shape of the Beast (Protean) [R.4.05]**

Different animal shapes provide different mechanical benefits. The form's size must be appropriate to the animal shape.

Four of the following options can be taken for each animal form. Each option can be taken once only unless otherwise specified:

- Claws inflict lethal damage
- Bite is possible without a grapple
- +1 bonus to attack pools
- Running speed is doubled
- Form capable of flight at regular speeds (Speed 1 when not flying)
- +3 to mundane perception tests with a specified sense
- +2 to mundane perception tests with any sense
- +2 Defense if form is smaller than size 5
- +1 size (can be chosen twice)
- +2 bonus to non-combat task

A character's base Attributes remain unchanged in the new form. Reduced Size reduces Strength and Health level bonuses to a minimum of 1 but doesn't count as an Advantage.

Primarily aquatic forms have swimming as their primary movement type. Ground based movement is dropped to Speed 1, air-based movement is impossible.

**US Addendum Clarification:** Size alterations apply to health levels as well. Taking +1 size grants +1 Health. Taking a reduced size (for example, size one from a bat) would lower a character's health levels by the applicable amount.

### **Vigor [R.4.06]**

Vigor adds to Athletics tests for jumping. It does not allow "flight like" leaps. Vigor applies to holding on and breaking free of grappling, but not to initiating a grapple.

## **Dominate [R.4.07]**

A subject unable to act because of use of Dominate can defend themselves normally if attacked.

## **Rituals [R.4.08]**

Ignore the Extended Actions and Sorcery sidebar, MET Requiem p97. All costs and expenditures for a ritual are paid on the first turn of casting (unless the ritual description says costs are paid over multiple turns). The ritual is completed on the turn when as many successes as the ritual's level are accrued. Only the final draw is used when opposing a resistance draw or determining the effectiveness of a ritual based on its description.

e.g. A character casts Blood Scourge, a level 1 ritual. On the first turn they pay the Willpower point inherent to Theban Sorcery, and the Vitae required for the specific ritual. The player draws 3 successes. The target number of 1 success is met, the ritual is completed that turn. That was also the final draw of an extended test, so 3 successes are used to determine the ritual's particulars (the weapon lasts for three turns).

## **CHAPTER THREE: FORSAKEN [F.0.00]**

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This chapter incorporates Werewolf: The Forsaken (WW30000) into the Camarilla chronicle.

### **CHARACTERS [F.1.00]**

#### **Enhanced Form Bonuses [F.1.01]**

The physical attribute bonuses for Uratha alternate forms are doubled. This also affects derived Advantages (e.g. Speed). Storytellers have the option to not make use of this rule if specified in their Venue Style Sheet. The enhanced form bonuses rule is always used in cross-venue interaction. The physical attribute bonuses for Uratha alternate forms are an exception to [U.1.04]. The bonus derived from alternative forms does not count as part of the + / - 15 limit.

#### **Bale Hounds and Pure [F.1.02]**

Bale Hounds and Pure are Global Approval as player characters. Ex-Pure are Top Approval as player characters and cannot have an Auspice. [Idigam are Top Approval](#). [Spider Hosts \(Azlu\) and Rat Hosts \(Beshilu\) are Low Approval](#). [Crow Hosts \(Halaku\) and Locust Hosts \(Srizaku\) are High Approval](#). [Snake Hosts \(Razilu\) and other Hosts require Global Approval](#).

#### **Background [F.1.03]**

It is High Approval to have existed since 1905AD or earlier, Top Approval to have existed since 1885AD or earlier, Global Approval to have existed since 1850AD or earlier.

### **ORGANIZATIONS [F.2.00]**

#### **Lodge [F.2.01]**

Standard published Lodges are High Approval to join in character background or by induction from an NPC. They are High Notification if a player character member indoctrinates the character in game. Storytellers should hesitate to approve Lodges that are specific to other geographical areas, which would require elaborate canon-bending justifications.

Characters can only ever gain mechanical benefits from a single Lodge (with which they have "True Lodge Status"). E.g. a character leaving the Lodge of Garm can still purchase Athletics, Brawl, Persuasion and Weaponry at reduced cost. If the character joins another Lodge they gain no mechanical benefits.

It is Top Approval to have membership in a non-Forsaken Lodge either in game or in background.

**US Addendum Alteration:** The True Lodge Status mechanic is not used in the US Camarilla chronicle. If a character leaves a lodge, they lose the benefits of that lodge. This may result in experience point debt from, for example, items that no longer receive cost breaks or from fetishes retained.

## MERITS [F.3.00]

### Fetishes [F.3.01]

It is Low Approval but must be logged on the database (where available) to create a new Fetish. Use the Fetish Creation Mechanics in Lore of the Forsaken (p144-149). It is a level 2 power (+20 Fetish points) to make a Fetish useable by wolf-blooded. **5 dot Fetishes are High Approval; this is not grandfathered.**

**US Addendum Alteration:** Fetishes of level 4 require High Approval. Fetishes of level 5 require Top Approval.

**US Addendum Alteration:** Talens are created per Lore of the Forsaken, and do not cost experience points. However, a PC is limited to a total number of Talens equal to their Harmony.

### Totem [F.3.02]

Totems cannot make use of more than 25 of the Totem Merit points invested in them. If changes to the Totem negate a Totem cost discount, the additional Merit point cost must be covered at the time of change.

## GIFTS [F.4.00]

**US Addendum Clarification:** If gifts and/or rites that normally provide bonuses or impose penalties equal to the user's renown, Primal Urge, or Arcanum rating are taken as numina, then the spirit's bonus or the penalty imposed on opponents is equal to the spirit's rank.

### Attunement (Full Moon) [F.4.01]

Defense ignored is equal to the user's Primal Urge, not half of the user's Primal Urge.

### Death Grip (Full Moon) [F.4.02]

Ignore the sentence "Once a hold is achieved and maintained, the character gains an additional six dice to rolls for overpowering maneuvers to bite the target are doubled." The rest of the text is applicable.

**US Addendum Alteration:** The phrase "once a hold is achieved and maintained" requires that a grapple be achieved before this gift can be activated. As both a grapple and a bite attack are Instant actions, they cannot take place during the same round; thus this gift cannot be activated the same round a grapple is achieved.

### Feet of Mist (Stealth) [F.4.03]

The cost to activate this Gift is one Essence, not one Willpower.

### Rage Armor (Full moon) [F.4.05]

Rage Armor receives one level per success, not per two successes.

**US Addendum Alteration (Rites):** In the US Camarilla chronicle, casting of Rites uses the Multi-Draw system similar to that referenced in U.6.00.

Under this system, a character will draw a number of times equal to their Harmony score. Modifiers, such as performing the rite at a Locus, increase or decrease the number of draws. Consult Werewolf the Forsaken, page 149 for such modifiers.

When such rites are contested, the contested pool draws in the same manner; thus a spirit with a Resistance attribute of 3 would draw 3 times under the multi-draw system when resisting "Bind Spirit".

Teamwork on Rites is permitted per the same rules on WtF, page 148.

**US Addendum Alteration:** The Rite “Bind Spirit” is an instant action and is contested by the spirit’s Resistance. This contested test is reflexive.

## CHAPTER FOUR: AWAKENING [A.0.00]

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This chapter incorporates Mage: The Awakening (WW40000) into the Camarilla chronicle.

Only the following optional rules are used; Mana Bleed (p 64), Order Expulsion (p 123), Tie to the Land (p 133), Modifying Spell Factors (p 147), Don’t Point That Thing at My Planet (p 150), Relinquishing Control of Spells (p 151), Special Spell Factors (p 152-155), Paradox Mitigation (p 158), Creative Thaumaturgy (p 194-198), Permanently Altering Fates (p 229), Influences Numina and The Forsaken (p 419).

For the purposes of the Camarilla Awakening chronicle, a ‘Chapter’ is defined as one calendar week.

### CHARACTERS [A.1.00]

#### Backgrounds [A.1.01]

Player characters require High Approval to have existed since 1905 or earlier, Top Approval to have existed since 1855 or earlier, or Global Approval to have existed since 1805 or earlier.

#### Storyteller Characters [A.1.02]

Ananke and the Bound require Top Approval for Storytellers to use.

### ORGANIZATIONS [A.2.00]

#### Order [A.2.01]

Player characters have “True Order Status” and are only members of a single order for the purposes of learning Rotes, accessing Merits etc. It is High Approval to hold status dots in multiple Orders. A character may never have more than three dots total in Order Status among multiple orders. **True Order Status in multiple Orders is available at Top Approval.**

If a character learns basic mechanical advantages of an Order (e.g. Order specific Rotes or Legacy) or type-specific items such as Merits it is High Approval to change True Order Status. Characters that change their True Order Status to join an Order other than their first) do not learn new Rote specialties and retain the Rote Mudras of their initial Order.

Order Status reflects a large scale system for a global game. Status 1 characters are well-established members of their order. Status 2 comes with long-term recognition and indicates a high level of importance within a city or interconnected multi-city area. Status 3 (High Approval) indicates significant prominence within a state, province, or other large regional area. Status 4 (Top Approval) represents a national influence, and Status 5 (Global Approval) indicates multi-national or truly global recognition.

The Camarilla does not require use of the mechanical rules for Increasing Order Status, including the caps on number of characters at a particular level and the requirement for numerical support to raise Status. The use of praiseworthy deeds and status support, however, may serve as a guide to approving Storytellers. For purposes of Stripping Order Status, the Camarilla chronicle requires a number of points in Order Status (after subtracting blocking dots) equal to ten times the character’s Order Status, and therefore equal to twenty times the character’s Order Status for Order Expulsion. If there is not enough status in a nation to make these numbers achievable, that nation’s NST shall use their own judgment to decide if national support warrants a successful strip/expulsion.

Characters may not begin play with more than 2 dots of Order Status.

#### Legacy [A.2.02]

It is Mid Approval to join a Legacy if recruited by a player character in game. It is High Approval to join otherwise. Storytellers should hesitate to approve Legacies that are specific to other geographical areas, or whose membership is supposed to be rare or restricted. It is Top Approval to join Left-Handed or antagonist Legacies. A character may be mentored into a Legacy at two approval levels higher if they don’t meet parent Path/Order requirements.

**US Addendum:** The following Legacies have higher approval levels in the US Camarilla Chronicle:

Perfected Adepts are High Approval with PC recruitment and Top Approval otherwise. The increased approval level required for not meeting Path / Order requirements still applies.

Custom Legacies don't require the applicant's character to be the creator, but the character must fulfil the Gnosis requirements. To enter play as part of a custom Legacy, the player of the active character most senior in that Legacy must agree. This requirement is waived if characters find a way to join in-game. The approval level to join an approved custom legacy is the same as a canon legacy.

## **REALMS [A.3.00]**

With the exception of a single Awakening per Mage, characters cannot access the Supernal World or other unique areas such as the Underworld. It is High Approval for characters to access the Abyss. Abyssal verges require High Approval.

## **MERITS [A.4.00]**

### **Artifact [A.4.01]**

Artifacts require High Approval. Artifacts listed in the source books are unique but can serve as examples for Storytellers who are creating their own.

### **Enhanced Item [A.4.02]**

Enhanced Items can be created in game by spells of indefinite Duration. Matter spells can make "Special Property" alterations. Specific listed alterations require:

- Alter Integrity (for Increased Durability or Increased Structure)
- Alter Efficiency (for Increased Equipment Bonus)
- Alter Size (for Decreased Size from Guardians of the Veil or Increased Size)

Several Enhanced Items cannot be combined (e.g. a self repairing engine cannot be placed inside a car with bulletproof windows). Enhanced Items can be treated as Imbued, e.g. a 3 dot spell and two 2 dot spells would create a 5 dot Enhanced Item.

The Mana capacity cannot exceed the Enhanced Item Merit rating.

Any effect used to improve an item makes that item an Enhanced Item equal to the level of the effect used. E.g. Self Repairing Machines are 5 dot effects and items with such an improvement are 5 dot Enhanced Items. This is only used where another method doesn't already apply.

### **Imbued Item [A.4.03]**

Replace the sentence "Lasting Duration spells are considered persistent powers, but all other effects are considered contingent that require a trigger" with "Indefinite Duration spells are considered persistent powers, but all other effects are considered contingent that require a trigger".

Imbued Items rated higher than five can only be made in-game.

If an item is both Enhanced and Imbued, calculate the rating limitations as though it were two separate items, one Enhanced and one Imbued.

When creating Imbued Items, Top approval may allow for a mage to increase the number of successes allowed for an extended cast spell (p 148.) These may not be increased by more than 50%.

Imbued Items of 6 dots or higher are High Approval.

**US Addendum Alteration:** Meta-magic effects may not be placed into Imbued Items.

## **Fetish [A.4.04]**

Fetishes in the Awakening venue must conform to the rules presented for "Create Fetish" (p 368-369) and not the rules for the Fetish merit in Forsaken, [save that they may use sanctioned Numina from other sources as well as the Numina on pages 423-425 of MET Awakening.](#)

They have a merit cost equal to the bound Spirit's Rank plus each Numina accessible beyond the first. For example a bound Rank 2 spirit with the Blast and Terrify numina would be a 3 dot Fetish. The numina which can be accessed through the Fetish are fixed at the time of casting and may not be changed later without re-casting the spell. The bound spirit must conform with all rules governing creating spirits.

[The user takes an instant action of Gnosis + Spirit to awaken the spirit within the Fetish, and uses Gnosis + the bound spirit's Rank to activate the Numina instead of Power + Finesse. For the purposes of Damage Limits on any attack Numina, use the creator's dots in Spirit.](#)

Fetishes of 1-4 dots are Mid Approval and 5 dot Fetishes are High Approval. [Fetishes greater than 5 dots are not available for play.](#)

## **ARCANUM [A.5.00]**

Arcana at levels 6 and above are not available in the chronicle. Archmasters and the Imperial Mysteries are reserved for the use of the Master Storyteller.

## **Counterspell (Any Arcanum) [A.5.01]**

The rote versions of Counterspell described on page 123 utilize Composure and Occult.

## **Supreme Augmentation (Mind) [A.5.02]**

[The rote pool for Supreme Augmentation \(p 319\) uses the Mind Arcanum, not Life.](#)

## **Wards and Bans (Space) [A.5.03]**

Objects and creatures cannot be the target of a Ward, but are protected within a Ward's area. Once a banned phenomenon is within the Ban's area, it is unaffected (i.e. spells can be freely cast within a Prime based Ban area, and are only affected when crossing the threshold of the Ban.)

## **Rewrite History (Time) [A.5.04]**

Dots cannot be shifted into anything that requires a special approval or a notification in the approvals database.

## **Grant Familiar (Spirit) [A.5.05]**

This spell's Duration is Lasting (the Familiar Merit does not disappear at the spell's end.)

## **Spells to Employ Spirits (Spirit) [A.5.06]**

Rank 3 spirits cannot be called, bound or otherwise controlled using the advanced Prolonged Duration factors. When calling, binding or otherwise controlling Rank 4 spirits, Prolonged Duration spells are considered Transitory. Spirits of Rank 5 cannot be called, bound or otherwise controlled short of Archmastery.

A Willpower point is spent for each spirit called, bound or otherwise controlled. This cannot be recovered until the spell ends or a Willpower dot is spent to release it. Each such spell can only affect a single spirit.

These restrictions don't apply if a spell is used simply to justify the purchase of a Merit such as a Fetish, Familiar or Guardian Spirit. They do not apply to spells that just awaken spirits or make them more favourably disposed to the caster, e.g. Rouse Spirit.

**US Addendum Rule: Imbue Item.** These rules are active, but because of the sweeping nature of the change, should be considered under United States playtest. Announcements and future Addenda will tweak these rules as weaknesses become apparent-

Procedure to use this spell:

1) Cast Imbue Item on an object. This creates a 'proto-item'. Record this Potency as the Suppression Resistance Potency of the final item. Note that the Suppression Resistance Potency of the item is three (3) lower if the creator chooses for the item to have a mana pool.

Record this duration as the lifespan of the item. Record the Gnosis of the creator for the purposes of Paradox generation. Record the Prime of the creator as the Factor Maximum of the item. (See step 3 for use of Factor Maximum, the Factor Maximum is the maximum number of steps on any Spell Factor a spell placed into an Imbued Item may have from any source.)

1a) Items in this 'proto-item' state are not usable and must be completed before they may be used (see step 4).

1b) The Factor Maximum of the creator of the 'proto-item' effects all spells cast into the item no matter who casts them.

2) Cast into the proto-item as many spells as you wish, resolve Paradox for these spells as normal at this time. Record the Arcana level they are cast at, their base aspect, and if they are known by the caster as Rotes or not.

3) Any spell that can be Indefinite given the Arcana Knowledge of the creator, Aspect of the spell, and Factor Maximum of the item may be Persistent or Triggered at the choice of the caster. Persistent effects have their primary factor equal to the Factor Maximum of the item, Duration of Indefinite, and all other factors are base for the spell.

3a) Any spell that cannot be Indefinite given the Arcana Knowledge of the creator, Aspect of the spell, and Factor maximum of the item is considered triggered. Triggered powers use the Arcana level the spell was cast at and the Gnosis of the user of the item (not the creator) to generate successes. Those successes are allocated to the primary factor of the spell only and no more successes may be allocated than the Factor Maximum of the item.

4) Imbue Item must be released through either normal spell release methods (willpower point or willpower dot) or through a sanctioned finishing spell from Tome of Mysteries. All sanctioned finishing spells from Tome of Mysteries are considered the same as spending a willpower point in terms of mechanics for how to treat the spell.

5) The Merit Dot value of the item is as per the MET: Awakening book.

6) When activating triggered effects or putting on an item with a persistent effect the item may generate paradox (as per normal paradox generation rules for Vulgar or Improbable effects). When making the rolls for Paradox use the Gnosis of the creator (as recorded in step 1). The bonus for Rotes may only be used if the activated power was known as a Rote by the creator (as recorded in step 2).

7) Any degradation due to disbelief causes reduction in the structure and Potency of the item on a 1 structure and 1 Potency per 1 success on the disbelief ratio. If the structure or Potency of an Imbued Item is ever depleted the Item is destroyed, along with its enchantment even if it was released through a willpower dot. The enchantment does not naturally come back if the item is repaired and must be reestablished separately.

## **SPELLCASTING [A.6.00]**

### **Rotes [A.6.01]**

If a rote title includes an Order name, assume the rote is common, with versions available to all mages. If an alternate test system is allowed for another Order, only that Order may learn the test system without High Approval. This includes Rotes presented in Order books.

When a rote title includes the name of a Legacy, Tradition, faction or other group that isn't an Order, there is no common version. It is High Approval to learn the rote if a character is not a member of the relevant Legacy, Tradition, faction or other group.

Improvised Spells that duplicate the effects of existing rites requiring an approval also require that level of approval.

Approved custom rites are Low Approval to learn in game from another player character.

The following bullet point from MET Awakening p 198 is not used in the Camarilla chronicle: “Spells with multiple effects require each effect to be learned as a separate rote. For example, ‘Telekinetic Strike’ can be cast in Forces 3, 4, and 5 versions; each version is a separate rote”.

Characters that purchase the base Rote gain access to additional effects as their Arcana mastery increases.

### Instant Spellcasting [A.6.02]

Penalties taken when using the Modifying Spell Factors optional rule may not reduce the caster’s draw pool below 1. Any further penalties (aiming penalties, resistance, etc.) applied after Imago creation may reduce this further.

**US Addendum Clarification:** Creative Thaumaturgy, in and of itself, requires no special approval. This is an exception to U.1.04. However, any use of Creative Thaumaturgy that replicates a rote or effect that has an approval level set, outside of the Custom Mechanics section of U.1.03, has the same approval level as that rote or effect. This includes actions that are not specifically listed under the Awakening section but are otherwise approval, such as returning a character from the dead, oneshot kills, etc.

### Extended Spellcasting [A.6.03]

For purposes of the “Damage and Success Limits” rules, the only bonuses to the caster’s base spell casting pool that count are those from High Speech, Willpower, and an appropriate Demense.

Spells with an action listed as Extended may increase this further with assistants following the Group Rituals rules (p 168); assistants may raise this by one per assistant, up to 5. Assistants do not increase the success limits if converting Instant Spells to Extended Spells.

### Limitations to Bonuses and Traits [A.6.04]

No single Trait or bonus created by a spell can exceed the level of the Caster’s relevant Arcanum. This only applies to Traits or bonuses that are variable based on successes. It is not applicable to summoned creatures.

If a Mage activates a Prepared spell against a living target the target can resist the spell as per the following:

- If the spell is Resisted then it becomes Aimed. When activated the caster must gain at least 1 success on an activation roll with the same dice pool used to cast the spell, modified by the target’s defenses (See Awakening rules on Aimed spells). If the activation succeeds then the spell takes full effect. If it fails then the spell disappears.
- If the spell is Contested then the caster must gain 1 more success than the target on an activation roll with the same dice pool used to cast the spell, modified by the target’s defenses. If the activation succeeds then the spell takes full effect. If it fails then the spell disappears.

If a player requires information from another character’s sheet (e.g. if contested, resisted, etc) to cast a spell, then their character cannot ritually cast and hold such a spell as Prepared for offensive use.

Bonuses added to an item from Arcana do not stack, only the highest bonus is applied.

Prepared spells, including environmental effects, are limited by the damage cap.

**US Addendum Clarification:** The successes generated from casting do not apply to the activation test. The successes generated from the activation test do not apply to or increase the casting test.

The Activation test pool is what all of the “target generated” penalties apply to, such as Resistance attributes, Mage Armors / Magic Shields, Sympathetic Penalties, etc.

### Failed Social and Mental Tests [A.6.05]

To determine failed tests not repeatable in the same scene, consider improvised spells to be social if their rote version is opposed by Composure or Resolve (see Minds Eye Theatre p162).

## Sympathetic Magic [A.6.06]

Any spell affecting multiple targets always uses the weakest sympathetic connection of those targets, unless all targets are within sensory range. For example, targeting yourself (sensory) and a "Known" mage out of sensory range without their real name with New Threads would be cast as if "Encountered".

Please ignore the first sentence of the second paragraph on p. 145 of Minds Eye Theatre: Awakening. Penalties from Occultation and Fame apply both to direct and indirect sympathetic magic in the Camarilla chronicle.

If a casting penalty for sympathetic magic is reduced to greater than -10, the target is still able to be affected by the sympathetic spell. The only instance where they would be unable to be targeted is if a penalty directly lowers their degree of sympathy to Unknown (for example, an "Encountered" or "Described" target where the caster does not know their real name.)

## MET AWAKENING CONVERSION [A.7.00]

To incorporate the creation system changes between Table Top Awakening and MET Awakening (p. 50), all characters in the Awakening venue are allowed to rebuild their character sheets at Low Approval, with notification submitted into the database for record keeping. Affiliates without access to the Approvals Database will maintain their own record keeping.

The plan for the changeover to Mind's Eye Theatre Awakening rules in the sanctioned Camarilla chronicle are as follows:

1. Ensure that every member of your Venue, Chapter, and Domain has access to the Mind's Eye Theatre Awakening book; make everyone aware of the changes to mechanics from tabletop.
2. As of February-1-2008, all expended xp points are returned for re-allocation to the players. Limitations on expenditures (e.g. on Merits at creation) remain as before. The reimbursed points must be spent (with appropriate approval from their Storyteller) before the character can re-enter play. Characters may re-enter play with pending applications from these re-allocations with permission from their Storyteller (though none of the pending applications are in-play until approved). Characters also receive points from any mechanics that have a different cost from tabletop (e.g. flat vs scaled Merits such as Occultation). Expenditures that required prior approvals (e.g. Order Status) may be retained without any new approvals. Characters and indeed entire Venues, Chapters, and Domains may begin conversion as of the date of this Addendum. For entire games to operate under the new rules prior to February 1st, the informal approval from their High Storyteller is required. For entire regions to convert prior to their deadlines, approval from their Top Storyteller is needed.
  - a. Gnosis and Arcana levels may be reduced. Any rites that relied on the Arcana level removed should be removed from the character sheet. A settings / plot kit will be released from the Global office to explain these changes on a wide scale. Gnosis may not be increased more than one dot due to this process.
  - b. Imbued Items: Imbued Items must be converted to conform to the rules on page 74-75 of MET Awakening (specifically, the Potency of Persistent effects) or be removed from play at this point.
  - c. Fetishes: Fetishes must be made using the rules in MET Awakening (p. 367) and this Addendum, and not the rules from Werewolf: the Forsaken, or they should be removed from play at this point.
3. National Storytellers may make further changes to the conversion mechanics, reducing or increasing players' ability to change their characters. In the case of such changes being made, the National Storyteller must announce them publicly, e.g. on their national announcement list, etc. Some nations may delay the conversion by up to one month based on book availability.
4. By February 1st, 2008, all changes to characters must be made and either pending or approved by your direct Storyteller. Storytellers are encouraged to not approve changes that they believe to be inappropriate. After February 1st, 2008, characters may not be played unless their conversion has been approved by their Low Approval ST (or has pending applications, which remain unusable). All sanctioned Camarilla games will use the MET Awakening rules by February-1st. Minor exceptions can be made in very rare cases by the National Storytellers (e.g. for areas that have not been able to receive the books for some reason).

## CHAPTER FIVE: CREATED [C.0.00]

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This chapter incorporates Promethean: The Created (WW60000) into the Camarilla chronicle.

Prometheans' existence tends to create hostility. Created games must be set geographically so as not to force interaction with other venues because of the Wasteland effect. This usually requires interaction with Regional or National Storytellers, as the games are geographically set in areas normally under their control (usually outside of city/Domain limits).

### Backgrounds [C.0.01]

Player characters require High Approval to have existed prior to 1900AD, Top Approval to have existed prior to 1700AD, and Global Approval to have existed prior to 1500AD.

Characters may only benefit from a single refinement's reduced cost transmutations at character creation.

### Prometheans in Play [C.0.02]

Promethean NPCs require Top Approval outside the Created venue. It is Top Approval for a Promethean player character to be eligible for cross venue play. It is Global Approval to base a Promethean character in another venue. No powers from any venue can alleviate or cure the Promethean's inherent weaknesses.

If entering play with an Athanor, Promethean characters must satisfy the Azoth requirements even if the Athanor was gained in background.

Refinement change is Low Approval but must reflect an actual change in philosophy and process. Gaining xp benefits from more than one refinement change in 6 months is Top Approval.

[Player characters with the Centimani Refinement are Top Approval. Pandoran Transmutations may be learned by members of the Centimani Refinement at Low Approval; it is High Approval for members of any other Refinement.](#)

The Repute Merit is High Approval for level 2 and Top Approval for level 3.

Titanic Vigor cannot increase an Attribute above 20.

### Antagonists [C.0.03]

It is High Approval to use Rank 5 Pandorans as NPCs. It is High Approval to use Greater quashmallim as NPCs. Arch-quashmallim are reserved for use by the Master Storyteller.

### Azoth [C.0.04]

Physical augmentation from Pyros is limited. When a character spends Pyros to add to physical test pools the applied bonus from that Pyros can be no higher than the natural unmodified Attribute or +5, whichever is higher. Physical augmentation from Pyros to increase physical test pools is an exception to [U.1.04]. The bonus derived from physical augmentation does not count as part of the +/- 15 limit.

### Bestowments [C.0.05]

It is Low Approval for dead Promethean characters to be brought back to life using the one-time Azoth flare, as detailed on page 163 of the Promethean Core Book, or to be brought back to life by using the Revivification Bestowment. It is Global Approval to bring a retired character back to life using the one-time Azoth flare or Revivification Bestowment.

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### **US Addendum Alterations:**

**Bestowments:** Bestowments - Buying out of Lineage Bestowments as Transmutations marks a significant change in the life and the Path of a Created. Players may enter play with their one Bestowment based on their character and can buy one more at character creation as a Mid approval. After six months a player may purchase an additional Bestowment. Passing the mark of three Bestowments on a character sheet marks a significant change and requires High approval.

If a Bestowment's cost is based on an Attribute, and the Attribute is increased after purchasing the Bestowment, the increased cost of the Bestowment must also be paid.

**Vitriol XP:** Vitriol XP is a reward above and beyond normal experience points that are awarded after each gaming session. Thus Vitriol XP is reserved for disbursement in the following ways:

Feature Games of the Month may grant up to two Vitriol XP above the normal XP.

Over the course of a year a Venue Storyteller may choose to award his local players up to 2 Vitriol XP per game in three separate sessions, totaling 6 Vitriol XP per year.

Conventions at the Regional, National, or Global Level reserve the right to award more than the standard two XP.

## **CHAPTER SIX: MORTALS [M.0.00]**

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Mortals is a new venue developed by the Camarilla for the exploration of stories focused on the human experience in the World of Darkness. A variety of different settings are possible within this venue.

National Storytellers, in consultation with the Master Storyteller, may sanction their own settings for the Mortals venue. All of these settings are nevertheless a part of the same venue and may interact freely in background, history and at events.

Templates of any kind require a minimum of High Approval in this venue; lesser templates belonging to other venues, (e.g. Ghouls, Redeemed, Sleep-walkers, and wolf-blooded) are not available in the Mortals venue. A mortal who gains a greater template must be retired as a storyteller character into appropriate venue. A player may regain control of the character in their new venue at Top Approval. It is not possible to play a character with a greater template in the Mortals venue.

### **The Round Table [M.1.01]**

This setting makes use of new flavor material provided on the Master Storyteller's website. This new material constitutes a possible "foundation book" for the Round Table setting of the Mortals venue. While this is the default setting, it is far from the only setting for the Mortals venue. Other settings are possible and encouraged. Simply note the setting used in the approved VSS.

### **Round Table Organizations [M.1.02]**

Player characters may not be members of more than one Round Table organization at a time. If a character has acquired Merits at reduced cost due to membership in one of these organizations, it requires High Approval for her to switch membership to another.

**US Addendum Clarification:** While the Round Table organizations are sanctioned, US Mortals characters are not obligated to join in order to hold a good standing in any Secret Society.

Rex Deus members or Rex Deus Scions are reserved for use by the Master Storyteller.

### **Society Status Merits (Round Table) [M.1.03]**

Round Table Status reflects a large-scale system designed to support a global game. Status 1 characters are well-established members of their organization. Status 2 comes with long-term recognition and indicates a high level of importance within a city or interconnected multi-city area. Status 3 (High Approval) indicates significant prominence within a state, province, or other large regional area. Status 4 (Top Approval) represents a national influence, and Status 5 (Global Approval) indicates multi-national or truly global recognition.

## **CHAPTER SEVEN: LOST [L.0.00]**

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This chapter is for incorporating Changeling: the Lost (WW70000) into the Camarilla's large-scale sanctioned chronicle.

## **CHARACTERS [L.1.00]**

### **Background [L.1.01]**

#### **Longevity**

In the Lost genre, [Changeling](#) characters require High Approval to have existed since 1930 or earlier. Top Approval to have existed since 1900 or earlier and Global Approval to have existed since 1880 or earlier. This includes both extended age based on higher levels of Wyrd and long periods of time spent in Faerie.

#### **Youth**

In the Lost genre, player characters require Global Approval to have been taken to Faerie between birth and age 3. All player characters under the age of 16 require High Approval. It is also High Approval for player characters to be taken to Faerie prior to the age of 12.

#### **Maturity**

Mind and body age along with the subjective passage of time. As a character experiences time, the mind and body mature as far as the subjective length of time would imply. Characters that have 20-year-old minds and 10-year-old bodies are not appropriate for the Camarilla-sanctioned chronicle. Likewise, a character should not have the mind of a child in an adult body, barring derangements or other mental conditions.

#### **Time in Faerie**

Specific knowledge of Faerie, beyond distant memories and dreams, requires Top Approval. This does not preclude background connections from your time spent in Faerie.

#### **Children**

For a changeling character to conceive a child after being kidnapped by the True Fae requires Global Approval.

#### **Interactions with True Fae**

True Fae are both extremely devious and extremely hard to kill, even in the 'real' world. Because of this, while player characters may believe that they have killed True Fae in their character histories, such a belief may not be based upon fact. As such, it is possible for those 'killed' Fae to return at High Approval for the advancement of story.

### **Storyteller Characters [L.1.02]**

True Fae do not commonly enter the Hedge or the mortal realms without good reason. As such, they are High Approval to use as storyteller characters. The Banished are exceedingly rare and require Top Approval to use as storyteller characters. True Fae, Banished, Fetches, Soulless, Hedge Creatures/Hobgoblins and Madmen are not available as player characters.

It requires Top Approval for a player character to be a Loyalist or a Privateer.

## **ORGANIZATIONS [L.2.00]**

### **Court [L.2.01]**

All instances of changing Courts follow the mechanics in the "Different Seasons" sidebar on page 94. No experience spent on Court Goodwill or Mantle is refunded and the character immediately goes into xp debt for any affinity contracts that become non-affinity. Changing Court is Mid Approval.

### **Entitlements [L.2.02]**

It is Low Approval to join an Entitlement if recruited by a player character in game; it is Mid Approval to join otherwise. All instances of joining an existing entitlement require High notification. Creating a custom entitlement requires Global Approval.

Custom Entitlements require the applicant's character to be the one of creators, fulfill the Wyrd requirements and have four other characters willing to develop this Entitlement. To enter play as part of a custom Entitlement, the player of the active character most senior in that Entitlement must agree. This requirement is waived if characters find a way to join in-game. It is [Low Approval with High notification to join an already approved Custom Entitlement with a PC mentor, and not possible otherwise.](#)

## **REALMS [L.3.00]**

With the exception of the character's initial enslavement, it is exceedingly rare for changelings to enter Arcadia. As such, characters may only access the realm of Faerie with **Top** Approval. The only exception to this is True Fae NPCs which can come and go from Faerie as needed.

## **MERITS [L.4.00]**

### **Court Goodwill [L.4.01]**

A character may not purchase Court Goodwill for a court they are a member of. Court Goodwill is Low Approval for levels 1 – 2, Mid Approval for levels 3 – 4, and High Approval for level 5. To have more than 5 total dots of Court Goodwill (across multiple courts) requires Top Approval.

Those applying for Court Goodwill should be able to show both support from member of that court, and provide a reasonable justification for how the Goodwill was gained.

### **Harvest [L.4.02]**

The four types of Harvest are different merits and are purchased separately. A character may not purchase multiple instances of the same category of Harvest.

### **Hollow [L.4.03]**

Hollow is separated into four different merits rated 1 to 5.

Hollow Doors may not cross VSS boundaries without taking into account the approvals required by [U.1.05] for "Altered Levels of Approval". Additionally, Hollow Doors may not open into locations that require approval to interact with or another character's Hollow.

Hollow Amenities do not include items that would normally cost experience points to acquire (tokens, etc.), though such items may be purchased separately to be present in the Hollow.

### **Mantle [L.4.04]**

The first dot of Mantle is free.

Mantle is Low Approval for levels 1 – 2, Mid Approval for levels 3 – 4, and High Approval for level 5.

### **New Identity [L.4.05]**

The 4 dot version of New Identity requires High Approval to reflect access to national level databases, etc.

### **Contacts and Allies [L.4.06]**

For a player character to have an NPC Contact or an Ally that is a True Fae, Loyalist or Privateer requires Top Approval.

### **Token [L.4.07]**

Token is a simple cost merit and can be purchased multiple times to represent additional tokens. Custom Tokens are not available at this time.

Entitlement tokens may only be purchased by members of the Entitlement. If a member of an entitlement loses their entitlement token, it remains in play for one month then is reclaimed by the Hedge.

### **Lucid Dreaming [L.4.08]**

Lucid Dreaming is available to mortals in the Changeling venue at Low Approval and not available otherwise.

### **SEEMINGS [L.5.00]**

All Seemings/Kiths remain humanoid in their mien. While physical characteristics of Changelings may be altered by their time in Arcadia, these alterations provide no additional mechanics beyond those supplied by the Seeming/Kith advantages. Custom Kiths are not available at this time.

### **Venombites [L.5.01]**

The Poisonous Bite blessing follows all mechanics detailed in Poisons and Toxins [U.5.02], including the resistance draw. This blessing deals poison damage once a minute.

### **Elementals [L.5.02]**

Character may not be Elementals of Iron (any form), radioactive materials or man-made elements (such as unnihexium). [The Elemental's curse applies to any draw including any of the stated Attribute and/or skills, including appropriate clauses from the Contract of Elements.](#)

### **Artists [L.5.03]**

Use the following for the Impeccable Craftsmanship blessing. "The changeling enjoys the benefit of the 8 again rule on tests involving Crafts, and can choose to spend a point of Glamour to re-draw on a Crafts tests choosing the higher result. This can be used only once per test.

### **CONTRACTS [L.6.00]**

#### **Failed Social and Mental Tests [L.6.01]**

To determine failed tests not repeatable in the same scene, consider Contracts to be social or mental if they are opposed by Composure or Resolve.

#### **Learning Contracts [L.6.02]**

Court Contracts are considered affinity for those with Mantle in that Court. All others must have a PC teacher to learn these Contracts at Low Approval. [If a character's Mantle / Goodwill rating ever falls below the required amount for the particular clause they must pay the difference in extra Glamour. For the purpose of this in regards to activating 5 dot powers, those with no Mantle in that Court must pay an additional 6 glamour to activate the 5 dot power.](#)

#### **Dream [L.6.03]**

Phantasmal Bastion, when used defensively, provides additional Willpower equal to the user's Wyrd. These points of Willpower are used only for defense in Oneiromachy and may not be expended as normal Willpower.

#### **Hearth [L.6.04]**

The rules for forcing ill fate on the same subject more than once per story due to Bans is enforced in the Camarilla chronicle. For the purposes of this, a story is considered one game session or day.

[Triumphant Fate provides the user with 5 successes on a single non-contested extended challenge.](#) Triumphant Fate has a ban that results in an automatic failure instead of a dramatic failure (the target is considered to have drawn an ace).

#### **Artifice [L.6.05]**

Blessing of Perfection cannot stack with itself; only the highest Wyrd takes precedence.

### **Darkness [L.6.06]**

Touch of the Paralyzing Shudder lasts for one scene.

### **Elements [L.6.07]**

Iron (any form), radioactive materials and man-made elements (such as unnilhexium) may not be selected for this contract.

Contracts of Elements must be taken in order for a given element. That is, if a character has Fire 3, Ice 2 and Metal 1, they may select a new element at 1, Fire 4, Ice 3 or Metal 2. They may not select Shadows 4 as they don't have any earlier levels of Shadows.

**US Addendum Clarification:** This Clarification is to be applied in addition to, not instead of, the MST's Office FAQ. Whether used Offensively or Defensively, Elements 2 always deals a flat amount of damage. Defensive use requires no roll by the user, nor does it take the user's action for the round. Any given target may only be damaged by this power once per round from any given user; a user may not deal automatic damage upon being touched, then use a touch attack to deal the damage again in the same round to the same target.

Control Element requires an instant action to manipulate the affected element.

### **Fang and Talon [L.6.08]**

Fang and Talon Contracts may not be taken for mythical creatures, extinct creatures or any other animal group that does not currently exist on the Earth side of the Hedge.

Contracts of Fang and Talon must be taken in order for a given animal. That is, if a character has Canines 3, Felines 2 and Oxen 1, they may select a new animal at 1, Canines 4, Felines 3 or Oxen 2. They may not select Birds of Prey 4 as they don't have any earlier levels of Birds of Prey.

Cloak of the Bear's Massive Form can only take the form of animals with sanctioned mechanics. Refer to various sources like Mind's Eye Theatre and Skinchangers for some sanctioned animals. Any animals without sanctioned mechanics are Global Approval.

### **Eternal Spring [L.6.09]**

Vines created from The Mother of All Deaths use the user's Strength for the purposes of maintaining and breaking a grapple.

### **Fleeting Autumn [L.6.10]**

Scent of the Harvest may not impose a penalty greater than the highest of the user's natural Presence, Expression or Autumn Mantle to supernatural efforts to induce fear.

Mien of Baba Yaga may only affect a target once per scene.

### **Eternal Winter [L.6.11]**

Jack's Breath uses the rules for Temperature Extremes in the Mind's Eye Theatre book if taken to temperature extremes.

### **Goblin Contracts [L.6.12]**

At character creation a character may only assign one of their starting five Contract dots to Goblin Contracts. Additional contracts can be purchased with experience (from MC or earned in play). Goblin Contracts are Low Approval except for Call the Hunt which is High Approval.

## Wyrd [L.7.00]

For a player character to have Wyrd 7 or 8 requires High Approval. For a character to possess Wyrd 9 or 10 requires Top Approval.

Augmentation from Glamour is limited. When a character spends Glamour to activate a Seeming/Kith Blessing that adds a bonus on a one-for-one basis to add to test pools (for example the Ogre blessing to increase Strength), the applied bonus from that Glamour can be no higher than the natural unmodified Attribute or +5, whichever is higher. Augmentation from Glamour to increase test pools is an exception to [U.1.04]. The bonus derives from augmentation does not count as part of the + / - 15 limit. This exception does not apply to Seeming/Kith Blessings that add a flat bonus (for example the Shadowsoul blessing to increase Intimidation).

## Incite Bedlam [L.7.01]

For the purposes of being able to Incite Bedlam, consider a Chronicle to mean one year, Story to mean one month, and Session to mean one day.

## Frailties [L.7.02]

The exact description of a Frailty must be written onto an Item Card or onto the character sheet and approved by the player's Low Approval ST.

## Iron [L.8.00]

Iron weapons are rare in the Camarilla chronicle; cold iron weapons even more so. To reflect this, relatively pure iron melee weapons are High Approval; Cold Iron equipment is High Approval. Iron / Cold Iron bullets are Top Approval. A gun which fires an iron or cold iron bullet may only fire one such bullet before being rendered useless. A gun designed to fire iron bullets is considered a custom weapon and requires Global Approval.

Iron edged weapons are at -1 to their weapon rating (to a minimum of 0) due to the fact that they do not hold an edge well.

## The Hedge [L.9.00]

Gateways into the Hedge can be made from any archway, frame, door or reflective surface. The created Gateway is permanent in fixed space. Moving or destroying the object causes the Gateway to cease to function.

## Pledges [L.10.00]

All Pledges listed in sanctioned material are available at Low Approval.

The Lesser Alliance Task has a cost of +0 as listed on page 178 for pledge building. The Vulnerability Sanction has a cost of -3 as listed on page 185 for pledge building.

Multiple Pledges that provide the boons: Adroitness and/or Blessing do not stack with each other. Each selection of these boons must be for different skills / merits as appropriate. Blessing may be taken as a boon multiple times in the same pledge, though the total boon provided may not exceed +3. Use of the Blessing Boon may not increase a merit above the standard maximum dots for the merit. The Blessing Boon may not give a character access to Creation-only Merits.

A Lifelong pledge is considered active until all parties in the pledge are deceased.

Custom Pledges are available at an approval level dependent upon the duration of the pledge.

Custom Pledges with the duration of a Day or Week are Low Approval. Custom Pledges with a duration of a Moon require Low Approval and must have a corresponding database number for reference when traveling. Custom Pledges with the duration of a Season require Mid Approval. Custom Pledges with a duration of A Year and a Day require High Approval. Custom Pledges with a duration of a Decade, Lifelong, Generational, or an Eternity require Top Approval.

Once a High or Top Approval Pledge and the accompanying mechanics have been approved, others may join at Mid Approval.