# Siege of Eternal Night - a Single Page Solo Game

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## Number of players: 1 Duration: 10-15 min Age: 8+

**Needed to play:** Battleground Sheet, 2 d6 dice, a pen/pencil and this Rules Sheet.

History repeats itself but no one remembers what happened last time, the silence was interrupted by war songs, the moment had arrived...

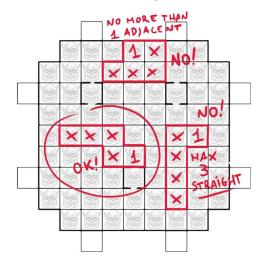
## Object of the game

Defeat all the enemies (grey squares) on the Battleground grid before the End of the Night (9th Turn).

### How to play

Roll 2 dice at the beginning of each turn. The results will be used to either **deploy troops** outside the gate, **cast magic spells** or **launch a crossbow volley** towards the enemies:

- D, D, E, E allows you to deploy a troop, whose size equals the rolled die value. Mark a sequence of enemy squares on the battleground sheet, following the Deployment Rule\* (explained in page 2). You may draw any shape with the following two restrictions:
  - 1. A sequence cannot have more than three crosses in a straight line.
  - 2. Each cross in a shape may only be orthogonally adjacent to <u>one</u> other cross of the same shape. Imagine a snake which can turn left and right but not turn by 180°. See the examples below:



Example of a "5" Troop deployment in the 1st turn.

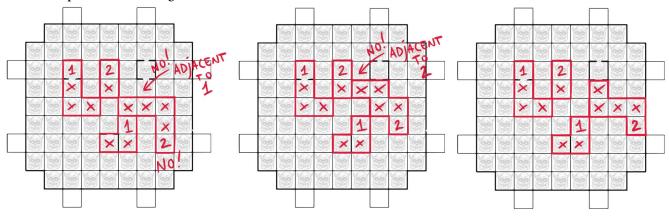
In addition, for each  $\bigcirc$ ,  $\bigcirc$ ,  $\bigcirc$ , rolled, cross off one circle in the Altar (the lower center section). Once you complete a row of three circles in the Altar, you can deploy a Hero leading a troop of any size between 1 and 5 which can be deployed anytime during any turn in addition to the dice results <u>following</u> the **Deployment Rule\***.

• III allows you to cast magic spells. Pick one spell out of the two *(Flamestrike* or *Divine Hammer)* shown in the bottom right corner of the Battleground Sheet and mark enemy squares on the Battleground grid using the respective shape <u>following</u> the Deployment Rule\*.

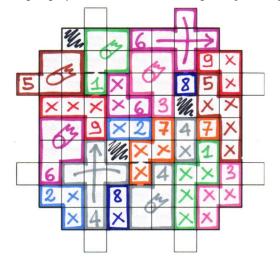
• (doubles) of any value allow you to **shoot with the crossbow**. Mark enemy squares on the Battleground grid using the respective shape <u>following</u> the **Deployment Rule\***. This is a **bonus action** and does not replace your regular action in this turn. You are not able to cross off **Altar** circles but you can then re-roll the dice and perform your regular dice action.

The shapes of the Magic Spells and Crossbow Shot may be oriented in any direction (rotated and flipped).

**Deployment Rule\*** Shapes drawn in a turn may never be orthogonally adjacent to shapes drawn in the same or the immediately preceding turn. This means that the second drawn shape in turn 4 may neither touch the first drawn shape of the same turn nor touch any shape drawn in turn 3. The shapes drawn in turn 4 can be fully adjacent to the shapes drawn in turn 2 or earlier. . <u>To track this is recommended to draw the turn number inside the marked shape</u>. See the example below showing the two conditions:



Example of a "5" Troop deployment in the 2nd turn respecting the Deployment Rule\*.



Example of a Battleground Grid completely filled respecting the Deployment Rule\*.

To start a new turn and roll 2 dice again you have to mark the corresponding moon on the turn track.

#### What are those? Explosives?!?!

3 enemy shapes in the **Battleground** are outlined with square brackets. These enemies are called **Wallbreakers**. Whenever you mark one of them as part of your regular action ,you <u>may</u>, as a free action, immediately mark another single enemy square anywhere on the **Battleground** <u>without having to follow</u> the **Deployment Rule\***.

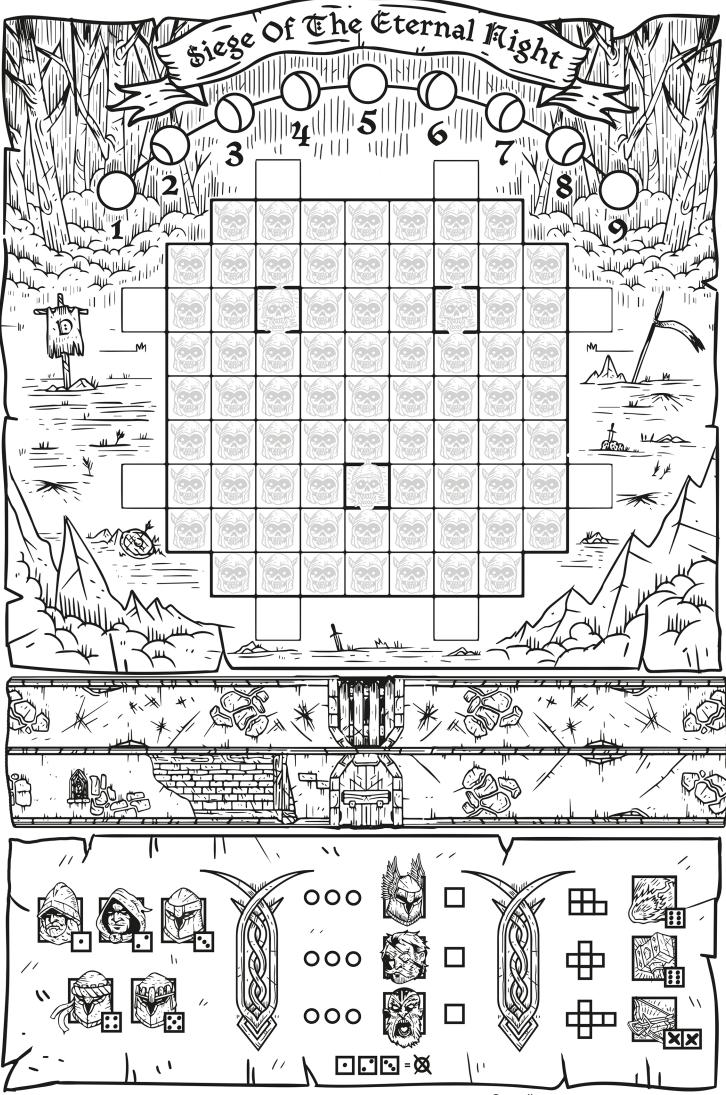
#### If we enter from here we will be behind them!

8 squares around the edge of the **Battleground** (2 on each side) don't have enemies printed. They can be used at will to deploy troops and are ignored during final scoring.

**End of the Night** After **Turn 9** count the number of unmarked enemy squares on the **Battleground**, the total is your score. <u>The lower the score</u>, the better.

#### Finally dawn has come, the warm sun illuminates the troop who answered to the last call...

**Variant - Last Call** Check the time (a.m. - p.m.) before the **Turn 9** ends, **deploy** a last **Troop** with a value up to the current hour, <u>following</u> the **Deployment Rule\***.



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