



Aethel

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Writer

Standards

Font: Century Gothic, 10

Line Spacing: Single, Opt (Before & After)

New paragraphs begin on the next line and start with a tab.

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Lore Entries

Entry Labels

- Begin each entry with its title, classification (see [Classification Types](#)), and author.
- Enclose the classification in square brackets.
- Enclose the author's first initial in greater than and lesser than symbols.
- Bold all three parts and use the general section's font and size.

Classification Types

[M]ajor Arc

Main storyline and significant mechanics in-game.

[S]upplementary

Supporting texts in-game.

[M]inor Arc

Nonsignificant developments in-game.

[O]rigin Story

History unrelated to events in-game.

[E]pisode

Self-contained moments in-game.

Writing

- Maintain a solid tone. Transition gradually when switching tones.

- Avoid language that may cause readers to deviate from the writer's purpose to deliver an emotional appeal.
- Ensure that any dramatizations of the course of events don't deviate from the basic representation of the characters' actions.
- Avoid using profanity outside of the characters' dialogue.

Character Types

Momentary

- One time appearance
- Expendable

Recurring

- Established for future entries
- Established personality

Recurring Characters

- When writing a character, explore their personality in different scenarios rather than detract from or contradict it.
- Avoid any contradictions when expanding a character's backstory. The character cannot occupy two locations or have two separate attitudes at the same time.

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Entry Types

To Do

Need to be written.

In Progress

In the process of being written.

Complete Entries

Completed and pending approval.

Players

- Maintain consistency by referring to the same person by only one name.
- Nicknaming players is acceptable, but first, clarify who it refers to.

Documentation

- Provide names and short titular descriptions for all NPCs, organizations, and points of interest.
- Bold names and titles.
- Enclose the title in square brackets.
- For points of interest, include their location in the universe enclosed by curly braces.
- If applicable, describe the NPC, organization, or point of interest in the following four categories:
 - D: Description
 - B: Background
 - R: Relationships
 - A: Additional Information
- For NPCs, the D: bullet point includes their personality and morals.
- For organizations, the D: bullet point includes their goals.
- For points of interest, the D: bullet point includes their appearance.
- When expanding upon the lore of any NPCs, organizations, or points of interest, separate additional thoughts by vertical lines.
- Bold all glossary terms.

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Inspector

CoreProtect

To fulfill your responsibilities as an inspector, you will learn how to utilize the CoreProtect plugin to monitor various types of logs stored in the server's database.

Examples of logs you'll monitor:

- Player interactions
- Container transactions
- Blocks placed or broken
- Entities killed

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Commands

Each of CoreProtect's commands requires extra parameters to define what the user needs to look up or do. The section below will serve as a condensed guide to the [official documentation](#).

Commands

Type	Usage
/co i	Toggles inspection mode
/co l	Views recorded data logs in an area. Clicking a logged coordinate teleports the user. Time parameter is always required, additional filters are optional.
/co l <page>	Views pages of data logs after a lookup is performed
/co rb	Reverts player actions. See Parameters & Action Types .
/co rs	Undoes rollbacks and restores player actions. See Parameters & Action Types .

Inspection Mode

Type	Usage
Left-click block	<i>Blocks placed or removed</i>
Right-click a block	<i>Blocks interacted with or edited</i>
Right-click to place a block	<i>Blocks placed or removed</i>
Right-click to place a block in a liquid	<i>Liquid placed or removed</i>

Parameters

Type	Function	Notes
u: <user>	Whose actions	Separate multiple users using commas
t: <time>	How long ago	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time amounts can be combined• Use a hyphen for ranges

r: <radius>	How far around the user	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World: #<worldName> Server: #global
a: <action>	These types of actions only	See Action Types
i: <include>	Include specific blocks, items, or entities	Separate multiple types using commas
e: <exclude>	Exclude specific blocks, items, or entities	Separate multiple types using commas
#<hashtag>	Additional actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #preview: preview rollbacks or restores #count: number of entries returned in a lookup #verbose: additional information during rollbacks or restores #silent: minimal information during rollbacks or restores

Action Types

block	+block	-block	chat	click	command	container
+container	-container	inventory	+inventory	-inventory	item	+item
-item	kill	session	+session	-session	sign	username

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Builder

Standards

General

- After decorating with armor stands, write down their locations in the builder's document for a developer to make it invulnerable and prevent its items from being taken.

Warp Hubs

Warp hubs' décor is divided into five sections:

- Main display
- Color accent
- Walls
- Columns
- Shelf

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World Types

Seasonal

Overworld, Nether, and End that is generated from a different seed every season.

Islandora

Permanent adventure mode world made with an RPG-style experience in mind.

- While builders are not allowed to tamper with the seasonal world, they may copy terrain or structures into the events world for events.
- Players can travel to RPG and dungeons from the seasonal world.
- Players can travel to the seasonal world, dungeons, and the events world hub from RPG.

Events

Permanent adventure mode world made to house replayable events.

- From the events world hub, players can travel to different events or RPG.

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Events World

To space out events uniformly as possible, the events world is divided into a grid of imaginary tiles of 50x50 on the positive, positive axis. Builds are allowed to occupy multiple tiles according to their size requirements.

Quadrants

The events world is divided into four quadrants. Each quadrant has a designated usage.

- -, + Temporary Space
- +, + Events
- +, - Dungeons
- -, + Storage

Build Placement

The first build in each quadrant begins at an offset of 500, 500 in their respective directions. All additional builds will be placed outwards from there.

1. Before beginning to archive a build in the events world, trim down the set's extraneous layers from each side first.
2. Then, copy and paste the build into the events world, positioning the build's bottom left corner on an x,z interval of 50.
3. Make sure that the build's primary ground level is at y63.
4. If necessary, readjust the placement.

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Points of Interest

Planning

- Label all points of interest with a name and a classification.
- Be as descriptive as possible when suggesting a point of interest. Include important information such as its shape, form, and color composition.
- Although not required, contributing concept drawings may be helpful for group cohesion.

Concept Drawings

- Providing an isometric view of the point of interest is sufficient in most cases.
- Show a top-down perspective for each level to demonstrate multiple floors in a point of interest.
- Label top-down views with the vertical direction they represent. Label a G for the ground floor, an A for any rising floors, and a D for any descending floors.
- Follow elevation labels with their amplitude from the base floor.
- Enclose this vector in square brackets.

Tavern Attic [A1]

Tavern Bar [G]

Tavern Cellar [D1]

- Individual buildings within a larger type of point of interest do not need to be drawn out by floor plan, but important places should be labeled if they provide anything vital to the players (ie. town hall, armory, stables).

Atmosphere

- Maintain consistency between points of interests' themes by adjusting thematic shifts.
- Blend similar colors to avoid sudden shifts in the color palette.

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FAWE

To fulfill your responsibilities as a builder, you will learn how to use the Fast Async World Edit plugin (FAWE) to sculpt terrain and structures using brushes, generations, and selections.

There are more commands available to you than listed here, but these are the core commands you will typically use. This section below will serve as a condensed guide to the [official documentation](#).

Command Type

/brush	Brush Options	Generation	Selection	Region
Clipboard	History	Navigation	Utility	

Parameters: <required> [optional]

/brush

Brushes allow you to paint blocks directly into the world.

Subcommand	Parameters	Usage
blendball	[radius]	Smooths and blends
circle	<pattern> [radius]	Circle
cylinder	<pattern> [radius] [height] [-h]	Cylinder, -h = hollow
erode	[radius]	Erodes
gravity	[radius]	Simulates gravity
pull	[radius]	Pulls
rock	<pattern> [radius] [roundness] [frequency] [amplitude] [-h]	Distorted Sphere, -h = hollow
shatter	<pattern> [radius] [count]	Separates into uneven lines
smooth	[size] [iterations]	Smooths
sphere	<pattern> [radius] -h -f	Sphere, -h = hollow, -f = falling
splatter	<pattern> [radius] [seeds] [recursion] [solid]	Plotches, seeds = quantity, recursion = how large

Brush Options

Command	Parameters	Usage
/size	[pattern]	Brush size
/mat	[pattern]	Brush material

Generation You can generate different shapes based on where you're standing.

Command	Parameters	Usage
//cyl	<pattern> <radius> [-h]	Cylinder, -h = hollow
//pyramid	<pattern> <size> [-h]	Pyramid, -h = hollow
//sphere	<pattern> <radius> [-h]	Sphere, -h = hollow

Selection Wands let you select parts of the world to modify.

Command	Parameters	Usage
//pos1	[coordinates]	Set position 1
//pos2	[coordinates]	Set position 2
//size		Size
//wand		Selection tool

Region Make sure you've selected an area with your wand.

Command	Parameters	Usage
//faces	<pattern>	Walls, ceiling, and floor of selection
//fall	[replace]	Blocks in selection fall
//hollow	[<thickness> [<pattern>]]	Hollows selection
//replace	[block] <block>	Replaces blocks with another
//set	[pattern]	Changes all blocks in the selection
//walls	<pattern>	Walls of selection

Clipboard

Command	Parameters	Usage
//copy	[-e]	Copies selection, -e = include entities
//cut	[-e]	Cuts selection, -e = include entities
//flip	[direction]	Flips clipboard
//paste	[-a]	Pastes clipboard, -a = skips air blocks
//rotate	<y-axis> [<x-axis>] [<z-axis>]	Rotates clipboard using parameter-specified degrees

History

Command	Parameters	Usage
//redo	[times]	Redoes the last action
//undo	[times]	Undoes the last action

Navigation

Command	Parameters	Usage
/ascend	[# of floors]	Goes up floors
/ceil		Goes to the ceiling
/descend	[# of floors]	Goes down floors
/jumpto	[world,x,y,z]	Teleports to a location
/thru		Pass through walls
/up	<number> [-f] [-g]	Goes upward some distance
/unstuck		Teleport out of inside a block

Utility

Command	Parameters	Usage
//fill	<pattern> <radius> [depth] [direction]	Fill a hole
//drain	<radius> [-w] [-p]	Drain a pool, -w = include waterlogged, -p = include plants
//ex	[radius]	Extinguishes fires
//removenear	<block> [size]	Removes blocks nearby
//replacenear	<size> <from-id> <to-id>	Replace nearby blocks

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Voxelsniper

To fulfill your responsibilities as a builder, you will learn how to use the VoxelSniper plugin to sculpt terrain and structures from far away. By default, this plugin uses arrow and gunpowder as its sculpting tools.

There are more brushes and patterns to use than listed here, but these are some basic commands you can start with. This section will serve as a condensed guide based on the official documentation found [here](#).

Commands

Type	Usage
/b <size>	Sets brush size
/v <material>	Sets brush material

Type	Usage
/b bb	Blend ball
/b c mm	Cylinder brush

/b v	Cube brush
/b e lift	Arrow's default
/b e melt	Gunpowder's default

/b c mm	Splatter brush
/b over d#	Flat hills
/u	Undo

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Holographic Displays

For extra utilities as a builder, you have access to create holographic displays. Unlike signs that take up physical space and can only be read from limited angles, holographic displays can be placed anywhere and adjust themselves to the player's relative location. These displays can be used to communicate to players instructions and locations.

There are more commands available to you than listed here, but these are the core commands you will typically use. This section below will serve as a condensed guide to the [official documentation](#).

Command Type

Creating	Editing	Utility
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Parameters: <required> [optional]

Creating

Command	Parameters	Usage
create	<id> <text>	Creates text display
create	<id> <color code> <text>	Creates colored text display See Color Codes
create	<id> ICON:<item>	Creates item display
delete	<id>	Removes display
copy	<id> <id2>	Copies display1 to display2

Editing

Command	Parameters	Usage
edit	<id>	Options to edit
addline	<id> <text>	Adds new line of text
removeline	<id> <line number>	Removes line of text
setline	<id> <line number>	Sets line of text
insertline	<line number> <text>	Inserts line of text

Utility

Command	Parameters	Usage
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info	<id>	Display contents
list	<page>	List displays
near	<radius>	Displays in radius
teleport	<id>	Teleport to display
movehere	<id>	Move display to user location
align	<[x] [y] [z] [xz]> <id> <id2>	Align display1 to the same axis (x, y, z or xz) as display2

Color Codes

&0 Black	&4 Dark red	&8 Dark gray	&c Red
&1 Dark blue	&5 Dark purple	&9 Blue	&d Light purple
&2 Dark green	&6 Gold	&a Green	&e Yellow
&3 Dark aqua	&7 Gray	&b Aqua	&f White
{rainbow}		&#<hex color>	

Formatting

&k Obfuscated	&m Strikethrough	&o Italic
&l Bold	&n <u>Underline</u>	&r Reset

Placeholders

Type	Usage
{player}	Player name
{displayname}	Player nickname
{online}	Number of online players

Type	Usage
{max_players}	Available player slots
{world: <world>, [world]}	Players online in a world(s)
{time}	Real world time (EST)

Standards

- Set any text immediately displayed after warping into a location 3 blocks high (above head height).
- Set all other text 2 blocks high (eye level).

Displays

Type	Color
Header	Aqua
Description	White
Direction	Green
Optional	Yellow

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Contributions

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General

- Only document locations without existing warps.

Point of Interest Labels

- To add a new point of interest, include its name, subclassification, and location in the universe under its primary classification.
- Enclose the subclassification in square brackets.
- Enclose the location in curly braces.
- Bold the name and subclassification.
- For biomes and dungeons, describe the type of landscape, structures, and creatures that visitors can expect to see there.
- For settlements, describe any unique or major structures and the settlement's cultural background.

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Developer

Standards

General

- Name all tags and IDs that describe entities and items in pascal case (first letter of every word capitalized, with no spaces).
- Shorten references with this general naming schema:
 - Omit all articles (a, of, the, ...).
 - Use 3-4 letters for each word.
 - Use a dash for variants (ie. 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, ...).
- Warps should be labelled by block type.
- Preserve armor stands by giving them Invulnerable and Marker as NBT tags.

Warps

Block	Type	Function
Gold	Local	Teleports player within the area
Diamond	Region	Teleports player to another area
Emerald	Sub	Teleports player to a related area

Directory/Hub Warps

Block	Function
Clay, stone brick stairs	Free Slot
Emerald, oxidized cut copper stairs	Available
Waxed copper, waxed cut copper stairs	Unavailable

Commands

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Maps

- Place all command blocks that control the game and its settings nearby the entry point.
- Label all buttons and represent them with iron blocks. If the button only affects only a single player at a time, mark where its positioned selector is with a smooth stone block.

Scoreboards

- Unless the game requires multiple scores tied to individual players, then use a single scoreboard for all its maps.
- Use a map's name to create ids for each scoreboard value related to it (the first letter of each of its syllables).

Mobs

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Concepts

Concepts describe proposals for a new function or offer an improvement to an existing one. This is the first stage of the design process.

Concept Labels

- Name each concept with a name that describes what it does. The name can be changed later as the concept evolves.
- Classify each concept with its functionality. If a more specific reach description is necessary, add a dash and include its area(s) of influence.
- Enclose the function in square brackets.
- Enclose the reach in curly braces.
- Bold the concept name.

Function

Purpose the addition will provide.

- Mechanics
- Mobs
- Items
- Structures
- Events

Reach

How wide of a physical area the concept influences.

- Local
- Regional
- Dimensional
- Global

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Projects

Projects detail the process of setting up the necessary components for the concept. This is the second stage of the design process and adds details of how the concept will work.

Triggers & Results

Triggers

Specific event the concept is listening for.

Natural Event examples:

- Time passed
- Time of day
- Natural spawn
- Weather

Artificial Event examples:

- Button pressed
- Player entering proximity
- Mob kills
- Item detected within an area

Results

Outcomes when trigger conditions are or are not met.

If there are alternate outcomes, then this needs to be included within the results section. Exclude “do nothing” states.

Technical Description

Technical descriptions are a step-by-step explanation of how the concept will process its trigger(s) and result(s).

- List all necessary conditions in chronological order that give the concept its functionality.
- Clarify if any tasks or methods are asynchronous.
- Enclose all variable names in quotation marks.

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External Resources

Resource Packs

Contains textures, models, and animations for client-side rendering.

- Provide a link to download the resource pack if necessary for an event.
- Resource packs should not be mandatory to play nor should they be required to be downloaded upon login.

Data Packs

Contains .mcf function files that execute commands in-game.

- For custom functions, contribute to the server's collaborative [data pack](#).
- Functions and tags should be self-commentating as to what function they serve.

Plugins

Contains Java code and runs server-side.

- For custom mechanics, contribute to the server's collaborative plugin (repository to be created when development starts).
- Name compiled builds with the following schema:
aethel_plugin_<season>_<build_version>
(aethel_plugin_s3-5_12)
- Class, method, and variable names should be self-commentating as to what function they serve.
- Class and method comments are expected.
- External plugins' features should be reviewed first before they're added to the server.

- External data packs' features should be reviewed first before they're added to the server.

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Social Media

Standards

General

- Create posts with one of three [engagement types](#).
- Limit posts to at most, three emojis if they're used. Bulletpoint lists may exceed the limit and contain one for each line.
- Accompany each post with one or more photos or a video.

Engagement Types

Type	Example
Question	Looking for a server to play on? Aethel has no shortage of fun! Find out today if our SMP, RPG, Minigames, and Cosmetics are right for you.
Call to Action	Join us on the new map for Hide & Seek! The Lost Garden of Illustria features a beautiful lake, a lakeside cabin, and a mysterious cave full of riches.
Reveal	A new set of challenges await for you in the Scalding Cauldron. Watch your feet, as there's traps behind every corner...

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YouTube

- Start the title of each video with a category descriptor tag enclosed in brackets. Follow this with the title of the content.
- Use an [engagement type](#) for the description.
- Create a thumbnail for each video tailored to its content.

[Cinematic] Arcilla Jungle

Will you be the one to prove the legends of the jungle true... or die in search of its hidden treasures?

[Discord] Gartic Phone 2

Another session of Gartic Phone starting off innocent, all going wrong quickly!

[Dungeon] Crypt of the Bone Warden

The dead are restless... They won't stop coming until you extinguish the evil at its source.

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Twitter

- Never tweet posts immediately, as revisions can be made with scheduled posts.
 - Schedule all routine tweets to post at 12 PM EST.
 - Schedule all event tweets to post at either 8 AM or 12 PM EST, dependent on the event's starting time.
 - Schedule all nonroutine tweets to post after five minutes.
- Include hashtags according to the topic. For most routine tweets, #Minecraft & #SMP should be fine. #Minecraftbuilds may be used if it includes anything staff or player-made.
- Sync scheduled routine tweets with scheduled routine Instagram posts.
- Use a modified version of the Aethel social media watermark for Twitter images.

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Instagram

- Never create posts immediately, as revisions can be made with scheduled posts.
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- Include hashtags according to the topic. For most routine tweets, #minecraft & #smp should be fine. #minecraftbuilds may be used if it includes anything staff or player-made.
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Documents

General

- Name all bookmarks in the format of category_topic_section.

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For navigating through the document's categories and topics.

- Titles are in bold, centered, and have bottom borders only.
- Categories are in bold.
- Topics are hyperlinked.

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Category	Category
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Line Headers

For partitioning the document into different categories, topics, and sections.

- Categories are bold, centered, and have only bottom borders.
- Topics are in bold.
- Sections are in bold.

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Body

For describing sections.

- Bullet points are left aligned to the margin.

Body

- Bullet point
 - Sub bullet point

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Section Tables

For providing examples and describing different parts of sections.

- Titles are in bold, have bottom border only, and 3pt top & bottom spacing.
- Headers are in bold, have horizontal borders only, and 3pt top & bottom spacing.

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Definition Tables

For defining different parts of sections.

- Types are underlined.

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Type

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List Tables

For listing items belonging to a section.

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- Items have 3pt top & bottom spacing.

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Body	Body	Body

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Blockquote Topics

For partitioning topics with multiple sections containing little text in each.

- Topics have left border only.
- Sections are in bold.
- Body is 3pt top & bottom spaced.

Topic

1. Section

Body

2. Section

Body

Section: Body

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