

## Setup

1. Shuffle Wildling Deck (Mammoth Back) and place at top of board. Put **Wildling Threat** token on “2”.
2. Divide **Westeros** cards (Roman Numeral Back) into 3 decks. Shuffle and place near board.
3. Find **Neutral Force** tokens based on player range. Place on board.
4. Determine player decks based on player numbers and distribute pieces.
5. Place **Game Round** marker.
6. place **influence**, **victory**, and **Supply** markers on board. Check player boards for positions of tokens.
7. Place starting units and **Garrison** tokens.
8. Place all **Power** tokens in a central pile. Each player receives 5 of their tokens.

## Goal of the Game

The game ends after 10 game rounds or if any player takes control of 7 areas containing a Castle or Stronghold. Player highest on victory track wins after 10 rounds.

## Game Round

- **Westeros Phase:** Draw card from each deck. Resolve effects in order (I, II, III). Skip phase first game round.
- **Planning Phase:** Players simultaneously assign Order tokens to areas containing one or more of their units.
- **Action Phase:** Resolve order tokens.

## Westeros Phase

1. Advance game round marker
2. Draw Westeros Cards
3. Advance Wildling token for each Wildling icon drawn
  - If Wildling Thread reaches 12 immediately resolve Wildling Attack
4. Resolve Westeros Cards

## Planning Phase

1. Each player must assign one Order token facedown to each area that contains one of their units. Number of special order tokens cannot exceed number of stars next to position on King's Court Influence track. If not enough tokens, place orders in turn order (not simultaneously). Player with too few can leave areas without

orders.

2. Reveal all order tokens simultaneously
3. Player with Messenger Raven *may* replace one of his order tokens for an unused one or look at top of Wildling deck. If look at deck, may put card back on top or bottom. May tell players what was on card, but can't show the card.

## Action Phase

1. Resolve Raid orders in turn order. Player *may* remove adjacent enemy order. If remove Consolidate Power, gain one Power token and enemy loses one if possible.
2. Resolve March orders and combat in turn order.
  - Player *may* move units assigned order separately or together into one or more adjacent areas
  - Land units can't move to ports or sea areas
  - Ship transportation allowed (See Ships)
  - Can only move units into one area containing enemy units
  - Units move into enemy controlled area starts combat after all units moved for that Movement order (See Combat)
  - Player can leave no units in area. Loses control unless **Establishes Control**
3. Resolve Consolidate Power Orders in turn order. Player receives one Power token + 1 per Power Icon on area.
4. Clean up all remaining Orders. Routed units stood up. Refresh Messenger Raven and Valyrian Blade.

## Wildling Attack

Initiated by Wildling Threat reaching 12 or Wildling Attack Westeros card being drawn and resolved. Two attacks in one phase are possible due to this.

1. **Determine Wildling Strength** from threat token position.
2. **Bid Power** tokens. Each player pick Power token bid secretly behind screen and puts in closed fist.
3. **Calculate Night's Watch Strength** by totaling Power bid from all players.
4. **Determine Outcome** by comparing Wildling Strength to Night's Watch Strength. Night's Watch win if greater or equal to Wildling strength.
5. **Adjust Wildling Track** based on victor. Set to 0 if Night's Watch

win. Move back 2 if Wildlings win.

6. **Discard Power** tokens into main supply.

7. **Resolve Wildling Attack Effects** based on top Wildling Deck card and outcome of battle. Place resolved card on bottom of deck. Bidding related ties are resolved by Iron Throne track holder.

## **Ships**

Any two land areas are considered adjacent for the purposes of marching and retreating if they're connected by one or more sea areas containing one or more friendly ships. Ships from other houses may never be used. Order token assigned to the ship area doesn't matter. Routed ships may be used. Ships can't move using ship transport. Units maybe use ship transport to move into enemy areas and start combat. Land areas are only considered adjacent for the purpose of Marching or Retreating, not for Supporting and Raiding.

## **Combat**

1. **Call for Support** from area adjacent to combat containing Support Order. Support is optional. Player may support own units. If multiple areas that can offer support, resolve in turn order. Support Order is not removed after combat. Siege Engines may only support attacks on Castle/Stronghold. Ships may support adjacent land, but land may not support adjacent sea.
2. **Calculate Initial Combat Strength** for both sides. Footman/Ship are one. Knight is two. Siege Engine is four if against Castle/Stronghold. Add Defense/March Order bonuses to appropriate side. Add Supporting units and Special Order bonuses. Add Garrison defense strength.
3. **Choose and Reveal House Cards** for both sides and resolve effects. Sword icon - enemy unit must be destroyed if enemy is defeated. Fortification icon - ignore one enemy Sword icon. Cards are discarded after. Last card is still discarded, remainder are put back in hand.
4. **Use Valyrian Steel Blade** if either player has it and wants to.
5. **Calculate Final Combat Strength** from initial combat strength + House Cards + Valyrian Steel Blade.
6. **Combat Resolution**
  - (a) Victor is player with higher Final Combat Strength. Break ties with position on Fiefdoms track.

- (b) Defeated player takes casualties equal to number of enemy sword icons minus fortification icons. Defender picks units to destroy. All types count as single "unit" regardless of strength. Support units cannot be destroyed from this.
- (c) Defeated units must retreat from area. All units to same area. Move to adjacent friendly or empty area (Can't be where initial march was from). Supply matters! Can't move to region if that violates Supply limit. If this is only option, destroy units until Supply limit is valid. If no legal location, all units are destroyed. Ship transport is allowed. Siege Engines can't retreat (just destroyed).
- (d) Remove March Order. If Defender lost, remove any remaining Order or Power token in area.

## **Controlling Areas**

Remember, a retreating army cannot retreat to an area with an enemy Power token.

## **Establishing Control**

When a player removes all units from an area through a March Order, that area no longer provides benefits to the player. If the player wants to maintain control, he can leave a power token in the region to maintain control. The power token is only removed once an enemy takes control of its area. A lone power token will not cause combat nor does it aid the defender. If a player doesn't have a power token, he can't establish control.

## **Controlling Home Areas**

Printed House shield of a home area functions like a permanent Power token. Players can control enemy home areas by keeping friendly units there or by establishing control in the area. Place power token directly over printed enemy house shield when establishing control. When the area is vacated, control reverts back to the original house.