★ Verdélune: Tide of Ferrex – PvP Core Rules (Finalized Revision)

Match Setup

- Mode: 1v1 Lane-Based Battle
- Lanes: 5
- Tiles per Lane: **9 visible** (Tile 10 = hidden Ferrix spawn tile)

Deck Building

- Total Cards: 12
 - 8 Essence Cards your static, core strategy
 - **4 Spark Cards** 2 shown at a time, refresh every 20s or when played

Design Purpose

- Essence = identity, scaling, win-cons
- Spark = adaptability, reaction, tempo control
- Why 12 cards? Balanced depth and accessibility easy to learn, hard to master.

💰 Dual Economy System

- Essence Bar
 - Used for: Essence Cards

- Starts at: 0
- Income Rate:
 - Wave 1: +25 every 3s
 - o Wave 2: +25 every 2.5s
 - Wave 3: +25 every 2s
- Cap: None
- Purpose: Fuels long-term plans and power plays

Spark Bar

- Used for: Active Spark Cards
- Starts at: 0
- Income Rate:
 - Wave 1: +15 every 3s
 - Wave 2: +15 every 2.5s
 - Wave 3: +15 every 2s
- Cap: 125
- Overflow: Pauses at 125 → drains at 10/sec after 6s until below 100
- Purpose: Enables bursts, flexible answers, tempo swings

X Unit Behavior

Verdélune (Defense)

• Stationary units: shooters, walls, traps, supports

- Can be placed anywhere (Tiles 1–9)
- Focus: Stall, synergy, spatial control, anti-breach

* Ferrix (Offense)

- Units auto-advance forward per lane
- Spawn at invisible Tile 10
- Must unlock tiles by walking into them
- Focus: Pressure, breach paths, wave conversion

■ Tile Zones & Unlock Rules

Tile #	Owner	Notes
1–4	Verdélun e	Safe to plant. No Ferrix threat here
5–6	Shared	Must be unlocked by Ferrix advance
7–9	Ferrix	Ferrix spawn zone (dangerous)
10	Ferrix	Offscreen spawn, not plantable

Unlocking Rules

- Any Ferrix unit unlocks the tile it enters
- Duration: 7s (Wave 1) → 8s (Wave 2) → 9s (Wave 3)
- Titans: Unlock 3×3 radius while moving
- Air Units: Fly over tiles, ignore traps, don't unlock

Win Conditions

Verdélune

- 1. Destroy Ferrix base (3500 HP)
- 2. Survive all waves without suffering 2 breaches

Ferrix

- Breach **2 separate lanes** (Rootwall "lawnmower" triggers)
- No base damage required breach = win

Rootwall (Global Trap)

- First unit to reach Tile 0 is destroyed (Colossals: lose 25% HP)
- Other Ferrix units in lane take AoE damage
- Triggers once, then permanently deactivates

🔁 Game Flow & Wave Structure

- Wave 1 Scout Phase (0:00–1:15)
 Light probing, +100 Essence on first breach
- Wave 2 Tempo Shift (1:15–2:30)
 +50 Essence at start, Ferrix base heals after idle, suppresses Tiles 7–9 periodically
- Wave 3 All-In (2:30–3:30)
 +100 Essence at start, Ferrix base gains invincibility thresholds
- Sudden Death (3:30–4:00)
 All income stops; only remaining resources usable

Meroes (Support Role)

- Each player selects 1 Hero per match
- Heroes amplify strategies but cannot win alone

Ability Layout (5 Slots)

- 1. Passive Always active / cooldown-triggered
- 2. **Summon** Hero's signature unit
- 3. **Active** Castable buff/damage/utility
- 4. **Super** Condition-based ultimate (flashy, limited use)
- 5. Class Duality Each Hero belongs to 2 classes, offering hybrid play

🗽 Card Slot System

- **Deck** = 8 Essence (static) + 4 Spark (rotating)
- Bonus Draw Queue (3 slots)
 - Generated by on-board effects
 - Max 3 cards → new draws overwrite oldest
 - o Discards refund 25% of cost

Purpose: Encourages tempo play and synergy, avoids hoarding abuse.

Minions & Classes

Each minion belongs to 1 class (synergy, deck style)

• Some minions are **Universal** (flexible, non-scaling, plug-and-play)

Verdélune Classes

- Warden Walls, stall, taunts
- Bloomweaver Healing, aura buffs
- **Mycoseer** Traps, spores, delays
- **Thornbrand** Shooters, thorn barrages
- Rootsage Tile control, denial
- Riftbound (Shared) Unstable, wildcard tools

Ferrix Classes

- Witherborn Undeath, revive swarms
- Ironhowl Bruisers, armor, midgame pressure
- Fleshweaver Fast swarms, fragile tempo
- **Echochurn** Time tricks, delayed triggers
- **Nightpiercer** Stealth, assassination plays
- Riftbound (Shared) Glitched hybrids, unpredictable

★ Classic Mode (Tutorial)

- **Setup:** 1v1, 5 lanes, 9 tiles per lane
- Rules: No base, no waves; 8-card Essence deck only
- **Economy:** +25 cost every 3s (steady income)

• Win Conditions:

o Verdélune: Survive full 4 minutes

o Ferrix: Breach 2 lanes

• **Purpose:** Intro mode — teaches core mechanics in simple PvZ-style defense/offense