

INTRODUCTION

What follows are the rules around conducting and constructing a 350 point Alpha Strike "Army" and competing with that Army through a battery of scenarios vying for the top spot among other participants.

What is the 350 Alpha Strike Tournament format?

It is a core set of rules to be used in casual pick up games or in a tournament setting, where winning objectives overrule the simple destruction of the opponents' Armies.

What are 350 point armies?

This represents the total forces you have brought to compete in the various scenarios listed inside this booklet. This Army should include a variety of Infantry, Battle Armor, Vehicles, and BattleMechs. Each scenario could require additional combined Arms Support or has certain strategic advantages to taking and using Combined Arms.

200 vs 350?

Each player brings 350 points worth of units that make up their Army. Each scenario has a 200 point value maximum. So players must choose 200 points out of the 350 points they brought to the tournament to successfully achieve the objectives for each of the 8 scenarios. This is where bringing a well rounded 350 point army that can handle multiple roles is good practice.

Why do we need an Alpha Strike Tournament Format?

We believe that the Battletech Community would benefit from a centralized rule structure that would not only allow for large Tournaments to take place, but also be completed in a timely manner. These rules are also in place to offer a balanced approach to creating an "Army" that anyone can take to any Game Store and compete in a friendly game that does not require any additional setup time, era and technology discussion, or Point Value (PV) adjusting. With these rules, every 350 point Army is already balanced and ready to play the minute the terrain is set up. We believe this will bring the community even closer together than it is now, and expand the player base to reach new heights.

We all hope you enjoy this new way to competitively play Battletech: Alpha Strike. Be competitive but most importantly, remember to have fun!

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Common Terms

<u>Army:</u>

An Army refers to all the units you have brought that conforms to the army construction rules. These units are what you will use during your game or throughout a tournament.

AS:CE:

Abbreviation for the rulebook "Alpha Strike: Commanders Edition" Current printing is 4th Edition.

Contested:

If both players have units overlapping any part of an OAT in the End Phase, the OAT is considered to be contested.

Crippling Damage:

When a unit meets any of the following criteria, half the units PV is calculated into the MOV score at the end of each scenario.

The unit has no Armor remaining and has been reduced to half its starting Structure value (rounded up) . If the unit possesses only one point of Structure to begin with, once all armor is removed it is considered crippled.

The unit has been reduced to a damage value of 0 for all Medium- and Long-range attacks . This condition does not apply if the unit began the scenario with a damage value of 0 at Medium and Long range.

The unit has been immobilized through damage, critical, and or motive hit effects.

Errata:

These are rules that have been updated or clarified between printings. AS:CE - <u>www.bg.battletech.com/errata/</u> 350 Rules - <u>www.wolfsdragoons.com/alpha-strike-core-tournament-rules-2/</u>

MUL:

Abbreviation for Master Unit List. The Master Unit List is the official repository of all units that are available to the Battletech universe. Website is here: www.masterunitlist.info

Multiple Attack Roles:

Separate attack rolls (2D6) are made for each point of damage the unit would deliver at that range. See Multiple Attack Rolls in the AS:CE book for more details on detailing Special Weapon Attacks.

<u>0AT:</u>

Objective. Area. Template. These templates mark the objectives in the various scenarios. OATs can't be destroyed and don't affect LOS except for Bunker OAT's.

<u>Proxy:</u>

A proxy is something you use to represent a model that you do not have. This proxy should be of the same type (mech, combat vehicle or battle armor), similar size and shape.

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FACTION and ERA

Each Player must choose one Faction and one Availability Era table to make their 350 army.

Units selected outside the player's chosen Faction and Era are deemed to be invalid and are removed from that player's army for the remainder of the tournament.

On the FACTIONS tab in the MUL, pick a Faction then an Availability Era. You will notice when your unit list is tabulated if additional faction lists should be included for your chosen faction, it is included in gray just to the right of the Faction and Era chosen. When creating your list be sure to include this Generic List in your filter options on the UNITS tab.

When choosing a Faction be sure to include the corresponding "Generic" list of units.	Example of UNITS tab filter options	
	🍽 Factions (0)	
There are 4 Generic Lists available on the MUL: Inner Sphere General Periphery General Inner Sphere Clan General (IS Clan)	Search Factions Federated Suns	
Home World Clan General (HW Clan)	✓ Inner Sphere General	
 - Blank General List means there is no General List attached to that Faction. 	🛗 Availability Era (0)	
Example: Kell Hounds, Mercenary, and Wolf's		
Dragoons will not have a General List included.	Star League	
	Early Succession War	
Example of Faction with General List to be included:	Late Succession War - LosTech	
	Late Succession War - Renaissance	
Clan Cloud Cobra in the Clan Invasion era induding Hyv Clan Ceneral	Clan Invasion	
Clan Cloud Cobra 2807-Present Clan Invasion (3050-3061)		
	✓ Jihad	
	Early Republic	
Example of Faction with no General List to be included:	🔲 Late Republic	
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Wolf's Dragoons in the Civil War era including Blank General List	□ ilClan	
Wolf's Dragoons 3004-Present Civil War (3062-3067)	*Missing eras do not have unit data available at this time	

Squad Sizes

Battle Armor Unit Squad sizes are dependent on the Faction and Era chosen by the player.

ARMY CONSTRUCTION RULES

Maximum Army Point Value (PV) = 350 points

Types of Units allowed for 350 army construction.

Battlemechs Omnimechs Industrial mechs Protomechs Combat Vehicles Conventional Infantry Battle Armor

Units with the following <u>special abilities</u> can be taken but are unable to use that ability:

ART-TC, ART-SC, ART-LTC, and ART-LT DCC special ability MDS special ability HPG special ability BOMB special ability

Allowed Artillery (ART) Special abilities:

ARTAIS ARTAC ARTT ARTS ARTBA

Units and Abilities Not Allowed

Units with the DRO ability Aerospace Advanced Aerospace Support Vehicles Advanced Support Vehicles Any unit that is <u>Experimental</u> Tech Level. Alternate Munitions Pilot or Command Special Abilities Formation Bonuses Any unit that is Unique in the chosen Era. Any unit that is Extinct in the chosen Era. Any unit with an "Unknown" rules designation.

Trailered Units

Trailer Units must be deployed attached to a unit with HTC special ability.

Army Unit Restrictions:

Armies may have no more than:

- 16 units per Army
- 8 of any Mech Type (Battlemech/ Industrial/ Omnimech)
- 8 Combat Vehicles
- 5 of any Infantry Type (includes Battlearmor)
- 5 ProtoMechs (further rules on page 3)

An army can only have an ART combined value of 2. Either 2 units with ART-1, or one unit with an ART-2.

An army can only have a JMPS combined value of 2. Either 2 units with JMPS1, or one unit with JMPS2

Cargo Transport (CT)

If you are converting CT to IT, the amount of CT you convert is reduced by half, rounded normally. Example, A Swift Wind ICE Cargo has CT3. If you wanted to convert all that CT to IT it would end up IT2. <u>This is intentionally different to</u> the established rule in the AS:CE page 84.

<u>Pilot Skill</u>

Skill levels may only go as low as 2, and as high as 7

Players are only allowed 2 units with a skill 2 value, and 2 units with a skill 7 value. Any number of the remaining units may have a skill value of 3 through 6.

Chassis and Variants (Rule of 2)

Players may only have up to 2 units that share the same chassis name in their Army.

BattleMechs, OmniMechs, and IndustrialMechs cannot share the same variant in an Army.

All other unit types are allowed two units of the same chassis, and the same variant.

Example on next page



ProtoMech Rules:

You must include all 5 ProtoMechs in any scenario that you are using ProtoMechs.

ProtoMechs must all follow Rule of 2

Off-Board Artillery Support

Off-Board Artillery Support Rules are found on AS:CE page 56.

Off-Board attacks are not modifiable and follow the rules on AS:CE Battlefield Support page 54.

Players must include their Off-Board Artillery Support cards in their 350 point army total at the beginning of the tournament and/ or game.

Off- Board Artillery Support is declared during the controlling players Attack Phase. Off-Board Artillery Attacks resolve in the same turn.

Alpha Strike cards are found on page 25.

Players cannot use Off-Board Artillery if they have any on-board Artillery Units.

Off-Board Artillery follows the same rules for ART values.

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🗹 Combat Vehicle	
Aerospace	
🔽 Infantry	-
🔽 IndustrialMech	
 IndustrialMech Protomech 	
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Example of UNITS tab filter options



All units must be a valid unit on the Master Unit List (MUL) located at <u>www.masterunitlist.info</u>

Banned Units:

This section of the construction rules will list the Unit(s) that are not allowed to be included in any 350 Tournament List.

A unit will be banned if it is determined to be "unhealthy" for the overall gaming experience, or based on the frequency that is used in Premier Level Tournaments.

Currently there are no banned units.

EXAMPLE LIST:

Clan Steel Viper / Clan Invasion

	Skill	Pts
Gladiator (Executioner) Prime	4	51
Mad Cat (Timber Wolf) Prime	4	54
Mad Cat (Timber Wolf) B	4	48
Black Hawk (Nova) Prime	4	41
Puma (Adder) Prime	4	30
Stinger - 3Gb	4	22
Crab -CRB-27b	4	33
Viper (Dragonfly) A	4	38
Elemental Battle Armor (Flamer)	4	17
Elemental Battle Armor (MG)	4	16





SCENARIOS

There are 8 scenarios in the 350 Alpha Strike Tournament Format. Each one is designed to pit one army vs another in an objective based competitive match. First player to score 4 objectives is considered the winner.

Some scenarios favor fast light units that are able to quickly get in and out, others call upon the raw firepower and toughness of Assault Mechs. This is where as a player you must decide the right balance when creating your 350 point armies.

<u>Rules:</u>

Each scenario allows a maximum of 200 points from their 350-point army to be used during the game. There is no minimum amount of points needed for each scenario.

Each scenario is played on a 42" x 36" map. Each player designates their home edge along one of the 36" edges.

Each scenario requires the Components listed on the Scenario Page, as well as 10 pieces of terrain as described in detail on the Terrain Rules page 17.

Pre Game Turn Order:

- 1. Once 2 players have been paired together each player exchanges their 350-point army list with the other player. *NOTE: In Premier Events, only the list of units is exchanged not the AS cards.*
- After players have had time to go over each other's lists players must then decide which units out of their 350-point army they will use. Only during the Depoyment Phase will your opponent know which units you have chosen.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Pre-generated 200 points lists are encouraged.

- 3. Each player then rolls 2D6 to determine the Terrain Phase Initiative winner. The player with the highest total can either
 - a) Place the first piece of terrain on the board (following the Terrain Rules of placement), or
 - b) Automatically win the first Initiative Phase after deployment.
- 4. Place all the Objective Area Templates that pertain to the current scenario onto the battlefield.
- 5. Players then take turns placing one piece of terrain at a time until all terrain pieces are set. IMPORTANT NOTE: If OAT's are stacked on top of hill terrain, make sure measurements are double-checked before the game starts.
- 6. Players then roll for Deployment Phase Initiative. The player who lost the roll places their first unit onto the board in the 2" deployment zone along their home edge. Players then alternate deploying their forces making sure to keep in mind that at any point one player's forces are double their opponent's forces, they must place 2 units.
- 7. Once all forces are deployed, and any OAT measurments are double-checked, players roll for Initiative (unless a player chose option b during the Terrain Phase), and game play begins.

BUNKERS



- 3 Red Bunker Templates (3")
- 3 Blue Bunker Templates (3")
- 6 D20's (for damage trackers)

Objective:

Destroy opponents Bunkers

Additional Set Up:

Place a D20 on top of each Bunker Template showing (20) representing the armor value of each bunker

Rules:

Bunker Templates are immune to HT, IF, and ART damage.

Bunkers are 1" in height, except for the Wedge portion which is 0" in height.

Bunkers are able to hold any size unit that stands on top of the non-wedge portion of the template.

Bunkers are only allowed to take damage from Weapon or Physical attacks that can draw a straight line of fire to the yellow portion of the Bunker Template (Door).

Players cannot Damage or Infiltrate their own bunkers.

Bunker Infiltration:

During the End Phase (Step 1), when a Battle Armor (BA) or Infantry (INF) unit that is in base-to-base contact with the yellow "Door" portion of the template and at ground level, that unit is removed from the board and is to be considered inside the Bunker. These Units are considered off-board until they return the following End Phase (Step 1).

During the End Phase (Step 2) BA/INF units are returned to the board in base-to-base contact with the yellow "Door" portion of the template and grounded. BA/INF units are allowed to use their normal movement (no sprinting) to clear the Bunker Template before it is destroyed.

> During the End Phase (Step 3) the Bunker Template is destroyed, dealing 3 points of damage to any unit on the Bunker Template.

ROLL

NUMBER 1

Scoring:

Each Bunker has its own damage tracker. Damage done collectively to any of the bunkers should be tracked by that player for tie breaker purposes.

Objective Point Scoring: For every 15 points of total Bunker damage, the Player receives one Objective point.

Win Conditions:

First player to destroy all opponents' bunkers (4 objective points) wins the game.

(If the game goes to time) the player who has the most objective points wins the game.

(If objective points are tied) the player who destroyed the most bunkers wins the game.

(If there are equal amounts of Bunkers destroyed) the player who dealt the most total Bunker damage wins the game.





CAPTURE THE FLAG

Components:

- 3 Flag Tokens (Purple, Orange and Green)
- One Blue and one Red Objective Area Templates (3")
- One Purple, one Orange and one Green Objective Area Templates (3")

Objective:

Retrieve and Deposit 4 flags from the 3 Objective Area Tokens in the middle of the map.

Additional Set Up:

Place corresponding Flag Tokens on their matching color Objective Area Template.

Rules:

In order to "Pick Up" the flag, any type of unit must have a portion of their base on the OAT and must be grounded, dismounted and uncontested. During the end phase (Step 1), a unit that has met these conditions is considered to be carrying the flag if they choose to.

Units that have "picked up" the flag are to place the token in base-to-base contact with that unit.

If a unit drops the flag due to elimination, the flag must stay where it is and cannot be moved until another unit "picks up" that flag.

In order to pick up the flag on the field, a unit must be grounded, dismounted, uncontested and in base-to-base contact with the token during the end phase (Step 1).

Units may only carry one flag at a time.

Units may "pass" the flag to another friendly unit. In order to pass the flag both

friendly units must be in base-to-base contact with each other, grounded, dismounted, and neither unit is in base-to-base contact with an opposing unit. During the End Phase (Step 3) the flag is successfully transferred to the other friendly unit.

Units transporting BA with a flag may also carry a flag.



Scoring:

Whenever a Flag Token is inside a Team Base that is uncontested in the End Phase (Step 2), that Team scores one point, regardless if the unit carrying the flag token survives.

Units must be grounded /dismounted in order to deposit the Flag Token inside the Team Base.

Once a Flag is deposited, the Flag Token re-spawns on its corresponding OAT during the End Phase (Step 4).

<u>Objective Point Scoring:</u> For each flag deposited, a player receives one Object Point.

Win Conditions:

First player to score 4 points wins the game.

(If the game goes to time) the player with the most points wins the game.

(If points are tied) Follow Tie Breaker rules on page 21



DOMINATION

Components:

- 5 Objective Area Tokens (3")
- 4 Red Team ID tokens
- 4 Blue Team ID Tokens

Objective:

Control 4 out of the 5 Objective Area Templates.

Rules:

Units must be inside or on a portion of an Objective Area Template (OAT) and uncontested in order to claim the OAT.

During the end phase (Step 4), place a Team Token on the OAT that your unit has claimed. Remove any Opposing Team Tokens from that OAT, if present.

During the end phase (Step 4), if an OAT is contested, remove any Team Tokens on that OAT.

Units do not need to remain on an OAT to keep the Team Token in place.



Scoring:

Each OAT with a player's Team Token on it during the End Phase (Step 4) represents one point for that player.

Objective Point Scoring:

Players receive one Objective Point for each point they have scored at the end of the game.

Win Conditions:

The player with a score of 4 after the End Phase wins the game.

(If the game goes to time) the player with the most points wins the game.

(If points are tied) Follow Tie Breaker rules on page 21



KING OF THE HILL

Components:

- One Objective Area Token (5")

Objective:

Hold the center Objective Area Template by having the most combined size total within the OAT for 4 turns.

Rules:

Each unit must have its base on a portion of the Objective Area Template (OAT) and have survived the End Phase (Step 4) in order to have its unit size counted towards the Total Unit Size.

Units must be grounded in order to have its unit size counted towards the Total Unit Size.

Protomechs, Battle Armor, and Conventional Infantry do not count for combined unit size.



Scoring:

During the End Phase (Step 4), each player combines the total size of their grounded units (excluding Protomechs, Battle Armor or Infantry) inside or on the King of the Hill Objective Area Template.

Objective Point Scoring:

The player with the most combined size is awarded one objective point. If the Combined Sizes are equal, there are no points awarded to either player.

Win Conditions:

The first player to score 4 objective points wins the game.

(If the game goes to time) the player with the most objective points wins the game.

(If objective points are tied) Follow Tie Breakers on page 21



STAND UP FIGHT

Components:

-No special items required

OBJECTIVE:

Destroy all your opponents units.

Rules:

Reminder that when scoring PV destroyed be sure to use the Crippling Damage rules.

Found in the Common Terms at the beginning of the Rules or on AS:CE page 127



Scoring:

After you destroy an opponent's Unit, add that unit's PV to your score total.

Objective Point Scoring: For every 50 PV destroyed from an opponent's list, that player receives one Objective Point.

Win Conditions:

If a player has eliminated all of their opponents Units during the end phase (Step 4), they win the game.

(If game goes to time) The player with the most Objective Points scored wins the game.

(If objective points are tied) Follow the Tie Breaker Rules on page 21



<u>OVERRUN</u>

Components:

-Player Tokens to mark zone control

Objective:

Control Zones A, B and the opponent's Home Zone.

Rules:

Each player's Home Zone is the nearest 8" of the playing field to their starting edge. The remaining 2 zones are separated at the center line (21" from either player's starting edge).

During the End Phase (Step 4), the player with the most combined unit size in a zone controls that zone. If tied, the zone is contested and loses any control by previous owner.

A unit's base may overlap the border between 2 zones. If the base overlap is uneven, it will contribute its unit's size to the zone in which the greater portion of its base occupies. If a base is evenly split between 2 zones, the controlling player must declare at the end of the unit's movement which of the 2 zones its unit size is being contributed towards.

Players must have a unit in a zone to retain control of that zone.



Scoring:

Zones A and B are worth one Objective Point.

The opposing player's Home Zone is worth 2 Objective Points.

Contested Zones are worth 0 objective points.

Points are scored at the end of the game.

Win Conditions:

If during the End Phase (Step 4) a player has control of zones A,B and their opponent's Home Zone, that player wins the game.

(If game goes to time) The player who has the highest score wins the game.

(If the score is tied) The player who controls their opponent's Home Zone wins the game.

(If still tied) Follow the Tie Breaker Rules on page 21

ROLL

NUMBER 6

HEAD HUNTER

Components:

- 2 Red Objective Area Tokens (1")

- 2 Blue Objective Area Tokens (1")

Objective:

Destroy your opponent's Command Units and recover your opponent's Tokens.

Rules:

Each player is required to designate 2 units as a Command Unit.

This information will be conveyed to the opponent when the designated unit is deployed.

When a designated Command Unit is destroyed, remove that unit and replace it with a 1" Token of the destroyed units color.

In order to pick up the Token, a unit must be grounded, dismounted and uncontested during the End Phase (Step 1).

Friendly units are allowed to contest friendly Commander Unit Tokens.



Scoring:

Players will receive one Objective Point for each Command Unit destroyed and each Token that is captured.

Win Conditions:

The first player to eliminate both of their opponents Commanders and collect their Tokens during the End Phase (Step 4) wins the game.

(If game goes to time) The player with the most Objective Points scored wins the game.

(If objective points are tied) Follow the Tie Breaker Rules on page 21



HOLD THE LINE



Components:

- 3 Blue Objective Area Templates (1")

- 3 Red Objective Area Templates (1")

Objective:

Destroy all of the opponent's Objective Area Templates

Rules:

Each player places their corresponding Objective Area Templates according to the diagram below. OAT's are placed on the near side of the 8" line from players Home Edge (not the center).

If a friendly unit is overlapping any part of an opposing player's OAT during the End Phase (Step 4), the OAT is considered destroyed and removed from the board.

Player's may overlap their own OAT.

OAT's cannot be contested.

Units must be grounded and dismounted in order to overlap an Objective Area Template



Scoring:

The Right and Left OAT's are worth one objective point

The Center OAT is worth 2 objective points.

Win Conditions:

If during the End Phase (Step 4) a player has destroyed all 3 of their opponents OAT's, that player wins the game.

(If game goes to time) The player who has the destroyed the most of their opponents OAT's wins the game.

(If still tied) Follow the Tie Breaker Rules on page 21

TOURNAMENT RULES

The 350 Tournament Format uses the basic rules found in the beginning of the Alpha Strike Commanders Edition (AS:CE)

Movement Combat Damage Heat

These core rules are the basis that make up Alpha Strike and are to be followed while playing with the 350 tournament rules set.

Additional rules will be spelled out in this section. Please read and follow the Errata for the AS:CE as well. This can be found on the Battletech Main page: www.bg.battletech.com/errata/

There are 2 formats of competitive play in the 350 Tournament, Casual and Premier. When deciding to run a tournament please make it known to all players which format you plan on running ahead of time.

<u>Casual</u>

This format is to reflect a "pick up" game format. We recommend players still adhere to many of the Premier game play rules, but with more flexibility in terms of Proxies, Painted Unit rules, and additional optional rules listed below. In addition, Tournament Organizers or players can choose to use other optional rules found in the AS:CE, or alter the total Army and Squad Point Values as they wish in order to meet their needs as long as you communicate to your opponent or players what you are adding or subtracting for your event.

<u>Premier</u>

This format is specifically for structured and organized events. The rules set in Premier are to make sure that there is a level playing field and make the game visually appealing. This is intended to draw outside attention and grow the game, as many of these Premier events will take place at conventions and game stores.

> No additional Rules may be used during a Premier Event.

AS:CE Optional Rules used for Premier Events (page numbers may change due to newer editions)

Artillery Support. (pg 54,56)

Terrain (pg. 56-60)

Large Units (pg. 64)

Special Abilities (pg. 76- 91) *

Crippling Damage (pg. 127)

Non Infantry Unit Cover: Page 139 **

Low-Altitude Drops: Page 160

ECM/ECCM: Page 161

Multiple Attack Rolls: Page 175

Scatter Rules for Troop Drops: Page 181

* Some Special Abilities have restrictions. See Army Restrictions.

** Destroyed units are removed from the battlefield during the End Phase (step 0).

PAINT and MODELS

Players are expected to come to every tournament or event with a painted 350 army. This is to make sure the game looks amazing and draws in new players to the game.

We also don't want to turn away new players that are just getting into the game, or players who just don't have the time to paint their armies.

In order to strike a balance, at the Premier Level, all armies that are not painted to the specifications listed below will not be able to advance to the Championship Rounds after the initial Swiss Rounds.

<u>Colors</u>

In order to be considered to have a valid painted army, there must be a concerted effort to paint a model with a minimum of 3 colors. Judges will have the final call on whether or not a painted army meets the requirement to advance on to the Championship Rounds of any Premier level tournament. *Remember not everyone is Brushido*.

Proxies

Each miniature must be of the same chassis printed on the card used by the player. The miniature is not required to be the same variant.

The only exception to this rule is if there is not an official miniature made for a legal unit chosen in an Army. In this case, use a legal miniature which closely resembles the unit.

Any miniature including Mechwarrior Online, Mechwarrior: Dark Age Clix, or any 3D-printed models) not sold by or officially licensed by Catalyst Game Labs or Iron Wind Metals is prohibited. SEE PAGE 27 FOR FURTHER EXPALANATION

<u>Bases</u>

All miniatures and models must be attached to an 1.25" hex base that also has the front of the unit indicated clearly on one side of the hex.

Units that are larger or do not fit on a 1.25" hex base must be modified in order to visually see and measure to the base. Only Super Heavy Units are allowed to use a 2" hex base or the 4 hex base made specifically for Super Heavies.

Miniature Modification

All Models must consist of 80% of the original model.

Models must be in an upright actionable pose.

Jumping mechs are allowed but will have LOS to the jumping pose at all times.

Jumping miniature(s) must have j type.

IN GAME CLARIFICATIONS and ADDITIONAL RULES

No Opponent Protocol:

During the end phase (step 5), when an opponent does not have any remaining units on the board, the game is over. Any player who has destroyed their opponents army is awarded one additional Objective Point that is to be added to their total, to a maximum of 4 Objective Points.

Map Direction Set Up:

For each game, the Terrain Initiative Winner's home edge is considered to be the North Direction.

Shutdown Units:

Units that are Shutdown for any reason cannot perform actions, contest an Objective Area Template, or have their size count towards Combined Unit Size.

Sprinting:

A sprinting unit cannot do anything but move. Therefore it is unable to take actions or fulfill any Scenario Objectives that involve more than simply moving or occupying a space.

A sprinting unit can contest a space and have its Unit Size count towards Combined Unit Size.

Sprinting units cannot:

- Pick up Flags for Capture the Flag
- Deposit a Flag at their Base
- Dismount Battle Armor or Infantry
- Attack
- Perform Physical Attacks
- Spot for Indirect Fire
- Enter Bunker

Physical and Artillery Rolls

Physical attacks and artillery strikes are a single 2D6 roll for to-hit and dealing damage.

SEE PAGE 27 FOR MINIATURE, KIT-BASH AND PROXY RULES FOR PREMIER LEVEL EVENTS

END PHASE ORDER

Step 0	Complete	End Phase	according to	AS:CE
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- Step 1 INF/BA Enter the Bunker or return to the battlefield from the Bunker, Flags are picked up, Commander Tokens picked up
- Step 2 Flags are deposited, BA/INF can move from Bunker after returning to the battlefield.
- Step 3 Bunker is destroyed and damage (if any) is recorded, Flags are passed.
- Step 4 Points are scored, Flags re-spawn Domination Points are placed, Size total added up and compared, Game winning conditions are checked
- Step 5 No Opposition Rule checked

Line of Sight

Alpha Strike 350 Tournament Format will use True Line of Sight. This means that players use the line of sight from their unit to their target to determine if they can see their target.

Use rules in Alpha Strike: Commanders Edition page 40

Water and Depth 1 LOS

Because game boards cannot reflect units that are in a water terrain feature, players should use the rules outlined below.

1. If you can see the closest point to the target's hex base, then you can see 50% of the target that is standing in water. The target would receive partial cover from standing in the water.

2. If there are 2 or more instances of partial cover, the target is considered to have no Line of Sight.

Example: If a Mech is standing in water and the attacker is seeing the hex base, attacker can see 50% of the target. However, the target receives partial cover for the water. Additionally the target is receiving partial cover from a hill or building, that would constitute 2 partial covers and therefore no Line of Sight.

Game State and Missed Opportunity

Inevitably there are going to be situations where a player has forgotten to do something and may or may not need correcting.

Game State:

These situations are defined as something that must happen. In these situations a player or players have forgotten to do something in the game that the game dictates must happen. These situations must be corrected.

Missed Opportunity:

This is when a player or players forget to do something that the game does not dictate must be done. Instead it is an option a player may have done, but forgot. These situations do not get corrected.

Examples

Game State:

Player A overheated their Marauder by one on the Heat Scale to do extra damage. During the following movement phase, Player A moved the Marauder its full movement forgetting that it has a -2" of movement due to the heat. While shooting, Player A notices that his Mech was unable to move the full movement. In this scenario, the Mech was not allowed to move that far and therefore should move his Mech backwards 2" along the path the Mech took to get to the position it was in.

Missed Opportunity:

Player A has Battle Armor riding into battle on one of their OmniMechs. Player A is able to move into the rear arc of another unit and wants to deploy their BA so they can shoot. They forgot to place the BA movement dice next to the BA (indicating that the BA are on the board and not mounted). Because Player A forgot to place a movement dice down next to the BA, they are effectively still mounted onto the OmniMech, and therefore are unable to make an attack.

TERRAIN RULES

Terrain Phase Order:

Make sure OAT's are placed in correct positions before setting terrain.

Players must roll for Terrain Initiative before the game starts. The player who wins the roll will decide one of the following:

- (a) Place the first piece of terrain, or
- (b) Automatically win the first Initiative roll after terrain is set and forces have deployed. The player who lost the roll will place the first piece of terrain.

Players then alternate turns placing terrain until all terrain pieces have been placed.

Double-check that all Objective Area Templates are in their correct positions before ending the Terrain Phase Order.

All terrain must be placed on the map before the game can begin.

Terrain Placement Rules:

Each piece of terrain (at ground level) must be 2" away from any other piece of terrain or Objective Area Templates.

The map edge is not considered a terrain piece, therefore terrain may touch the edge of the map.

Stacking:

All terrain and Objective Area Templates are allowed to be stacked on top of Hill Terrain only.

Objective Area Templates that are stacked must have the full template situated on the hill. (no hanging over or overlapping)

Objective Area Templates may only be stacked on a level 2 hill, no higher.

Staircase Rule

All stacked terrain must have a 2" clearance or "step" on at least one side to allow all ground units to be able to reach the next level.

Bunker Templates: Objective Area Templates for the Bunkers Scenario must have a 2" clearance in front of the Wedge Portion of the Bunker Template.



All games must have a total of 10 pieces of terrain: 1 large, 2 medium, and 2 small for each Primary and Secondary Terrain.

Listed below are the maximum diagonal widths of any terrain piece. Each terrain piece must have a diagonal width within 2" of the maximum size allowed.

Primary Terrain (1) Large = 15" (2) Medium = 10" (2) Small = 5"

Secondary Terrain (1) Large = 10" (2) Medium = 7" (2) Small = 5"

Primary Terrain Types Allowed Hills Buildings * Dropships ** Boulders Staircase Rule

* Buildings cannot be attacked or destroyed. They cannot do anything other than block LOS

** Dropships serve as buildings only and cannot attack or do anything other than block LOS

Secondary Terrain Types Allowed

Hills Buildings Trees (woods) Water (max depth 1) Deep Snow Jungle Swamp Mud Lava Boulders Rough Terrain Rubble Craters: Use Water rules for determining line of sight



All Terrain Height is rounded normally

Terrain Components:

Within any Terrain there may be rocks, buildings, boulders, etc. These components are considered apart of the Terrain Template and therefore do not follow the 2" clearance from other terrain pieces rule.

Example: A Large Primary Terrain piece has several buildings inside the template that are 1" away from each other. As long as the Large Primary Terrain Template is 2" from another Terrain piece, it is considered legal.

TOURNAMENT ORGANIZATION

ARMY LIST RULES

Each player must bring 2 copies of their Army list to a Premier Event. One for yourself for record keeping and to show your opponent at the beginning of the match, and one for the Tournament Organizer for their records.

Invalid List

If a list is discovered to be invalid during tournament play the offending player will forfeit any previous/ current games. All opponents receive a modified win or earned score, whichever is greater.

*** To avoid this happening, please send your Army List to the Tournament Organizer before the tournament to have it be validated, or send it to wnrp@wolfsdragoons.com with the subject line of "Check This List" and someone will review your list.

If a player brings an Army to a Tournament that violates the 350 Army Construction Rules, that player must eliminate any unit that either does not meet the guidelines of the construction rules or must eliminate unit(s) to meet the 350 point threshold before play begins.

Tampering and Modifying

If a player has been found to have knowingly tampered or modified any cards, dice, rulers, or any other aspect of the game, they will be disqualified from the tournament, all of their wins from previous rounds will be voided, and their opponents will receive modified wins.

MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR TOURNAMENT

Players:

- 1. 350 point list complete with Alpha Strike Cards. (2 copies)
- 2. All the models that are indicated on your 350 point list.
- 3. 6 sided dice for TMM indication (AS:CE page 37) (Recommended: Red/Yellow/Black/White)
- 4. Enough identifiable pairs of D6 to roll 2d6 for the highest possible damage of any unit in the Army.
- 5. 20 sided dice for height indication for any VTOL units.
- 6. Tape measure
- 7. Pen/pencil/marker for record keeping

Tournament Organizers:

- 1. Enough terrain to cover the amount of tables you have for the tournament
- 2. Play mats
- 3. Match slips
- 4. Turn counters
- 5. Time clock (any type of clock that is visible by players will be adequate)
- 6. Extra dice
- 7. Cryodex or some other tournament keeping software
- 8. All tokens and templates required for game play
- 9. TO's are responsible for providing a competent judge who knows the rules.
- 10. Safe environment to host a tournament
- 11. Extra pens/pencils/markers
- 12. Extra copies of this rulebook
- 13. Alpha Strike: Commanders Edition
- 14. D8 (for rolling scenarios)

General Tournament Rules:

Each player is required to bring a 350 point list that adheres to the Army Construction Rules.

All scenarios are maximum 200 point games.

Each game is 80 minutes in length.

The number of games played in a Tournament is determined by the number of players.

All tournaments will be played in a Swiss Format.

All maps will be 42" x 36" with the 36" edges as players' Home Edges.

Each map will be played with 5 Primary Terrain pieces (1 Large, 2 Medium and 2 Small) and 5 Secondary Terrain pieces (1 Large, 2 Medium and 2 Small)

All scenarios are randomly rolled on the Scenario Roll Table. Do not repeat scenarios unless specified.

Time Line per Game:

- 5 Minutes for players to exchange lists and choose a 200 point squad for scenarios.
- Players roll for Terrain Phase Order
- 10 min for players to set terrain
- Start the game clock (80 Min.)
- Players roll for Deployment Initiative
- Players deploy their units according to scenario rules.
- Players roll for 1st round Initiative
- Every 20 minutes judges call out how much time is left in the round.
- 80 minute mark, TO calls "Time" all games are allowed to finish the round that they are currently on.

ROLL #	SCENARIO
1	BUNKERS
2	CAPTURE THE FLAG
3	DOMINATION
4	KING OF THE HILL
5	STAND UP FIGHT
6	OVERRUN
7	HEAD HUNTER
8	HOLD THE LINE

PLAYER #	ROUNDS
4-8	3
9-18	4
19-32	5 *
33-64	5 **

Championship Rounds

* 19-32 Players:

After 5 rounds of play, take the top 8 players in the rankings and those players will play a single elimination Championship Bracket using the remaining 3 scenarios not used during swiss.



** 33-64 Players:

After 5 rounds of swiss play, take the top 16 players and play another 3 round swiss using the remaining scenarios not used during first swiss rounds. After 3 rounds of swiss the top 4 players will play a single elimination Championship Bracket, re-rolling scenarios for each game. Do not use same scenario in elimination rounds.



SCORING

When scoring matches for a 350 tournament there are 3 categories players are expected to fill out on their match slip.

Win/Loss:

Each match slip will contain a box under the player's name. The winner of the match should indicate with an "x" in the box.

Objective Points:

Each player is responsible for writing down how many Objective Points they have scored for each Scenario.

Each Scenario has an Objective Points score explained on the Scenarios page.

Margin of Victory (MOV):

Each player subtracts their opponent's remaining Point Value that is left on the board from 200.

*Crippling Damage is used to calculate the Points Destroyed score for units that are crippled on the battlefield. AS:CE page 127

There is no Forced Withdrawal rule in this rule set.

Match Slip Example

PLAYER #1 NAME	Joshua		PLAYER #2 NAME	Natasha	
OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP	OBJECTIVES	ΜΟΥ	DROP
4	165	X	4	182	<u></u>
Bunkers X Capture the Flag	Domination King of the Hill	Head Hunter Hold the Line	Stand Up Fight	ROUN	D#

Dropped Players and Byes:

If during the course of a tournament a player decides to drop out from the tournament after it has begun, or there is an unequal number of players, then a bye must occur. A player receiving a bye is rewarded a Modified Win.

<u>Modified Win:</u> If a Player does not have an opponent that player will receive a Win, 2 Objective Points, and 100 Points Destroyed Score.

*** If for some reason a player must leave the table and not return, their opponent receives the Full Win (4 Objective Points, and 200 Points destroyed)

Tie Breakers:

If both players in a match end up with the same Objective Points, the Tie Breaker Order to determine the winner goes as follows:

- 1. Any Tie Breaker Rules in the description of the Scenario (King of the Hill and Bunkers)
- 2. Most Point Value Destroyed (This is separate from Margin of Victory)
- 3. Player who brought the least amount of PV to the match
- 4. Player who brought the least amount of PV in their total 350 points

FLOOR RULES

Movement should be measured from the back of the hex base to the back of the hex base.

If a player rolls dice and knocks over a miniature, terrain, objective area template or token, the player who did not roll the dice is responsible for replacing the moved piece back into the original position without changing the unit's original facing or direction.

Good sportsmanship is required and any questions or debates that arise will be resolved by a Judge.

Judge's decisions are final. Not everyone is perfect, arguments can lead to disgualifications. Remember, rule #1 is to have fun.

Each table will have round markers. These round markers are to reflect which round a table's match is currently on. At the beginning of each turn before initiative is rolled, players are required to advance the turn marker.

If die is consider to be cocked, the pair must be re-rolled.

SLOW PLAY

Turn markers are to help Judges accurately determine the flow of all games going on. It will also be used as an indicator that one or both players are taking too long on decisions and therefore slowing the pace of the game down.

Judges are encouraged to prompt players to speed up if they are not keeping pace with other games. That Judge should then check that game play speed has increased.

If a Judge determines that the table has not picked up play, they are to issue a warning to both players.

After the warning has been issued and pace of play has still not been resolved, player or players will be issued an automatic game loss.

Following a player receiving an automatic game loss due to slow play, any further slow play warnings for that player will result in the player being disgualified from the tournament.

JUDGING

Judges are expected to have full knowledge of the Alpha Strike: Commanders Edition, as well as full knowledge of the rules in this booklet.

Handle disputes calmly and fairly. If calls are 50/50, have each player roll 2d6 and the highest outcome wins the disagreement, however note that this should only be used as a last resort.

While we encourage players to try and handle disagreements themselves, players should use the judge in disputes when both players are unable to reach an agreement.

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Judges should have the following items at their disposal for every tournament:

 Laser pointer or some tool to measure Line of Sight 	- Extra 2d6 dice
- This rulebook	- Tape Measure
- Alpha Strike: Commander Edition	- Notepad for note taking.

BE SURE TO CUT TEMPLATES ON THE LINES







PLAYER #1 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP	PLAYER #2 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES		DROP
Bunkers	Domination King of the Hill			ROU	 ND #
PLAYER #1 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP	PLAYER #2 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES		DROP
Bunkers		Head Hunt	= =	ROU	 ND #
PLAYER #1 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP	PLAYER #2 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES		DROP
Bunkers	Domination King of the Hill	Head Hunt		ROU	 ND #
			PLAYER #2 NAME		
OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP	OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP
Bunkers	Domination King of the Hill	Head Hunt		ROU	ND #
PLAYER #1 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP	PLAYER #2 NAME WINNER OBJECTIVES	MOV	DROP
Bunkers	Domination King of the Hill	Head Hunt	= =	ROU	ND #

MINIATURE AND PROXY RULES

The following miniatures are prohibited for use in AS350:

- Reproduction miniatures like those done from non-official molds or on 3D printers
- Miniatures for other non-CGL competing games (ex: other Mech or RPG games)

Examples of this: Mechwarrior Online, Mechwarrior: Dark Age Clix, Macros Miniatures, or any 3D printed models (Stratos/Steel Warrior Studios)

"Kit-bashing" otherwise known as creating a mini, mini variant that is not currently in production by using another miniature's parts or parts meant for kit-bashing on a standardly produced mini. Any addition of the following parts must still follow the 80/20% rule. This means that 80% of the mini must be purchasable from a 1st retailer. Custom things cannot represent more than 20% of the mini.

Bits

- 1. "Decoration" paint, flock, etc. (Decals are a separate issue, covered later.)
- 2. Anything sculpted from raw materials (green stuff, clay)
- 3. Crafting bits (brush bristles, plasticard, brass tubing, etc.)
- 4. Bits from the modeling community made for generic use. (This includes bits from IWM that are not specific for CGL Games)
- 5. Bits from other non-CGL games (ex: competing Mech or RPG games)
 - #1-4 are acceptable.
 - #5 is not acceptable.

Decals

- -Decals with official artwork (e.g., house, clan, and unit logos) should only come from Fighting Piranha
- -Games (the license-holder), unless they are made by the CDT member themselves.
- -Decals of other things (warning stripes, generic things like stars and numbers, etc.) can come from any source.
- -Freehand painting logos/art is also acceptable.

3D Printing

- 1. CDT member designs, sculpts, and prints a piece (missile pack, gun barrel, etc.) -This is essentially hobby sculpting like the bits section 2 but on the computer
- 2. The piece ("bit") is an open-source design either printed by the CDT member or received as a gift that is legally allowed to be given (so no money changes hands & the giver has the right to redistribute).
- 3. The bit is part of a design owned by another company printed for personal use under Fair Use that does not violate the above mentioned bits rules. (ex: is not for a competing Mech or RPG game)
- 4. The bit is part of a design sold by another company, the agent bought it appropriately, and it does not violate the other bits rules. (ex: is not for a competing Mech or RPG game)
- 5. A full miniature that is an open-source design that does not violate the other bits rules (ex: is not for a competing Mech or RPG game)
- 6. A full miniatures sold by another company that does not violate the other bits rules (ex: is not for a competing Mech or RPG game)
- 7. Anything not obtained legally (ex: 3D mini files illegally obtained-- almost all files bought by 1 person do not allow that 1 person to redistribute the file).

#1-4 are acceptable #5-7 are not acceptable.

An example of #1/#2 is this Catapult K5 made by an agent. The majority of the mini is CGL plastic; only the arms are 3D-printed. The agent started with an existing (open-source) missile pack design and altered it in size and shape (so a hybrid between #1 & #2).

Code of Conduct

All organizers, judges, players, and spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a way that ensures everyone has fun. Remember we are playing this game to HAVE FUN.

The following are not tolerated:

Foul or Abusive Language – No one should be subjected to foul or abusive language, bullying and other forms of harassment, and has the right to a clean, enjoyable gaming experience. There are acceptable substitutions such as FRAK or Fudge that are family friendly.

Bullying: This including hazing, discriminatory or derogatory language, comments or activities will not be tolerated at any level.

Theft: All individuals participating in events should feel safe, and feel their property is safe. Please ask before touching anyone's miniatures. If you are caught stealing, you will forfeit your right to play.

Improper Attire – Wearing of obscene, demeaning, or overly revealing attire is not allowed. You may be asked to leave if you are wearing anything that we believe to be inappropriate. This is at the organizers discretion.

Poor Personal Hygiene – Body odor, and general "unkempt" appearance that can offend others around you is distracting and unnecessary. We can and will ask you to leave and "freshen up" before continuing your game.

Drugs or Alcohol – illegal drugs are a hard no. Alcohol will be at the discretion of tournament organizers and venue. Please know your limits and don't exceed them. If it becomes a problem, you will be asked to leave.

All individuals should be respectful of our venue and clean up after their games. Food is to be single-serving only.

Pictures may be taken during the event. If you do not want to be photographed please let your TO know.

Please keep the following in mind while playing:

Respect: Players, spectators, organizers, and property should be treated with the same respect that players would expect for themselves and their property. Distracting an opponent or a judge to gain advantage shows disrespect to everyone involved in an event.

Fairness: Games cease to be fun when players break the rules to achieve victory. A player should prefer to lose a game than to win by cheating.

All decisions of the judge are final. Remember things can be interpreted differently. If there is a disagreement. A 2D6 will be rolled. The winner of the roll decides the outcome.

Honesty: Players of any game should strive to act honestly while playing that game. If a player inadvertently breaks a rule during a game and becomes aware of the error before his or her opponent or a judge, that player should make the opponent and the judge aware of the misplay.

Please arrive on time for events. Keeping an entire tournament waiting for you is disrespectful. If you are going to be late or unable to attend, please contact us.

Sportsmanship: Winning or losing with grace is vital to the enjoyment of any game. The desire to continue playing a game can be soured by players that berate their opponents after winning or losing a match. Demeaning, disrespectful comments, or actions before, during or after a game indicate poor sportsmanship and will not be tolerated.

Children under the age of 13 MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Above all have FUN!

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