

BATTLETOME: STORMCAST ETERNALS

DESIGNERS' COMMENTARY, DECEMBER 2023

The following commentary is intended to complement *Battletome: Stormcast Eternals.* It is presented as a series of questions and answers; the questions are based on ones that have been asked by players, and the answers are provided by the rules writing team and explain how the rules are intended to be used. The commentaries help provide a default setting for your games, but players should always feel free to discuss the rules before a game, and change things as they see fit if they both want to do so (changes like this are usually referred to as 'house rules').

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Q: Can you explain how Yndrasta's 'The Prime Huntress' ability works with a contradictory effect like the Alarith Spirit of the Mountain's 'Stonemage Symbiosis' ability?

A: The Prime Huntress triggers **when** the damage table of a **MONSTER** is used to determine a characteristic or ability. As both of these effects trigger at the same time, they are classed as Simultaneous Effects (1.6.2). This means that the player whose turn is taking place applies the effects of their ability first, then their opponent does the same.

Q: Does the Drakescale Armour enhancement allow the bearer to re-roll save rolls against attacks that have a random Damage characteristic? A: No.

Q: Can I use the Lord-Imperatant's 'Guided by Lightning' ability to set up a unit using the 'Scions of the Storm' ability more than 7" from all enemy units in the same turn that the Lord-Imperatant was set up using the 'Scions of the Storm' ability? A: Yes.

Q: Can Holy Commands be issued and/or received by Unique units and allied units?

A: Yes, if they have the necessary keywords.

Q: If I summon Ravenak's Gnashing Jaws with a Lord-Arcanum, which adds 6" to the distance the endless spell can move, should I include that additional movement when determining the number of mortal wounds caused by that endless spell's 'Ravening Hunger' ability? A: No.

ERRATA, DECEMBER 2023

The following errata corrects errors in *Battletome: Stormcast Eternals.* The errata are updated regularly; when changes are made, any changes from the previous version will be highlighted in magenta. Where the date has a note, e.g. 'Revision 2', this means it has had a local update, only in that language, to clarify a translation issue or other minor correction.

Page 107 – Command Traits, Master of the Celestial Menagerie Change the rule to:

'If this general has the Behemoth battlefield role and is on the battlefield, subtract 1 from wound rolls for attacks made with melee weapons that target friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** units that have the Behemoth battlefield role.'

Page 110 – Prayer Scriptures, TranslocationAdd the following to the end of rule:'That unit cannot move in the following movement phase.'

Page 110 - Mount Traits

Change the text beneath the header to:

'You can pick 1 **HERO** with the **STARDRAKE**, **DRACONITH**, **DRACOTH**, **DRACOLINE**, **TAURALON** or **GRYPH-CHARGER** keyword in your army to have 1 of the following mount traits.'

Page 111 – Unique Enhancements, Holy Commands Change the text under the header to:

'A Holy Command is a command ability that is a unique enhancement. You can always take 1 Holy Command enhancement for a Stormcast Eternals army. Each time you take a Holy Command enhancement, you can pick 1 of the Holy Commands from the table below and use it in the battle. If a rule allows you to take an extra enhancement, you can take a Holy Command enhancement as that extra enhancement, but if you do so, you cannot pick the same Holy Command from the table below more than once.'

Page 111 – Holy Commands, Thunderbolt Volley Change the rule to:

'You can use this command ability once per battle in your hero phase. The command can only be issued by a friendly **KNIGHT** to a unit wholly within 12" of them or by a friendly **LORD** or **DRACONITH** to a unit wholly within 18" of them. The unit that receives the command must be a friendly **JUSTICAR** or **ANGELOS** unit that is not reinforced. That unit can shoot in that phase.'

Page 132 -Battle Tactics

Add the following battle tactic:

'Secure the Battlefield: You complete this battle tactic at the end of your turn if there are any friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** units wholly within each large quarter of the battlefield and more than 6" from all enemy units.'

Page 136 – Krondys, Ancient Master of War Change the rule to:

'At the start of the combat phase, you can pick 1 enemy unit within 3" of this unit and subtract 1 from the Attacks characteristic of that unit's melee weapons (to a minimum of 1) until the end of the phase. The same unit cannot be affected by this ability more than once per phase.'

Page 137 – Karazai, Ancient Master of War

Change the rule to:

'At the start of the combat phase, you can pick 1 enemy unit within 3" of this unit and subtract 1 from the Attacks characteristic of that unit's melee weapons (to a minimum of 1) until the end of the phase. The same unit cannot be affected by this ability more than once per phase.'

Page 140 – Aventis Firestrike, Cycle of the Storm

Change the rule to:

'Once per turn, before you allocate a wound or mortal wound to another friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** unit within 18" of this unit, and that wound or mortal wound would cause a model in that unit to be slain, you can say that this unit will capture and return that warrior's soul. If you do so, that wound or mortal wound is negated.'

Page 140 – Astreia Solbright, Cycle of the Storm Change the rule to:

'Once per turn, before you allocate a wound or mortal wound to another friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** unit within 18" of this unit, and that wound or mortal wound would cause a model in that unit to be slain, you can say that this unit will capture and return that warrior's soul. If you do so, that wound or mortal wound is negated.'

Page 145 – Lord-Arcanum on Tauralon, Cycle of the Storm Change the rule to:

'Once per turn, before you allocate a wound or mortal wound to another friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** unit within 18" of this unit, and that wound or mortal wound would cause a model in that unit to be slain, you can say that this unit will capture and return that warrior's soul. If you do so, that wound or mortal wound is negated.'

Page 147 – Lord-Arcanum on Celestial Dracoline, Cycle of the Storm Change the rule to:

'Once per turn, before you allocate a wound or mortal wound to another friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** unit within 18" of this unit, and that wound or mortal wound would cause a model in that unit to be slain, you can say that this unit will capture and return that warrior's soul. If you do so, that wound or mortal wound is negated.'

Page 148 – Lord-Arcanum on Gryph-charger, Cycle of the Storm Change the rule to:

'Once per turn, before you allocate a wound or mortal wound to another friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** unit within 18" of this unit, and that wound or mortal wound would cause a model in that unit to be slain, you can say that this unit will capture and return that warrior's soul. If you do so, that wound or mortal wound is negated.'

Page 148 – Lord-Aquilor, Keywords Add the following keyword: 'GRYPH-CHARGER'

Page 153 – Lord-Arcanum, Cycle of the Storm Change the rule to:

'Once per turn, before you allocate a wound or mortal wound to another friendly **STORMCAST ETERNALS** unit within 18" of this unit, and that wound or mortal wound would cause a model in that unit to be slain, you can say that this unit will capture and return that warrior's soul. If you do so, that wound or mortal wound is negated.'

Page 166 – Vanguard-Raptors with Longstrike Crossbows, Champion Change the last sentence of this rule to: 'For rules purposes, the Aetherwing is considered to be a companion (core rules, 22.3.1).'

Page 174 – Stormdrake Guard, Draconic Onslaught Change the rule to:

'Once per battle, in your charge phase, you can say that this unit will unleash its draconic onslaught. If you do so, you can re-roll charge rolls for this unit in that phase.'

Page 181 – Celestian Vortex, SummoningAdd the following to the end of the paragraph:'Only STORMCAST ETERNALS WIZARDS can attempt to summonthis endless spell.'

Page 182 – Dais Arcanum, Summoning Add the following to the end of the paragraph: 'Only **STORMCAST ETERNALS WIZARDS** can attempt to summon this endless spell.'

Page 182 – Everblaze Comet, Summoning Add the following to the end of the paragraph: 'Only **STORMCAST ETERNALS WIZARDS** can attempt to summon this endless spell.'