



The New Warhammer 40,000 Your Questions Answered!

So, a new 40K, eh?

That's right! This is an exciting time for Warhammer 40,000 fans. There's a new edition on the way with updates and refinements to the core rules of the game, not to mention exciting developments in the ongoing narrative of the 41st Millennium. And, of course, loads of amazing new Citadel miniatures.

If you're already a fan, you have some awesome stuff to look forward to. If you're just taking your first steps into Warhammer 40,000, you picked a great time to start!

Why have you done another edition of the game?

We are always looking to make our games the best they can be. The last edition of Warhammer 40,000 saw a new game, rebuilt from the ground up. This edition is an evolution of that revolutionary design, taking on board three years of player feedback and making this incarnation of the game the best edition yet. As well as that, we've taken the opportunity to explore more of the changing face of the galaxy and introduce some exciting developments to the narrative of Warhammer 40,000.

What's changed in the rules?

Loads! A new edition gives us a chance to look again at the core rules of Warhammer 40,000 and make changes to the underlying engine. We've looked at every phase in the game, as well as missions, points and Stratagems. You'll see changes that affect every army and every game.

We'll be exploring many of these changes in detail over the coming weeks in articles over on warhammer-community.com

Has the setting or lore changed?

The past three years have already seen some huge changes to the shape of the galaxy that have literally redrawn the map. This new edition will see some equally seismic developments as we explore more of the galaxy, and rising threats to the Imperium...

Will there be new models?

Heck yes! So many cool new models, Necrons, in particular, are in for a good year ... and that's only the start.

Wait one second! Is that a new logo?

Good spot! Ain't it cool!? We're sorry if it invalidates your tattoo. On the other hand, congratulations! Now it's vintage body art.

Can I still use my army?

You betcha. Your current army will still be usable in the new edition of Warhammer 40,000. Of course, as we mentioned above, there are loads of cool changes to the rules, so a whole raft of new tactical challenges and opportunities await!

How can I get the rules?

We're going to make it easy to get your hands on the new rules and start playing. The core rules for the game will be free, and you'll have several options on how you get your hands on the full rulebook.

For more information, sign up to our countdown newsletter.

What happens to my codexes?

Good news! All your codexes still work! As do campaign expansions like the Vigilus series, Psychic Awakening and White Dwarf Supplements.

What about the Psychic Awakening books?

Again – these all still work! The rules in these supplements were written with the new edition in mind, so you can continue to use the rules in them for your games.

What about my Forge World Index books?

These will be changing.

Look out for a new range of books to support the Warhammer 40,000 Forge World offer soon after the release of the new edition.

Will there be new codexes for this edition too?

Yes, each of the factions in Warhammer 40,000 will be revisited in turn with codexes. This next wave of codexes will have additional content that features the new edition's updated rules, such as the new Crusade system.

Are unit points going to change?

Yes. A new edition gives us an opportunity to reset the balance of power across the whole game. Expect to see a lot of points changes in armies. Some for balance purposes and some to reflect the increased efficacy of units that become more powerful with the changes to core rules.

What's this we're hearing about Crusade?

We're glad you asked, because we're proper excited about it. Crusade is a new system for narrative play that will allow you to interact with your Warhammer 40,000 collection in a deeper, more meaningful way.

If you love the lore of Warhammer 40,000, narrative in your games, campaigns, meaningful battles, and collecting an army to a theme – you're going to love Crusade.

Nice website!

Thanks for noticing. Yes, there is a new Warhammer 40,000

website that will host loads of useful content. It is a website designed with new players in mind, but there will be resources there for all fans of 40K. Very soon there will be tutorial guides on how to play, introductions to the vast lore of the 41st Millennium and, of course, the new cinematic trailer for Warhammer 40,000.

New Cinematic Trailer?

Yep, we wanted to celebrate the launch of this edition with something truly exciting! It's awesome. Head over to warhammer40000.com to watch it.

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Done? See, we told you it was awesome.

Why should I not just stick with current Warhammer 40,000?

You can play any edition you like! Knock yourself out. You can even join crazy Anthony in his lead miniatures only, Rogue Trader campaign. We do think, though, that this edition is the best yet. Aaaaand, it might be easier to find an opponent this way.

Will the rules be updated through Chapter Approved?

The new core rules of Warhammer 40,000 will be with us for a little while yet, but yes. With new units and books released all the time, we will still be looking at the game regularly with an eye to balance – particularly in matched play – and publishing updates in Chapter Approved.

I haven't played 40K in a while...

Welcome back! The new Warhammer 40,000 is easy to learn, quick to play, and more accessible than ever – with the tactical, strategic and narrative depth to reflect the incredibly rich setting of the 41st Millennium.

What's in the new Boxed Game?

Who said anything about a new Boxed Game? That sure would be exciting, though. If such a thing were actually in the works, it probably wouldn't be long before we found out more about it...

What happens to Dark Imperium?

The Dark Imperium set will be retired pretty soon. If you want it, you don't have that long to grab one.

Where will I be able to buy it?

You'll be able to pick up your copy of the new Warhammer 40,000 from all the places you usually would – online, in your local Warhammer store or from your local independent retailer.

Why are you doing this so soon after Psychic Awakening?

As many of you picked up on, the Psychic Awakening has been building up to some major changes in the Warhammer 40,000 universe. The new edition sees them come to pass, with the return of a long-forgotten evil and some big developments in the lore.

From a rules perspective – all of the Psychic Awakening books are fully compatible with the new edition (and were written with it in mind!)

What happens to Kill Team?

Absolutely nothing. It's still there, and it's still great. Kill Team is its own rules set, so it isn't affected by changes to the main Warhammer 40,000 game. However, with new editions come new models, and several of these will be infiltrating their way into Killzones in the near future (...and the far future).

Will the 'core' rules still be available for free?

Yes. The Basic Rules Primer for the new edition will be available to download for free, just as with the current edition. For the new rules in full, you'll want to get a copy of the new Warhammer 40,000 Rulebook, which includes updates for matched play and the new Crusade system for narrative play.

What languages will the new Warhammer 40,000 be launched in?

The new Warhammer 40,000 Rulebook will be available in full in English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Chinese and Japanese. The core rules of the game will be available to download digitally for even more languages. Look out for the full list soon.

Are there still Non-Primaris Space Marines?

Yes. They're right where you left them and they can still be used in the game, just as you can today.

I love it. I want it. When can I have it!

Really soon. We're a few weeks off just yet, but we wanted to give you a bit of a heads up, so you could get ready (and because we were too excited to keep the news to ourselves any longer)! We'll let you know when we have more news on an exact release date.

Where can I find out more?

We'll be running articles every day from June onwards on warhammer-community.com in the run up to the launch. Every aspect of the new edition will be covered, from rules to new miniatures and the unfolding narrative.