

RIVALS FORMAT RULES

Rivals is a format that exclusively features Rivals decks. A warband's Rivals deck is a deck made from cards that only feature that warband's symbol, which means if you have at least one warband you have everything you need to join in with this competitive format. It's great for players just getting started with organised play, and it's a good way to put the latest warband in your collection through their paces.

WARBANDS

All Warhammer Underworlds warbands that have at least 12 faction objective cards and 20 faction power cards, of which no more than half can be gambits, can be used in the Rivals format.

Where a warband does not have enough faction cards for a complete objective and/or power deck, as is the case with some older warbands, they can only be used in the Rivals format in combination with a universal Rivals deck.

DECK CONSTRUCTION

In the Rivals format, a warband must have one of the following:

- A Rivals deck that only includes cards with that warband's symbol.
- The Direchasm universal Rivals deck Silent Menace.
- The Harrowdeep universal Rivals deck Illusory Might.
- The Harrowdeep universal Rivals deck Maze Breachers (published in White Dwarf 475).
- The Nethermaze universal Rivals deck Deadly Depths.
- The Nethermaze universal Rivals deck Vainglorious Raiders (published in White Dwarf 478).
- The Nethermaze universal Rivals deck Patient Lurkers (published in White Dwarf 478).

If a warband has only 12 faction objectives, that warband's Rivals objective deck is not limited to six surge objective cards.

There are no Forsaken or restricted cards in the Rivals format.

BOARDS

Only the following game boards may be used in the Rivals format:

- The Inevitable Morass
- The Tortured Coil
- Oblivion's Pillars
- The Abyssal Depths
- Ultimatum Engines
- Profane Larder
- · Hives of Sacrifice
- Pool of Fangs
- Bonefields
- · Soul Refractor
- · The Cursed Oubliette
- Chamber of Genesis

- Hall of Sublimation
- Ambertrap Nest
- Menhirs of Binding
- Bloodtrap Hive
- · Shyishian Stardial
- The Mirror Well

BEST OF THREE GAMES

In the best of three format, players cannot use the same side of a game board more than once in each match in an event – this means they must bring and use a minimum of two different game boards in total (giving them a choice of four game board sides). A player could, for example, use the Bonefields in their first game, the Bloodtrap Hive in their second game (which is on the reverse of the Bonefields board) and the Chamber of Genesis in their third game.

In addition, in the second game of a best of three match, do not roll off in step 2 of set up (the Place the Boards step). Instead, whichever player lost the roll-off in the first game is assumed to have won the roll-off in the second game. If the match is not decided after the second game, roll off as normal in this step in the third game.

DECK LISTS

These reference cards list the cards included in six Rivals decks: Silent Menace, Illusory Might, Maze Breachers, Deadly Depths, Vainglorious Raiders and Patient Lurkers.

- The cards for the Silent Menace, Illusory Might and Deadly Depths Rivals decks are pre-built and ready to use out of the box.
- The Maze Breachers Rivals deck is built using cards from the Harrowdeep core set and the Blackpowder's Buccaneers expansion.
- The Vainglorious Raiders Rivals deck is built using cards from the Harrowdeep core set and the Nethermaze core set.
- The Patient Lurkers Rivals deck is built using cards from the Harrowdeep core set, the Nethermaze core set, the Blackpowder's Buccaneers expansion, the Illusory Might Rivals deck and the Exiled Dead expansion.











