

*This War
Without an Enemy*

A portrait of a man with long, dark, wavy hair and a light blue ruffled collar, wearing a dark, possibly black, coat. The background is a soft, out-of-focus interior scene with a window and a chair.

*The First English Civil War
1642-1646*

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This War Without an Enemy brings to life the conflicting loyalties and passions of the First English Civil War (1642-1646), the most significant of the series of conflicts known collectively as the Wars of the Three Kingdoms.

The game is for two players. One player represents the Royalists (blue) who are “for the king”, and the other player controls the Parliamentarians (orange) and their Scottish Covenanter allies (green) who are “for Parliament”.

1.1 SCENARIOS

This game includes three scenarios:

- **September 1642:** the base scenario, as described in the main section of these rules.
- **1644:** a shorter scenario that takes up the action at the beginning of the 1644 campaigning season. See 13.2 for details.
- **Summer 1642:** a scenario with a partially randomized initial set up of blocks. See 13.3 for details.

It is strongly recommended that players begin with either of the first two scenarios in order to familiarize themselves with the game, before considering the more challenging Summer 1642 scenario or the optional rule that adds uncertainty to the timing of major events (see 14.0).

1.2 VICTORY

Players acquire Victory Points (VPs) through taking control of cities and, for the Parliamentarians, capturing of the king. VPs are not counted individually for each player, but are represented on a relative scale on the Victory Track (see 4.5). A player wins a Major Victory if there are 3 or more VPs for that player’s side at the end of a Turn. If neither player has secured a Major Victory by the end of 1646, then the game is a Minor Victory for the player with VPs, or for the Royalist player in the case of 0 VPs.

1.3 CONTENTS

- 22” x 25” map
- 73 wooden blocks for the two opposing armies (32 blue, 34 orange, 7 green)
- 6 wooden blocks used as markers (2 black, 4 red)
- Label sheet (for the blocks and markers)
- 52 cards
- 4 dice

2.0 GAME STRUCTURE

A game of *This War Without an Enemy* begins with Initial Set Up (see 6.0) and is followed by up to five *Years*.

2.1 YEARS

At the beginning of each Year, six cards are dealt to each player. In 1642, each player must discard four of these cards after examining them.

The Year of 1642 consists of two *Turns* (Turns 5 and 6). Each subsequent Year consists of six *Turns* (Turn 1 to 6), of which the last is a Winter Turn.

2.2 TURNS

Each Turn consists of five *Phases* played in sequence, except for Turn 6 of each Year which consists of six Phases (see 2.3).

2.21 Irish Cessation (Major Event)

At the beginning of Turn 5 of 1643, place the 3 *Cessation* Infantry blocks in Ireland.

2.22 Earl of Callendar Enters England (Major Event)

At the beginning of Turn 4 of 1644, place the 2 *Callendar* Infantry blocks in Scotland.

2.3 PHASES

2.31 Initiative Phase

Each player starts a Turn by playing a card face-down. The cards are then revealed. The player who played the card with the higher number is Player 1 that Turn. The number shown on a card denotes the number of *Action Points* (APs) that it provides. Any text on a card refers to a *Card Event*. If a player plays a card with a Card Event, then the APs are used **and** the Card Event is enacted.

EXCEPTION: A player who played a card with the *Surprise Attack Event* is automatically Player 1 irrespective of the number shown on the other card.

IMPORTANT: If the cards played show the same number or if both Players have played a card with the *Surprise Attack Event*, then the Royalist decides who is Player 1 if it is 1642 or 1643, and the Parliamentarian decides if it is 1644, 1645 or 1646.

2.32 Strategic Phase

Player 1 performs Actions (Action Sub-Phase), and then Player 2 performs Actions. Any Strategic Phase Cards Events may be enacted before or after each player’s Action Sub-Phase. See 7.01 for details.

There are two main classes of actions:

- **Move:** Each AP spent allows a player to perform a *Group Move*, a *Muster*, or a *Sea Move*. See 7.1 and 7.2 for details.
- **Recruit:** Each AP spent on Recruitment allows a player to add one strength to one existing block, or to deploy one new block, chosen from the player’s Recruitment Pool, on the map at strength 1. See 7.3 for details.

2.33 Tactical Phase

Battles are fought between opposing blocks in the same Area. Siege Combat may take place where a Fortified City is Besieged. Battles and Siege Combats are fought one Area at a time in a sequence determined by Player 1. See 8.0 and 9.0 for details.

2.34 Supply Phase

Blocks exceeding the Supply Limit in each Area are reduced. Sieges are resolved. See 10.0 for details.

2.35 Victory Phase

If either Player has 3 or more VPs or it is the last Turn of 1646 then the game ends. See 11.0 for details.

EXCEPTION: There is no Victory Phase in 1642.

2.36 Year End Phase

If it is Turn 6 then the Year End phase is resolved. See 12.0 for details.

3.0 THE BLOCKS

3.1 BLOCK INFORMATION

3.11 Strength

The current strength of a block is the number of circles on the top edge when the block stands upright. Blocks can have a maximum strength of 2, 3 or 4. If there is a red border on the single circle then the block is not placed in the Recruitment Pool when Eliminated (see 8.9). If there are red borders on all circles then the block's strength may never be increased.

Strength determines how many six-sided dice (d6) are rolled for a block in combat. A block at strength 4 rolls 4d6 (four six-sided dice), while a block at strength 1 rolls 1d6.

For each hit taken in combat or through attrition, the block's strength is reduced by rotating the block 90 degrees anticlockwise.

3.12 Tactical Rating

The Tactical Rating of a block is indicated by a letter and number in the upper right corner, such as **A2** or **C3**. The letter is the block's *class* (see 3.2) and the number is its *effectiveness*, which is the maximum die roll that will score a hit when Firing or Engaging (see 8.4).

3.13 Pursuit Factor

The Pursuit Factor of a Cavalry block, indicated by the letter P and a number in the lower left corner, is the maximum die roll with which the block will pursue enemy cavalry off the battlefield after having forced them to rout (see 8.43).

3.14 Text Labels

The white text below the illustration gives the name of the block. Any white text in italics above the illustration denotes the location (either an Area on the map, or the Recruitment Pool) where the block must be placed during the Initial Deployment (see 6.0) when playing the September 1642 scenario. If a block has yellow text in italics above the illustration then it is placed beside the map during the Initial Deployment when playing the September 1642 or Summer 1642 scenarios. The yellow text denotes either the Year when the block is added to the map or Recruitment Pool, or the condition for it to be added (player control of Areas, a Card Event, or a Major Event).

3.2 BLOCK TYPES

3.21 Artillery



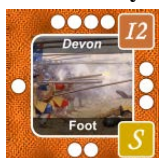
All **A** blocks are Artillery and are labelled as 'Cannon'. They play a limited role in field battles but are also useful during sieges. Artillery blocks are ignored when determining supply (see 10.1).

3.22 Cavalry



All **C** blocks are Cavalry. They include blocks labelled as 'Horse', some Leaders and the Henrietta block. They play a key but unpredictable role in field battles, and are also useful in harassing withdrawing armies.

3.23 Infantry



All **I** blocks are Infantry. They include blocks labelled as 'Foot', 'Clubmen', 'Garrison' and some Leaders. They can be vulnerable to Cavalry in field battles, but are indispensable in sieges.

3.24 Regional and Covenantor Blocks

Regional blocks have a letter in the lower right corner denoting their Home Region: **W**ales, the **N**orth, the **M**idlands, the **E**ast, the **S**outh or **L**ondon. The lower right corner is also colour coded according to the Region (see 5.11)



Covenantor blocks belong to the Parliamentary player. They are green and have the letters **Sc** in the lower right corner. They are Regional blocks with a Home Region of **S**cotland and the **N**orth, and are thus treated in a different way to other Regional blocks.

3.25 Irish Blocks

Irish blocks have the letter **Ir** in the lower right corner. They belong to the Royalist player.

3.26 Leaders



Leader blocks have the letter **L** in the upper left corner and are labelled with a name. The Royalists have two Leader blocks: Charles and Rupert. The Parliamentarians have four Leader blocks: Essex, Fairfax, Cromwell and Skippon.

3.27 Regional Leaders



Regional Leader blocks have the letter **R** in the upper left corner and are labelled with a name. Like other Regional blocks, they have a letter in the lower right corner denoting their Home Region. The Royalists have three Regional Leader blocks: Newcastle, Northampton and Hopton. The Parliamentarians have five Regional Leader blocks: Fairfax, Brooke, Waller, Manchester and Leven.

3.28 Clubmen and Garrison Blocks

Each player has one Clubmen block, with a Combat Rating of **I1**. The number **0** in the lower left corner shows that they cannot move. The Royalist player also has a Garrison block, which has a Combat Rating of **I2** and also cannot move.

3.29 Henrietta

For the *Henrietta* block see 12.11.

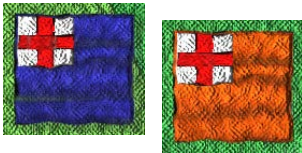
4.0 THE MAP

The map depicts England and Wales and parts of Scotland, Ireland and Continental Europe. The Royalist player sits at the west edge of the map, while the Parliament player sits at the east edge.

4.1 AREAS

The portion of the map representing England and Wales is divided into Areas. These Areas are separated from each other by open (white), river (blue) or mountain (brown) borders, which govern the maximum number of blocks that may cross the border when entering an Area to Attack or Reinforce (see 7.13) or when leaving an Area to Retreat from a Battle (see 8.6).

NOTE: There is no border between Lincolnshire and the East Riding – these Areas are separated by sea and thus blocks cannot move directly between them.



Areas marked with coloured flags are **Loyal**. Those marked with a blue flag are Loyal to the Royalists. Those marked with an orange flag are Loyal to the Parliamentarians.

Areas adjacent to a Sea (see 4.3) are **Coastal Areas**.

NOTE: Gloucestershire is a Coastal Area. Buckinghamshire & Hertfordshire is also a Coastal Area due to the Port of London.

Areas can be controlled by either player (Friendly or Enemy) or by neither player (Neutral or Contested). Changes to the control of an Area are effective **immediately**.

Friendly: Area occupied by one or more of a player’s blocks, or Area containing no blocks (Vacant Area) that is Loyal to a player. Such an Area is an Enemy Area for the opposing player.

Enemy: Area occupied by one or more of the opposing player’s blocks, or Area containing no blocks (Vacant Area) which is Loyal to the opposing player. Such an Area is a Friendly Area for the opposing player.

Neutral: Area containing no blocks and which is not Loyal to either player.

Contested: Area containing blocks of both players (excluding blocks in a Fortified City).

4.11 Regions

Areas are grouped together in Regions that play a role in the movement and recruitment of Regional blocks. Area names are colour-coded to show which Region an Area belongs to:

- Red: the North
- Purple: the Midlands
- Grey: Wales and the Marches
- Green: the East
- Yellow: the South

4.12 Scotland

The Covenanter blocks are placed in Scotland either at the end of 1643 (see 11.1) or at the beginning of Turn 4 of 1644 (see 2.22). These blocks may freely leave or enter Scotland. No other blocks may enter Scotland.

4.13 Ireland

The *Cessation* Irish blocks are placed in Ireland at the beginning of Turn 5 of 1643 (see 2.21). No blocks may enter Ireland through movement.

4.14 The Continent

The Henrietta block is placed on the Continent at the end of 1642. No blocks may enter the Continent through movement.



4.2 CITIES

Cities are classified according to three parameters:

- **Victory status:** Victory (coloured border) or non-Victory (grey border).
- **Fortification:** Fortified (pentagons) or Unfortified (circles).
- **Size:** London is size 4, Major Cities (Bristol, Oxford, York, and Newcastle) are size 2, and Minor Cities (Plymouth, Gloucester, Worcester, Cambridge, Leicester, Nottingham, Chester, Cloth Towns, and Hull) are size 1.

The colour of a Victory City’s outline shows which side it is *Sympathetic* to. Oxford, Chester, York, and Newcastle are outlined in blue and are Sympathetic to the Royalists. Plymouth, Bristol, London, Cambridge, and Hull are outlined in orange and are Sympathetic to the Parliamentarians. If the Area containing the Victory City is Neutral then the City is controlled by the player it is Sympathetic to. If the Area is not Neutral, then the Victory City is controlled by the same player as the Area, unless there is a block of the opposing player in the City, in which case the City is controlled by one player and the Area by the other.

4.3 SEAS AND PORTS

The sea on the map is divided into three Seas: the German Ocean, the British Sea, and the Irish Sea.



The Key Ports of Hull, London, and Bristol exert control over the Seas that they are adjacent to (respectively the German Ocean, the British Sea, and the Irish Sea). The player who controls the City also controls the adjacent Sea.



Control of the Lesser Ports of Newcastle (German Ocean), Plymouth (British Sea), and Chester (Irish Sea) facilitates Sea Moves (see 7.2) when the adjacent Sea is controlled by the opposing player.

4.4 RECRUITMENT POOL

Each player has a Recruitment Pool in the designated box on the map. Blocks in the Recruitment Pool stand *upright* to conceal their identity. Royalist blocks that are Eliminated during play are returned to the Recruitment Pool, except for the Charles and Henrietta blocks, which are removed from the game, and the Irish, Clubmen and Garrison blocks, which are placed beside the map. Parliamentarian blocks that are Eliminated during play are returned to the Recruitment Pool, except for the Covenanter blocks, which are removed from the game, and the Clubmen block, which is placed beside the map.

4.5 VICTORY TRACK

The marker on the Victory Track shows the relative number of VPs of each player. If, during the Victory Phase at the end of a Turn, the marker is at 3 or more VPs towards either the ‘For the King’ or the ‘For the Parliament’ side, then the player controlling that side has won the game.

4.51 Capture of a Victory City

During the game, as soon as control of a Victory City changes sides the VP marker is moved accordingly. There is a change of 1 VP in favour of the player who gained control of the City (except for London) and so the VP marker is moved one space towards that player’s side of the track. In the case of London being captured by the Royalists (or subsequently recaptured by the Parliamentarians), there is a change of 2 VPs and so the VP marker is moved two spaces towards the ‘For the King’ side (or towards the ‘For Parliament’ side).

4.52 Capture of the King

If the Charles block is Eliminated, then the king has been captured by the Parliamentarians, who gain 2 VPs and so the VP marker is moved two spaces towards the ‘For Parliament’ side.

5.0 THE CARDS

The cards are divided into two decks – one for the Royalists and one for the Parliamentarians – each of 26 cards.

Each card shows a number in each corner (a 2, 3 or 4), which denotes the number of Action Points that the card will provide for the Player to utilise during the Strategic Phase. The 2- and 3-AP cards also contain additional information related to the Card Event: the title of the Event, a description, and the Phase when the Event is enacted. Any red text on the card relates to when it is added to or permanently removed from the deck.

6.0 INITIAL SET UP

The initial set up of the game will depend on which scenario is being played.

6.1 SEPTEMBER 1642 SCENARIO

6.11 Preparation of the Card Decks

Remove all cards from each deck showing a year at the top – these will enter the deck later in the game – and then shuffle each deck.

6.12 Initial Deployment of the Blocks and Markers

Blocks with white text in italics above the illustration are deployed upright at full strength on the map in the indicated Area or in the Recruitment Pool. Blocks with yellow text in italics above the illustration are placed beside the map – these will be deployed later in the game. See 12.11 for a list of the starting locations of each block.

The Victory Point marker is placed in the 1 space on the ‘For Parliament’ side of the Victory Track. The Year marker is placed on the 1642 space.

6.2 1644 SCENARIO

6.11 Preparation of the Card Decks

The ‘Fortification of London’ card is placed beside the map and the following cards are removed from the game:

- **Royalist:** Roundhead Cavalry Fails to Charge, The Hotham’s Plot, Carew’s Plot, Parliamentary Ship Captured
- **Parliamentarian:** The Hothams’ Plot is Foiled, Carew’s Plot is Foiled, Bradford Clubmen, The Excise Ordnance Raises War Funds.

Then shuffle each deck.

6.12 Initial Deployment of the Blocks and Markers

See 12.21 for a list of the starting locations of each block.

The Victory Point marker is placed in the 1 space on the ‘For the King’ side of the Victory Track. The Year marker is placed on the 1644 space.

6.3 SUMMER 1642 SCENARIO

6.31 Preparation of the Card Decks

Remove all cards from each deck showing a year at the top – these will enter the deck later in the game – and then shuffle each deck.

6.32 Initial Deployment of the Blocks and Markers

See 12.31 for rules on how to deploy blocks and calculate the initial value of the Victory Point marker.

7.0 STRATEGIC PHASE

The Strategic Phase consists of a number of Sub-Phases:

- Event Sub-Phase
- Player 1 Actions Sub-Phase
- Event Sub-Phase
- Player 2 Actions Sub-Phase
- Event Sub-Phase

A player who has played a card with a Strategic Phase Card Event may choose to enact that Event during any of the Event Sub-Phases. If both players have played such a card, then in each Event Sub-Phase first Player 1 decides whether to enact the Event and then Player 2 does so.

During a Player Actions Sub-Phase, that Player spends the Action Points on the card played (this is **in addition** to enacting any Event on the card). These APs may be spent on Moves and/or on Recruitment.

IMPORTANT: *No block may be moved more than once during the Strategic Phase. However, a block may be deployed or receive strength through Recruitment and then be moved, or it may be moved first and then receive strength through Recruitment (provided that it still meets all of the requirements).*

7.1 LAND MOVES

7.11 Group Moves

For one Action Point, a player may move **any or all** blocks in one Area. Blocks can move in different directions.

Each Block can move up to two Areas. However, a block must end its movement when it enters an Area containing non-Besieged blocks of the opposing player (i.e. into a non-Vacant **Enemy Area** or into a **Contested Area**).

EXCEPTION: *the Clubmen and Garrison Blocks cannot move.*

7.12 Musters

For one Action Point a player may designate one **Friendly** Area and move any or all blocks to that Area that are able to reach it.

NOTE: *The Parliamentarian Player may designate Scotland and move Covenanter blocks (only) into Scotland from England.*

Musters cannot start a new battle, or respond to a battle created by Player 1, but a player can muster at (or pass blocks through) an Area where that player is Besieging a city.

7.13 Border Limits

The maximum number of a player’s blocks that can cross any border into an Area containing blocks of the opposing player that are not in a Fortified City (i.e. into a non-Vacant **Enemy Area** or into a **Contested Area**) during each Strategic Phase depends on the colour of the border:

- **White:** no limit
- **Blue:** 4 blocks
- **Brown:** 2 blocks

This limit applies separately to each player – one player may Attack (enter a non-Vacant Enemy Area) with 4 blocks through a blue border and then the opposing player may Reinforce the Battle (enter the now Contested Area) with 4 blocks through the same border.

7.14 Pinning

Blocks entering a non-Vacant Enemy Area (i.e. an Area containing only Enemy blocks) that does not contain a Fortified City must end their movement. The Area becomes Contested.

The blocks that entered the Area are *Attacking*, while the opposing player's blocks are *Defending*.

Player 1 Attacking blocks prevent an equal number of Player 2 Defending blocks from moving – these blocks are Pinned. If there are more Defending than Attacker blocks in an Area, then Player 2 chooses which blocks are Pinned. The non-Pinned blocks may move normally and even attack during Player 2's move/recruit portion of the Command Phase.

7.15 Withdrawal into a Fortified City

If blocks enter an Enemy Area that contains a Fortified City then the opposing player may Withdraw blocks into the Fortified City. The maximum number of Infantry/Cavalry blocks that may Withdraw into the City is equal to the City's Size. Artillery blocks do not count against this limit.

If no Enemy blocks remain outside the Fortified City after Withdrawal, then the blocks that entered the Area may move through it into another Area, provided that they have not already moved two Areas, or they may remain in the Area, in which case a Siege is initiated (see 8.0) with the Area controlled by and Friendly to one player while the Fortified City is controlled by the other player.

7.16 Regional Blocks

Regional blocks may only leave their Home Region if "chaperoned" over the border by a Leader block, or by their Regional Leader block (i.e. the Regional Leader from the same Home Region). The Leader block and the Regional block(s) must begin and end their move in the same Area. Irish blocks may only leave Ireland by Sea Move (they do not need to be "chaperoned" by a Leader). A Regional Block that begins a move in an Area outside its Home Region must also be "chaperoned" by a Leader or its Regional Leader block – again, the Leader/Regional Leader and Regional block(s) must begin and end their move in the same Area.

EXCEPTION: A Regional block does not need to be "chaperoned" to re-enter its Home Region. A Leader or Regional Leader block may bring a Regional block into an Area adjacent to its Home Region, then the Regional block may move on into its Home Region, while the Leader either remains in the Area adjacent to the Home Region or moves into another Area.

The Home Region for London blocks is Buckingham & Hertfordshire and the Areas adjacent to it. This applies for all purposes except when being deployed or returning home at Year End (see 11.3), in which case the Home Region is Buckingham & Hertfordshire only. London blocks may only leave their Home Region if they are "chaperoned" by a Leader block (there is no Regional Leader block for London).

7.17 Covenanter Blocks and Leven

The Home Region for Covenanter blocks is Scotland and the North. They may only be "chaperoned" by Leven and not by Fairfax nor by a Leader block. Leven may not act as "chaperone" to Parliamentary North blocks.

7.18 Winter Turn

During a Winter Turn (the last Turn of a Year, except for 1642), no block may enter, nor may a Clubmen block be placed in, an Area containing non-Besieged blocks of the opposing player (i.e. no Attacks are allowed on a Winter Turn, with the exception of Siege Combat).

7.19 Yorkshire Treaty of Neutrality

No Royalist or Parliamentary block may enter Yorkshire (the Areas of West Riding, East Riding, and North Riding) during the first Turn. The Parliamentary blocks already in Yorkshire may move freely and the Parliamentary player may Recruit in Yorkshire and then move any newly-deployed blocks.

7.2 SEA MOVES

For one Action Point a player may move one block from a Coastal Area in England to another *Friendly* or *Vacant* (Neutral or Loyal to the opposing player) Coastal Area in England.

IMPORTANT: Regional blocks may only Sea Move to an Area within their Home Region. This restriction does not apply to Regional Leader blocks.

The Royalist player may also move blocks from Ireland or from the Continent to a *Friendly* or *Vacant* Coastal Area in England.

NOTE: No more than one block may Sea Move from Ireland each Turn.

If the opposing player controls a Sea (by controlling the Key Port adjacent to that Sea – see 4.3 above) that the block enters then the player moving the block must roll a die determine the outcome. One is added to the die roll if the block is moving to or from a *Lesser Port* City adjacent to that Sea Zone (note that Plymouth is adjacent to the British Sea, but not to the Irish Sea, and so a block moving to or from Devon through the Irish Sea does not gain this bonus to the roll).

- **1:** The block is eliminated.
- **2:** The block is returned to where it started its move and loses one (1) strength.
- **3:** The block is returned to where it started its move.
- **4:** The block loses one (1) strength and then continues the move.
- **5-6:** The block continues the move.

If the block moves through more than one enemy-controlled Sea then the die must be rolled each time the block enters such a Sea.

7.21 Sea Moves and Besieged Ports

A player controlling a Sea may move a block into or out of a Besieged Port adjacent to that Sea. The player rolls a die, adds one and then consults the above table.

EXCEPTION: Blocks may not be moved into or out of London if the Besieging force includes Artillery.

7.3 RECRUITMENT

For one Action Point, a player may:

- Add one strength to one block that is already in an Area on the map. Strength can be added to the same block multiple times, each strength costing 1 AP.
- Deploy a block from the player's Recruitment Pool at strength 1. A block may only be deployed in a Friendly Area. No block can be deployed in an Area if it would result in the blocks in that Area exceeding the Supply Limit (see 9.1). If the block is a Regional Block then it must be deployed in its Home Region (a London block must be deployed in Buckingham & Hertfordshire). Additional strength can be added to a new block immediately with each strength costing 1 AP. Multiple blocks may be deployed in the same area if desired.

EXCEPTIONS: Strength may only be added to Regional blocks, including Regional Leaders, in their Home Region. Strength cannot be added to Artillery, Clubmen or Covenanter blocks, to blocks in Contested Areas nor to blocks Besieged in non-Port Cities (i.e. York or Oxford).

7.31 Recruitment in Besieged Ports

A player controlling a Sea may add strength to Infantry blocks (but not to Cavalry blocks) in Besieged Ports adjacent to that Sea. No more than one strength *in total* may be added in each Port per Turn.

7.4 STRATEGIC PHASE EVENTS

7.41 Attrition

The player who played this card chooses an Area containing one or more blocks of the other player. A Contested Area *may* be chosen. The other player must reduce the strength of two of the blocks by 1 each.

EXCEPTION: *The target Area of the card may not be an Area containing a Major City or London, unless the City is Besieged.*

NOTE: *If a block is reduced to less than strength 1 then it is immediately Eliminated (see 8.8).*

7.42 Bradford Clubmen

The Parliamentarian player may place the Clubmen block in West Yorkshire. If there are one or more enemy blocks in the Area then it will become Contested – one of these blocks is pinned and a Battle will take place with the Clubmen block as Defender.

EXCEPTIONS: *The Clubmen block may not be placed during the Winter Turn of 1643 if West Yorkshire has one or more enemy blocks.*

7.43 Clubmen

The player may place the Clubmen block in any Neutral or Enemy Area. If the block is already on the map then it may be removed and placed in another Area. If there are one or more enemy blocks in the chosen Area then it will become Contested – one of these blocks is pinned and a Battle will take place with the Clubmen block as Defender. If there is a Fortified City in the Area then the enemy block and NOT the Clubmen block may Withdraw into the City at this moment (see 6.15).

EXCEPTIONS: *The Clubmen block may not be placed in an Area that is Loyal to the other player. The Clubmen block may not be placed in an Area with one or more enemy blocks during a Winter Turn.*

7.44 Desertion of Regional Troops

The other player must choose one Regional block that is outside its Home Region, reduce its strength by 1, then place it back in its Home Region, in a Friendly Area if there is one, or a Neutral Area otherwise (if there is no such Area then the block must be returned to the Recruitment Pool). A block in a Contested Area is eligible for desertion.

If the other player has no Regional block outside its Home Region then the player must reduce the strength of any one block by 1.

NOTE: *If a block is reduced to less than strength 1 then it is immediately Eliminated (see 8.8).*

7.45 Fortification of London

From now on, the rules exception regarding London's walls being automatically breached during a Storming no longer applies (see 9.4).

7.46 Parliamentarian Ships Captured/The Excise Ordinance Raises War Funds

The normal rules for Recruitment (see 7.3 above) apply to these Card Events.

7.47 Supplies from the Continent/The King Strips the Garrisons

The normal rules for Recruitment (see 7.3 above) apply to these Card Events, but the usual exception for Artillery blocks does not apply.

7.48 The Hothams' Plot/Carew's Plot

If the Royalist player plays The Hothams' Plot or Carew's Plot Card then the City of Hull/Plymouth switches sides:

- Any Besieged Parliamentarian block is treated according to the rules for surrender following a siege (see 9.22).
- If the Royalist player has no block in the Area where the City is located then the player may deploy the Garrison block at full strength in the City or, if it is already on the map, then the player may move it to the City. Any Parliamentarian blocks in the Area are now Besieging the City.
- If the Royalist player already controls Hull/Plymouth then there is no effect.

8.0 TACTICAL PHASE

Firstly, either player who played a card with a Tactical Phase Event must decide which Battle will be effected by the Event. If both player played such a card, then first Player 1 and next Player 2 decides.

Then, Player 1 selects an Area that contains blocks of both players. Such an Area may be either:

- a Contested Area, in which case a Battle takes place unless the Defender Withdraws Before Battle
- an Area with a Besieged Fortified City, in which case first the Besieged Player may initiate a Sally (see 9.3) and then the Besieging Player may initiate a Storm (see 9.4).

Blocks are not revealed until a Battle, Sally or Storm is fought. Players reveal blocks (except those in Reserve) by tipping them forward at their current strength. After the Battle or any Sally/Storm is completed, the players stand all blocks upright. Then Player 1 selects the next Area.

NOTE: *If an Area is both Contested and contains a Besieged City (i.e. "relief forces" have attacked the besiegers) then there will be a Battle in that Area but no Storm/Sally (see 9.2).*

8.1 BATTLE RESERVES

The Attacker may have moved blocks into the Contested Area via multiple borders. As soon as a Contested Area is selected by Player 1, the Attacker must declare the **Main Attack**. All blocks that crossed this border, even if they started from different Areas, take part in Round 1 of the Battle. Blocks that crossed other borders are placed in **Reserve**.

Blocks moved into the Contested Area by the Defender to reinforce the blocks already there are also placed in **Reserve**.

Blocks in Reserve may not Fire, Engage, or take hits in Round 1. They enter the Battle and are revealed at the start of Round 2.

IMPORTANT: *Artillery blocks in Reserve may NOT Fire in Rounds 2 and 3 unless they are benefiting from the Well-positioned Artillery event (see 8.97).*

Control of an Area changes if **all** Defending blocks not in Reserve are Eliminated or start Pursuing or Routing in Round 1. The Defender is now the Attacker for the remainder of the Battle.

8.2 WITHDRAW BEFORE BATTLE

After the Attacker has declared the Main Attack, but before any blocks are revealed, the Defender may attempt to Withdraw Before Battle.

EXCEPTION: *if this Battle was chosen to benefit from the Surprise Attack event then the Defender may not attempt to Withdraw Before Battle.*

The Defender chooses and reveals at least one non-Artillery block which is not in Reserve as a Rearguard. Then the Attacker reveals blocks and Engages (see 8.4) against Rearguard block(s) as follows:

- If the Rearguard consists only of Cavalry block(s) then the Attacker reveals and Engages against the block(s) at -1 effectiveness with all Cavalry blocks in the Main Attack. Neither Infantry nor Artillery blocks may Engage or Fire. Each hit reduces by 1 strength the strongest enemy Cavalry block in the Rearguard at that instant.
- If the Rearguard includes at least one Infantry block then the Attacker reveals and Engages against the Rearguard block(s) at full effectiveness with all Cavalry blocks in the Main Attack, and at -1 effectiveness with all Infantry blocks in the Main Attack. Artillery blocks may not Fire. Each hit reduces by 1 strength the strongest enemy block in the Rearguard, regardless of type, at that instant.

The Defender does not reveal blocks not in the Rearguard and Attacker does not reveal blocks that are not Engaging against it. If all of the Rearguard blocks were Eliminated and the Attacker caused at least one additional hit, then the withdrawal was unsuccessful: proceed to Round 1 of the Battle. Otherwise, the withdrawal was successful: proceed to the End of Battle (see 8.5).

NOTE: There is no restriction on the number of blocks that may form the Rearguard – it may even be all of the Defender's blocks.

8.3 BATTLE ROUNDS

Battles are fought for a maximum of *three* Battle Rounds. Each Battle Round takes places according to the following sequence:

- **General Retreat** (Not Round 1): first the Attacker and then, if the Attacker has not done so, the Defender may order a General Retreat. During this Round, the Retreating blocks may not Fire or Engage and the opposing blocks Fire or Engage against them at -1 effectiveness. After this Round proceed to the End of Battle.
- **Artillery Fire** (Round 1 only): first Defending and then Attacking Artillery blocks Fire.
- **Infantry Fire**: first Defending and then Attacking Infantry blocks may Fire.
- **Cavalry Engage**: first Defending and then Attacking Cavalry blocks Engage.
- **Infantry Engage** (only blocks that did not Fire): first Defending and then Attacking Infantry blocks Engage.

Proceed to the End of Battle (see 7.5) at the end Round 3, or at the end of Round 1 or 2 if either player has no blocks remaining (excluding Artillery, Pursuing Cavalry and Routing Cavalry).

8.4 FIRE AND ENGAGE

When a block Fires or Engages it rolls as many dice as its current *strength*. A hit is scored for each die roll equal to or lower than the block's *effectiveness*.

Individual enemy blocks cannot be targeted. Each hit reduces by 1 strength the *strongest* enemy block of the targeted type at that instant. When two or more blocks share the highest strength, the owner chooses which to reduce. When blocks are reduced below strength 1, they are *immediately* Eliminated (see 8.8).

8.41 Artillery Fire

Before rolling for all blocks, the player must declare each block's target: Artillery, Cavalry or Infantry. Each hit reduces the strongest enemy block of that class. If Artillery or Cavalry is targeted then the Artillery block Fires at -1 effectiveness.

8.42 Cavalry Engage

If there are any enemy Cavalry blocks present, then all hits from Cavalry Engage are applied to them. If this results in all of the enemy Cavalry blocks being Eliminated then the victorious Cavalry blocks check for Cavalry Pursuit.

If both the Defender and the Attacker have Cavalry blocks remaining after the Cavalry Engage and one player received more hits than the other, then that player checks for Rout by rolling a die. If the result is less than or equal to the difference in hits, then all of that player's Cavalry blocks are Routing for the remainder of the battle. The other player's Cavalry blocks check for Cavalry Pursuit.

If there are no enemy Cavalry blocks present, then each Cavalry block Engages at +1 effectiveness and all hits are applied to enemy Infantry blocks.

8.43 Cavalry Pursuit

Roll a die for each Cavalry block:

- add 1 if all the enemy cavalry blocks were Eliminated.
- add 2 if all the enemy cavalry blocks were Eliminated and at least 1 excess hit was caused (i.e. more hits were caused than the sum of the strength of the opposing Cavalry blocks).

If the result is less than or equal to the block's Pursuit Factor then the block is Pursuing for the remainder of the battle. In subsequent rounds, if there are any Routing enemy Cavalry blocks, then the Pursuing block Engages at -1 effectiveness with all hits being applied to the Routing enemy Cavalry blocks.

8.44 Infantry Fire and Engage

Each Infantry block may either Fire at -1 effectiveness or Engage at full effectiveness. If there are any enemy Infantry blocks present, then all hits are applied to them. If more than enough hits are caused to Eliminate all enemy Infantry blocks, or if there are no enemy Infantry blocks, then excess hits are applied to the strongest enemy Artillery or Cavalry block(s).

EXCEPTION: If the enemy has ordered a General Retreat then excess hits are lost i.e. no hits from Infantry Fire/Engage can be applied to enemy Artillery or Cavalry blocks.

8.5 END OF BATTLE

If the End of Battle occurred because one player Withdrew Before Battle then that player is the Loser and the other player is the Victor.

If the End of Battle occurred because one player initiated a General Retreat or had no blocks remaining at the end of a Round (excluding Artillery, Pursuing Cavalry and Routing Cavalry) then that player is the Loser and the other player is the Victor.

Otherwise, the player with fewest blocks remaining (excluding Artillery, Pursuing Cavalry and Routing Cavalry) is the Loser. If both players have the same number of blocks remaining, then the Attacker is the Loser and the Defender is the Victor.

The Loser *must* Retreat all Infantry and Cavalry blocks. If the Loser had no Infantry or Cavalry blocks remaining, or had no Infantry and only Pursuing or Routing Cavalry, then any *Artillery blocks are Eliminated* and may be captured (see 8.81). Otherwise, Artillery blocks must Retreat and may lose strength (see 8.61).

Then the Victor *may* Regroup any or all blocks.

8.6 RETREAT

The Loser must observe the following requirements when retreating blocks:

- Defending blocks may Retreat into a Fortified City in the Area of the Battle. Otherwise, blocks must Retreat to adjacent *Friendly* or *Vacant* Areas. They may Retreat to multiple adjacent Areas via different borders. Covenanter blocks (only) may Retreat to Scotland.
- No more blocks may Retreat across a border than the Border Limit (see 6.13).
- Blocks may *not* Retreat via borders that were crossed by the *opposing* player's blocks to enter the Area of the battle. When blocks of both players have crossed the *same* border, only the player whose blocks last entered the Area of battle via that border may Retreat through it.

NOTE: Blocks may Retreat to a Friendly Area with unresolved Siege Combat, but may not take part in that Siege Combat.

8.61 Artillery Retreat

If an Artillery block Retreats then the player rolls a die: on a result of 1-3 the block loses 1 strength.

8.62 Regional Block Retreat

When a Regional block Retreats, it must either:

- Retreat to an Area in its Home Region,
- Retreat to an Area that already contains a Leader or its Regional Leader (such a Leader may have Retreatted itself during the same or a previous Battle Round),
- or, Retreat to the same Area and at the same time as a Leader or its Regional Leader.

8.63 Clubmen and Garrison Block Retreat

Clubmen and Garrison blocks cannot Retreat and so are Eliminated if they are part of the Loser's army.

8.7 REGROUP

Any or all of the Victor's blocks (including those that were in Reserve, and Pursuing and Routing Cavalry blocks) *may* move to any *one* adjacent Area that is currently Friendly or Vacant.

NOTE: Covenanter blocks (only) may Regroup into Scotland.

8.71 Regional Block Regroup

A Regional block may only Regroup to an Area outside of its Home Region if a Leader or its Regional Leader Regroups with it.

8.8 ELIMINATED BLOCKS

Eliminated Royalist blocks are returned to the Recruitment pool, except for the Charles, and Henrietta blocks, which are removed from the game, and the Irish, Clubmen and Garrison blocks, which are placed beside the map.

Eliminated Parliamentarian blocks are returned to the Recruitment pool, except for the Clubmen block, which is placed beside the map. Eliminated Covenanter blocks are removed from the game.

8.81 Captured Artillery

Any Artillery blocks that are Eliminated at the End of Battle or as a result of Retreat are captured by the Victor. Total the strength that the Artillery blocks had prior to being Eliminated (if a block was Eliminated as a result of Retreat then it had only one strength). The Victor may add this strength to Artillery blocks in the Area of the Battle and/or use it to deploy Artillery blocks from the Recruitment Pool to the Area of the Battle. This takes place before any Regroup.

8.82 "Stranded" Regional Blocks

Check for "stranded" Regional blocks after a Retreat or Regroup – if any Regional block is in an Area outside its Home

Region that does not contain a Leader or its Regional Leader then it is Eliminated. This may happen if a Leader or Regional Leader has been Eliminated in the Battle, Retreatted from the Battle, or Regrouped after the Battle.

8.9 TACTICAL PHASE EVENTS

8.91 Advantageous Terrain

In a Battle (but not during Withdrawal Before Battle) in which the player who played this card is the Defender, all Defending *Infantry* blocks have Double Defence (see 9.41) for all Battle Rounds, but with half-hits *rounded down* for the purposes of Fire and Engage and at the end of the Battle.

NOTE: If control of the Area changes after Round 1 (see 8.1 above), then the new Defender's Infantry blocks will have Double Defence and not the previous Defender's.

8.92 Determined Last Stand

The normal rules for Double Defence are applied (see 9.41) i.e. half-hits are *rounded up* for the purposes of Fire and Engage, and at the end of the Battle.

8.93 Mining

This only applies to Storming (See 9.4).

8.94 Surprise Attack

In a Battle in which the Attacker does not have an Artillery block, or the Charles or the Essex block, the normal rules for Defending block precedence in the Battle Round (see 8.3) do not apply for the whole of the Battle. Instead, the Attacking blocks have precedence.

NOTE: If control of the Area changes after Round 1 (see 8.1 above), then the effects of the Event no longer apply i.e. the blocks of the original Attacker (who is now the Defender) still have precedence.

8.95 Terrain Disfavours Cavalry

The reduction in effectiveness also applies to any Withdrawal Before Battle. Note that this Event affects both players during the chosen Battle.

8.96 Turncoats

If any of the Loser's Cavalry or Infantry blocks were Eliminated during a Round of Battle or Siege Combat (but not as a result of Retreat) then the Victor receives one strength per Eliminated block. Each strength must be added to the block with the lowest effectiveness among those of the same class (Cavalry or Infantry) as the Eliminated block. This takes place at the End of Battle before any Regroup.

EXCEPTION: Clubmen and Covenanter blocks neither provide nor receive turncoat strength.

NOTE: It does not matter which player played the card with this Event – it can benefit either player who wins a Battle.

8.97 Well-positioned Artillery

As noted above, this event enables an Artillery block in Reserve to participate in Rounds 2 and 3 of a Battle. It would also enable an Artillery block to Fire when the opponent has ordered a General Retreat, but only a block Firing in Round 2 against Infantry would have a chance of causing hits (as there would be a cumulative -2 effectiveness for a block Firing against Artillery/Cavalry in General Retreat or against Infantry in General Retreat in Round 3).

9.0 SIEGES

A Siege may take place in an Area with a Fortified City. Sieges are initiated either:

- during the Strategic Phase when blocks enter a non-Vacant Enemy Area that contains a Fortified City and all of the Enemy blocks Withdraw into the City, or
- during the Tactical Phase when a Battle has taken place in an Area that contains a Fortified City, at least one Defending block has Retreated into the City and at least one Attacking block remains in the Area.

When a Siege is initiated, if the total number of Besieging Infantry and Cavalry blocks is at least equal to the Size of the City then a Siege Marker is placed upright beside the City with a value of 0 at the top edge. Whenever the number of Besieging Infantry and Cavalry blocks changes (due to blocks entering or leaving the Area or being Eliminated) then the Besieging player compares the number of blocks to the Size of the City: if there are fewer blocks than the Size of the City then the player removes any Siege Marker, and if there are at least as many as the Size of the City then the player places a Siege Marker of value 0 if there is not already one there.

Besieging and Besieged blocks remain upright except when a Battle or Siege Combat takes place.

9.1 RELIEF OF A SIEGE

A Besieged player may attempt to relieve a siege by Attacking the Besieging army with blocks that move from other Areas. A normal Battle is fought with the Besieger as Defender and the relief force as Attacker. The Besieger cannot Withdraw Before Battle. Besieged blocks may participate in the Battle as Reserves. The decision on whether they participate is taken at the start of the Battle before any blocks are revealed. If the Attacker loses the Battle then these blocks (only) may Retreat back into the Besieged City.

9.2 SIEGE COMBAT

During the Tactical Phase, *if no Battle has taken place* in an Area with a Besieged City then first the Besieged player may Sally and after the Besieging player may Storm.

9.3 SALLYING

First the Besieged player may bombard the Besieging forces with any Artillery blocks in the City. For each Artillery block, the Besieged Player selects an upright block as a target and then Fires. The effectiveness is reduced by one irrespective of the type of block targeted.

Then the Besieged Player decides whether or not to Sally with any Besieged Cavalry or Infantry blocks and selects an equal number from among the upright Besieging blocks. The Sallying blocks are Attacking and the selected Besieging blocks are Defending. None of the other Besieging blocks take part. Sallying differs from a normal Battle in that:

- Different classes of blocks are not targeted separately – any hits are applied to the strongest enemy block irrespective of class.
- Neither the Defender nor the Attacker can initiate a General Retreat.
- After each Battle Round the Attacker decides whether to continue the Sallying. If not, the End of Battle takes place.
- There is no Retreat or Regroup after the End of Battle.

9.4 STORMING

Firstly, the ‘Mining’ Card Event is resolved if the Besieging player played the card it is on. Then the Besieging player may bombard the City with any Besieging Artillery blocks. Each block rolls as if Firing during a normal Battle and the number of hits is totalled. If the Besieging player played the card with the ‘New Model Army Siege Train’ Event, then the effectiveness of each block is increased by 1. Then the Besieging player rolls a die. If the result is less than or equal to the number of hits then a breach has occurred in the walls of the City (this only lasts for the duration of any Storming – the breach is repaired afterwards).

EXCEPTION: London’s walls are incomplete and therefore are automatically treated as though breached, unless the Fortification of London event has occurred.

Then the Besieging decides whether or not to Storm with any Besieging Cavalry or Infantry blocks. The Storming blocks are Attacking. Storming differs from a normal Battle in that:

- A maximum number of blocks may Storm a City equal to twice the city’s size, *except for Hull*, which may only be Stormed by 1 block.
- Besieging blocks that exceed the above limit are in Reserve. Reserve blocks may be freely exchanged for Storming blocks at the *beginning* of Battle Rounds 2 and 3.
- Attacking Artillery blocks must stay in Reserve (i.e. they may not Fire). Defending Artillery blocks Fire at full effectiveness against both Infantry and Cavalry in Round 1 only. They do not Fire in Rounds 2 and 3.
- Cavalry blocks Engage at the same time as Infantry.
- The effectiveness of Defending Infantry blocks is increased by one.
- All Defending blocks have Double Defence unless a breach occurred.
- Different classes of blocks are not targeted separately – any hits are applied to the strongest enemy block irrespective of class.
- Neither the Defender nor the Attacker can initiate a General Retreat.
- After each Battle Round the Attacker decides whether to continue the Storming. If not, then the End of Battle takes place.
- If all of the Defender’s Infantry and Cavalry blocks are Eliminated then the Attacker gains control of the City. All Defending Artillery blocks are Eliminated and captured by the Attacker (see 8.81).
- There is no Retreat or Regroup after the End of Battle.

9.41 Double Defence

Unless a breach occurred, all Defending blocks during a Storming have Double Defence: two hits are required to lose one strength. Each hit is a *half-hit* and the next *half-hit must* be taken on that same block. For the purposes of determining strength for Firing or Engaging, half-hits are rounded up. A half-hit lasts from Round to Round, but is recovered (rounded up) at the end of the Storming.

10.0 SUPPLY PHASE

10.1 SUPPLY

10.11 Provision of Supply

An Area can provide supply to the following:

- **Mountain Area:** three Infantry/Cavalry blocks, of which no more than one block may be Cavalry. There are only three mountain areas on the map: Cumberland, NW Wales and Central Wales.
- **Other Area:** four Infantry/Cavalry blocks, of which no more than two blocks may be Cavalry.

Cities can provide supply in addition to the above:

- A Fortified or Unfortified **Minor City** can supply one additional Infantry block.
- A **Major City** can supply two additional Infantry blocks.
- **London** can supply four additional Infantry blocks.

EXCEPTION: A Besieging army does **not** benefit from the additional supply provided by the Fortified City that it is Besieging.

Artillery blocks do not require supply: they are ignored during Supply and Siege Attrition.

10.12 Supply Attrition

When there are more blocks in an Area than can be supplied, the owning player chooses which blocks are unsupplied and reduces each block by one strength. Blocks Eliminated due to this reduction in strength are treated as per 8.8.

NOTE: At any point during the resolution of Supply Attrition, a player who has played the card with the 'Quartermaster General' Event may declare the two blocks which benefit from this Card Event.

10.2 SIEGE RESOLUTION

For each Besieged City that has a Siege Marker with a Value of 1 or more, the Besieged Player first rolls for Siege Attrition and then rolls a die for Surrender.

10.21 Siege Attrition

The Besieged player rolls a die for *each* block in the City (except for Artillery) and subtracts 1 if the block is Cavalry. If the City is not a port (i.e. it is Oxford or York), then the block loses a step if the result is less than or equal to *twice* the value of the Siege Marker. Otherwise the block loses a strength if the result is less than or equal to the value of the Siege Marker.

10.22 Surrender

Then the Besieged player rolls a die and subtracts the number of strength lost due to Siege Attrition (or half the number of strength rounded down in the case of London). If the Besieged player is the Royalist and the 'Support for the King Slips Away' Event has been played then the number of VPs for Parliament is also subtracted from the die roll. If the modified result is less than or equal to the value of the Siege Marker then the City surrenders and the Besieging player gains control of the City. All Besieged Artillery blocks are Eliminated and captured by the Besieging player (see 8.81). All Besieged Cavalry and Infantry blocks are placed by the Besieged player in any adjacent Friendly Area or Areas (ignoring Supply Limits). If there is no such Area then each block loses a step and must be placed in the nearest Friendly Area.

IMPORTANT: Regional blocks (including Covenant blocks) cannot be placed in an Area outside of their Home Region as a result of surrender, unless that Area contains a Leader or a Regional Leader with the same Home Region (or such a Leader was one of the besieged blocks that surrendered and is then placed in the same Area as the Regional block). If a Regional

block cannot be placed in an Area adjacent to the Area containing the City that surrendered, then it is placed in the nearest Friendly Area in its Home Region. If there is no such Friendly Area, then the block is Eliminated.

10.23 Progression of Sieges

Increase the value of all Siege Markers by 1 by rotating them appropriately (or if already at 3, then replace with a Marker with the value of 4 at the top edge).

11.0 VICTORY PHASE

If either player has at least 3 VPs (i.e. there are 3 or more VPs for that player's side) then that player has won the game and secured a Major Victory. Otherwise, the game continues.

EXCEPTION: If it is the last Turn of 1646 then the game automatically ends. At this point, if either player has at least 3 VPs then that player has won a Major Victory. Otherwise, a player with 1 or 2 VPs wins a Minor Victory (but see 11.11 below). If there are 0 VPs then the Royalist player has won a Minor Victory.

11.1 VICTORY PHASE EVENTS

11.11 King Charles Surrender to the Scots

If the 'King Charles Surrender to the Scots' Card Event has been played and the Parliamentarian player has 2 VPs then that player has won a Major Victory. This event has no effect on the Charles block (which henceforth represents another commander).

11.12 Rupert Dismissed by the King

If the 'Rupert Dismissed by the King' Card Event has been played then if Rupert lost a Battle, Surrendered a City or was Eliminated during this Turn, then Rupert is relieved of his command: replace the Rupert Leader block with the non-Leader Rupert block (indicated by the words 'Card Play' in yellow text). If the Rupert block is not in the same Area as the Charles block, then the Royalist player may move any Regional blocks with Rupert and without a Regional Leader either to the Area containing the Charles block or to a Friendly Area in their Home Region.

12.0 YEAR END PHASE

The Year Ends Phase follows the Victory Phase of the last Turn of a Year. If it is 1646 then the game will already have ended in the Victory Phase. Otherwise, the following steps occur:

- New blocks are added.
- Regional Recruitment takes place.
- Regional blocks return home.
- The card decks are prepared for the next year.

In 1642 and 1643 the Royalist Player carries out Regional Recruitment and Regional blocks return home before the Parliamentarian player. In 1644 and 1645 the Parliamentarian Player carries out those steps before the Royalist Player.

12.1 NEW BLOCKS

The following blocks are added in specific years:

- In 1642 the Royalist player receives the Henrietta block and deploys it on The Continent.
- In 1643 the Parliamentarian player receives the Manchester block and adds it to the Recruitment Pool.
- **Solemn League and Covenant (Major Event):** in 1643 the Parliament player receives the Covenanter Artillery, Cavalry, Leven and 2 Covenant Infantry blocks and deploys them in Scotland.

- **New Model Army (Major Event):** in 1644 the Parliamentary player replaces 6 blocks with the New Model Army (NMA) blocks.

The following blocks are added to the respective player's Recruitment Pool if the condition is met:

- If the Royalist player controls 4 or more Areas in the North, then the 4+ Areas North Foot block is received.
- If the Royalist player controls 4 or more Areas in the South, then the 4+ Areas South Foot block is received.
- If the Royalist player controls 2 or more Areas in the East, then the 2+ Areas East Foot block is received.
- If the Royalist player controls London, then the London Foot block is received.
- If the Parliamentary player controls 4 or more Areas in the North, then the 4+ Areas North Foot block is received.
- If the Parliamentary player controls 4 or more Areas in the South, then the 4+ Areas South Foot block is received.

12.11 Henrietta



The Henrietta block represents the Queen herself, her Lifeguard of Horse, and weapons and supplies procured by her in the Netherlands. As soon as the Henrietta block is in a **Friendly** Area with the Charles block, the Royalist player may add three strength in that or any adjacent Friendly Area as per the rules for Recruitment (see 6.3), except that one of these strength may be either added to an Artillery block or used to deploy an Artillery block at strength 1. Any strength that cannot be added is lost. The Henrietta block is unaffected – after providing the strength to other blocks (which represents giving them the weapons and supplies), the Henrietta block remains and is treated like any other cavalry block.

12.12 New Model Army

- The Essex and Manchester blocks are removed from the game and replaced by the T Fairfax and Skippon blocks which are deployed in Buckingham & Hertfordshire. The two new blocks receive a total strength equal to the sum of strength of the replaced blocks. The Parliamentary player decides how to distribute the strength.
- The B3 East Horse block is removed from the game and replaced by the Cromwell block which is deployed in the same Area and at the same strength.
- Any one Parliamentary Horse block is removed from the game and replaced by the NMA Horse block which is deployed in Buckingham & Hertfordshire at the same strength as the replaced block.
- The F Fairfax block is removed from the game and replaced by the NMA North Foot block which is deployed in the same Area and at the same strength.
- The Waller block is removed from the game and replaced by the NMA Midlands Foot block which is deployed in the same Area and at the same strength.

Supply Limits are ignored when deploying the above blocks.

If any replaced block is in the Recruitment Pool then the replacement block is placed in the Recruitment Pool instead of being deployed on the map.

If any block to be replaced is currently under Siege, then delay the replacement until the block is Eliminated (in which case the replacement block is placed in the Recruitment Pool) or the Siege has ended.

12.2 REGIONAL RECRUITMENT

For each Region on the map, the number of Recruitment Points (RPs) that a Player may use is equal to the number of Areas that are Friendly. Each controlled **unbesieged** Major City contributes an additional RP. For each RP, a player may:

- Add one strength to one Infantry or Cavalry block in an Area in the Region. Strength can be added to the same block multiple times, each for 1 RP.
EXCEPTIONS: strength may not be added to Clubmen or Covenanter blocks, to Regional blocks outside their Home Region, nor to Besieged blocks.
- Deploy an Infantry or Cavalry block from the player's Recruitment Pool at strength 1. A non-Regional block may be deployed in any Friendly Area or in a Sympathetic Victory City in a Neutral Area. A Regional block must be deployed in a Friendly or Vacant Area in its Home Region. No block can be deployed in an Area if it would result in the blocks in that Area exceeding the Supply Limit. Strength can be added to a new block immediately, each strength costing 1 RP. Multiple blocks may be deployed in the same Area if desired.

IMPORTANT: A Regional block may never be deployed outside of its Home Region. London blocks must be deployed in Buckingham & Hertfordshire. Covenanter blocks may never be deployed.

12.21 Manufacture of Cannons

In a Region where a player controls a Major City, the player may use two RPs to deploy an Artillery block at strength 1 or to add 1 strength to an Artillery block.

12.22 London Recruitment

London provides an additional 2 RPs that a player may use to add strength to blocks or deploy blocks in or adjacent to Buckingham & Hertfordshire. Each of these RPs may be used to add 1 strength to an Artillery block or to deploy an Artillery block at strength 1.

12.3 REGIONAL BLOCKS RETURN HOME

The players must move all Regional blocks, including Regional Leaders and Covenanter blocks, back to their Home Regions. A block may be placed in any Friendly Area provided that it does not result in the blocks in that Area exceeding the Supply Limit. If there is no eligible Area then the block is placed in the Recruitment Pool. London blocks must be placed in Buckingham & Hertfordshire, unless this is an Enemy Area, in which case the blocks are returned to the Recruitment Pool. Covenanter blocks may return either to the North or to Scotland.

EXCEPTIONS: Besieged Regional blocks do not return home. For any Regional or Regional Leader block that is in the same Area as a Leader, the owning player may choose whether the block remains where it is or returns home.

12.4 PREPARATION OF CARD DECKS FOR THE NEXT YEAR

The players take from their decks and remove from the game any cards that have the current Year at the bottom. Then the players add to their decks any cards that have the following Year at the top. Players also add to the deck the cards that were played in the current Year, except any which have been removed from the game or placed beside the map. Then the players shuffle their decks.

13.0 SCENARIOS

13.1 SEPTEMBER 1642 SCENARIO

The king had raised his standard at Nottingham on 22nd August, marking the official start of armed hostilities between the king and Parliament, although some minor actions had already occurred as early as July. On 9th September, the earl of Essex, who had been commissioned Captain-General of Parliament's army in July, left London with the intention of marching upon the king at Nottingham. He reached Northampton the following day and had already amassed an army of some 20,000 troops. The king initially had only 1,500 men, so he left Nottingham on 13th September and headed west to Shrewsbury, where he could find recruits among his sympathisers in the Marches (those counties along the border between England and Wales) and also be in a position to rendezvous with troops coming from Wales. A few days later, Essex shadowed the king by moving west. This scenario starts at this point towards the end of September 1642, with the king's newly formed army in and around Shrewsbury, and Parliament's main army heading towards Worcester.

13.11 Scenario Rules

To play this scenario the rules are followed exactly as described above.

13.12 Initial Deployment of the Blocks

The players set up the blocks as listed below. All other blocks are not yet in play and are placed beside the map.

Royalists

- Northumberland: Newcastle, *Northum* C3 North Horse, *Northum* I3 North Foot
- Lancashire: I2 North Foot
- Cheshire: Charles, Rupert, I2 *Cheshire* Wales Foot, C3 Midlands Horse, I3 Midlands Foot, both A2 Cannon
- Staffordshire & Warwickshire: Northampton
- SE Wales: both I2 *SE Wales* Wales Foot
- Cornwall: Hopton
- Recruitment Pool: C3 North Horse, both C2 Wales Horse, I2 Midlands Foot, C2 South Horse, I2 South Foot

Parliamentarians

- West Riding: F Fairfax, C2 North Horse
- Derby & Nottingham: I2 Midland Foot
- Oxfordshire: Brooke
- Gloucestershire: Essex, *Gloucester* C2 Midlands Horse, *Gloucester* C2 South Horse, *Gloucester* I2 South Foot, *Gloucester* I2 East Foot, both A2 Cannon
- Buckinghamshire & Hertford: both 4-Str I2 London Foot
- SW Wales: *SW Wales* I2 Wales Foot
- Shropshire & Herefordshire: *Shropshire* I2 Wales Foot
- Devon: *Devon* I2 South Foot
- Recruitment Pool: *Rec Pool* I2 North Foot, C3 East Horse, C2 East Horse, *Rec Pool* I2 East Foot, *Rec Pool* C2 Midlands Horse, Waller, *Rec Pool* C2 South Horse, 3-Str I2 London Foot

13.2 1644 SCENARIO

After the inconclusive battle of Edgehill in October 1642 and the strand-off at Turnham Green the following month, both sides realised that the war would not be over quickly. The king retreated to Oxford, which became the royalist headquarters for the rest of the war, and Essex returned to London.

The Royalists' plans for 1643 were, as in the previous year, ultimately aimed at taking London. The year did not start particularly well for the king, but the tide began to turn in the summer. In the south-west, a series of encounters led to a

royalist victory over Sir William Waller at the battle of Roundway Down in mid-July, and then the city of Bristol was taken by Prince Rupert in a storming at the end of the month. In Yorkshire, the earl of Newcastle had been struggling against the numerically inferior forces of the Fairfaxes, but he finally achieved a decisive victory against them at Adwalton Moor at the end of June. The main royalist field army now began to siege the city of Gloucester, but the earl of Essex came to its relief. He was pursued east by the king, but successfully fought off the royalists at the First Battle of Newbury. In the north, the earl of Newcastle, far from capitalising on his earlier success, became bogged down in an unsuccessful siege of Hull.

Meanwhile, the king's lieutenant in Ireland had been negotiating with the Irish rebels. This resulted in a truce signed in mid-September, which enabled the king to begin to ship English troops back over the Irish Sea. As a response both to panic following the battle of Adwalton Moor and to the king's diplomatic efforts in Ireland, Parliament began negotiations with the Scots, resulting in the signing of the Solemn League and Covenant barely ten days after the Irish Cessation. The Scots committed to sending an army of some 21,000 troops into England to help fight against the royalists.

The scenario begins at the start of 1644. The king's main field army is in Oxford and the first reinforcements from Ireland have arrived in Cheshire. On the parliamentary side, Essex' army is at its winter quarters in London and a large force of Scots is poised across the border, ready to march south into England.

13.21 Scenario Rules

The 1644 scenario begins in the first Turn of 1644. The Yorkshire Treaty of Neutrality rule (see 7.19 above) is ignored. During the Initiative Phase, if the cards played are of equal value then the Royalist player decides who is player 1 if it is 1644 and the Parliamentary player if it is 1645-46.

13.22 Initial Deployment of the Blocks

Players set up the blocks as listed below.

Royalists

- Ireland: 4-Str I2 Irish Foot, 3-Str I2 Irish Foot
- Cumberland & Westmorland: *Rec Pool* C3 North Horse
- Northumberland: *Northum* I2 North Foot
- North Riding: Newcastle, *Lancashire* I2 North Foot, *Northum* C3 North Horse
- Staffordshire & Warwickshire: C3 Midlands Horse
- Gloucestershire: Northampton
- Oxfordshire: Charles, Henrietta, Rupert, both A2 Cannon, *Cheshire* I2 Wales Foot, I3 Midlands Foot, I2 Midlands Foot
- Cheshire: 4-Str I2 Irish Foot, *SE Wales* I2 Wales Foot
- SE Wales: *SE Wales* I2 Wales Foot
- Somerset: both I2 South Foot
- Dorset: Hopton, C2 South Horse
- Recruitment Pool: 4+ *Areas* I2 North Foot, both C2 Wales Horse
- Not yet in play (place beside map): 4+ *Areas* I2 South Foot, I2 East Foot, I2 London Foot, I2 Garrison, II Clubmen, Rupert (non-Leader block)

Parliamentarians

- Scotland: the 5 *Covenant* blocks
- West Riding: C2 North Horse
- East Riding: F Fairfax
- Lancashire: *Rec Pool* I2 North Foot
- Derbyshire: I2 Midland Foot
- Leicestershire: Brooke, *Gloucester* C2 Midland Horse
- Camb. & Hunt.: Manchester, C3 East Horse

- Buckinghamshire & Hertford: Essex, both A2 Cannon, *Rec Pool* C2 Midland Horse, C2 East Horse, both 4-Str I2 London Foot, *Gloucester* I2 East Foot
- Shropshire & Herefordshire: *Shropshire* I2 Wales Foot
- SW Wales: *SW Wales* I2 Wales Foot
- Surrey & Sussex: Waller, *Gloucester* C2 South Horse, *Gloucester* I2 South Foot
- Devon: *Devon* I2 South Foot
- Recruitment Pool: *Rec Pool* C2 South Horse, 3-Str I2 London Foot
- Not yet in play (place beside map): both I2 *Callendar* blocks, the 6 *NMA* blocks, *4+Areas* I2 North Foot, *4+Areas* I2 South Foot, I1 Clubmen

13.3 SUMMER 1642 SCENARIO

The First English Civil War may not have officially begun until August 1642, but the path to war had been clear for several months and, indeed, as early as January a couple of royalists had tried to seize the arsenal at Kingston-on-Thames for the king, but were foiled by the local militia. This scenario begins in June, with the king trying to raise recruits in Yorkshire, various local forces emerging and the first tentative skirmishes taking place. The scenario offers players the opportunity to move away from the scripted start of the September 1642 scenario, by choosing where to raise their initial forces and how to concentrate them before the full war begins.

13.31 Scenario Rules

When playing this scenario there are 3 Turns in 1642 (each player discards only 3 of the 6 cards dealt). However, as the war did not begin until 22nd August, there are special rules for the first Turn. This scenario uses the following changes to the standard rules **for Turn 1 of 1642 only**:

- No Pinning takes place (see 7.14 above)
- The Yorkshire Treaty of Neutrality (see 7.19 above) is ignored.
- The Rupert block may Sea Move from The Continent at no cost in Action Points and without needing to roll a die.
- Pre-War Skirmishes (see below)
- Siege Combat: Sallying and Storming each have only 1 Battle Round.

Pre-War Skirmishes

During Turn 1, the following changes are made to the normal Tactical Phase rules:

- Battles are fought for one Battle Round only.
- The Victor of a Battle is the player who caused the most hits. In the case of an equal number of hits caused, the Defender is the Victor.
- After the Battle, first the Loser’s blocks must Retreat, then the Victor’s blocks may Regroup. Blocks *may* Retreat via borders that were crossed by the opposing player’s blocks to enter the Area of the battle.

Any of the loser’s blocks in Reserve fight a new Battle with any of the Victor’s blocks that remained in the Area and any of the Victor’s blocks in Reserve.

13.32 Initial Deployment of the Blocks

The players deploy the following blocks upright at full strength:

- **Royalists:** Newcastle in Newcastle, Charles and 1 A2 Cannon in either York or East Riding, Rupert on The Continent.
- **Parliamentarians:** Essex and 2 A2 Cannon in London, the C2 *Rec Pool* North Foot in Hull, the C2 *Devon* 4-Strength South Foot in Somerset.

Then the players place the following blocks beside the map:

- **Royalists:** Henrietta, the I2 *4+Areas* North Foot, the I2 *4+Areas* South Foot, the I2 *2+Areas* East Foot, the I2 London Foot, all 3 I2 Irish blocks, the I1 Clubmen and the I2 Garrison blocks.
- **Parliamentarians:** the I2 *4+Areas* North Foot, the I2 *4+Areas* South Foot, the 7 Covenanter blocks, the 6 *NMA* blocks, and the I1 Clubmen block.

Then each player puts the remaining blocks face down, randomly selects 11 blocks from among them, and then sets these blocks upright. These blocks are then deployed at full strength one at a time starting with the Royalist player. Blocks may not be deployed in an Area that is Loyal to the other player. Regional blocks must be deployed in their Home Region. No more than 1 block can be deployed in an Area, except if there is a Fortified City. In the latter case, the first player to deploy a block must deploy it in the City if it is Sympathetic to that player or outside of the City if it is not. One further block may subsequently be deployed in that Area by either player (potentially resulting in a Siege).

EXCEPTION: *The Parliamentarian player may deploy up to 3 London blocks in London (in addition to the Essex and Cannon blocks that are already there) and one East block in Buckinghamshire & Hertfordshire, outside of London.*

The Royalist Cannon must be deployed in a Fortified City (but does not count towards the above limits i.e. it can be in addition to another block in the City) and the Hopton block must be deployed in Cornwall. The F Fairfax block must be deployed in West Riding. London blocks must be deployed in London.

NOTE: *If Charles and the accompanying Cannon block are deployed in York, then the Royalist player **only** may deploy a block in North Riding.*

The players now place the remaining face down blocks (7 Royalist and 8 Parliamentarian) upright in their respective Recruitment Pool.

Victory Points are now totalled for each player and the difference calculated to determine the starting position of the VP Marker on the Victory Track. The Royalist player has 1 VP for the King and ½ VP for each Victory City controlled. The Parliament player has 1 VP for London and ½ VP for each other Victory City controlled. If the Royalist player has more VPs then the VP marker is moved to the appropriate space on the ‘For the King’ side of the track, and if the Parliamentarian player has more VPs then the VP marker is moved to the appropriate space on the ‘For Parliament’ side of the track.



14.0 OPTIONAL RULE: VARIANT TIMING OF MAJOR EVENTS

For each Major Event, the appropriate player rolls a die to determine whether the Major Event occurs at the beginning of that Turn. The die roll is modified according to where the VP marker is on the Victory Track. If the marker is on a player’s side of the track, then that player’s Major Events die rolls are modified positively and the opposing player’s Major Events die rolls are modified negatively as follows:

- 1 VP: +/- 1
- 2 VPs: +/- 2

The event occurs if the modified die roll is equal to or less than the number indicated under the Turn.

EXAMPLE: If the Royalist player has 1 VP (the marker is on the 1 space of the ‘For the King’ side) then Royalist Major Events have a +1 modifier to the die roll (less likely to occur) and Parliamentarian Major Events have a -1 to the die roll (more likely to occur).

Irish Cessation (see 2.21)

1643							1644
(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(1)	(2)	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	

Solemn League and Covenant (placing of Covenanter blocks – see 11.1)

1643							1644
(5)	(6)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	

Earl of Callendar Enters England (see 2.22)

Roll a die (with no modifier) each Turn after the *Covenant* blocks are placed. On a roll of 1-2 the event occurs.

New Model Army (see 11.12)

1644							1645
(5)	(6)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	

