

# TALISMAN TIMESCAPE

**Those who seek the Crown of Command face a new set of perils. Flung through space and time, they may find themselves in alien realms, faced with foes and dangers beyond their imaginings.**

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### THE TIMESCAPE

The Timescape consists of 15 alternate realities, separate but inexplicably tied to the world of **Talisman**. When you enter the Timescape you are on your own - a stranger, riding the waves of space and time in a realm alien to anything you have known.

Here science and technology rule. The physical and magical laws of the world of **Talisman** are subtly altered. You will encounter strange creatures - both friendly and hostile - and must contend with weird twists of fate and space. Virtually anything can happen. In short, the Timescape is a place which is highly dangerous but potentially very rewarding.

Whether you find yourself in the Timescape by choice or by accident, several strategies offer themselves. You may enter the Timescape by choice early in the game, in hope of gaining a lead on your opponents. Beware, though - you may never make it back alive. Alternatively, you might decide to wait until your Character has increased in power, to improve your chances of survival. Then again, you may wish to escape your opponents at some time. The Timescape provides you with these options, and can also gain you access to the Middle and Inner Regions - and even the Crown of Command space.

This expansion set also includes eight new Characters, who all start in the Timescape.

The **Scientist**, experimenting with interdimensional machinery, was thrown into a Warp Gate by an accidental explosion.

The **Archaeologist** met a similar fate while observing a pagan ritual.

The **Astronaut** is an intrepid adventurer, willingly exploring the unknown.

The **Space Pirate** is a rogue on the run from interplanetary law.

The battle-hardened **Space Marine** and the psychic **Astropath** have been drawn into the Timescape through Warp Gates in the *Warhammer 40,000* universe.

The evil **Cyborg**, part man, part machine, was hurled into the Timescape while travelling through time in an attempt to change the course of history.

And finally, there is the fearless and deadly **Chainsaw Warrior**, sucked into the Timescape as he battled the inter-dimensional creature known only as *Darkness*.

Remember that the Timescape is dangerous. If things don't always work out the way you hoped, don't be discouraged. There is always next time. Above all, enjoy the game and have fun.

## COMPONENTS

This box should contain the following:

1 Timescape Game Board

40 Timescape Cards

12 Timescape Purchase Cards

2 Spell Cards

8 Character Cards

8 playing piece cards

4 Timescape Data Sheets

1 rulesheet (you're reading it!)

If any of these components are missing or damaged, write to us at the following address (not forgetting to enclose your proof of purchase), and we'll be glad to replace them.

The Talisman Timescape

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## RULES

The following rules must be used when playing Talisman with the Timescape.

### 1. SET-UP

The Timescape consists of one Game Board Expansion, 40 Timescape Cards, 12 Timescape Purchase Cards, 2 Spell Cards and 8 Character Cards, all used in conjunction with the main game.

Place the Timescape board alongside the Talisman board. Shuffle the new Characters and Spells into the appropriate stock piles, along with those from the original game and any other expansion sets you are using. Shuffle the Timescape Cards and place them and the Timescape Purchase Cards beside the Timescape board.

The game is now ready to play. Read the remainder of the rulebook and begin the game as usual.

### 2. PLAYING IN THE TIMESCAPE

There are three very important differences between the Timescape and the other *Talisman* boards. These are explained in detail in the body of the rules, but here is a summary:

1. Cards only ever affect the Character who draws them; they *never* affect any other Characters.
2. Cards are always discarded after they have affected the Character who drew them; they are *never* left on the board. This does not apply to cards which a Character is allowed to keep.
3. Characters *never* encounter other Characters in the Timescape; if you land on the same space as another Character, follow the rules for the space rather than

encountering them.

**Design Note.** *The reason behind this is that each space on the Timescape board represents a complete separate reality, with an area much larger than the normal Talisman board. When your Character moves to the space, they have appeared in one small part of that alternate reality, and the chances of any other Character appearing even remotely in the same space are very small indeed...*

### 3. ENTERING THE TIMESCAPE

There are five ways to enter the Timescape:

1. You may use a Warp Gate Spell.
2. If you draw the Horrible Black Void card when using the Alternative Ending cards from *Talisman the Adventure*, you must move your Character immediately to the Warp Gate space on the Timescape board. All Followers and Objects are retained. Return the Void card to the Alternative Ending Card stock pile.
3. You may attempt to enter the Timescape with the help of the Mystic, Enchantress or Warlock on the main board:

If you visit the Mystic or Enchantress and wish to enter the Timescape, roll two dice instead of the normal one. If the score is equal to or less than the sum of your starting quotas of Strength and Craft, you are found worthy and a Warp Gate is opened for you. Move your Character immediately to the Warp Gate space. If you fail, end your Turn.

The Warlock may open a Warp Gate for you for a fee. Instead of rolling for a Quest, roll on die:

- 1-3: Ignored
- 4: Pay 1 Follower
- 5: Pay 1 Magic Object
- 6: Pay 2 Gold

If you have the fee, you must pay it and move your Character immediately to the Warp Gate space. If you do not have it, you are ignored and end your Turn.

You may visit the Mystic, Enchantress or Warlock any number of times to attempt to enter the Timescape, but may only have one attempt per visit. Characters who have been transformed into Toads may visit the Mystic or Enchantress, but must roll a 2 on two dice to enter the Timescape. The Mystic or Enchantress will only send you to the Timescape *once* each. The Warlock will send you there any number of times - as long as you can pay his fee!

Any character who enters the Timescape must leave behind any Mule, Horse & Cart, Warhorse, or Horse, in the space they entered from. The Poltergeist must likewise be discarded.

#### **4. MOVEMENT IN THE TIMESCAPE**

The Spaces in the Timescape are joined by different coloured *Warp Lines*. In your Turn, roll a die and consult the movement table to see which Warp Line you move along. Note that movement along the *Warp Lines* is one way only (in a clockwise direction).

Characters have no control over their movement; they are being randomly drawn to different locations by forces they cannot control or understand. No Character may use Followers, Objects, Spells or Abilities to affect where they move. The *only* exception to this is the Warp Belt, which always allows the character to move as if they had rolled a 1 or a 2.

No other Movement is possible except as instructed on the Timescape Board and Timescape Cards. If you draw an Adventure card, ignore any instructions about movement.

#### **5. ADVENTURE CARDS**

When you land on a Timescape space you may be instructed to draw an Adventure card. In this case, draw the top card from the Adventure card deck used in the normal Talisman game. You cannot use a Special Ability to draw extra or look at Adventure Cards. The following rules apply to the instructions on the card:

- i) Ignore any instructions to do with the movement of your playing piece.
- ii) Adventure cards drawn in the Timescape *only* affect the Character who draws them. They never affect any other Characters, even if they are in the same space.
- iii) All Adventure Cards which are drawn in the Timescape and not kept by the Character are discarded after the instructions have been followed - no matter what the card may say. Cards which are abandoned in the Timescape are also discarded.
- iv) If you draw a Horse, Mule, Horse and Cart, Warhorse, Poltergeist, Arena or Blizzard, discard it. Do not draw another card.

If you draw a Dungeon Door, discard it and draw another card.

If you draw the Hermit, discard him and gain 1 Talisman.

If you draw the Pool of Life, Magic Stream or Fountain of Wisdom, discard it and add one to your appropriate attribute.

If you draw the Raiders, discard it along with all of your Objects and Gold.

## **6. TIMESCAPE CARDS**

Timescape Cards and Adventure Cards are kept separate. Make sure that you draw from the right deck whenever you are instructed to draw a card.

Also, note that Timescape Card Enemies are all designated as Aliens. Therefore, items or abilities which pertain to some other specific type of Enemy (Monster, Spirit, etc) will not work on them. Aliens which fight with Strength, however, can be saved for "cash-ins" by any Character who defeats them.

Timescape cards are Encountered in the following order:

1: Hand of Fate

2: Enemy-Alien (Strength)

3: Enemy-Alien (Craft)

4: Object

5: Follower

As with Adventure cards, any Timescape cards must be discarded after the instructions on the card have been followed, unless the Character is allowed to keep the card.

## **7. SPELLS & MAGIC OBJECTS**

You may only use Spells in the Timescape against Adventure cards that you have drawn. You may not cast spells at any other time. Similarly, Magic Objects will only work against Adventure cards, and may not be used at any other time. If you find a Magic Object in the Timescape you may keep it, and it will work normally when you return to the main board.

## 8. IMPRISONMENT

During play you may find yourself Imprisoned by the Sentinels. In order to escape, you must roll equal to or less than your Craft on 2 dice. The roll is made at the start of your Turn. If you succeed, take your Turn as normal. If you fail, try again next Turn.

Regardless of the result of the roll, you will be released after you have missed 3 Turns.

## 9. ODDS & ENDS

While playing (or playing against) a Character in the Timescape, the following restrictions apply:

If you land on a space containing another Character you may not encounter them. Follow the instructions for the space instead.

Character in the Timescape cannot affect or be affected by other Characters in any way (including Pandora's Box). Nor can they be affected by the main Talisman Board or any Cards drawn there. Only the Timescape Cards and those Cards which are drawn as instructed by the Timescape Board may affect Characters in the Timescape.

Characters may not use ranged weapons (such as the Samurai's bow) to attack other characters in the Timescape.

The Dragon King and Hercules cannot Teleport into the Timescape. If there are no Characters on the main board, these cards must remain at the Crown of Command space until a Character returns to the main board.

When using the Timescape, the Ancient Artifact is considered an Object, not a Magic Object.

The Transmute spell will affect any Object card if the Transmute spell is cast upon it.

If a follower fights the Warp Demon, or Aliens encountered on Death World, the Character does not receive the bonus to their Strength or Craft.

When a Toad enters the Fourth Dimension, he immediately reverts to normal. If, while in the Fourth Dimension, you are turned into a Toad, you will remain a Toad only until the end of that Turn.

A Warp-belt or Jet-Pack may be taken into the Dungeon but will not work there.

An Anti-Grav Platform may be taken into the Dungeon and will work as normal.

## 10. NEW CHARACTERS

Character which start in the Vortex roll to see which space they move to on the Talisman board as their first Turn. Rolls of 6 are ignored, however, and the die is rolled again.

The Rogue and the Space Pirate cannot modify the die rolls at the Enchantress or Warlock when attempting to enter the Timescape.

The Archaeologist may not keep Enemies killed by his pistol for Strength.

Characters that start in the Timescape are never affected by the Patrol card.

## 11. OTHER RULES

Except as noted in these rules, the normal Talisman rules apply.

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