

# NetEA Charter, Responsibilities and Procedures

## Charter

NetEA (Net Epic Armageddon) is the name of Tactical Command's development of fan-made rule extensions and army lists for Games Workshop's Epic Armageddon. The main focus of NetEA is to clarify the rules of Epic Armageddon and to balance its various army lists for play using the Epic Tournament Game Rules for the fun and enjoyment of all.

NetEA is made possible through the effort of volunteers who are dedicated to the hobby. All NetEA development lives on the Tactical Command NetEA Development forums at:

<http://taccmd.tacticalwargames.net/viewforum.php?f=109>

## Organization

NetEA operates as an open development environment which is overseen by two groups of volunteers: the Army Champions (ACs) and the NetEA Rules Committee (NetERC).

### Army Champions

Army Champions oversee the development, playtesting and direction of each of the core army lists (Space Marines, Imperial Guard, Orks, Eldar, Chaos Marines, Chaos Cultists, Necrons, Tau, Tyranids, Adeptus Mechanicus, Imperial Inquisition and Squats) as well as list developers for non-core army lists.

### NetERC

The NetERC consists of five members who guide, plan and make decisions for the overall development of NetEA.

## NetEA Army List Status

Each NetEA army list is labeled as one of the following:

- **Approved:** Approved lists are tournament ready and should be balanced against any other army in the General Tournament scenario. They are well tested across multiple play groups and are not likely to see any drastic changes. Players can build their army around such lists with full confidence.
- **Developmental:** Developmental lists should be balanced for the majority of tournament games. However, it is possible that they allow an exploitative combination or two which has not been identified or mitigated. They require more testing across multiple play groups and still might see a drastic change. Players should feel confident that most models they collect for these lists will be usable when it is approved.
- **Experimental:** Experimental lists are an early work-in-progress and are not ready for tournament play. They likely have deficiencies in play balance that have yet to be identified or rectified. They require lots of testing across multiple play groups and will most likely see drastic changes. Players should be aware that models they collect for these lists might not be usable when it is approved.

## Responsibilities

### Army Champion Responsibilities

The responsibilities of an Army Champion are to manage the development of their core and non-core army lists. They must interact regularly with the forum community and follow the guidelines below:

- Keep up-to-date versions of the following in sticky topics on the appropriate forums: core list, non-core lists, playtest changes (and notes on why they were made).
- Keep up-to-date, editable documents for core and non-core lists in the Army Champions Lounge forum.
- Decide when lists should achieve "Experimental" and "Developmental" statuses.
- Submit lists to the NetERC when they are eligible to achieve "Approved" status.
- Playtest regularly and garner support for playtesting.
- Answer questions, facilitate discussion and resolve stat discrepancies on the appropriate forum.
- Play a game of Epic at least once every six months.

Army Champions are also responsible for managing the development of their non-core lists. A list developer under their remit who has not logged in to the forums for three months or more can be removed if the Army Champion chooses. The Army Champion may nominate a successor if they like, develop the list themselves or remove the list from active development. They should start a topic on TacComms so that forum members can put themselves forward for consideration and show their interest in the development of the list.

## NetERC Member Responsibilities

The responsibilities of each NetERC member follow below. Beyond these each member should be playing at least one game of Epic every six months.

- **Chair:** The NetERC Chair sets the direction, deadlines and goals for the NetERC and the NetEA project. They oversee development at a macro level and are expected to interact with the other four members of the NetERC. They should co-ordinate development and set priorities, as well as resolve any disagreements between NetERC members and Army Champions. Overall they are responsible for the momentum of NetEA development.
- **Rules Development and FAQs:** The Rule Development and FAQs member deals with the core rules, which are any Epic Armageddon game rules not concerned with specific army lists or a specific tournament situation. Broadly speaking this encompasses the first four sections of the rule book. Any army list special rules that has been promoted to general special ability is transferred to their remit. In addition, they are the head of the “Rules Team”, a group of active forum members they appoint to help answer questions and clarify the game rules. Finally, they act as a second for the Tournaments, Events, Campaigns and Supplements member when they are absent and a decision must be made.
- **Army List Development (Human):** The Army List Development (Human) member oversees the Space Marine, Imperial Guard, Chaos Marine, Chaos Cultist, Adeptus Mechanicus, Imperial Inquisition and Squat army lists. They act on deadlines set by the Chair and ensure that all lists under their remit meet the schedule and are progressing with momentum. They are aided by a team made up of the Army Champions of the above lists and may draw assistance from these development communities. In addition, they can step in for one of these Army Champion when they are absent for a short time. Finally, they act as a second to the Army List Development (Xenos) member when they are absent and a decision must be made.
- **Army List Development (Xenos):** The Army List Development (Xenos) member oversees the Ork, Eldar, Necron, Tau and Tyranid army lists as well as any army list developed on the “NetEA Other Forces” forum. They act on deadlines set by the Chair and ensure that all lists under their remit meet the schedule and are progressing with momentum. They are aided by a team made up of the Army Champions of the above lists and may draw assistance from these development communities. In addition, they can step in for one of these Army Champion when they are absent for a short time. Finally, they act as a second to the Army List Development (Human) member when they are absent and a decision must be made.
- **Tournaments, Events, Campaigns and Supplements:** The Tournaments, Events, Campaigns and Supplements member guides the selection of forces included in supplements, sets schedules for final release targets, and reports to the NetERC where supplements include general special abilities and General Tournament scenario issues. Any campaign packs or linked-game rules fall under their remit as well. This member also serves as the first point of contact for any event organizers looking for help with Epic and should attempt to liaise with the EpicUK, EpicFr, Games Workshop and other groups. Finally, they act as a second to the Rule Development and FAQs member when they are absent and a decision must be made.

## Procedures

### Quorum

A NetERC vote requires a quorum of three NetERC members. Members who are ineligible to vote do not count towards this quorum.

An Army Champion vote requires a quorum of seven Army Champions. Army Champions who are ineligible to vote do not count towards this quorum.

### Amendments

A three-quarters majority vote of the NetERC is required to amend the NetEA Charter, Responsibilities and Procedures. Amendments may be put forward by anyone in the forum community and must be seconded by a NetERC member or Army Champion in order to be voted upon.

### Appointment of an Army Champion

An Army Champion can be appointed via a simple majority vote of the NetERC. If the appointed Army Champion is also a NetERC member then they are ineligible to vote.

An Army Champion who is stepping down may make recommendations to the NetERC for their successor. A topic on TacComms should be created so that forum members can put themselves forward for consideration.

## **Removal of an Army Champion**

An Army Champion who is incapable of maintaining their duties in the opinion of the NetERC, Army Champions or forum community can be removed. Army Champions can be removed via a three-quarters majority vote of the NetERC. If the Army Champion is also a NetERC member then they are ineligible to vote.

The Army Champions can also vote to remove an Army Champion. Army Champions can be removed via a three-quarters majority vote of the Army Champions. The Army Champion being voted upon is ineligible to vote.

An Army Champion who has not logged in to the forums for three months will automatically be subject to a NetERC vote.

An Army Champion who is removed cannot be an Army Champion for one year.

## **Appointment of a NetERC Member**

If the NetERC Chair position is vacant it must be the first position to be voted on.

A NetERC member can be appointed via a simple majority vote of the NetERC. A NetERC member who is stepping down may make recommendations to the NetERC for their successor. A topic on TacComms should be created so that forum members can put themselves forward for consideration.

An Army Champion may put forward a motion to veto the appointment of a NetERC member by the NetERC within one day of appointment. If seconded by another Army Champion the appointment can be vetoed via a three-quarters majority vote of the Army Champions.

The Army Champions cannot vote to appoint a NetERC member while the NetERC has quorum. If the NetERC does not have quorum then a NetERC member can be appointed via a three-quarters majority vote of the Army Champions. An Army Champion is ineligible to vote if they are being voted upon.

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A NetERC member who is removed cannot be a member for one year.

## **NetEA Army List Approval Process**

An army list can be submitted to the NetERC for approval by its Army Champion when at least three independent gaming groups have playtested a minimum of 18 games with the same version of the army list. Six of these games must be playtested by the list developer. The remaining twelve games must be from other groups, with each group providing at least four, but no more than six, playtests each. These games must be completed using the Epic Tournament Game Rules (EA 6.1) and be against opponents using NetEA Approved army lists in order to be considered. The games should be documented and submitted to the NetERC along with the list for approval.

A three-quarters majority vote of the NetERC will grant the list "Approved" status. If the vote fails the dissenting NetERC chairs can make a request for additional games, detailing their concerns to the NetERC, Army Champion and list developer. Each gaming group should playtest a minimum of two additional games (following the guidelines above and totaling six or more) before the list can be submitted to the NetERC again. Additional games beyond this can be required by a simple majority vote of the NetERC.

## **Retaining NetEA Approved Status**

Changes to a NetEA approved list should be put forward to the NetERC by the list's Army Champion. If the changes are minor in the eyes of the Army List Development member (Human or Xenos) who oversees the Army Champion then they are carried. The NetERC can veto these changes with a majority vote. If vetoed the Army Champion must go through the NetEA army list approval process detailed above.