

1.4 (Original) to Current CE Version

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CHAPTER 2: ADVENTURERS

- Party concepts updated: added Merchants and Scholars, cut Avengers and Vassals.
- Heritage talent suggestions added.
- Investigator added as a background.
- Background talents added.
- Guidance and inspiration boxes added under various talents.
- All talents can only be taken once.
- Talents that affect Vigilance have been made more general.
- Bard core talent reworked.
 - Removed Influence.

- Added Folk Hero.
 - Changed Jack of All Trades.
- Berserker path talents War Songs replaced with Warcry.
- Clerics cast with rite pools instead of domain pools, and have had their growth increased.
 - Buffed Healer.
 - Changed Iron Will to a resource pool.
- Druid Wild Shape pool is a resource pool (and so works even if dropped to 0d), and its size has been lowered to compensate.
 - Removed Verdant Whispers (effects added to Kindred Spirits).
 - Added Augury
 - Changed Primordial Bonds, renamed Primordial Forces
- Fighter core talent replaced.
 - Changed Bulwark to a resource pool.
- Monk path talents changed.
 - Removed Flow State and Primordial Forces.
 - Added Redirect and Resonance.
 - Slight buff to Tether.
- Paladin path talents changed.
 - Aegis and Guardian changed, each with parts of both. Aegis is focused on self-protection, and Guardian is focused on protecting allies.
- Ranger core talent buffed.
- Rogue core talent expanded to allow picking skills, growth changed.
 - Removed Trap Sense.
 - Added Distraction.
 - Changed According to Plan to include all flashbacks.
- Sorcerer core talent expanded to allow different Magical Twists.
 - Changed Subtle Casting to Metamagic, allowing multiple spell changes.
 - Changed Wisps.
- Warlock core talent replaced.
 - Removed Hex.
 - Added Affliction.
 - Slight buff to Knowing Gaze.
 - Changed Visions and Wayfarer.
 - Ritualist renamed to Blood Rituals, slight buff.
 - Eldritch Weaponry renamed to Magus, reworked.
- Wizard path talent changed.
 - Removed Prepared Spell (Rogue's According to Plan covers effects).
 - Added Component Pouch.
 - Changed Arcanist to Archivist for new arcana rules.
- The Psion core talent has been replaced, with many path talent changes.
- The Artificer core talent has been reworked, with many path talent changes.
- The Summoner, Swashbuckler, and Witch have been added as new path options.
- Legacy talents, those cut from previous editions added.

CHAPTER 3: GM TOOLKIT

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CHAPTER 4: EXPLORATION

- All points of interest, paths, buildings, and rooms are explained.
- Repeated words on crucibles were replaced.
- Expanded to include Downtime and Stronghold rules.

CHAPTER 5: MONSTERS

- The occasional monster role has been updated.
- Added the Kraken, Land Shark, and Mephit.

CHAPTER 6: GAME OPTIONS

- Setting Dials added.
- Optional Rules added.
- Flavors of Fantasy expanded to one page each.
- Story Kit Explanation added, with full kits moved to printable sheets.
- Expanded solo play rules

CHAPTER 7: EXTRAS

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- Investigator added as a background.
- Background talents added.
- The Warlock core talent has been replaced.
- Bard, Fighter, Ranger, Rogue core talents have been reworked.
- Various path talent updates to all paths.
- Inspiration boxes added under various talents.

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Preview 1 to Preview 2

CHAPTER 1: GAMEPLAY

- Rituals are cast with invocations instead of rites.

CHAPTER 2: ADVENTURERS

- Bonus Dice section added.
- Clerics cast with Rites
- Warlock core talent replaced.
- Ranger core updated.

CHAPTER 4: EXPLORATION (New)

- All points of interest, paths, buildings, and rooms are explained.
- Repeated words on crucibles were replaced.

Preview 2 to Preview 3

CHAPTER 1: GAMEPLAY

- Push Yourself always gives a mark.
- Arcana section clarified.
- Artifacts are now a 6d power pool.

CHAPTER 2: ADVENTURERS

- Some talents with Push Yourself changed to have a free activation.

CHAPTER 3: GM TOOLKIT

- The Brute replaced the Marauder monster role.

CHAPTER 5: MONSTERS (New)

- The occasional monster role has been updated.

CHAPTER 6: PLAYER OPTIONS (New)

- Artificer core talent replaced.
 - Removed Anchorshot, Automatons, Double-Barreled Blunderbuss, Mechanical Mount, Steamhammer, Swiftwing.
 - Added Animate Objects, Artificial Parts, Mischief Maker, Tinkerer, Trap Making, Wandslinger.
 - Minor Changes Grenades.
- Psion core talent replaced.
 - Removed Mind Seed, Tumultuous Mind, Wilder.
 - Added Echo, Foresight, Shift Form.
 - Mind Thief renamed to Mind Blast, updated for new core.
 - Disturbed Mind renamed to Tumultuous Mind.
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CHAPTER 7: GAME OPTIONS (New)

- Setting Dials added.
- Optional Rules added.

- Flavors of Fantasy expanded to one page each.

Preview 3 to Preview 4

CHAPTER 1: GAMEPLAY

- Story (meta-currency) renamed Thread.
- Protecting Others (from v1.4 assists) added.
- Arcana expanded, Artifacts merged with Mythic

CHAPTER 2: ADVENTURERS

- Party concepts updated: added Merchants and Scholars, cut Avengers and Vassals.
- Berserker: Flesh Wounds updated to be more like original.
- Ranger: Quarry widened to include anyone attacking.
- Sorcerer: Eldritch Growth clarified.
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 - Eldritch Weaponry renamed Magus, reworked.
- Wizard: Archivist updated for new arcana rules.

CHAPTER 3: GM TOOLKIT

- Build Up is no longer required to introduce Challenges, only suggested
- Examples of play updated

CHAPTER 4: EXPLORATION

- Expanded to include Downtime rules.

CHAPTER 5: MONSTERS

- Added the Kraken, Land Shark, and Mephit.

CHAPTER 6: PLAYER OPTIONS

- Artificer: Core Updated.
 - Tinkerer renamed Magnum Opus, reworked.
- Psion: Wilder cut, replaced with Shift Form.
- Summoner: Universal Language updated to match new Witch core.
- Swashbuckler: Core Updated.
- Witch: Core Updated.

CHAPTER 8: EXTRAS (new)

- Hex Flowers added as GM Tool.
- Story Kit Explanation added.
- Expanded solo play rules added.
- List of Arcana added.
- Random Potion Generator updated from 1.4.

Preview 4 to Preview 5 (final!)

CHAPTER 1: GAMEPLAY

- “Thematic Path Talent” section added.
- Magic Examples clarified
- Spellcasting Talents page added.

CHAPTER 2: ADVENTURERS

- Rationale added to Legacy Core Talents.
- Legacy Bard talent added.
- Bard: Jack of all Trades updated.
- Sorcerer: Magic Sense buffed and clarified. Spelleater minor changes.
- Summoner: Core Updated
 - Universal Language replaced with Monster Menagerie.
 - Chosen Eidolon replaced with Shared Soul.
- Wizard: Familiar replaced by Countermagic.
- Witch: Karmic Debt cut. Replaced by Familiar.
- Herbalism and Primal Growth switched paths (Druid + Witch)
- Magus switched to using the weapon as the touchstones.
- Added Pint-Sized as Background talent.
- More purple guidance boxes added.

CHAPTER 3: GM TOOLKIT

- Attacking Multiple added to Combat Rulings.

CHAPTER 6: PLAYER OPTIONS (Removed)

- Paths and talents moved to Chapter 2: Adventurers. Group-Building Questions and Distinctive Features (reworked to NPC Crucibles) moved to Chapter 7: Extras.

CHAPTER 7: EXTRAS

- Writers’ Room, Homebrew Guidance, and Rest Resets added to Optional Rules

INDEX / GLOSSARY added.