# DeDAY DICE EXPANSION

ATLANTIKWALL



RULEBOOK



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D-Day Dice: Atlantikwall is dedicated to the poor souls who were forced into battle against their will – be they conscripts or members of prisoner battalions – constrained to defend someone else's cause, often in direct conflict with their own ideology.



## **OVERVIEW**

Welcome to Atlantikwall! This expansion to D-Day Dice adds new content to the game in the form of 3 independent modules that combine new and previous components in different ways. These modules are compatible with the base game and each other. Add them individually or mix them up for an epic game!

#### **GENERAL COMPONENTS**

These components work with any regular game of *D-Day Dice*.

**6 Battle Maps** that add more beaches and inland battlefields for your games. Included is *Battle Map N18, Exercise Fabius*, which depicts one of the landing exercises that took place before D-Day.

6 Battle Maps 3 BOARDS/2-SIDED



2 Vehicles



Vehicle rules: p10 in the D-Day Dice rulebook

**2 Vehicles** to add to your existing deck of Vehicles: Mine-Clearing Tank and Tractor.

4 Awards for your Award deck.
The France and Germany Star adds
variety to your basic D-Day Dice
games, the Cross of Grunwald and
Médaille de la Résistance will help
Allied Units in basic games and in
the Atlantikwall module, and the
Army Medal for War takes advantage
of the new Battle Conditions.

4 Awards



Award rules: p8 in the D-Day Dice rulebook

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FOR THE GERMAN PLAYER

6 RWB dice (1 SET OF 2 RED, 2 WHITE, 2 BLACK)



14 German Specialists



1 German Player Aid + 1 Resource Card



14 German Items



Token sheet (12 MGF, 12 LAND MINES, 2-SIDED)



21 Decorations



FOR THE ALLIES

4 Regular Items



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## **MODULE 1: ATLANTIKWALL**

"Atlantikwall" transforms the game into a confrontational one by introducing the German Player, playable on any Battle Map.

Like all other players, the German rolls dice and gathers resources, spending them to rally Specialists and find Items, following normal game phases. The main difference is that the German does not move on the Map, fighting instead from the safety of the Bunker. Think of the German Player as the Battle Map itself, defending the beaches against the invaders. Will the Allies thwart the German's plans? Can they escape the enemy's devious traps? Or will they discover that nobody can breach the Atlantikwall?

#### **GAME START**

Place all the German Specialists and Items on the table in the German Pool. Shuffle the Decorations into a deck and place them on the table, face-down. Whatever the Map, the German Player starts with 4 Soldiers and the Unteroffizier Specialist. The German also gains 3 Courage for each Allied Unit except the first, so 3 Courage against 2 Units, 6 Courage against 3 Units, and so on.

Add the 3 new Ranking Specialists to the Allied Pool (PIAT Gunner, Sniper and SOE Agent), along with the 4 new Regular Items (False Orders, Sniper Scope, Thermite Grenade and TNT). These cards are designed to help the Allies when playing against a German player; they apply to only when using Atlantikwall rules.



The German
Player starts with
the Unteroffizier

The German rolls Red, White and Black dice. The latter are interchangeable with Blue dice: if the Allies steal 1 Black dice from the German's Final Tally, that dice becomes Blue, and vice-versa.

## **ABOUT EXERCISE FABIUS**

To fully enjoy Atlantikwall, the Allies mustn't struggle too much on the selected Battle Map, otherwise the German will make mincemeat out of them.

To help you get the feel of this module and to ease yourselves into playing against a live opponent, we have provided a relatively easy Battle Map, *Exercise Fabius*, which gives the Allies a good chance against the German player. Once you get the hang of it, you can play Atlantikwall on all other available Battle Maps.

#### THE GERMAN PLAYER

#### **MGF and Land Mines**

As the German Player, you task is to make sure all Battle Map defenses are well-tended to make life difficult for the Allies. At the start of the game, all Land Mines and MGF on the Map are **inactive** and are they are ignored by Allied Units. You must rally the Specialists Pionier and the Maschinengewehr-Schütze to activate these attributes. Once activated, these defenses work normally. If you were to lose either of these 2 Specialists, the corresponding attribute would become inactive, only to be re-activated if you manage to rally them later on again.





Specialists Pionier and Maschinengewehr-Schütze. Rally these in order to activate the Land Mines and MGF on the Map.

## **Losing Soldiers**

Every turn, you lose Soldiers based on the single highest DEF of all Sectors occupied by Allied Units. If the Allies occupy more than 1 Sector, choose the one with the highest DEF. You do not suffer casualties from MGF or Land Mines, and you ignore the attributes and requirements for all Sectors.

Subtract the DEF from the total number of Soldiers you have. If you don't have enough Soldiers, you do not lose the game! Instead, the DEF in all Sectors is reduced by 1 for each missing Soldier.

**Example:** The Allies are in a Sector with a DEF of 12. As the German, you have 4 Soldiers. This means you are 8 Soldiers short! The DEF minus the missing Soldiers, or 12–8, means the modified DEF for the Allies is 4. This does not work the other way around: if you have Soldiers to spare, the DEF is not raised!

DEF-reducing Items or game effects (like the Bazooka or the Engineer), only affect the Allies. You must always meet the full DEF of the Sector.

If for any reason your missing Soldier count brings the DEF of a Sector below 0, the negative value is transformed into Soldiers <u>gained</u> for each Allied Unit present in that Sector.

**Example:** The Allies are in a DEF 12 Sector and use a Bazooka to reduce the DEF to 5. You have 4 Soldiers. The DEF minus your soldiers leaves an 8-soldier deficit. The reduced DEF of the Allies (5) minus your 8-soldier shortfall results in a modified DEF of -3; therefore, every Allied Unit gains 3 Soldiers!

## GERMAN RWR RONUSES







**DISPATCH**: These Skulls don't cancel any dice. Gain 15 Item Points OR: Draw 1 Decoration at random.







**DISCIPLINE**: Add 1 BLACK result of your choice = to your Final Tally – this can trigger another RWB bonus. OR: Gain 2 Courage.







**SUPPORT TROOPS**: Gain 6 Soldiers and 1 Courage.







**REPLACEMENTS**: Gain 6 Soldiers.







FANATISM: Gain 2 Stars. OR: All Allied Units lose 1 Soldier.







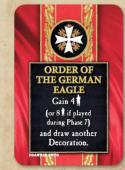
**INGENUITY**: You can find a used Item by paying its = cost in Item Points. OR: Look at the top 3 cards of the Decorations deck and rearrange them in any order. Decorations deck and rearrange them in any order.

## DECORATIONS

As the German Player, you do not move. Your Courage is used to defend the Reich against the invaders. The High Command rewards you with Decorations

drawn at random during PHASE 4 at the cost of 5 Courage per card. There are no limits to the number of Decorations you can draw or play in a turn. If you obtain a Straight in your Final Tally, draw the Decoration of your choice for free (shuffle the deck after).

Decorations are kept and played like Items: they can be used anytime, even just after being drawn. Once used, Decorations are placed in a discard pile beside the deck. At the moment there are no Decorations left in the deck, reshuffle the discard pile into a new deck.



A Regular Decoration



A "Black" Decoration

But while Items and Specialists are considered "open information" for all to see, Decorations are kept secret until they are played. The Allies have no way of knowing what Decorations the German is hiding.

The exception to this are the Black Decorations (Wound Badges), which have a black ribbon background. Black Decorations are detrimental to you and must be played immediately upon being drawn. Their effects are instantaneous.

#### PHASE 7: ASSAULT (IN THE FINAL BUNKER)

When an Allied Unit enters the final Bunker of a Battle Map (not counting the ones in the middle of the Map as depicted on N09: Mare Fontaine Battery), combat is resolved normally during PHASE 6: COMBAT for the Allies and the German alike. This triggers an additional Phase, PHASE 7: ASSAULT, where both sides compare their remaining forces (remember that Specialists count as 1 Soldier each).

If the Allies have more Soldiers, the German loses and the game ends.

If the German has more Soldiers, the Allied Unit is destroyed. If there are other Units in play, the game continues and the German draws 1 Decoration at random as a war trophy. If more than 1 Unit enters the Bunker at the same time, the Allies decide the order in which Units confront the German. If there is a tie between the 2 sides, the one with the most Specialists wins the assault. If there is still a tie after that, the German wins.

#### **ALLIED TRADE LIMIT**

The German Player's vigilance prevents the Allies from trading resources in the top row of a Battle Map and in any Sector adjacent to the final Bunker. Dice trading (via the Lieutenant and similar game effects) is not affected by these restrictions.

#### END OF GAME

All normal losing conditions apply (if any Allied Unit is wiped out, the game is lost), but there is 1 exception: if the Allies lose a Unit in the final Bunker during PHASE 7: ASSAULT while other Units are on the Map, the game continues.

The German loses if any Unit successfully enters the Bunker with numerical superiority during PHASE 7: ASSAULT.

#### **NOTES & CLARIFICATIONS**

**The German is not considered a Unit** Any card or game effect that targets Units cannot affect the German. However, any game effect that targets *players* will affect the German.

**Black Decorations (Wound Badges)** As the German Player, you cannot choose to lose something you don't have. For example, if you draw the Gold Wound Badge and you have no Decorations in hand, you are forced to lose 1 Specialist. Only if you also had no Specialists either would you be able to ignore this Decoration.

When the German player forces an Allied Unit to lose 1 Specialist or Item The loss is always the Allied Unit player's choice (except if noted).

**MGF** silenced by the Grenadier in a Sector The MGF is considered "removed" and cannot be activated anymore. The Shooting Award (from *Gott Mitt Uns!*) cannot prevent this.

"A Few Good Men" This rule also affects the German player.

**Timing** If the Allies and the German both try to do the same thing at the same time, such as steal each other's dice, or if a rule conflict occurs between sides, it is always up to the German player to decide what happens first or who has priority. After all, the battle takes place on the German's turf.

**Gold Beach** If 2 Units enter the 2 Bunkers at the same time, treat the situation as if they were entering the same Bunker – choose 1 Unit to go first, compare remaining forces, then proceed to the next Unit, if necessary.

In a 2-player game, the lone Allied Unit does not need to conquer both Bunkers.

**Decorations** There is 1 Black Decoration for every 6 normal Decorations. If you decide the change the mix of the Decorations deck, keep this ratio of 1:6.

**Legendary Units** The German cannot use Legendary Units, but can play against them.

## ATLANTIKWALL TIPS

## For the Allied Players

- A good strategy is to put pressure on the German as soon as possible: rally the Sniper or find a Sniper Scope.
- Time is on the German player's side! It can be advantageous for the Allies to rush the German instead of staying in the lower Sectors for too long.
- Splitting the Allied Units in 2 Sectors with different DEF is often a good idea.

#### For the German Player

- Be careful when giving Skulls to the Units: these can be used to obtain a Dead Man's Gift RWB.
- Don't drink the Molotov Cocktail.

## ATLANTIKWALL SOLITAIRE PLAY

When playing solo, you face an automated Allied Unit and use modified rules.

Randomly determine the starting Sector for the Allied Unit. It stays 2 turns in every Sector, always moving laterally, until it reaches a Sector on the edge of the Map. Its next move is to Advance to the Sector directly ahead (and still on the edge of the Map). Then it will move laterally in the direction of the opposite edge, and so on.

The Unit tries to stay in play as long as possible, so move it accordingly. If it can avoid storming the Bunker, it will.

The Allied Unit is not affected by Sector attributes except "Can't stay here", which forces the Unit to stay only 1 turn. The Unit's movements are restricted by Barriers, so make sure it doesn't maneuver itself into a dead end. If this happens, the Unit is granted an exception to move over the Barrier to keep going. As you do not keep track of that Unit's resources, it never spends Courage to Advance.

The objective is to survive the Allies storming the Bunker. You lose if at any moment you have 0 Soldiers (remember your Specialists are worth 1 Soldier each). There is no PHASE 7: ASSAULT when you play against an automated Unit.

All the normal rules apply except for the following:

## **MGF and Land Mines in Solitaire Play**

If the Allies are in a Sector with inactive MGF, you must roll MGF and suffer the casualties yourself (including Special Damage if applicable). Only by activating MGF can you ignore it. The same goes for Land Mines.

## **Sniper**

The Allied Unit automatically rallies the Sniper the first time it Advances. Starting with the next turn, the Sniper will fire each turn the Allies don't move. When you are hit by the Sniper, you lose 1 Specialist of your choice (or your Zwangsrekrut – remember, when sacrificed or killed this card returns to your pool).

There are 2 ways to kill the Sniper.

• Use the Sniper Badge Decoration on the Allies, or

 Use the Scharfschütze 4 times on the Allies (use tokens as a reminder) – this allows you to locate the hidden Sniper. Once you do, immediately sacrifice the Scharfschütze to get rid of this Allied pest!

#### **Waffen-SS and Beobachter**

When playing solo, the Waffen-SS allows you to ignore 1 Skull in your Final Tally. Also, the Beobachter gains you 2 Item Points for every RWB you obtain.

#### **Close Combat Clasp**

When using this Decoration, use a spare set of dice to roll a Final Tally (re-rolling all the dice as if they were your own). You must choose between your original Final Tally or this one. Whatever you choose, discard the Decoration afterward.

#### **Dog & Barbed Wire**

When you find any one of these Items roll 6 spare dice once to create a *trading pool*. When using the Dog choose 1 dice from this Pool; with the Barbed Wire choose 2 dice. If there are no more dice in the trading pool re-roll the 6 spare dice.

#### **Unavailable Decorations & Items for Solo Play**

Remove these cards from your decks when playing solo.

Decorations	ITEMS
Flak Badge	BOOBY TRAPS
German Cross	GAS
Gestapo Disk	GOLIATH MINE
Gold Wound Badge (Black Decoration)	MG42 MOLOTOV COCKTAIL
RAD Badge	TRACER BULLETS
War Merit Cross	
West Wall Medal	

#### ATLANTIKWALL OPTIONAL RULE

#### BLIND START, GERMAN STYLE

When playing as the German player, you can add spice to your life by starting with a random number of Soldiers and Courage.

Roll 1d6 per Allied player, all at the same time: choose 1 result to represent your starting number of Soldiers, and add the other dice together to determine your starting Courage.

In a 2-player game, or solitaire: roll 1 d6 to determine your starting Soldiers.

## **MODULE 2: BATTLE CONDITIONS**

These cards reflect the unpredictability of battlefield conditions, whether from nature itself or the hazards of combat.



A Battle Conditions card.

#### GAME START

Shuffle all the Battle Condition cards into a facedown deck.

#### **HOW TO PLAY**

At the start of every turn (before Phase 1) draw 1 card from the deck, reveal it and follow the instructions on the card.

Battle Conditions affect all Units on the Map. When a card affects the German player, it will specifically say so. If it doesn't say, then the German ignores the card. A card that mentions "all Units" means only the Allies. A card that mentions "all players" includes the German player as well.

Battle Condition cards supersede all Sector attributes, and their effects last for 1 turn – until the next card is drawn.

Some cards offer players the option to lose Specialists or Items to cancel the Battle Condition. Unless noted otherwise these losses must happen when the Battle Condition is drawn at the start of Phase 1. Lost Items are considered used, and a player may not use an Item or activate a Specialist's ability before losing it.

If a Battlefield Condition causes players to lose a resource, Specialist or Item they don't have, they ignore the loss unless noted otherwise.

#### **Active Skull**

This is a in your Final Tally that actively cancels another die during PHASE 2. In other words, a Skull result that has not been ignored by game effects (like the Sharpshooter, for example) and is not part of an RWB or a Straight.

### **BATTLE CONDITIONS OPTIONAL RULES**

#### PERSISTENT WEATHER (RECOMMENDED)

When you draw a Weather card, it stays in play until another Weather card is drawn to replace it. Non-weather Battle Conditions are treated normally, and you add their effects to the existing Weather card every turn. If this causes a conflict between the 2 cards apply them in this order: the regular Battle Condition first, and the Weather second (which may negate it).

#### FORWARD OBSERVATION

The following Items can be "lost" to look at the top 2 facedown cards from the Battle Conditions deck (the player replaces them afterward in any order):

- Binoculars
- Rangefinder
- Items with "glass" or "scope" in their title:
  - Artillery Periscope (War Stories)
  - Tinted Glasses (Legends)
  - Spyglass (Legends)
  - Pocket Telescope (Legends)
  - Rifle Scope (Legends)
  - Bunker Periscope (German Item)
  - Sniper Scope

## **MODULE 3: BADGES**

These cards offer a new way for Units to improve their Final Tallies.

**GAME START** 

Shuffle all Badges into a face-down deck.



A Battle Conditions Weather card.

#### **HOW TO PLAY**

When Units obtain a **Battle Cry RWB**, they now have the added option to draw a Badge at random (doing this means renouncing the other Battle Cry options).

Badges are played much like Items (1-use only, can be kept for a later turn) but when used they go to the Badges discard pile. Once the Badges deck is empty, reshuffle its discard pile to form a new deck. A Unit may have more than 1 Badge, but cannot obtain more than 1 per turn. Badges can be traded between Units in the same Sector per normal trading rules.



The Combat Medic badge.

#### Notes

- Reminder: A dice cannot count in 2 different RWB bonuses, nor can it count for both an RWB bonus and a Straight.
- If you play with the Atlantikwall module, the German player gains
   1 Courage every time a Unit draws a Badge.

### **BADGES OPTIONAL RULES**

#### **BADGE OF HONOR (RECOMMENDED FOR BEGINNERS)**

Badges are permanent (they are not discarded after use) and their use is optional. They take effect immediately after being drawn and stay with your Unit for the rest of the game.

Using a Badge's effect is optional: you always have the choice not to use it (if you obtain an RWB of Skulls, for example, you might wish to ignore your Combat Medical Badge, otherwise the 3rd Skull would cancel a die).

If you use the Victory Points optional rule from the *D-Day Dice* rulebook, p. 16:

For each Badge drawn by your Unit: -10 VP

If you play with the Atlantikwall module, the German player gains 3 Courage (instead of 1) every time a Unit draws a Badge.

#### BADGE OF COURAGE

Units can spend  $1^{\text{TT}} + 1 + 1 \text{ during Phase 4 to "purchase" (draw at random) a Badge. No more than 1 Badge may be purchased or drawn per turn.$ 

#### **BADGE OF ASSISTANCE**

If players find a particular Map too difficult, give them a free Badge at the beginning of the game. This can also be used to balance the scales between veteran players and fresh recruits.



These optional rules can be applied to any game of *D-Day Dice*.

#### PLAYING WITH FIRE

The "safe limit" of Explosive icons for each Unit is 2. During PHASE 5 for each over the safe limit a Unit has, it loses 1 Soldier.

#### SUPPLY SNAFIL

Shuffle all available Regular Items and Special Items together and split them into 2 equal face-up decks. Units have access to the Item at the top of either deck only. When an Item is found, the one under it is then available. Once a deck is empty, only the other deck remains.

Legendary Items are not affected and can be found normally.

