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Chapter 1

MTG

1.1 MTG Guide

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The Gathering (TM)

MTG Guide

Version 2.10 - 22 November 1997

A complete database for Magic: The Gathering in Amiga Guide format, containing all cards from every expansion, including their description, official errata and changes, rulings etc. This database also contains the general rulings for playing the game itself.

Take a look

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1.2 What's in it for you ?

What's in it for you ?

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General Rulings

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Give me feedback

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IMPORTANT NEWS

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Thanks

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Glossary Index

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 Chronicles Expansion
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1.4 Introduction

I N T R O D U C T I O N

The Rulings Summaries for Magic: The Gathering (TM), a Collectable Card Game
by

Wizards of the Coast
, are just normal textfiles and have no links
whatsoever to each other.

Stephen D'Angelo
is doing a great job putting
the rulings together each month.

So to make things easy for you, this Guide was made, first by Tom de Ruyter
and now by us.

We hope you enjoy it.

The authors

1.5 Please let us know that you're alive !

Please let us know that you're alive !

Please take some time to answer the following questions.

1. How do you normally obtain the latest release of the MTG Guide ?
 - FTP
 - WEB
 - Other (please specify)
2. How many times do you read the MTG Guide ?
 - Every day
 - Once a week
 - Once a month
 - Only when I need to know a certain ruling/card description
 - Never (I use it to fill my harddisk with useless information)
3. What is your interest in the CCG of Magic: The Gathering ?
 - I'm mostly a player
 - I'm mostly a collector
 - I'm both a player and collector
4. Would you like to be informed (by email) about the new releases ?
 - Yes (send me your email address)
 - No
5. If you have any ideas to improve the MTG Guide, please let us know.

Please send your answers and suggestions or comments you have to our email-address at: enrgizer@tref.nl

Thanks !

1.6 Copyright

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Stephen D'Angelo
and produced in two text
files which are distributed once a month. He should take all the credits
for the contents of these text files.

Most of the card descriptions are taken from the socalled "Devjoes List"
(version 7.0) which is distributed irregularly by
Joseph W. DeVincentis
on the Internet.

Descriptions for Alliances & Mirage were taken from the Spoiler Lists,
which were distributed on the Internet by Neutral Ground, a store in New
York/USA. This company has it's own homepage (<http://www.nground.com>) and
can be reached by Email at info@nground.com.

Descriptions for Visions, Fifth Edition and Weatherlight were taken from

the Spoiler Lists, which are distributed on the Internet by Wizards of the Coast themselves.

Flavor Texts for Homelands, Alliances & Mirage were taken from my own cards. All others came directly from a homepage on the Internet.

All other information, like the "Reserved List" are taken from either articles in Magazines like The Duelist (TM) and Scrye (TM) or directly from text files distributed on the Internet.

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1.7 And who's getting the flowers today ?

T H A N K S

We want to thank Tom de Ruyter and all the others who made this Guide possible for giving us the opportunity to continue this Guide .

1.8 How to get the latest update

Where to obtain the latest version

There are several ways to get the latest update of these texts/rulings.

AMIGA GUIDE FORMAT

WWW: <http://leden.tref.nl/enrgizer/>

FTP: pub/aminet/docs/misc/MTGRUL**.LHA (** = 2 digit month number)

HTML FORMAT

Robert Dekker has translated the MTG Guide into HTML format, so it's now possible to view it with any browser you like. The whole thing is still in BETA phase, however if you want to check it out, please visit his homepage at the World Wide Web: <http://www.xs4all.nl/~robdtff>

NORMAL TEXT FILES

FTP: Connect to <ftp.itis.com> and look under "pub/deckmaster/rules/" for "rule-*.txt" to get a copy.

Connect to <ftp.activesw.com> and look under "pub/sdangelo/magic/" for "rule-*.txt" to get a copy.

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1.9 Addresses

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1.10 What's new in this version ??

What's new in this version ??

- IMPORTANT NEWS - CLICK
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 TO READ IT !!
- Click
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 to see what has changed in the General Rulings.
- Click
 HERE
 to see what is new in the General Rulings.
- Click
 HERE
 to see what has changed in the Card Rulings.
- Click
 HERE
 to see what is new in the Card Rulings.
- Click HERE to view the new Tempest expansion.
- Lots of other things you won't notice :))

1.11 When will it be finished....

What to do next....

- Add the Fifth Edition Texts for all cards EXCEPT Artifacts, Black, Blue and a part of the Green cards. These have been done.
 - Add current print-run numbers per card (Current lists have them already included, except for Alliances, Mirage, Visions, Fifth Edition, Weatherlight and Portal as there is no information available from WoTC yet). Please note, that We removed this information from the current lists and made it available per edition in the Printing Information.
 - Add flavor text for each card (Mirage, Visions, Fifth Edition and Weatherlight have to be done entirely)
 - Make an alphabetical list of all artists, including links to the cards they have made. Still not finished, due to Visions and the new release of MTG Fifth Edition. More than 200 cards (!!) have new art in this edition :(
 Also Weatherlight made its entry last month, so this can take some
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time too.

- Add most wanted cards list.
- Add some Decks, SENT US YOUR FAVOURITE DECKS AND MAYBE WE ADD IT IN OUR LIST!!
- There will be a COMBO list in the next update, sent us your COMBO`s.
- ???

1.12 What about us ?

Who are we ??

Roger Gooren

I love my Amiga, Magic cards and my wife and I`m 24...?
I started playing Magic when the Homelands hit the streets.
(A1200/030/50/50/18mb Piccolo SD64)

Robert Woeltjes

Hi my name is Robert Woeltjes and I`m 17 years young.
The date I first saw a Magic card was... erhm not really a long time ago,
when I began playing Magic The Ice Age just arrived.
(A1200/020/14/14/6mb)

Christian Gartsen

Hello, most idiots call me Chris, I`m sorry to say I sold my Amiga and bought
a Peecee, I like shoarma, StarTrek and Magic.
I`m 21, I studied Microbiology. I hope you still like me ;)
(Plentyum/150/32mb)

We have two things common... we al like Magic and Beer ;)

Contact us

1.13 What about them ?

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Wizards of the Coast are the publishers of Magic: The Gathering (TM)

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Wizards of the Coast Mailing Lists

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Trading/collecting Deckmaster cards	mtg-trading-l@oracle.wizards.com
List of trade auctions	mtg-trade-auc-l@oracle.wizards.com
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"Devjoes List".

You can also visit his homepage at "<http://wilma.che.utexas.edu/~devjoe>"

1.17 Changes to the General Rulings

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Cursed Totem
Dark Pact
Demonic Attorney
Demonic Tutor
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Fastbond
Feldon's Cane
Fork
Frankensteins Monster
Goblin Grenadiers
Hypnotic Specter
Imprison
Instill Energy
Ivory Tower
Jeweled Bird
Juggernaut
Kird Ape
Lichentrope
Mana Crypt
Mana Vortex
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Mind Twist
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Null Chamber
Power Sink
Pyrokinesis
Rakalite
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Serendib Efreet
Sindbad
Sol Ring
Sorcerres Queen
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1.20 New Card Rulings

NEW CARD RULINGS

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Teferi's Veil
Thunderbolt
Timmerian Fiends

1.21 Important News

IMPORTANT NEWS TO ALL REGULAR READERS OF THE MTG GUIDE

Yes, we are a bit late, unfortunately it had several reasons:

Roger formatted his harddisk :(
and lost all the mails, so the people who sended us a message,
please resend it...

We had to redo all our work, but here it is.
