MARVEL UNITED – LEGACY CAMPAIGN

Introduction

The Marvel United Legacy Campaign combines all the Marvel United content from both the original and X-Men campaigns. Through your play, you will encounter all villains, challenges, and modes (with the sole exception of Supervillain Mode).

Playing in Legacy Mode is designed to be as easy as possible. One of the core design rules for developing the mode was to keep things simple and, where possible, make it even easier to set up a game.

What you need to play

The Legacy Mode combines the All-In content from Marvel United and Marvel United: X-Men. Beyond that, you will need to print and prepare the included cards. Each player will need a box to store their heroes, cards, locations, and tokens (the expansion set boxes are great for this).

Included in the Legacy Mode is:

- 163 Event Cards
- 137 Hero Ultimate Cards (one for each Hero)
- 7 Campaign Track Cards
- 1 Instruction Guide (this document)

Playing without all the Marvel United content

If you don't have an All-In version of Marvel United, this Legacy Mode should still work, however the mode does assume you have at least a large amount of content for the game – especially villains. Event cards will often reference villains, heroes, locations, challenges, or modes. If you do not have the referenced components, ignore the reference.

If you draw an event card that tells you to fight a villain that you don't have, skip the fight. Treat the event as if you had won the game and go straight to the Victory section of the event card.

Game Setup

To set up the Legacy Mode, follow the instructions below. This section assumes you have already printed the components and created the cards.

Player Storage

In the Legacy Mode, each player keeps their own collection of Heroes, Locations, tokens, and other components. Players select Heroes and Locations from their own Roster throughout the game. Each player will need a box to keep their components separate from other players. The expansion boxes are perfect for this, and can store all your cards, miniatures, locations, and tokens.

You will also need a campaign box, where you will store Crisis tokens, your current Event deck, Campaign Track cards, and other campaign components.

Event Cards

The Legacy Mode adds a deck of Event cards that will guide your journey. Each Event card has a number in the top-right corner (or an 'X'). When you first start the Campaign, create an EVENT DECK using the first 12 Event cards. The rest of the Event cards will be stored in the game box, and you will add them to your Event deck when instructed. Whenever you are instructed to add a new Event, take the Event card with the matching number, and shuffle it into your Event deck.

Also shuffle the 'X' event cards and store them in the box. These cards are special events that usually add extra difficulty. When instructed to add an 'X' event to your Event deck, choose one at random and shuffle it into your Event deck.

Hero Pool

In the Legacy Mode, players will use their own personal collection of Heroes through the campaign. You will recruit new Heroes into your collection, usually taken randomly from the HERO POOL. At the beginning of the campaign, this pool only includes around half of the total Heroes. See the Appendix at the end of this document for a list of Heroes to add to the Hero Pool. All other Heroes should be placed somewhere else in the box.

Tip: You can use the Hero Ultimate cards to sort the Heroes in your Hero Pool from those that are reserved. Make a deck of Ultimate cards for the Heroes in your Hero Pool. When you need to recruit a hero, draw a random card from this deck.

Campaign Track Cards

The Legacy Mode includes 7 Campaign tracks. These track the progress of various big events in your campaign. When instructed to INCREASE a campaign track, place a mark in the top-left unmarked box on the Campaign Track card. As soon as all boxes in a row of the Campaign Track card are marked, follow the instructions below, until you reach another row of boxes. This usually involves adding a set of new cards to your Event deck.

Starting Heroes and Locations

Throughout the Legacy Mode, each player will collect a stable of Heroes and Locations that they will use in each game. Before beginning the campaign, you will need to draft your Heroes and Locations. See the next two sections for details.

Hero Draft

Take the following heroes (the heroes from the Marvel United core box and the blue Heroes from the Marvel United: X-Men core box), and place them in the middle of the table:

- Ant-Man
- Black Widow
- Captain America
- Captain Marvel
- Hulk
- Iron Man
- Wasp

- Beast
- Cyclops
- Jean Grey
- Professor X
- Storm
- Wolverine

The first player selects any 1 of these Heroes and adds the Hero to their Roster (player box). Players proceed clockwise around the table, each selecting a hero in turn, until 12 of the 13 starting heroes are chosen. Return the leftover hero to the game box. Each player then takes the Hero Ultimate card for each of the Heroes in their Roster.

Location Draft

Take the Locations included in the Marvel United core box and the Marvel United: X-Men core box, shuffle them all together, and deal 4 Locations to each player (6 locations in a 2-player campaign).

Setup Checklist

- Sort all the Heroes into the Hero Pool, and the reserve.
- Draft your starting heroes and Locations.
- Each player should have their own player box.
- Each player will have 3, 4, or 6 Heroes depending on if it is a 4, 3, or 2-player campaign.
- Each player will have 4 Locations (or 6 in a 2-player campaign).
- Take Event cards 1-12 and shuffle it to create your Event deck.
- Set aside the 7 Campaign Track cards marked A-G.

Playing the Campaign

Overview

Playing the Legacy Mode is simple. At the beginning of each play session, shuffle the Event deck and draw the top card. Follow the instructions on the card, which often includes setting up and playing a game of Marvel United. If you play a game, depending on whether you win or lose, you will then follow the blue 'Victory' or red 'Defeat' instructions on the Event card. Once an Event card is fully resolved, draw the next Event card.

As you play games, you will Recruit and Retire new heroes, your Heroes will gain XP and Level-Up, and you will play through the entire contents of Marvel United in a light story-driven experience!

Draw an Event Card

Draw the top card of the Event deck. If the Event card has a Villain name listed under the title of the Event, set up and play a game using that Villain. If the Event card does NOT have a Villain listed under the title of the card (whether it has a picture of a Villain or not), simply follow the special rules of the card, then draw another Event card.

If the event card has any check boxes in the special rules section, mark one of the boxes. If you mark the last box, follow the rules below the boxes. Do not follow any rules under the boxes until the last box is marked.

Villain Events

A Villain Event card has the name of a Villain under the title. Set up a game of Marvel United using that Villain. Follow the special rules of the Event card during this game.

Many event cards have special SETUP instructions, which you need to follow during setup of the game. Other special rules must be followed throughout the course of the game, whenever those special rules are triggered.

Crisis Events

Many Event cards have 1 or more Crisis symbols. When you encounter this symbol, check your Campaign box and see if you have collected any Crisis tokens. If you have, discard 1 Crisis token for each Crisis symbol listed on the Event card, and then perform the instructions underneath the Crisis symbol/s once FOR EACH CRISIS SYMBOL YOU DISCARDED.

For example, there might be an event:



If the players collectively have 2 Crisis tokens, they will add both tokens to Mastermind's starting Location. If they have 4 Crisis tokens, they only add 3 of them to Mastermind's starting location, and keep the remaining Crisis token in their Campaign box.

Victory

After the game, if you won against the Villain, do the following in order:

- Each players marks a box on the Ultimate card matching the Hero they used in this game.
- Follow the instructions in the blue Victory section of the Event card.
- Take a random hero from the Hero Pool, then select 1 player to Recruit that hero.
- Shuffle the Locations and distribute them evenly among the players.
- Each player returns the Hero they used in the game to their Roster (unless they were Retired).

When choosing a player to Recruit a hero, you may freely discuss which player will gain a Hero. If you prefer more structure, the player with the fewest Heroes in their Roster Recruits a Hero. If players tie for the fewest Heroes, the player who went first in the game breaks ties.

Defeat

- Each players marks a box on the Ultimate card matching the Hero they used in this game.
- Follow the instructions in the red Defeat section of the Event card.
- 1 Player must Retire 1 of their Heroes (it does not have to be a hero used in the game).
- Shuffle the Locations and distribute them evenly among the players.
- Each player returns the Hero they used in the game to their Roster (unless they were Retired).

When choosing a player to Retire a hero, you may freely discuss which player will lose a Hero. If you prefer more structure, the player with the most Heroes in their Roster Retires a Hero. If players tie for the most Heroes, the player who went first in the game breaks ties.

Story Events

A Story Event card does not have a Villain listed under the title, and does not have Victory or Defeat instructions. When you draw a Story Event card, follow all instructions in the special rules section of the card, then draw another Event card.

Hero Ultimates

Heroes each have a Unique Ultimate card, that reflects their personalities and powers, but you must unlock their special power by playing games with that Hero. After each game, win or lose, you will mark one of the XP boxes on the Ultimate card matching the Hero you used in the game.

When all the XP boxes are marked on a Hero's Ultimate card, that Hero gains their Ultimate effect. In every game from now on, when you use that hero, place their Ultimate card in front of you. The special effects of the Ultimate card are in play for the entirety of the game. Every Ultimate effect is unique, but most have a trigger of some kind (like playing an Action token, an overflow, or some other effect).

Many Ultimate effects tell you to flip the card. When you flip an Ultimate card, you may no longer use the special effect of the card (unless it is flipped back by another Ultimate card effect).

Important Concepts

Event Cards

There are two types of Event card in the Legacy Mode. Villain Events have a Villain name under the Event title, as well as a Victory (blue) and Defeat (red) box at the bottom of the card. When you draw a Villain Event card, set up a game against the indicated Villain, using any special rules noted on the Event card. When the game is over, before packing up follow the instructions in either the blue box if you won, or the red box if you lost. **Do not follow any instructions in the blue or red box at any other time**.



Other Event cards do not list a Villain, and do not have Victory or Defeat instructions. When you draw one of these Event cards, simply follow all instructions on the card, then draw another Event.



Event Card Symbols

There are three important symbols to be aware of on Event cards:

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Add an Event card. When instructed to by this symbol, find the Event card with the matching number in the game box, and shuffle it into your Event deck. If the number is an 'X', take a random 'X' Event card and shuffle it in to your Event deck. If the symbol indicates a range of numbers (e.g. 23-25), find each Event card with a matching number and shuffle them all into your Event deck (in the previous example, you would add Events 23, 24 and 25 to your Event deck).

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Destroy this Event. When the instructions have this symbol, remove this Event card from the game. It will no longer be used at all in this campaign.



Crisis Event. When you see 1 or more of these icons in the special rules of an Event card, only follow the instructions below the icon/s if you have any Crisis tokens in your Campaign box.

Event Card Special Rules

Below are listed all the keywords you might encounter in the special rules of an Event card.

- **SETUP:** Follow these instructions while you are setting up a game of Marvel United, and before the first turn of the game.
- **REQUIRED HERO/LOCATION:** For each player, if they have the indicated Hero or Location, they MUST choose that Hero or Location for this game. If they do not have the indicated Hero or Location, the player may ignore this instruction.
- Take a Crisis token: When an Event card instructs you to take a Crisis token, add a Crisis token from the supply to your Campaign box. In the future, if you encounter a Crisis event, you MUST spend these Crisis tokens to activate the Event's effects.
- **LEVEL-UP:** When told to LEVEL-UP a Hero, mark off ALL empty XP boxes on the chosen Hero's Ultimate card. That Ultimate power is now available to use.

Campaign Victory and Defeat

All players win the Legacy Mode when all 7 Campaign Track cards have been completed.

Players lose the Legacy Mode when one of two things happens:

- A player cannot select a Hero to play a game (they have no Heroes in their Roster), or
- You collectively have fewer than 6 Locations in your Rosters.

Hero Roster

Your Hero Roster is your own personal collection of Heroes. When you play a game of Marvel United, you may only select a Hero from your Hero Roster.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY HEROES LEFT IN YOUR ROSTER another player must give you one of their Heroes to add to your Roster. If no player can do this, you have collectively lost the campaign and must start over.

Locations

When setting up a game of Marvel United, each player will draw 3 Locations (4 in a 2-player game), then choose 2 of them to add to the game (3 in a 2-player game). They put these Locations in a pile, then draw 6 to play with in that game. Set the other Locations aside, if any. If the Villain dashboard specifies a Location that must be included, replace 1 of the other Locations at random with the indicated Location.

At the end of the game, shuffle all Locations used in the game together (except ones that were added by Villain dashboards) and deal them out evenly to each player.

Unlike Heroes, who return to their player's Roster, Locations are returned randomly to players after each game.

Recruiting and Retiring Heroes

Recruiting a Hero means to take the indicated Hero (or a random Hero) and add it to a player's Roster. Retiring a Hero is the opposite; a player must remove a Hero from their Roster and return it to the Hero Pool. Heroes do not lose XP they have acquired when they Retire, and they may be Recruited again later by any player.

Player vs Hero

Event cards will often tell a PLAYER to gain or lose something (usually a token). This is different from a HERO gaining and losing things in a game. When a player gains or loses something, 1 player takes the indicated item and adds it to their player box.

Crisis tokens

When an Event card instructs you to take a Crisis token, take a Crisis token and add it to your Campaign box. All players collectively use the same pool of Crisis tokens. These tokens are used when an Event card has 1 or more Crisis symbols.

Reminder: Do not add Crisis tokens to your Campaign box from normal game effects. ONLY EVENT CARDS OR ULTIMATE CARDS will instruct you to add Crisis tokens to your campaign.

Supervillain Cards

When you are instructed to take a Supervillain card, shuffle the Supervillain card deck, draw the top card, and add it to your Campaign box.

During the SETUP step of a game of Marvel United, if there are any Supervillain cards in your Campaign box, take 1 at random and put in in play, near the Villain dashboard.

During a game, if there is a Supervillain card in play, the first time the card trigger conditions are met, trigger the Supervillain card and resolve its effects.

If there is a choice to make on the Supervillain card, players may collectively choose how to resolve the card (this may end up benefiting the Heroes). If a Supervillain card refers to the Villain's 'hand', draw 2 cards from the Master Plan deck, and use those cards as the Villain hand. Once the Supervillain card is resolved, return any unused Master Plan cards to the top of the Master Plan deck.

Challenges

At several points during the campaign, you will be instructed to take a Challenge card. Add the Challenge card to your Campaign box.

During the SETUP of a game of Marvel United, if there are any Challenge cards in your Campaign box, take 1 at random and put it in play, following the normal steps for that Challenge.

Superhero cards

When you are instructed to gain a Superhero card, shuffle the Superhero cards together, draw the top card, and choose a player to gain that card. The chosen player adds the Superhero card to their player box.

During the SETUP step of a game, if you have a Superhero card, you may add that card to the game. If you choose to use the card, add it to your starting setup and follow any normal rules for using Superhero cards.

Tokens

When an Event card instructs a player to gain a token of any kind (except Crisis tokens), choose 1 player to take that token from the supply and add it to their player box.

During the SETUP step of a game, if you have any tokens, you may choose to add 1 or more of them to this game. Take the chosen tokens and give them to your Hero.

At the end of the game, all tokens are lost as normal. You DO NOT return unused tokens to your player box.

Appendix

A. Starting Hero Pool

Add the following Heroes to the starting Hero Pool. Other Heroes will be added to this Pool later in the Campaign, via effects of Event cards. When a Hero is Retired, they are returned to the Hero Pool.

America Chavez Ant-Man Banshee Beast Beta-Ray Bill Bishop **Black Panther** Black Widow Blade Blink Boom-Boom Cable Cannonball Captain America **Captain Britain Captain Marvel** Colossus Cyclops Dazzler Domino Doop Drax Emma Frost Falcon Fantomex Feral Firestar

Forge Gambit Gamora **Ghost Rider** Groot Havok Hawkeye Howard the Duck Hulk Iceman Iron Man Jean Grey Jubilee **Kitty Pride** Longshot Magik Magneto Mantis Marvel Girl Mirage Mockingbird Moon Knight Ms Marvel Multiple Man Nebula Nick Fury Nightcrawler

Nova Okoye Pixie Polaris Professor X Rocket Rogue Shang Chi Shatterstar Shuri Spider-Man Spider-Woman Squirrel Girl Star-Lord Storm Strong Guy Sunfire Sunspot Vision Warlock Warmachine Warpath Wasp Winter Soldier Wolfsbane Wolverine Yondu

B. Reserve Heroes

The following Heroes are not added to the Hero Pool at the start of a Campaign, and are not available for recruiting until an Event card instructs you to add them to the Hero Pool.

Adam Warlock Angel Apocalypse Archangel Beast (First Class) Black Cat Bob Cloak Cyclops (First Class) Dagger Daredevil Deadpool Doctor Doom **Doctor Strange** Elektra **Ghost Spider** Guardian Gwenpool Hope Summers

Human Torch Iceman (First Class) Invisible Woman Iron Fist Jessica Jones Korg Lady Deadpool Legion Logan Luke Cage Marrow Miles Morales Mr Fantastic Mystique Namor North Star Old Man Logan Phoenix Psylocke

Puck Punisher Quicksilver Sasquatch Scarlet Witch She-Hulk Silver Surfer Snowbird Spider-Ham Spider-Man 2099 Spiral Storm (Mohawk) The Thing Thor Valkyrie Venom Weapon X X-23

C. Crisis Event Examples

Here are a few examples of Crisis Events, and how to resolve them (this section contains some minor spoilers).



If you have any Crisis tokens in your Campaign box, discard one of them. You must then use a Hazardous Location in this game, if you are able.

If you have no Crisis tokens, ignore this Required Location rule.



If you have any Crisis tokens in your Campaign box: Discard up to 2 Crisis tokens, then replace the Clear Threats Mission with the Plan B version. For each Crisis token you discarded (up to 2), add a Civilian token from the supply to the Villain dashboard.

If you have no Crisis tokens, ignore all of the SETUP instructions on this card.



If you have any Crisis tokens in your Campaign box: Discard up to 4 Crisis tokens. For each token discarded, give a Hero a Crisis token from the supply.

During this game, if a Hero has any Crisis tokens at the start of their turn, they must play their card randomly, then discard a Crisis token.

If you have no Crisis tokens during SETUP for this game, ignore all of the special rules on this Event card, even if a Hero later gains Crisis tokens.