ENDEAVOR DEEP SEA

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YOUR MISSION

Your goal in ***Endeavor: Deep Sea*** is to have the most beneficial effect on the world's oceans, from the teeming shallows to the mysterious depths. In each of many **scenarios**, you'll score points mostly by increasing your **attributes** (*Reputation, Inspiration, Coordination, and Ingenuity*), by taking a variety of actions that create positive **Impact**, and adapting your approach to meet the scenario's unique **Goals**.

At first, only a small area near the ocean surface is accessible... but your reach will extend wider and ever deeper into new zones, each with its own opportunities for discovery. Your challenge will be to recruit an effective team of Specialists, expand and improve your fleet of vessels, publish game-changing Journals, and develop the capabilities you'll need to stay at the leading edge of this endeavor. Your goal above all is for **your** team to make the biggest positive impact on the ocean that blankets our fragile planet.

WHAT YOU TAKE FROM THE SEA

This is a game of discovery, observation, understanding, and conservation. You won't be extracting **anything** material from the ocean; everything you draw from it is an intangible benefit that will make you better at what you do!

Gain **Reputation** to increase your ability to *recruit* team members: You will add a new Specialist to your team every round. Improving your Reputation means that you will attract more effective Specialists.

Gain **Inspiration** to increase the number of discs you gain each round: Discs represent the *effort* you expend activating your Specialists and carrying out actions.

Gain **Coordination** to increase your ability to *reassign* discs from your Specialists to your Staging Area: With greater Coordination your Specialists will be consistently be ready to perform new tasks.

Gain **Ingenuity** to increase your technical proficiency: Improved *technology* puts more vessels at your disposal, and allows you to pilot them further into the mysterious depths.

Gain **Impact** to place Impact markers on the scenario-specific Impact board: This is a representation of how your activities in the ocean impact the world. Gaining Impact provides a variety of bonuses throughout the game and is very important for final scoring.

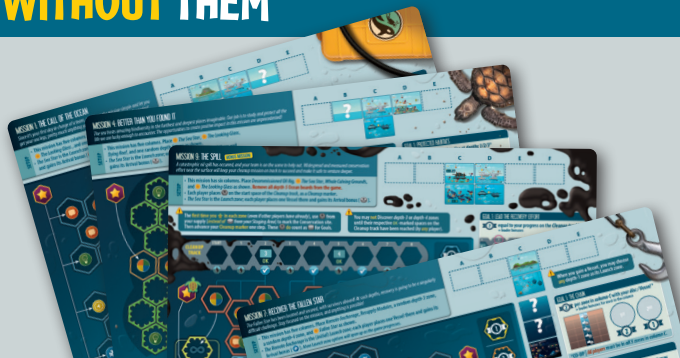
Score **Points** to win the game.



PLAY AGAINST YOUR FRIENDS, OR WITH THEM, OR WITHOUT THEM

Endeavor: Deep Sea is a **scenario-driven** game. That means that each time you play, you'll choose a Scenario sheet that establishes the setup, special rules, scoring goals, and Impact board of your game.

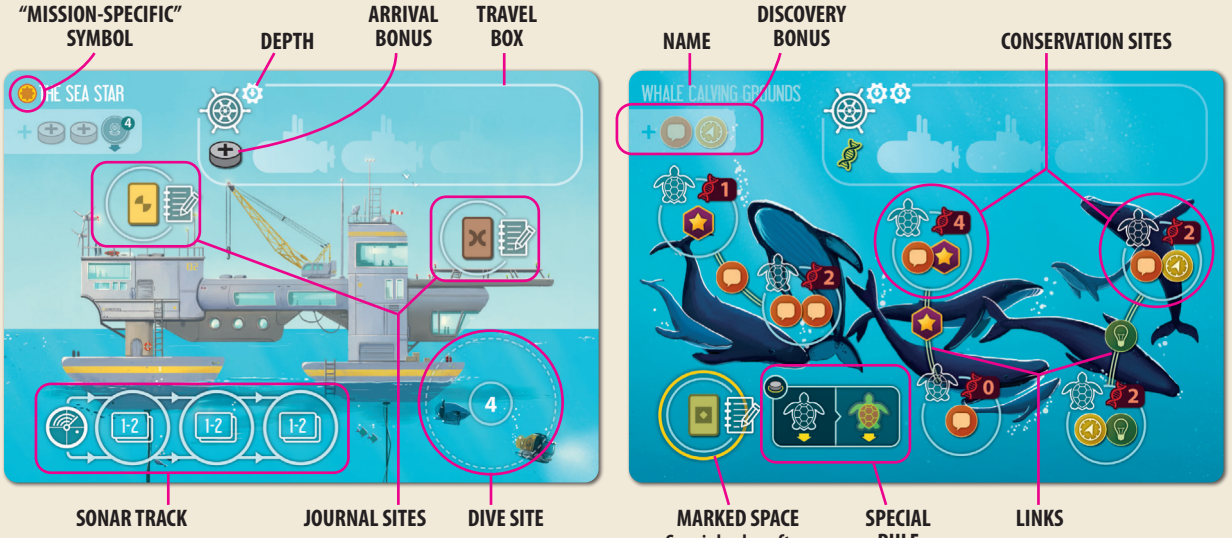
Every single scenario can be played in **competitive multiplayer** mode, **cooperative** mode, ***and*** **solo** mode. Read the rulebook to learn competitive play, and then check the Co-op/Solo section on page 16 to discover the few changes you implement to play in those modes.



COMPONENTS

37 OCEAN BOARDS

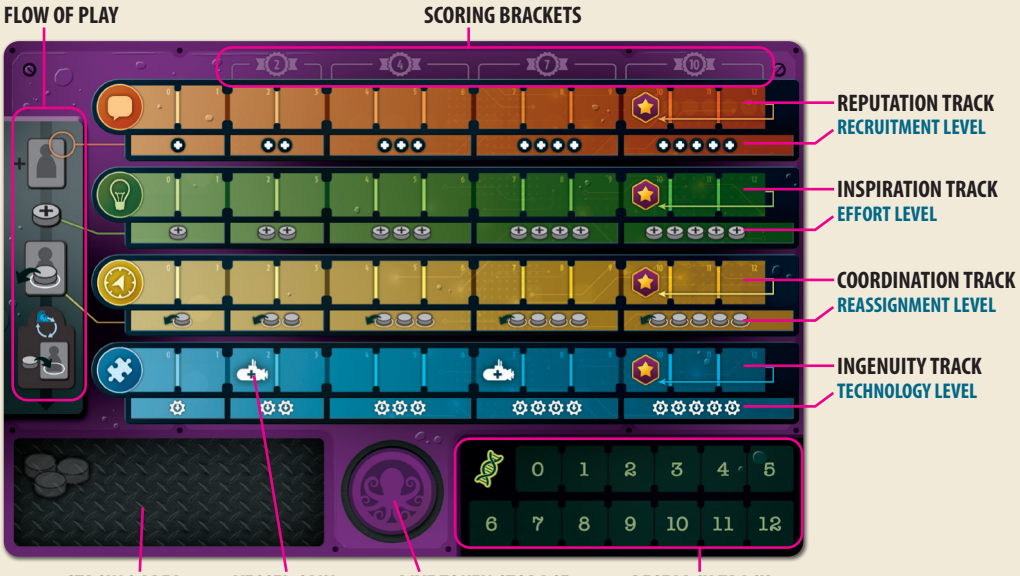
The Ocean boards create the play area during the game; once a board enters play, it is called a ***zone***. There are five different **depths** of zone, indicated by the symbols found on the front and back. Zones share many common features to interact with; some zones feature special rules and effects.





THE FIVE DIFFERENT BACKS

4 PLAYER MATS



36 DIVE TOKENS



BACK SAMPLE FRONTS

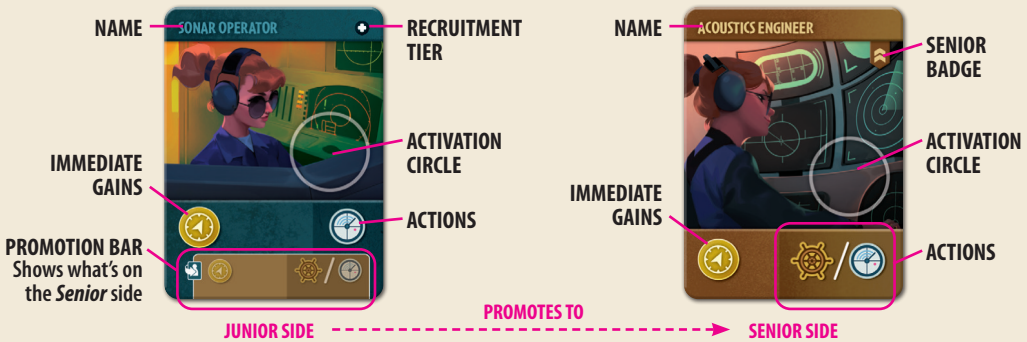
A NOTE ON JUNIORS AND SENIORS

All of the Specialists (whether Junior or Senior) represent highly skilled and highly educated scientists, technicians, and experts in other fields.

Junior/Senior status is ***not*** *descriptive of the profession itself; it refers to that Specialist's experience participating as a member of* ***your team****.*

51 SPECIALIST TILES

There are 21 different Specialists. Each one has a **Junior** (*blue*) and a **Senior** (*gold*) side.



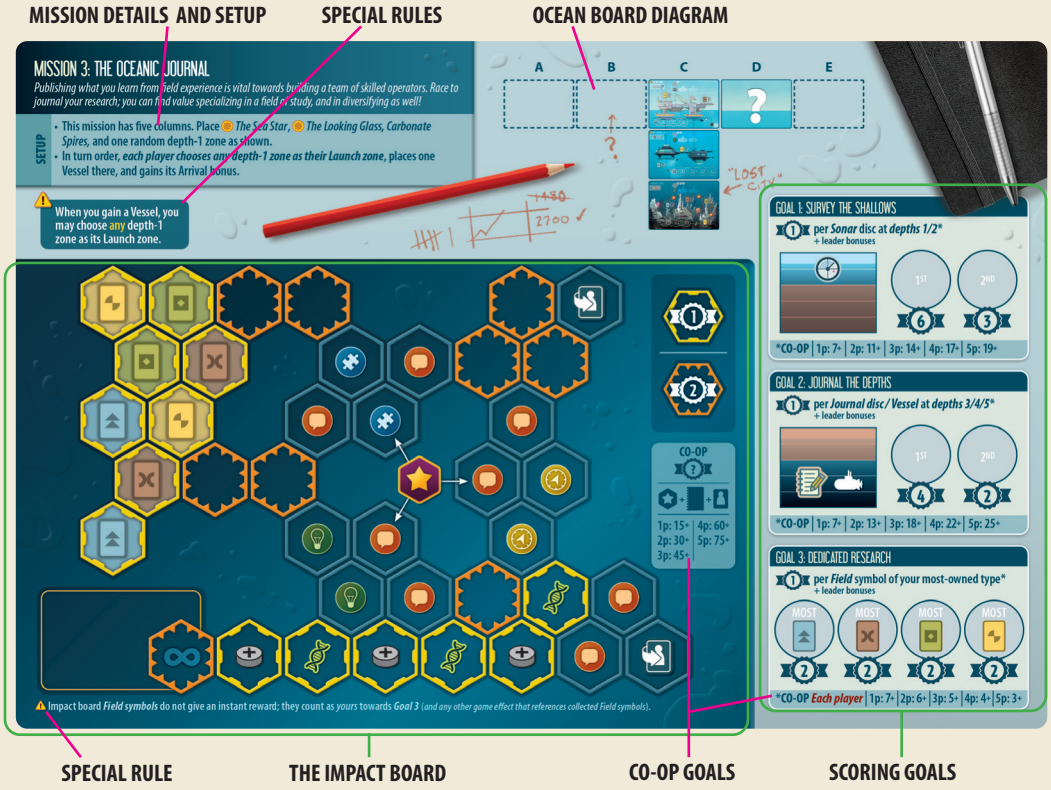
4 TEAM LEADER TILES

Your starting tiles. They start as Seniors.



5 DOUBLE-SIDED SCENARIO SHEETS

Each one describes the **setup** and any **special rules** of its mission. It displays unique **goals** that will be a big part of your final score, and an **Impact board** where you'll direct the impact you gain towards your strategic goals. Each one also displays **Co-op goals**.



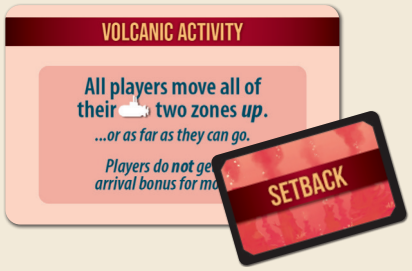
6 BONUS GOAL CARDS

Extra goals for Co-op/Solo mode.



6 SETBACK CARDS

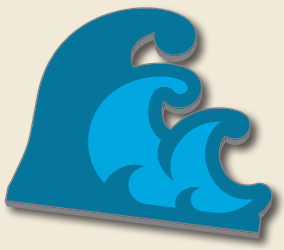
Unpredictable challenges for Co-op/Solo mode.



1 SCORE PAD

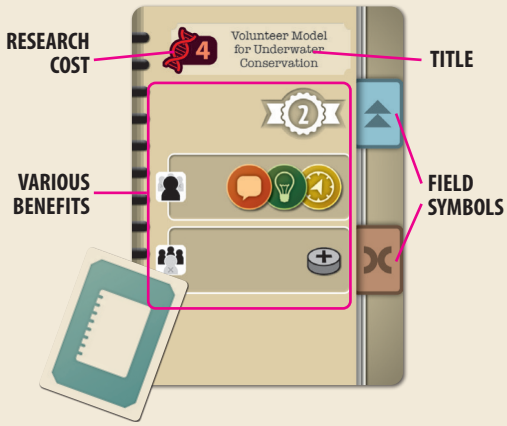


1 WAVE MARKER



24 JOURNALS

Each one tells you what Fields it belongs to, its Research cost, and the benefits it gives upon being published.



8 ANCHOR JOURNALS

These are just like regular Journals but are designed to start the game.



120 DISCS

30 FOR EACH PLAYER



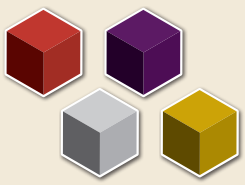
80 IMPACT MARKERS

20 FOR EACH PLAYER



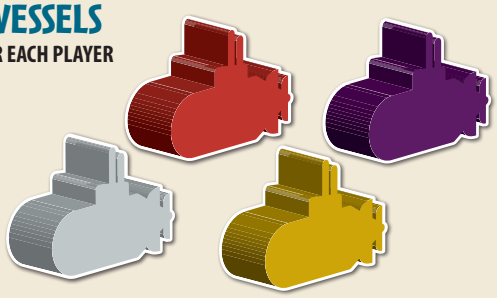
20 TRACK CUBES

5 FOR EACH PLAYER



12 VESSELS

3 FOR EACH PLAYER



These items are technically unlimited; if your supply runs out, use an unused player color or another substitute.

SETUP (see page 16 for additional Solo/Co-op setup)

1. **Scenario Sheet.** Select a Scenario sheet and place it on the table. It has setup, scoring information and (*sometimes*) special rules that everyone should be aware of.

   *First game? Use **Mission 1: The Call of the Ocean**.*

2. **Ocean Boards.** Your Scenario tells you which boards to put into play, and the diagram shows their configuration. Find the boards and arrange them as shown. Leave enough room around them for this mission's grid of boards to develop. *The diagram on the sheet shows you how wide the grid may go; the maximum **depth** is five unless otherwise indicated.* Once an Ocean board is in play, it is referred to as a ***zone***.

   *Boards with ● near their name are part of specific missions; find and **discard** every ● board that your Scenario setup doesn't instruct you to include.*

3. **Ocean Stacks:** Shuffle all of the remaining boards into **five separate** face down stacks based on their **depth**.

4. **Dive tokens:** Shuffle the Dive tokens into a face-down supply. Draw tokens to make a face-down stack of the indicated amount on every zone that has a **Dive site**.

   *For example, **The Sea Star** has a Dive site that starts with **four** Dive tokens.*



5. **Journals:** Shuffle the *Anchor Journal* and *Journal* decks separately. Lay out **four** random **Anchor** Journals face-up in a display; return the rest to the box. Keep the shuffled **Journal** deck face down near the display.

6. **Specialists:** Place the prepared **Specialist tray** nearby. *Tiers 1-4 should remain properly organized from your last play.* For Tier 5s, place three random tiles (*blue Junior-side up*) in each pocket of the Tier-5 column.

7. **The Wave:** Randomly choose a start player, and give them the Wave start marker.

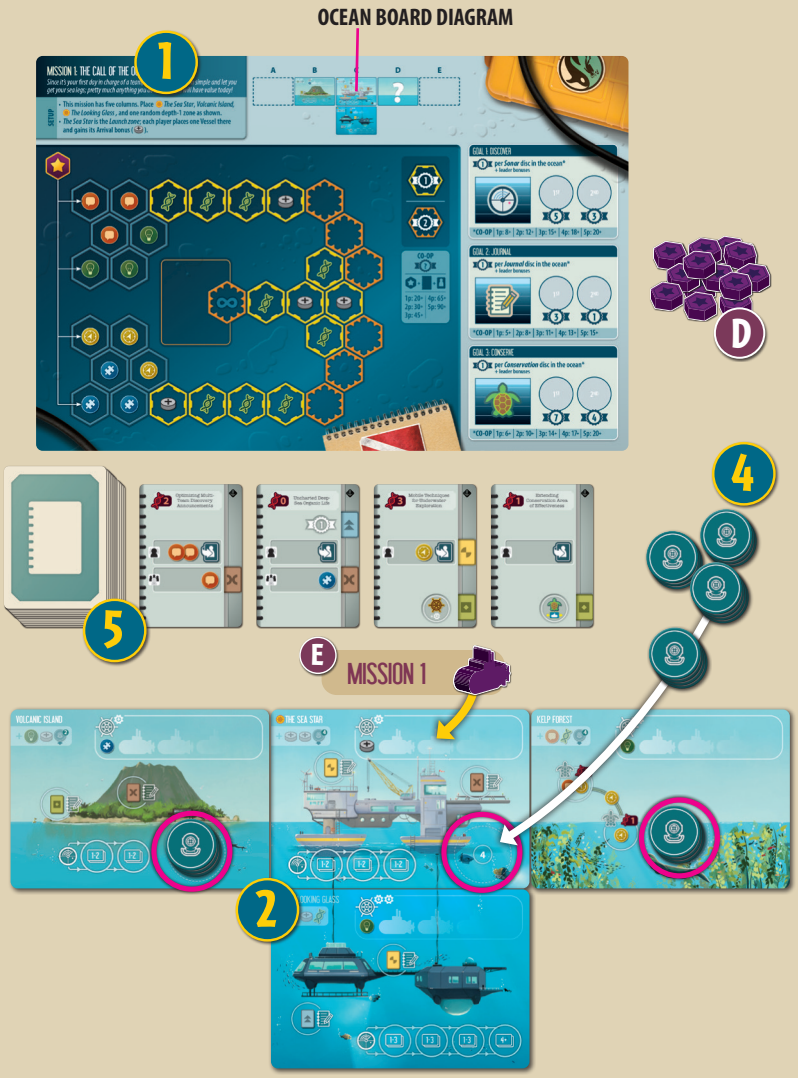
8. **Player Materials:** Choose your player color. Take a **Player mat**, a **Team Leader** tile, and the component set in your color: **30 discs**, **5 track cubes**, **20 Impact markers**, and **3 Vessels**.

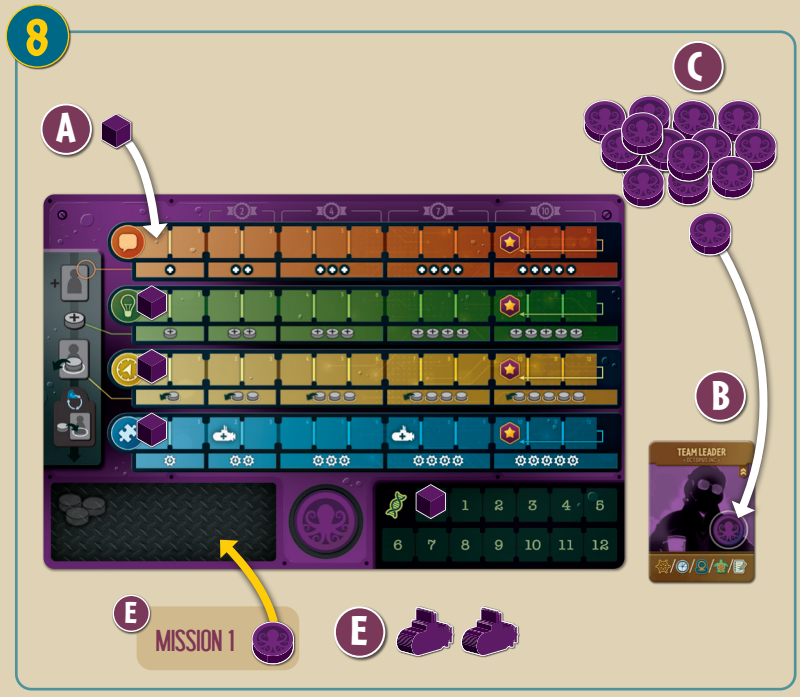
   - Ⓐ Place your five **track cubes** on the 0 spaces of your **Attribute** and **Research** tracks.
   - Ⓑ Place your **Team Leader** near your mat, and **one** of your **discs** on its activation circle.
   - Ⓒ Keep the remainder of your discs in a supply pile **not near your Staging area**. *Discs in your **supply** are **not** available to you; they must enter play before you can use them, so it's wise to keep them notably distant.*
   - Ⓓ Keep your **Impact markers** near the Impact board.
   - Ⓔ Deploy your starting **Vessel** to the **launch zone** as described by the scenario, and gain its Arrival bonus (*see **Arrival Bonus** pg. 9*); keep your other **Vessels** near your player mat.

   *For example in **Mission 1,** place your Vessel at **The Sea Star**, and gain its Arrival bonus of one disc to your Staging Area.*



OCEAN BOARD DIAGRAM









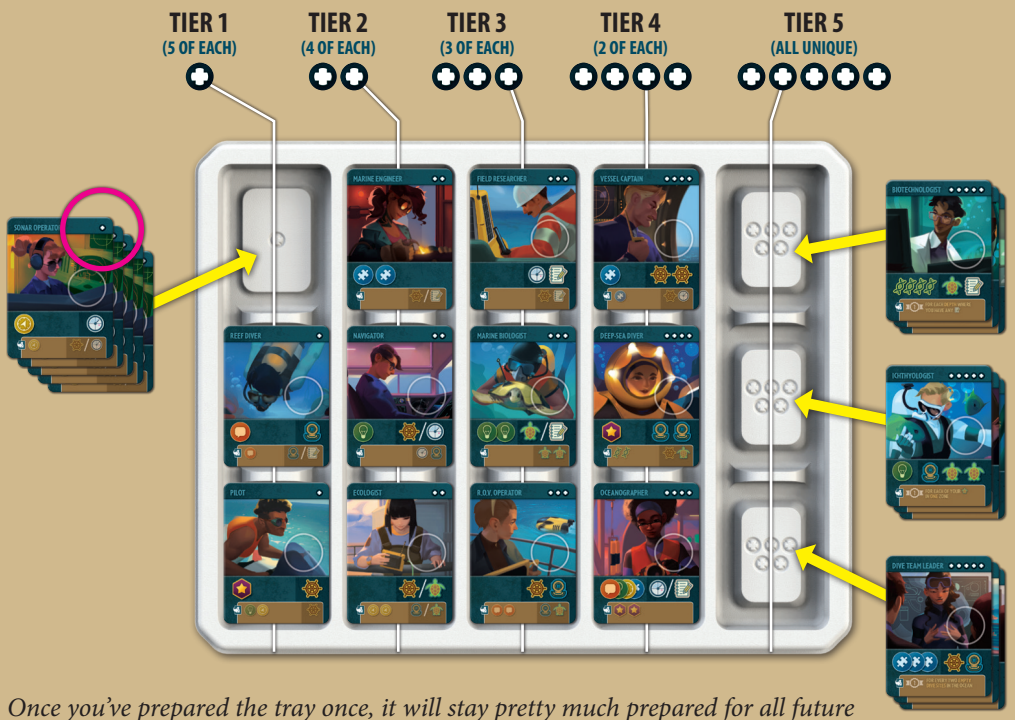
Short on table space for your stacks? Try this stacking method: Criss-cross the stacks with shallowest on top and deepest on the bottom.



6 PREPARING THE SPECIALIST TRAY

Tier 1-4 Specialists: Flip them all Junior (*blue*) side up, and separate them into stacks by title. Place the three **tier-1** stacks in the first (*leftmost*) column's pockets, the **tier-2** stacks in the second column's pockets, and so on.

Tier-5 Specialists: Shuffle them, Junior-side up. Stack three random tiles in each of the pockets in the rightmost column.



Once you've prepared the tray once, it will stay pretty much prepared for all future games; when you clean up, just put the Specialists back in their proper pockets. The only thing you need to do for each new game is re-randomize your Tier-5s!



GAMEPLAY

The game is played over six rounds. Each round consists of two phases. The player with the Wave goes first in each phase, with the other players following in a clockwise order.

PHASE 1: PREPARATION • Each player conducts the following three steps:

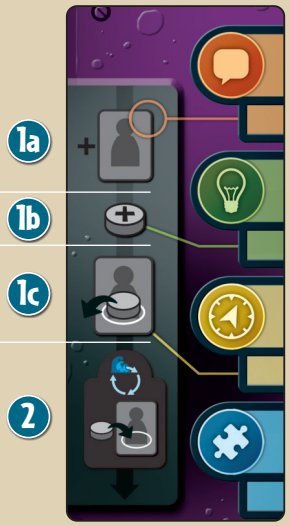
1a) RECRUITMENT • Recruit one Specialist

1b) EFFORT • Gain discs from your supply to your Staging Area

1c) REASSIGNMENT • Reclaim discs from your Specialists to your Staging Area

PHASE 2: ACTIVATION • Players take turns activating Specialists to perform actions, continuing clockwise until everyone has passed

Your player mat includes a "flow of play" diagram to remind you of the phase order. Faint lines indicate the attribute track that affects each phase.



REWARD SYMBOLS

Often during the game you will gain rewards in various ways; *methods include recruitment or promotion of Specialists, various aspects of the Ocean zones, the Impact Board, Journals, and more*. Here are some of the common rewards and other symbols:

- Advance your **Reputation** track marker one step
- Advance your **Inspiration** track marker one step
- Advance your **Coordination** track marker one step
- Advance your **Ingenuity** track marker one step
- Advance an attribute marker of your choice one step
- Advance your **lowest** attribute marker one step (*your choice if tied*)
- Advance your **Research** track marker one step (*to a maximum of 12; excess is lost*)
- Place one marker on the Impact Board (*see **The Impact Board** pg.14*)
- Gain one disc from your supply to your Staging Area
- Promote a Specialist (*see **Promotions** pg.13*)
- Perform a Sonar action
- Perform a Sonar action **in this zone**
- Discard a disc from your Staging Area to your supply
- Spend 2 Research



PHASE 1a: RECRUITMENT

On your turn, choose one Specialist from the tray and add it to your own tableau. Your **Reputation track** determines the highest tier from which you can recruit; your *Recruitment level* on the lower row of the track is displayed in symbols.

Each Junior Specialist displays a number of symbols in the top corner indicating its tier; to recruit a particular Specialist, your Recruitment level must match (*or exceed*) the tier.

- Your recruited Specialist always enters play on its **Junior** side.
- You **may** recruit duplicates of Specialists you already have.
- If your new Specialist displays any **immediate gains**, resolve them before proceeding to the next step.
- Any or that you gain during this step **does** affect the following two steps; *this may factor into your recruitment decision!*
- If you recruit a tier-5 Specialist and this leaves its tray pocket empty, move the top tile from a different pocket to the empty pocket, so that three tier-5s are always available for selection.



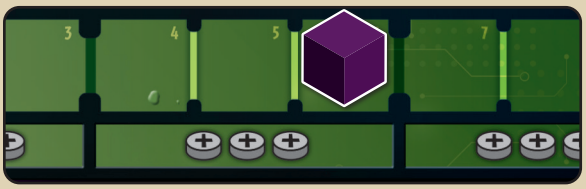
Example: Your Recruitment level is , so you could recruit any Specialist from tier 2 or below.

*You recruit this **Navigator** from tier 2. It displays an **immediate gain** of one Inspiration, so you advance your Inspiration marker one step on its track.*

PHASE 1b: EFFORT

Gain new discs from your supply to the **Staging Area** of your Player mat. Your **Inspiration track** determines the number of discs you gain; your *Effort level* on the lower row of the track is displayed in symbols. Gain one disc per symbol.

- If your supply runs out of discs, use discs of an unused player color or some other marker as a substitute.



Example: Your Effort level is , so you gain three discs from your Supply to your Staging area.

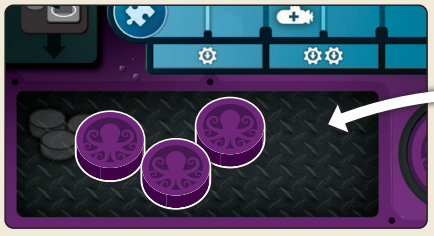


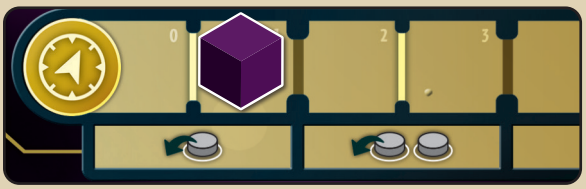
PHASE 1c: REASSIGNMENT

On your turn, "reassign your Specialists" by reclaiming discs from your Specialists to your **Staging Area**; this frees up both the disc **and** the Specialist for future use. Your **Coordination track** determines the number of discs you may reclaim; your *Reassignment level* on the lower row of the track is displayed in symbols. Reclaim one disc per symbol.

- If you don't have enough Coordination to reassign **all** of your Specialists, **choose** which ones to reassign and leave the excess discs in place.

In the first round, you will have a single disc on your Team Leader, and the capability to reassign one Specialist… so you will be able to reclaim that disc back to your Staging Area.





*Example: Your Reassignment level is , so you will only be able to reclaim **one** disc. Since you have **two** Specialists with discs on them, you'll have to choose. You go with your **Team Leader**, since it's more versatile than your **Pilot**.*



PHASE 2: ACTIVATION

Take turns beginning with whoever has the Wave, and proceed clockwise. On your turn you must either **take a turn** or **pass**. Once you pass, you may take no further turns in this round, and the turn order continues clockwise, skipping you. Play proceeds in this manner, with still-active players continuing in turn order until **all** players have passed (*see **End of the Round**, pg. 14*).

TAKING TURNS

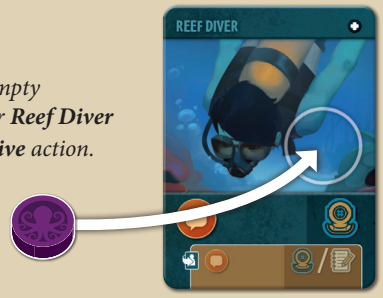
You (*usually**) take a turn by **activating a Specialist**. To activate a Specialist, place a disc **from your Staging Area** on a Specialist in your tableau that has an **empty** *activation circle*. Then you may perform the Specialist's action(s).

The disc you place on the Specialist simply permits you to take its actions. Some action types will then require you to use an **additional disc** from your Staging area (***not** your supply*) to actually carry out the action.

- Some Specialists display multiple action symbols with a "/" symbol between them; in this case you must **choose one** of the actions to perform.
- Some Specialists display **multiple** action symbols **without** a "/" symbol between them. You may perform any or all of the actions, in any order you choose. Performing multiple actions from one Specialist still counts as one turn. The actions **may** be performed in different zones. Resolve each action fully before beginning the next.
- You **may** activate a Specialist and then **not** perform its action(s).

* Certain activities (*explained later*), can be done **in place of** activating a Specialist. In those cases, apply all rules that reference your activated Specialist (*or its actions*) to the substituted activity instead.

Single-action Example:
*Placing a disc on the empty activation circle of your **Reef Diver** would let you take a **Dive** action.*



Choice-of-Action Example:
*Activating your **Ecologist** would let you take either a **Travel** action **or** a **Conservation** action.*



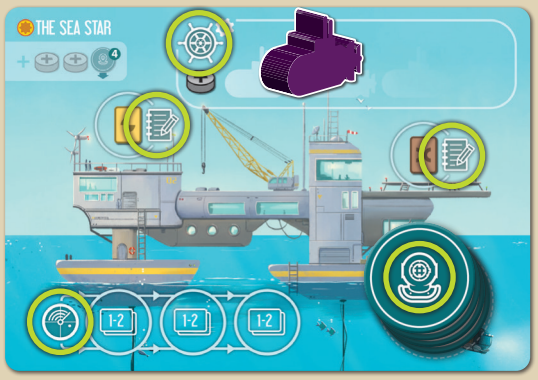
Multiple-Action Example:
*Activating your **Field Researcher** would let you take a **Sonar** action **and** a **Journal** action, in either order.*



GENERAL RULES OF THE ACTIVATION PHASE

- You may always decline to collect any reward or perform any action that you are entitled to.
- To perform an action in a zone, **you must have a Vessel in that zone**. The places in each zone where you can perform the different actions are clearly signposted with an outlined version of the relevant action symbol.





*For example, with a Vessel at **The Sea Star,** you could Travel, Sonar, Dive (symbol is on the Dive tokens), and Journal (in two places).*

- If you ever reach the Impact symbol near the end of **any** attribute track, gain one Impact (*see the **Impact Board** pg. 14*). If you ever advance **beyond** the end of a track, retreat the cube back to the Impact symbol and gain it again, as indicated by the arrow.



- The **Ingenuity track** unlocks **additional Vessels** for you. The **first** time your marker reaches each of the two spots with a "Gain Vessel" icon, place the new Vessel at the Mission's **Launch zone** (*indicated on the Scenario sheet*) and gain its Arrival bonus (*see **Arrival Bonus** pg. 9*).



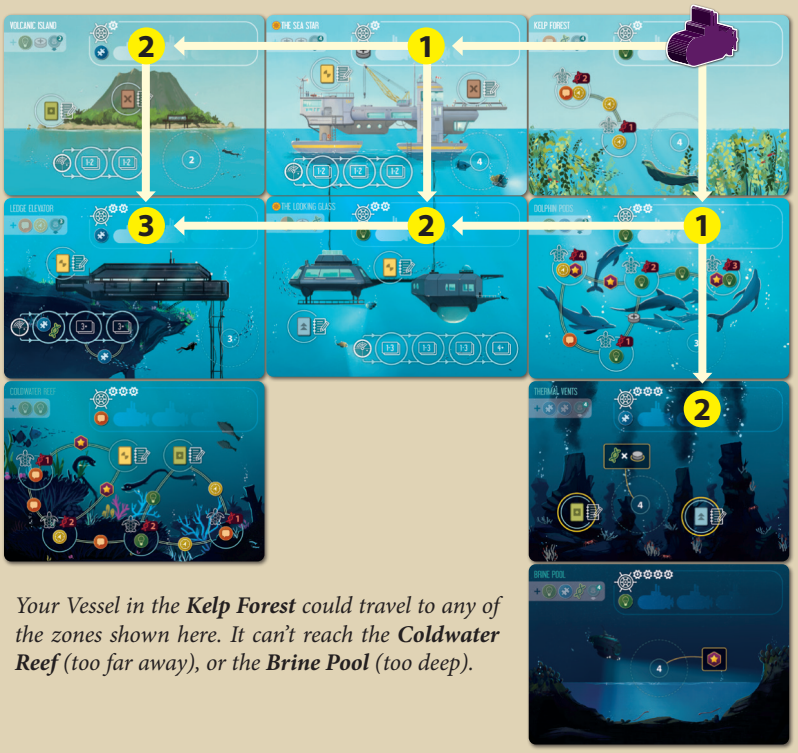
TRAVEL Move a Vessel to a different zone, to gain its arrival bonus and enable you to take other actions there.

Move **one** of your **Vessels** from its current zone to a different one. Your Vessel movement capabilities are limited by your **Ingenuity track's** advancement; your *Technology level* on the lower row of the track is displayed in ⚙ symbols.

- The maximum **depth** you may move your Vessel to is equal to your Technology level.
- The maximum **distance** (*measured in zones*) that your Vessel may move from its current zone is **also** equal to your Technology level. A Vessel moves horizontally or vertically from zone to zone, one zone at a time.
- You may not travel through "empty spaces" that don't have a zone in them.
- Keep your Vessels in the *Travel box* of their current zone.



*For example, your Technology level is three, represented as ⚙⚙⚙. That means that your Vessel could go as deep as **depth-3**, and it could move up to **three** zones away from its current location.*

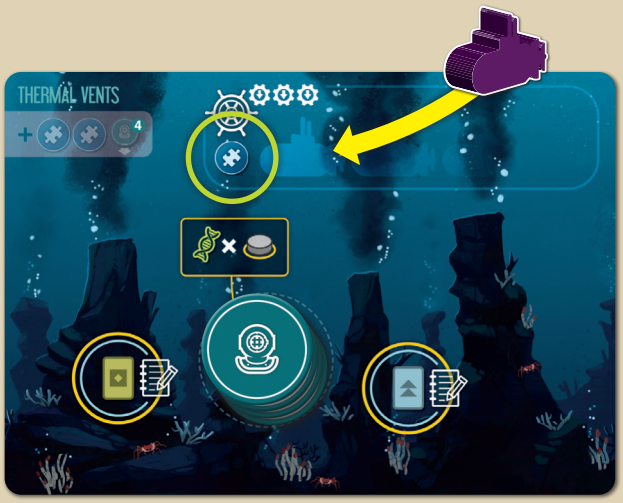


*Your Vessel in the **Kelp Forest** could travel to any of the zones shown here. It can't reach the **Coldwater Reef** (too far away), or the **Brine Pool** (too deep).*

ARRIVAL BONUS

After moving a Vessel to a zone, immediately gain the **Arrival bonus** for that zone (*only the final destination zone, **not** the zones passed through along the way*). The Arrival bonus is displayed below the Travel symbol in each zone.

- You **do** get the Arrival bonus when you place a newly-gained Vessel in its launch zone, including your starting Vessel at game start. *Your Scenario sheet's Setup describes the launch zone(s) for this Mission.*



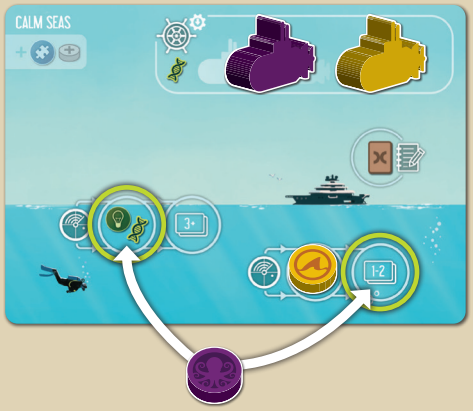
*You decide to go to the **Thermal Vents**. Upon arrival, you gain the **Arrival bonus**... which is an Ingenuity gain! Now you're a step closer to being able to go deeper and further!*

SONAR (Requires a second disc) Add a disc to a Sonar track, to gain rewards and discover new ocean zones.

Place a disc from your Staging Area on the leftmost empty space of a **Sonar track** in a zone where you have a Vessel.

- If the zone features **multiple** tracks, you may **choose** which track to place upon.
- Placing the disc may complete a *link* (*see **Completing Links**, pg. 13*)

Some Sonar track spaces display common rewards; claim them as usual. **Most** Sonar track spaces indicate that you may **Discover** a new zone to add to the ocean (*see below*).



*For example, if you Sonar while you have a Vessel on **Calm Seas**, you could place your disc on either of its two Sonar tracks. If you choose the **left** one, you will gain . If you choose the **right** one (notice that Yellow placed on the track earlier, so you have to place in a later space), you will **Discover** a new zone.*

DISCOVER

STEP 1: CHOOSE YOUR BOARD

Draw **two** Ocean boards. Each Discover symbol indicates the **depths** of the stacks you could draw from. *For example if it says "**1-2**", you could draw two boards from depth-1, or two from depth-2, or one from each.*

- You **may** draw and place boards that are too deep for you to currently **travel** to.
- Your Scenario sheet shows the limits of your Mission's play area, indicating where new depth-1 zones may be placed to create columns.
- With the exception of depth-1, there **must** be a zone of the shallower depth to place it below. (*For example, you may not place a depth-4 board unless there is a depth-3 zone with an empty space below it.*)
- If your Discovery is impossible to resolve (*for example if the icon says "1-2" and both of those depths are already full*), you must draw from the **shallowest** possible depth with a legal placement spot, and continue as normal.
- If the **entire play area** is full, gain instead of drawing any boards, and skip the remaining steps.
- If a drawn board has a symbol by its name, and that board **isn't** mentioned in your Scenario setup, discard it and draw a replacement.

The *Discover* symbol shows two boards (*to remind you that you always draw two to choose from*), and it has a number or a number range in it to indicate which *depths* you may draw from.



DRAW FROM DEPTHS 2-4 | DRAW FROM DEPTH 4 OR DEEPER | DRAW FROM DEPTH 3 ONLY





*For example, your Discovery symbol indicates depths 1-2. According to your Scenario, there are two spots you could place a depth-1, and there **is** a legal depth-2 spot below the **Dying Reef**. You decide to draw one board from each stack.*

*You draw the **Atoll** (depth 1), and the **Sunken Ruins** (depth 2). You consider them both (taking into account how their various features might help you succeed), and choose the **Sunken Ruins**. You return the **Atoll** to the bottom of its stack.*





*You place the **Sunken Ruins** in the one legal depth-2 spot, and add the four Dive tokens to its Dive site as indicated.*

Finally, you collect its Discovery Bonus of .



STEP 2: PLACE THE NEW ZONE

Look at both boards, and choose one to place (*return the other to the bottom of its stack*). Place your chosen board in any legal spot you wish at the correct depth; now that the board is in play, it is referred to as a **zone**.

- If the zone has a **Dive site** in it, place the indicated number of Dive tokens face down in the Dive site (*see **Dive Tokens** on page 11 for details*).



STEP 3: DISCOVERY BONUS

Claim the new zone's **Discovery bonus**. Discovery bonuses are one-time rewards displayed faintly on the top left corner.

Zones with Dive sites have a reminder in their Discovery Bonus section to place Dive tokens.



DIVE Draw the top token from a Dive site; tokens have varied uses and are an important source of valuable Research.

Choose a zone (*where you have a Vessel*) that has a **Dive site** with one or more **Dive tokens** remaining. Draw the top token from the Dive site, and reveal it.

DIVE TOKENS

Dive tokens display some amount of **Research** (*which you'll need for **Conserve** and **Journal** actions, see below*). Most tokens also display an **effect.**

During your turn, you may spend any number of Dive tokens (*into a discard pile*). When you spend a token, you **either** gain its Research value, (*reflect the gain on your Research track*), **or** take advantage of its effect. Spending Dive tokens is **in addition to** activating your Specialist as normal.

- You **may** spend a Dive token **in place of activating a Specialist**.
- You may spend tokens **before and/or after** activating your Specialist, or even **between** its actions if it is a multiple-action Specialist.
- You **may** spend tokens on the same turn you get them.
- If the token supply ever runs out when placing tokens at a site, shuffle the pile into a new supply. If **both** the supply and discard run out, place as many as you can.
- Your **Research track** can store a maximum of **twelve** Research. Any Research gained beyond twelve (*from any source*) is lost.

At the end of your turn, you may store a maximum of **one** Dive token (*there is a spot on your player mat for it*); you **must** spend excess tokens before ending your turn.



*For example, you Dive while you have a Vessel at the **Ledge Elevator**. You take the top token from the stack and reveal it; it displays 3 Research and a Travel action. You may use it for either aspect, or store it on your mat for a later turn.*

THE DIVE TOKENS

Most of them feature common effects



Conserve, but treat the Research cost as if it was one lower than displayed.
Minimum cost of zero.

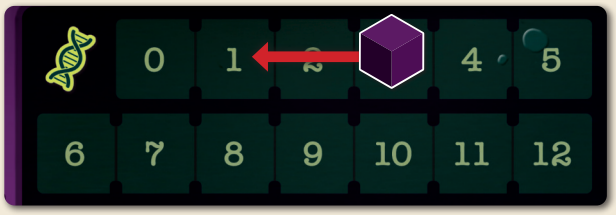
Discard a disc from your Staging Area to gain five Research.

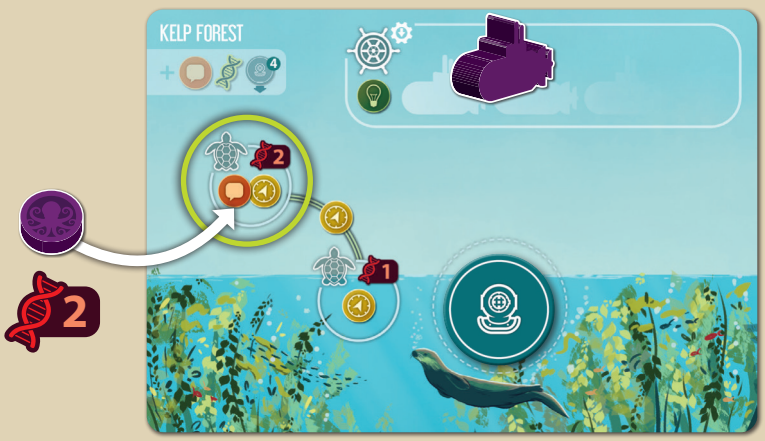
CONSERVE (Requires a second disc) Spend Research and place a disc in a Conservation site to gain rewards (often Impact).

Choose an available **Conservation site** in a zone where you have a Vessel. Pay the displayed **Research cost** of the site, and gain any indicated rewards. Place a disc from your Staging Area in the site; this may complete a link (*see **Completing Links**, pg. 13*).

PAYING RESEARCH COSTS

Actions with a Research cost show this symbol, with a number indicating the cost. Spend that amount of Research from the **Research track** on your player mat (*reflect the change by moving your cube*). Remember that you may also spend Dive tokens for their displayed Research value at any time.





*For example, you Conserve while you have a Vessel at the **Kelp Forest**. You have 3 Research, so you could afford either Conservation site here. You pay 2 Research for the upper site, place a disc there, and gain the indicated .*

JOURNAL (Requires a second disc) Spend Research to publish a Journal, which grants Promotions and other benefits.

In a zone where you have a Vessel, choose an unoccupied **Journal site** with a *Field Symbol* that is **also** featured on a Journal (*in the display*) that you wish to publish (*it is okay if there are also **other** Field symbols on that Journal*).

- If **no** Journals in the display feature the site's Field symbol, you may not currently Journal at that site.

Spend the **Research Cost** indicated on the Journal, and place a disc from your Staging Area in the site. This may complete a link (*see **Completing Links**, pg. 13*).

Claim your published Journal, and keep it face up near your mat; its effects are now active. Immediately draw a new Journal from the deck to re-fill the display.

- It doesn't matter which Field symbol you used to **publish** the Journal; **all** effects on the card resolve as described below.

There are four categories of Journal effects (*as always, any gained benefit may be declined by the entitled player*):

Points: At the end of the game, you will earn the displayed amount of points.

You: These benefits are immediately gained by **you**. One common benefit of this type is Promotion (*See **Promotion**, pg.13*).

Others: These benefits are immediately gained by **all other players** (*but **not** you*). *Make sure the other players are aware of their gain.*

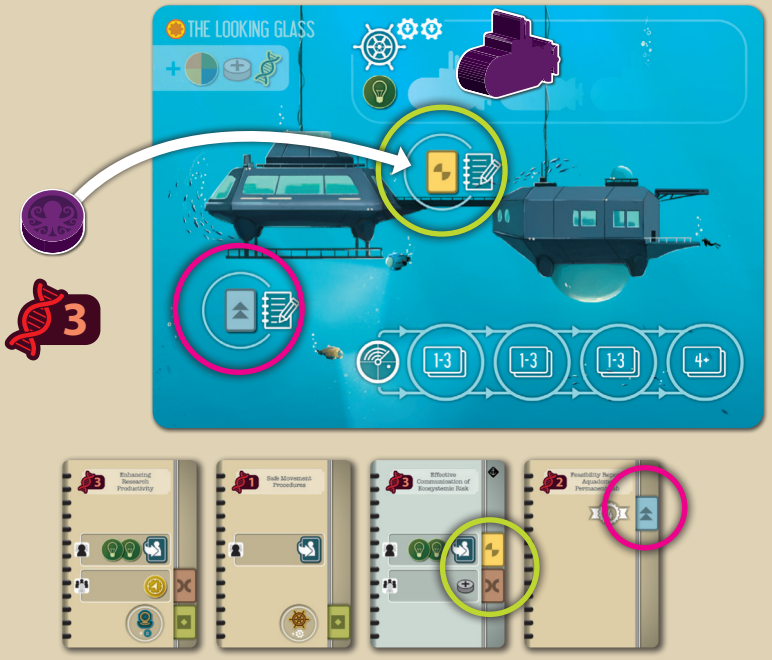
Actions: For your turn **in place of activating a Specialist**, you can place a disc from your Staging Area into an empty Activation circle on your published Journal, and perform the action it describes (*see below for some clarifications of unusual actions*).

Discs on Journals remain there for the rest of the game; they may **not** be removed during Reassignment.

Dive, and claim an additional Dive token from that Dive site (if any remain).

Travel, but treat your Technology level as if it were one higher (meaning your Vessel can go one zone further and one depth deeper than usual).

*Conserve, at a Conservation site where you have at least one Vessel at the same **depth**, even if you don't have Vessel in the specific **zone**.*



*For example, you Journal while you have a Vessel at **The Looking Glass**. There are two available Journal sites here; their Field symbols are present on two of the Journals in the display. You could afford either, and decide to publish the **Effective Communication of Ecosystemic Risk** Journal.*

You spend the 3 Research, add a disc to the Journal site with the symbol, claim the card, and re-fill the display.



You immediately gain , and may Promote one of your Specialists.

Every other player immediately gains .



PROMOTION

Choose a **Junior** Specialist of yours, and flip it to its **Senior** side. Gain any displayed attribute, Research, or Impact.

Remember that the Promotion bar on the bottom of each Junior Specialist shows what is on the Senior side.

- You do **not lose** any attribute symbols that were on the Junior side.
- If there was a **disc** on the Junior's activation circle when you promoted it, discard the disc to your **supply**.



*For example, you Promote your **Pilot** into a **Skipper**. The disc that was on the **Pilot** is lost, and you gain the **Skipper's** indicated* .

COMPLETING LINKS

Some zone features connect via lines called **links**. When **both** ends of a link are occupied by a disc, the link is **completed**.

At the moment of completion, **both players** with discs at either end of the link immediately gain the reward displayed on the link itself.

- If your own disc occupies **both** ends of the link, you do **not** get the reward twice.
- It is possible for multiple links to be completed at once.
- The active player gains their rewards first, then any other players in clockwise order.



*For example, placing your disc in this Conservation site would complete **three links** at once. In clockwise player order:*

- *You (purple) gain rewards from all three links:* .
- *Yellow gains* .
- *Red gains* .

SPECIAL ZONE FEATURES

Some zones have special features in addition to the usual action-type features. There are three basic types, described below. See the ***Ocean Zones Special Rules*** sheet for clarifications of every zone's special features.

GENERAL EFFECTS

The yellow warning triangle indicates an effect that isn't connected to a particular feature of the zone.



For example, when you Travel away from this zone, you may act as if your Technology level is one higher than it actually is.

ACTION EFFECTS

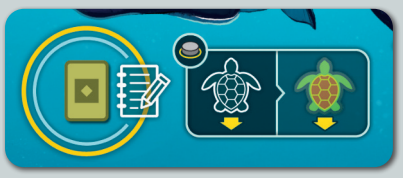
A yellow line leading away from a feature means that something special happens right after you perform that feature's action.



For example, when you Dive here, also gain one Impact.

MARKED SPACES

A yellow ring around a feature means that once you have a disc in that spot, the indicated special rule applies to you.



For example, if you occupy this marked spot, when you Conserve in this zone you may immediately Conserve again in this zone.

THE IMPACT BOARD

The **Impact Board** on each Scenario sheet represents the positive impact that your efforts in the ocean are making on the world in general.

Impact boards in earlier Missions are fairly simple, but as you proceed through scenarios you will discover the wide variety of effects and opportunities that this aspect of the game introduces.

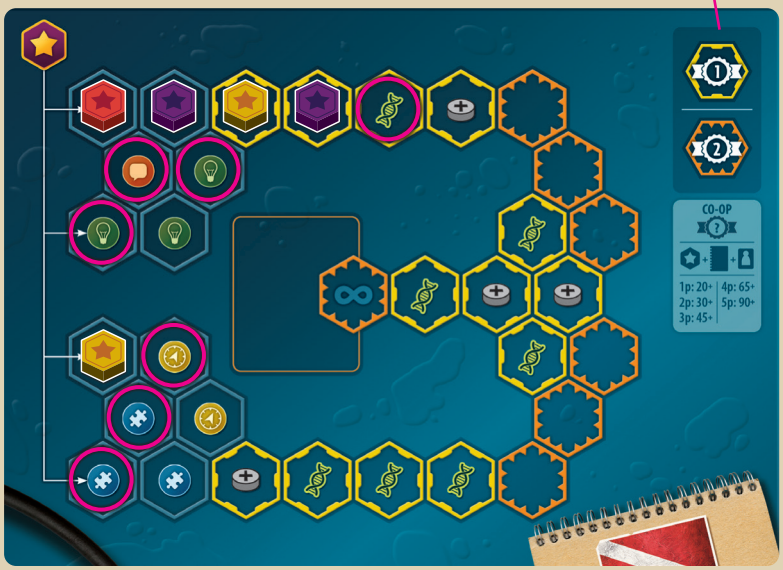
The board is a grid of hexes displaying various rewards and other benefits. When you gain Impact during the game by any means, place a marker from your supply in an empty hex, and gain any reward printed there.

You may only place in a hex with an **entry arrow** pointing to it, **or** in **a hex that touches any other occupied hex**.

- Occupying hexes of certain colors (*indicated in the scoring legend*) will score points at the end of the game.
- A hex with a ∞ symbol in it can hold any number of markers (*stack them or place them in the attached larger area if you need room*).
- If you run out of markers, use markers of an unused player color or some other substitute.

Many Scenarios introduce unique rules for interacting with the Impact board. Always consider the rulebook's rules to be in effect, except in the ways that the Scenario specifically deviates.

For example, you have gained an Impact, so you get to place a marker on the Impact board. All of the circled hexes are eligible spots, since they are either at an entry arrow or they are beside an occupied hex.





Remember that markers in certain hexes will score points at the end of the game!



Once the ∞ hex is filled, any number of markers can go in the attached area and earn the same score as the ∞ hex.

END OF THE ROUND

Once **all** players have **passed**, the round ends.

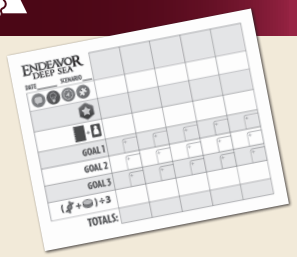
If that was the **sixth** round, the game ends immediately; proceed to final scoring. *You can tell if that was the sixth round, because each player will have seven Specialists in their tableau (including their Team Leader).*

If the game hasn't ended, the Wave is passed clockwise to establish a new start player, and a new round begins.



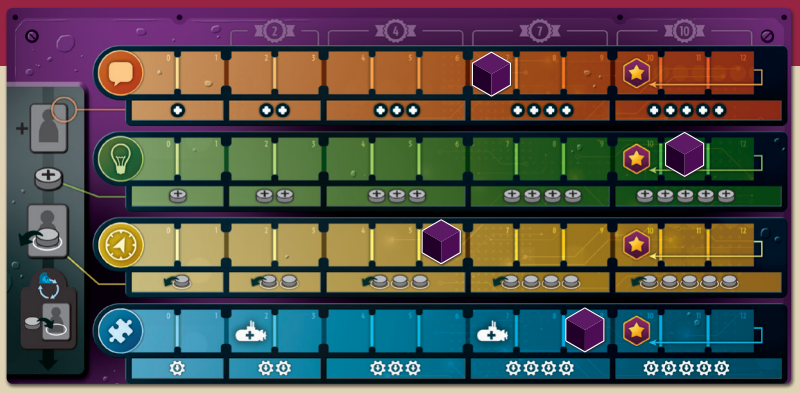
FINAL SCORING

Tally your scores in the following order. Use the provided Score pad to keep track.



1 ATTRIBUTE TRACKS

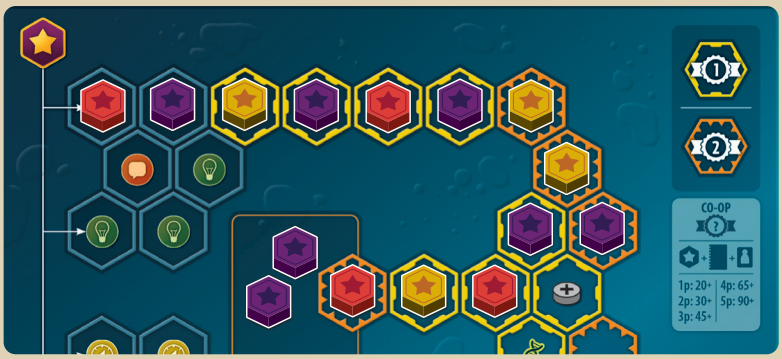
Scoring brackets run across the top of your player mat and apply to all four tracks. Each track marker scores the value of the scoring bracket it has reached.



From your attribute tracks, you score 7 + 10 + 4 +7, for a total of **28 points**.

2 IMPACT BOARD

Earn points for your markers in **scoring hexes**, as indicated by the Scoring Legend.



You (purple) have three markers in 1-point hexes, and three in 2-point hexes (including the two in the ∞ area). That totals to **9 points** *from the Impact board.*

3 JOURNALS & TIER-5 SENIOR SPECIALISTS

Some **Journals** display scoring values. Each **tier-5 Senior Specialist** describes unique scoring for satisfying its criteria; ignore remainders when calculating score values.



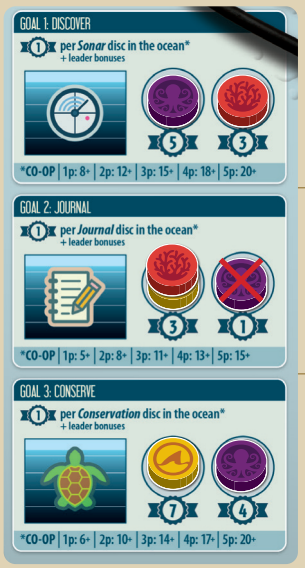
You have a Journal card that scores ***4 points****, and the* ***Renowned Adventurer*** *tier-5 Senior Specialist. Since you have a disc or Vessel in eleven different zones; you earn* **3 points** *from the* ***Renowned Adventurer****.*

4 MISSION GOALS

Each Mission has several goals, and each goal describes how it awards points.

Many goals offer leader bonuses for having the **most** of something. Award those bonuses as described.

- If more than one player ties for 1st place, they **all** earn the 1st-place bonus and **no 2nd place** is awarded. If a single player earns 1st and there is a tie for 2nd place, all tied players earn the 2nd-place bonus.
- If you do not satisfy a goal's criteria at all, you do not qualify for its leader bonus. *For example, with a goal that awards points for Vessels in depth-5, if you have zero Vessels at that depth you can not score a "most" bonus.*



YOU (PURPLE)
YELLOW
RED

You have **six** *Sonar discs in the ocean, which wins 1st place. You score (6 + 5)* **11 points** *for this goal.*

YOU (PURPLE)
YELLOW
RED

You have **three** *Journal discs in the ocean, but since there was a tie for 1st, no 2nd-place bonus is awarded. You score* **3 points** *for this goal.*

YOU (PURPLE)
YELLOW
RED

You have **five** *Conservation discs in the ocean, which wins 2nd place. You score (5 + 4)* **9 points** *for this goal.*

5 LEFTOVER RESEARCH & DISCS

Add together your leftover **Research** (*Research on a leftover Dive token if you have one* ***does*** *count*) and **discs in your Staging Area**. Divide the total by three, and earn that many points (*ignore remainders*).



You have 2 discs in your Staging Area, and 5 Research (3 from a Dive token plus 2 from your track); this totals to 7, which works out to **2 points** *from your leftovers.*

The player with the highest final score wins!

In the event of a tie, the tied players share the victory.

Your final score is **69 points***... is that enough for you to win the game?*

COOPERATIVE AND SOLO MODES

Every Scenario can be played in Cooperative (*Co-op*) mode, where players are working together rather than competing. Solo mode has no special rules and is effectively one-player Co-op. The **only** difference is that in **Solo mode** you play **seven rounds** instead of six.

ADDITIONAL CO-OP SETUP

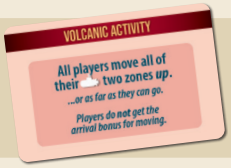
1. Shuffle the **Setback** cards, and make a stack of three random Setbacks face down (***four*** *if playing solo*). Then shuffle the **Bonus Goal** cards, and stack three of those face down **on top of** the Setbacks. *Return the unused Bonus Goals and Setbacks to the box without looking at them.*

2. Choose your **difficulty.** There will be seven potential goals that your group can achieve (*the Scenario determines four of them, plus three random Bonus goals*). Decide how many you will aim for (*see the chart on the right*).

BONUS GOALS & SETBACKS

At the **start** of each round of play (*including the first*), draw the top card from the stack. In rounds 1-3, this will reveal a **Bonus Goal** to strive for (*place it face up near the Scenario sheet*). In the remaining rounds, this will introduce a disruptive **Setback** that takes effect **immediately** (*follow its instructions, then discard it*).

*For example, at the start of round 4, you draw the **Volcanic Activity** Setback. All players must move all of their Vessels two zones toward the surface (or as far as they can go). That could be a real problem for your group's plans!*



HOW TO WIN

Play the game following all of the normal rules of play. Instead of competing, you will be attempting (*as a group*) to meet certain **thresholds** for a set of goals. There will (*eventually*) be **seven** goals in your game:



- **A** THE IMPACT BOARD GOAL
- **B** THREE MISSION GOALS
- **C** THREE BONUS GOALS

Many Co-op Goals require you to reach a minimum amount of a particular criteria, determined by your player count; this does **not** mean that **each player** must **individually** meet that goal; the team's *combined success as a whole* must reach or exceed it.

At the end of the sixth round (*seventh in Solo*), assess your Goals to see how many you achieved. If you achieved a number of Goals equal to or greater than your chosen difficulty level, your team is victorious!

1

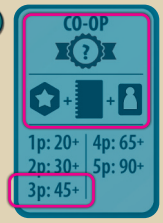


2

DIFFICULTY	TO WIN, ACHIEVE
BEGINNER	ANY FOUR GOALS
INTERMEDIATE	ANY FIVE GOALS
EXPERT	ANY SIX GOALS
LEGENDARY	ALL SEVEN GOALS

*It's a good idea to keep the Bonus/Setback stack under the **Wave marker**; that way when the Wave is passed to begin a round, you will be reminded to flip a card.*

A



*The **Impact board** has a Co-op Goal sign that describes how many points your team must earn (from the **Impact board, Journals,** and **Specialists** combined).*

*For example in a 3-player game of this scenario, you must collectively earn **45 points or more** from those sources.*

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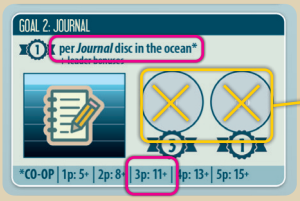

Leader bonuses on Goals are not part of Co-op play; ignore them.

*All three **Mission Goals** have a Co-op banner at the bottom describing the threshold your team must meet regarding that particular Mission goal.*

*For example in a 3-player game, this goal says that you must collectively have **at least 11 Journal discs** in the ocean.*

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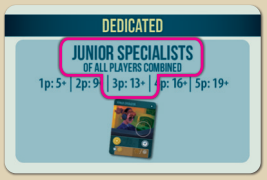

*Each **Bonus Goal** card describes the threshold your team must meet regarding its topic.*

*For example in a 3-player game, this card says that you must collectively have **at least 13 Junior Specialists**.*

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