

Game Preparations: in detail on p. 4 to 7 in the rulebook; summary on p. 32

Winning Conditions: the Protector is completely filled and *Calculation of the Protector Impulse* (tech-tree) is achieved

Defeat: space integrity = 0 or rift supply is empty or last event card *Chrono Fall* becomes the present

Sequence of Play

can be tracked on the blue track on the control panel; turns in clockwise order



Step 1: Determining and Placing a New Rift (p. 12 and 19 in the rulebook)

- roll both coordinate dice and thus define 1 space for the new rift:
 - hit an empty space? → put a rift there
 - hit a nebula space ? → immediately fill up → the whole nebula with rifts
 - hit an existing rift? → no rift is put there, but decrease space integrity by 1 *
 - hit a planet space? → no rift is put there, but decrease space integrity by 1 *
 - hit an energy crystal? → put a rift there, return energy crystal to the supply
 - hit a freighter/SPARC? → put a rift under the spaceship; freighter/SPARC may not be moved in this turn

Step 2: Swapping Events in the Chrono-Matrix (*Conversion*, optional) (p. 14, 17, and 19)

- only permitted if enabled on the tech-tree
- swap 2 cards in the conversion range → then roll the dice and place 1 rift (rules see step 1)
- optional step: if *conversion* is not wanted → go to step 3

Step 3: Executing the Event on Field 1 of the Chrono-Matrix (p. 14 and 21)

- 1 execute the event card on field 1 and put the card face up on top of the discard pile (past)
- is there a conditional question? → check the condition: yes = execute the event / no = event is averted without consequences
- reference to planet ? → planet is determined by the card on top of the discard pile
- place a new rift →? → space integrity may be decreased (cf. step 1)
- fill up an area with rifts →? → fill up only empty spaces with rifts; space integrity may not be decreased

Step 4: Actions of Your SPARC (p. 10, 15, and 21)

- perform actions → consume energy (move energy crystals on the control panel)
- all abilities except flying are allowed only 1x per turn
- flying → 1 energy per leg (from a node to the next); the path must be free of rifts and other spaceships
- scanning a rift (only on spaces adjacent to the SPARC) → 3 energy
 - immediately make 1 progress on the tech-tree, thereby observe the conditions (p. 16)
 - flip rift to
- neutralising a rift (return the rift to the supply; permitted distance according to technology progress) → 4 energy
- other abilities from the tech-tree or from the SPARC profile card → expend energy accordingly or supercharge energy crystals
- max. 2 energy crystals can be moved into the charging area
 - there they do no longer provide energy for standard actions
 - they can remain there indefinitely, but are not retrievable; only applicable from the next turn
- use of charged energy crystals for supercharging technologies = destroy (return energy crystal to the supply)

Step 5: Advancing the Freighters (p. 11 and 25)

- move all freighters in arbitrary order 1 leg each
- unloaded → to the planet of the same colour / loaded with a resource → towards Earth
- 1 the path must be free of rifts and other spaceships; freighters do not need to be moved
 - freighter reaches associated planet? → fill the freighter with a resource according to the resource deposit
 - freighter reaches Earth? → install the resource in a slot of the same colour in the Protector (p. 18)
 - is a segment of the Protector completed? → slide the segment to the centre, choose a milestone → execute or keep it (p. 18)

Step 6: Ending the Turn (p. 26)

- move all the cards in the Chrono-Matrix up and refill it at the bottom from the draw pile
- move all the energy crystals on the control panel back to *available* and set the sequence of turn marker to 1

New rifts are always put on the game field with the black side facing up. Rifts destroy energy crystals.

A SPARC must land on the exoplanets *Awasis* and/or *Cruinlagh* to find out which freighter can load *aurecurium* there (p. 11).

*Space integrity can decrease due to the placement of rifts only 1x per turn.

Additional decreases due to events as well as increases are possible.

On reaching the levels 7, 4, and 1, a disaster is triggered immediately → remove disaster trigger and execute the top disaster card