

# RULES COMPENDIUM AND FAQ VERSION 0.5

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# **Section 1. Glossary**

#### **Abilities**

Abilities are card-text indicated by boldface text detailing the timing for activating the ability (e.g. Noon, Shootout, React) and any costs (e.g. booting), followed by a colon. The first sentence after the colon is called the "Requirement Clause," and must be satisfied for the ability to be able to be used. There is one exception to this: if a Requirement Clause begins with "If," then the requirement clause is allowed to fail, and the ability can still be taken. When this happens, continue with the ability and resolve the additional clauses. All other clauses after the first sentence must be met.

Occasionally a card may be worded in the following manner: "Do X to achieve Y." For example, Dr. Dayl Burnett's ability is: "Noon: Remove 1 bounty from an opposing dude to invent a Gadget without booting, reducing the difficulty of the Gadget by 3." In this case, the Requirement Clause is: "Remove 1 bounty from an opposing dude..." and the subsequent clause is: "...invent a Gadget without booting, reducing the difficulty of the Gadget by 3."

Cards that negate costs for abilities do not negate the Requirement Clause, or prevent it from being taken.

Each ability can only be used once per turn, unless it's a Repeat ability.

### **Adjacency**

Location in Doomtown is always bidirectional. This means that if Location A is adjacent to Location B, then Location B is also adjacent to Location A. Likewise, if a card says it is not adjacent to another location, then that other location is not adjacent to it.

### **Bounty**

Whenever a dude's bounty is increased or decreased, add or remove a ghost rock counter to that dude, as appropriate. Bounties on dudes may increase or decrease via card effects, but they always increase by 1 at these times:

- After posses are formed, all dudes have their bounty increased by 1 if the job or shootout takes places at a Private location.
- ➤ If a dude leaves a posse, and then rejoins, they count as entering the posse and receive a second bounty if the job or shootout takes place at a Private location owned by an opposing player.

Gaining bounty is determined by the location of the shootout, not the location of the callout. If a dude is called out at a Private location, but the shootout takes place at a Public location, no bounty is added.

Card effects that increase bounty may target dudes with no bounty unless they say otherwise.

### **Cooperating: Union & Confederate**

Some cards may have either one of these two keywords. You may have cards with both keywords in your deck. However, if you have a Union card in play, you cannot bring a Confederate card into play, and vice versa.

This rule only applies to cards you own, not cards that other players own but you control. You are allowed to take control of another player's Union or Confederate card. If you have temporary control over an opposing card, that won't stop you from bringing cards of the opposite side into play.

You cannot include both Confederate and Union cards in your starting gang.

#### Core

Deeds that have this keyword can be included in your starting gang in place of one dude. Core deeds usually have a trait restricting their use to a particular faction.

### Day

Occasionally, a card may reference a "turn" instead of a Day. In this case, Day and turn are synonymous. Each Day in Doomtown is the progression through the four phases: Gamblin', Upkeep, High Noon, and Sundown.

#### **Draw Hand**

If ever you need to form a draw hand, but there are only 4 or less cards in your deck and discard pile combined, your draw hand rank is considered to be the lowest possible hand you can form with those cards.

#### **Duration of Abilities**

Many card abilities resolve immediately and then are done. Any effect that adds or removes counters is considered an effect that resolves immediately and is done. After the effect places the counter, it is the counter that has the ongoing effect. In effect, counters are permanent changes.

Effects caused by a Noon ability last until the end of the Day (that is, through the end of the Sundown phase, but before the next Gambling phase). Effects caused by Shootout abilities last until the end of that particular shootout before expiring. Unless stated otherwise, ongoing effects created by reacts last until the end of the current shootout or phase, whichever comes first.

### **Experienced Characters**

As the Doomtown story progresses, certain people will evolve and mature by virtue of their choices and circumstances. These changes will be represented by dudes with the Experienced X keyword, where X is the experience level of the person. Different versions of a dude card are all considered one card for purposes of deck-building.

As a Noon play, you can replace your dude card in play with a different version of that dude from your hand. The new card replaces the old, keeping all goods, spells, tokens, and markers, and remains under any game effects. The card that was replaced goes to your discard pile.

However, you can only replace a dude card with another dude card whose experience level is no more than one greater or lower (non-experienced dudes are considered experience level 0). Thus you can replace a non-experienced dude with the Experienced 1 version, and vice versa. You can replace a given dude no more than once per turn.

Replacing a dude does not trigger "enters play," "leaves play," or "discard" effects.

#### Feat

Feat is a keyword found on some action cards. If a card has this keyword, it means if that card is revealed as a pull, it has a trait or ability that can be taken immediately (if legal for the current phase). When a Feat is revealed as a pull, you do not pay the ghost rock cost of the card.

#### Flavor Text

Flavor text is written in italics at the bottom of a card. It has no effect on the game, but instead gives a taste of the story going on Doomtown.

#### Grifter

Some dudes may have the Grifter keyword. These Dudes usually have abilities that are used at the start of a game, after initial play hands are drawn, but before the first Upkeep phase.

You may only have up to 1 Grifter in your starting gang, unless otherwise stated by a card effect. You cannot include a Grifter dude of another faction in your starting gang.

#### Harrowed

When a dude with the Harrowed keyword is involved in a shootout, that dude can absorb more casualties than a normal dude. You can send a Harrowed dude home booted to cover one of the casualties you take in a shootout. Discarding a Harrowed dude covers two casualties, and acing a Harrowed dude covers three casualties.

If a Harrowed dude in play gets aced by a card effect (but not through being aced to cover casualties in a shootout), discard that dude instead of acing them.

#### Headlines

Headline is a keyword that can appear on action cards. Only one Headline action can be played per shootout. If any player in the shootout has used a Headline action, another Headline action cannot be used during that shootout (even by a different player).

### **Help Text**

Italic card text in parentheses is called "help text." It does not change the way the card works, but serves as a reminder of rules that apply to the card, and is intended to help new players learn the game.

For example, Mustang says, "Noon, Boot: Move this dude (without booting)." The words "without booting" remind players that when a card effect moves a dude, the dude does not boot for that move, regardless of where that move starts or ends. However, when learning the game, we do not expect new players to remember all the nuances of the rules, so we have added help text wherever we could to make card effects as clear as possible.

Not all cards use help text, usually due to space constraints. The absence of help text on a card does not imply that the card's effect acts differently than a card with help text.

## **Keywords**

Keywords appear in bold at the top of a card, and are brief descriptions of that card that can be referenced by other card text (e.g. Horse, Gadget, Hex, Attire, etc.). There are some cards that give another card a keyword as an in-game effect.

There is no limit to the number of keywords a card may have. However, if a card gains the same keyword from two separate sources, that card is only considered to have that keyword once.

### **Making Plays and Passing**

During a phase, starting with the Winner, each player has an opportunity to make a play (including passing). Play proceeds clockwise around the table with each player making a play, until all players pass consecutively. One this happens, the current phase or step ends, and the game continues.

Passing does not prevent a player from subsequently making a different play later in the same phase. A play is finished when all effects of the play, including discarding a used action card, are resolved.

The ordinary flow of the turn can be interrupted via Reacts or the triggering of a trait. When this happens, the normal flow of play is paused while any reacts and/or traits are resolved.

#### **Paying Costs**

When you pay the cost of an ability, no player can use a React to prevent or cancel the payment of that cost.

Conversely, traits, keywords, and other mandatory effects can still prevent, modify, or cancel the payment of such a cost without affecting that ability. Should this happen, the cost of the ability is considered to be paid.

#### **Penalties and Bonuses**

There are limits to how much certain game numbers can be changed. A card's bullets, influence, cost, upkeep, control, and production are always equal to the printed stat plus or minus any modifiers from card effects and/or attached cards. These numbers can fall below 0, but whenever you check that number or use it for a game calculation, that negative number counts as 0.

The same is true for casualties in a shootout. If the number of casualties to be taken by a player falls below 0, it is treated as 0 instead.

#### React

Some cards have abilities that start with the word "React." These abilities can be played in response to an event. The text of the React ability will tell you what the event is. When an event occurs, a react window opens for all players to make React plays.

Within each react window, players have the opportunity to play Reacts in turn order beginning with the Winner. Each React is played and resolved before the next player gets a chance to play one. The react window closes once all players have consecutively passed, and play resumes. Should a new event occur within a react window, pause the flow of the game again and resolve any Reacts to that new event in the same way, before going back to complete the original react window.

During a game, many events will occur that could potentially trigger Reacts, but players should not pause the game unless a player clearly declares that they have a React they wish to play.

Some Reacts replace the original event with a new event; these can be identified by the use of the word "instead" within their text. Once a React of this type is played, the original react window is closed and the replacement event occurs. Additional Reacts can then be played in response to that new event.

For example, Arnold McCadish is worded "React, Pull, Boot: When a dude is discarded (not aced) as a casualty in a shootout, if the pull is higher than the dude's value, send that dude home booted instead." Once a player successfully uses Arnold to prevent a dude from being discarded, no further reacts can be played in response to that dude being discarded. Instead, Reacts could be played in response to the dude being sent home booted.

#### Searching

When a card effect allows you to search for a card, you are not obliged to choose any that you find. You simply declare that you are not retrieving a card, and continue play. After you search your deck, you are required to shuffle it. If your deck has no cards (for example, they're in your discard pile instead), and you attempt to search your deck, the search immediately fails, and you do not shuffle your discard pile back into your deck.

### Seedy

Seedy is a keyword that can be found on a variety of cards. While the keyword has no innate ability, it is often used to characterize an ability that's applicable during lowball.

#### **Shootout**

The steps of a shootout are further explained here:

### Step 1. Make Plays

- > The Winner (of lowball), or the first player clockwise from the Winner if the Winner has no dudes in the fight, gets the first opportunity to perform a Shootout ability.
- ➤ Shootout abilities must come from a dude in the fight, from cards attached to a dude in the fight, from an action card, or move someone into the fight. A player may use a React printed on any card if the relevant trigger is met.
- A card ability may be used to move a dude into or out of a posse from/to the same location as the shootout, as entering or leaving a posse fulfils the movement requirement of any such ability.
- Each player with dudes in the fight may perform an ability when it is their turn until all players pass, even if they have previously passed during that round of the fight. However, once all players have passed, the step ends immediately.
- ➤ If at any point before casualties are taken there is only one posse with dudes left in the shootout, the shootout immediately ends and that posse wins. Card abilities may not be used to move dudes back into an empty posse, as the shootout is already over.

### Step 2. Pick Yer Shooter

Any dude in each posse may be chosen as a shooter, even if not controlled by the leader or mark. Card effects may determine this choice.

## Step 3. Draw!

- ➤ If the shooter has zero bullets, they contribute nothing. All other dudes, including those with zero bullets, contribute 1 only. Choosing a zero bullet dude as your shooter if there are any other options reduces your shooting ability.
- ➤ Players should all determine how much of their draw bonus they will use, then discard simultaneously. Each player may, if they wish, examine their opponents discarded cards, but only after revealing their own discards.

#### Step 4a. Reveal

- Reveal effects apply first, before any Resolution plays can be made.
- Reveal effects are only applied to, or as a result of, the initially revealed hands this round; they do not get a chance to trigger during Resolution if a hand is changed by a Resolution effect.
- Reveal effects happen simultaneously; if either player believes it matters, the Winner can choose the order to process them.
- ➤ Reveal effects normally apply for that round, and continue to do so if an applicable hand is changed.
- ➤ The value of a joker is declared as part of Reveal and before Resolution plays. You may view your opponent's hand before declaring the suit and value of your joker, but once declared, it cannot be changed.

### Step 4b. Resolution plays

- ➤ The Winner (of lowball), or first player clockwise from the Winner if the Winner has no dudes in the fight, gets the first opportunity to perform a Resolution ability.
- Resolution abilities must come from a dude in the fight, from cards attached to a dude in the fight, from an action card, or move someone into the fight. A player may use a React printed on any card if the relevant trigger is met.
- ➤ Note: Cheatin' cards are not React cards, and are played during the Resolution step alongside other Resolution plays.
- A Cheatin' ability may only be used when another player has a Cheatin' hand. If you are the only player Cheatin' you may not use a Cheatin' ability.
- ➤ Cheatin' Resolution abilities require that a different player is currently Cheatin' and they haven't already had a Cheatin' ability used against their hand this draw. A currently legal hand cannot have a Cheatin' ability used against it, even if that hand was previously illegal.
- ➤ If a draw hand that was legal on reveal is changed as the result of a Resolution ability, it may now be treated as a Cheatin' hand; the requirement is that the hand be Cheatin' at the time the Resolution ability is played.
- A player may only have one Cheatin' ability triggered by their draw hand per resolution step, regardless of how many times their hand changes to or from legal to Cheatin' during that resolution step.

# Step 5. Take Yer Lumps

- Modifiers to hand rank are cumulative and last for the round.
- Modifiers that take a hand rank below 1 or above 11 are still at that number, but do not counted for casualties past 1 or 11. Subsequent modifiers have to bring it back above the minimum or below the maximum as normal(i.e. if a hand is rank 8, then has modifiers giving it +6 and -2, it is still above 11 but counts as being rank 11).
- ➤ If hands are exactly tied, there is no winner or loser for that round; the leader chooses casualties first.
- There is no suit comparison (e.g. two straight flushes with the same numeric values are an exact tie regardless of suit).
- Each player must try to "fairly cover" casualties as exactly as possible, e.g. you must discard one dude if you have only one casualty (i.e. you cannot ace a dude for one casualty), and you must ace all your dudes if your casualty number is twice or more the number of dudes you have in the posse.
- ➤ The loser of the round first chooses all their dudes that will become casualties and what will happen to them. After nominating all their casualties, each casualty is resolved one at a time. Reactions to the loser taking casualties (Takin' Ya With me, Hot Lead Flying) are played after the loser finishes.
- ➤ When the loser has resolved their casualties, the winner of the round then chooses theirs and resolves them in the same way.
- Card abilities that happen when a dude is being discarded or aced as a casualty (especially "healing" Reacts) can change or prevent the discard or acing from taking place, but that dude still counts for the purpose of fulfilling casualty numbers.
- ➤ Sidekicks attached to a dude selected as a casualty can still be selected in the same round as the dude has not yet left play.

### Step 6. Run or Gun

- > Dudes that flee count as moving, even if the shootout is at their own home.
- You may choose to have some dudes run and some stay; this can include the original mark even if this is a shootout resulting from a callout.

### Step 7. Chamber another Round

- ➤ If both posses still have dudes remaining, another round of the shootout happens automatically.
- ➤ If not, all shootout effects end and the game returns to where it was, or the job is resolved.

#### **Sidekicks**

Sidekicks are a kind of goods or spell. A dude may have any number of sidekicks attached. Sidekicks are used to cover casualties in a shootout, the same way as dudes except they can only be discarded to cover 1 casualty. The sidekick must be attached to a dude in the posse in order to be selected as a casualty.

When selecting casualties in a shootout, a player may choose to select a Sidekick to cover 1 casualty. Sidekicks can be selected as a casualty even if the dude it is attached to has already been selected for that round, since all casualties are selected first, then each is resolved.

However, Sidekicks cannot be used to replace a casualty required by a card effect (e.g. Pinned Down). If another card effect checks the bullet rating of a casualty, a Sidekick has 0 bullets.

#### This

If a card's text uses the word "this" (e.g. "this shootout" or "this location"), the text refers to the current location or situation described. For example, Sanford Taylor's ability says, "Call out a dude at this deed." This means that Sanford can only call out a dude while Sanford is at a deed, and the dude called out must be at the same deed as Sanford Taylor.

### Token

Occasionally a card effect will instruct you to put a token into play. Tokens are represented by cards but do not form part of your deck. When instructed to do so, find the appropriate token card in your collection and put it into play. All abilities and traits printed on the corresponding token card are active, even if the ability putting the token into play does not explicitly define them.

After you discard or ace a token dude, remove it from the game.

Token dudes are always considered non-unique.

#### Trait

Traits appear below keywords on certain cards, and are written in plain text. Traits are only in effect in the following scenarios:

- ➤ While the card is in play.
- ➤ If the trait modifies the normal procedure for playing that card or another card.
- > If the trait modifies the normal procedure for using an ability on that card.

A card's controller cannot choose to ignore or "switch off" a trait.

Some traits have effects that can occur in response to an event in the same way that Reacts do. When this happens, all traits must be resolved prior to players playing any Reacts. Starting with the Winner, and proceeding in turn order, each player resolves all of their traits in any order they choose. Traits resolve sequentially, with the effects of each trait being applied before resolving the next.

Sometimes a trait can replace the event that triggered it. Such traits can be identified by the use of the word "instead" within the trait text. If a trait replaces its original triggering event, that original event no longer occurs, and no further traits or Reacts can be played in response to it. Instead, the new event can itself trigger traits and Reacts as with any other event.

#### **Transient**

Transient is a keyword found on some dudes. While the keyword has no innate ability or effect, it is often on dude cards with a low ghost rock cost, but high upkeep.

### Uniqueness

Dudes and deeds in Doomtown are mostly unique; any exceptions have the keyword "Non-Unique" on them. This means you can put more than one copy of any card in your deck, but you can't bring a Unique card into play if you own another card with the same name that is either already in play or in your Boot Hill.

If you have a Unique card in play, that doesn't stop someone else from having that same Unique card in play. However, you check for uniqueness at the point of entering play. If a Unique card is in play, and another copy goes to Boot Hill, this has no effect on the in-play card.

Other card types are not considered Unique unless they have the Unique keyword.

#### Value and Grit

A card's value (ace through king) is always equal to its printed value plus all modifiers from any card effects and attached cards. Whenever you check the value of a card, or use it for a game calculation, a value of zero or lower is treated as 1 (ace), and a value of 14 or higher is treated as 13 (king).

A dude's grit is calculated by summing their value, bullets, and influence. When calculating this total, apply all limits on value, bullet, and influence in this calculation. For example, a dude with 5 value, -1 bullets, and -1 influence has a grit of 5, and not 3.

#### **Wanted Dudes**

When a dude becomes wanted, they gain a bounty that starts at 1 ghost rock. Put a ghost rock counter from the bank on the dude. Whenever a dude's bounty is increased or decreased, add or remove a ghost rock counter to that dude, respectively.

Becoming wanted and gaining bounty go hand in hand. If a wanted dude has their bounty increased, it doesn't make them wanted again (or wanted more). However, if a dude that is not wanted gains a bounty, the dude then becomes wanted.

If a wanted dude opposing your posse in a shootout gets discarded or aced as a casualty, you earn all the ghost rock on that dude as your reward; move it from that dude into your stash. Likewise, if you manage to discard or ace an opposing wanted dude via a card ability, you gain that dude's bounty.

You never collect bounty for acing or discarding a wanted dude that you own or control. If a dude's bounty drops to zero, that dude is no longer wanted. Equally, if a dude becomes un-wanted, remove all the bounty ghost rock from that dude and return it to the bank.

Dudes are the only card type that can become wanted and gain bounty. If a dude card says it is not considered a dude for resolving card effects, it cannot gain bounty or become wanted.

### Weapons

Weapons are a kind of goods. A dude may only have 1 Weapon attached unless otherwise specified. Weapons add their bullet bonus (if any) to the dude they're attached to, even when booted, unless a card effect says otherwise.

#### Winner

This term always refers to the lowball Winner for the current Day.

# **Section 2. Specific Card Rulings**

# **Jokers**

#### All Jokers

A joker is only aced from a draw hand when it is included in the final five cards of that hand. If an effect removes a joker from a draw hand, that joker is not considered used within the draw hand, and so it is not aced.

➤ The suit and value of a joker is declared when it is revealed. Should the joker be discarded during Resolution, it no longer has a value and immediately reverts to being just a joker.

#### Devil's Joker

➤ The hand rank bonus only applies while the joker is in your draw hand. Should it be removed before hand ranks are compared, the bonus is lost.

# **Outfits**

#### **Desolation Row**

- ➤ When checking Desolation Row's job for success, the shootout has ended by the time you make the check, so any bullets gained or lost during the shootout no longer apply. For example, a dude who was Blood Cursed during the shootout will no longer have the -2 bullets applied.
- > Only the leader gets 2 bounty, and you gain ghost rock equal to the leader's bullets only.

### Law Dogs

- ➤ To use this ability, you only need to boot just enough dudes with combined influence greater than the chosen target dude.
- Can be used on your own dudes to make them wanted.

#### The Sanatorium

Cannot give the Huckster bonus to a dude who does not already have the Huckster skill.

#### The Sloane Gang

- ➤ The control point is gained during Sundown, but after victory conditions are checked at the start of Sundown, so it cannot count for that turn.
- ➤ If someone takes control of your dude after you use this ability, you still get to choose whether to add a control point or take ghost rock, and if you choose the latter you gain the ghost rock, not the player who took control of your dude.

### **Dudes**

#### **Ancestor Spirit**

➤ Is removed from play as soon as it leaves a location, and so it never arrives at its destination.

#### **Arnold McCadish**

- The dude still counts as a casualty for other effects (eg Takin' Ya With Me).
- Attached cards stay with the dude, they're not at any point actually discarded.
- ➤ Can be used to save a dude who was originally aced, but is now being discarded due to another card effect (e.g. Dr Emanuel Ashbel).

#### **Barton Everest**

Trait triggers on reveal (step 4a above under Shootouts) and lasts for that round, is cumulative with other hand rank modifiers, and continues to apply if Barton is aced or leaves the shootout.

### **Clementine Lepp**

A Bounty Hunter can be played against Clementine, but will have no effect and is immediately removed from play.

### Dr. Dawn Edwards / Eve Henry

- ➤ If brought into play by the discard of the other, they enter play unbooted in the normal manner (effects do not carry over).
- ➤ If brought into play during a shootout, they do not enter the shootout.
- They must actually be discarded; effects that prevent discard (e.g. Arnold McCadish) prevent the trigger for the trait.
- You may search your deck even if you know the card is not present, as that knowledge is not public (it may be in your hand, etc.).

#### The Fixer

> Discard the cards from the top of your deck.

### The Ghostly Gun

- If his ability is used when he is the last member of his posse, the shootout ends and you skip to step 7 of the shootout.
- Since it is a Resolution ability, Cheatin' abilities can still be played on the hand he is now in if, at the time the Cheatin' ability is played, the hand is illegal and his owner hasn't already been targeted by a Cheatin' ability that draw.
- ➤ His value must be declared when you use the ability.
- > Cannot be used during lowball.

#### **Harold Aimslee**

➤ You must have a non-Weapon Gadget in your discard pile in order to use the ability and discard a card.

### **Ivor Hawley**

➤ His trait checks to see if he has one (or more) Hexes attached, and if so, then gives him the bonus; it's not a once-per-Hex bonus.

#### **Ivor Hawley (Exp 1)**

➤ When using his react, if he is aced by a Mad Scientist to bring a Wretched into play, he can then be selected as the second Abomination to be brought into play. (Note: currently under review.)

#### **James Ghetty**

The ghost rock may be used to pay for an Auto-Revolver (or other Goods if Concealed Weapons has been played).

May not be used to pay secondary costs, such as paying for an Abomination brought into play using Raising Hell.

### Jon Longstride

Allows an ability to be reused later in the turn; does not require or allow immediate use.

#### Kabeda Hakurei

Whenever a Totem's ability refers to "this location," it is referring to Kabeda's location.

### **Kevin Wainwright**

Moving is a requirement of the ability, so he must actually change location (i.e. start in a different location from the Huckster).

#### Lawrence Blackwood

➤ The control point gained from his action is in addition to any other control points he might gain (e.g. from the Sloane Gang outfit).

### Lilian Morgan

- ➤ The Ghost Rock may be used to pay for an Auto-Revolver (or other goods if Concealed Weapons has been played).
- ➤ May not be used to pay secondary costs, such as paying for an Abomination brought into play using Raising Hell.

#### **Louis Pasteur**

Louis must make the Mad Scientist skill test.

### Maria Kingsford

➤ She does not add her bounty to her Huckster skill test when using a Hex to enter the shootout.

#### **Mortimer Parsons**

After being sent home, his influence can still be modified using other card effects.

### **Nicodemus Whateley**

- > Can boot to give himself a control point.
- ➤ At Sundown, or when moving home, he loses all control points, not just those gained from his ability.

#### Philip Swinford (Exp 1)

In a multiplayer game, you do not need to be in the shootout to use his ability (i.e. you do not need a draw hand).

#### **OUATERMAN**

- > Only cards attached to OUATERMAN can affect its bullets.
- Cannot use abilities that require him to boot.

- > Can go on jobs at other locations, because it is the job rules that boot it, not the job card itself.
- ➤ Can be brought into play elsewhere using the Stagecoach Office.
- ➤ Can be brought into play using Recruitment Drive, but the Mad Scientist must still boot in a controlled location and pass a skill check.

#### Ramiro Mendoza

- You must pay the ghost rock if Mendoza is the leader or the mark, as well as when he joins a posse formed by someone else.
- You must have the ghost rock when declaring he's joining; you cannot use ghost rock gained through, for example, Irving Patterson's trait.
- ➤ If Mendoza is wanted and his controller doesn't pay him, he is discarded (and leaves town). Thus no bounty is rewarded, as he was neither discarded during a shootout nor by a card ability.
- ➤ If using an ability to move Mendoza into an existing shootout, he is still joining a posse and still demands payment.

### **Remy LaPointe**

➤ His ability cannot raise his bullet rating above 5, even if he has bonuses from other sources such as Weapons.

### Rico Rodegain

➤ While the replacement gang must still follow all the normal rules of a starting gang, it is still subject to modifications based on card effects from the replacement dudes (e.g. including Xiaodan Li would allow the replacement gang to contain six dudes).

#### Sloane

- ➤ Does not enter play wanted, but once she has a bounty it cannot be reduced below the stated minimum.
- > Does not grant booted dudes the ability to join a posse.
- Your dudes in her location may join a posse without booting even if she does not.
- Must still boot to start the job if the job ability requires the leader to boot.

### **Smiling Tom**

Cannot form or join a posse for a job unless there is already a Fourth Ring dude at the location of the mark.

### **Tommy Harden**

Trait triggers on reveal of a Cheatin' hand (see step 4a in shootouts above) and lasts for that round; is cumulative with other hand rank modifiers; and continues to apply if Tommy is aced, leaves the shootout, or if the hand subsequently becomes legal through other card effects.

### William Specks

As inventing a Gadget requires a Mad Scientist to boot, William cannot also boot to reduce the cost of a Gadget he is inventing.

# **Deeds**

### 1st Baptist Church

- The extra card is gained when hands are refilled during Sundown, after victory conditions are checked, but before effects such as Yan Li's Tailoring wear off.
- ➤ It only affects play hands, not draw hands.

#### California Tax Office

- > Sets upkeep for the following turn to zero, regardless of any changes that might occur during the remainder of the current turn.
- The additional upkeep required for out-of-faction dudes also applies if you are required to pay upkeep outside of the Upkeep phase.

### **Carter's Bounties**

➤ Can be used to move a dude into the posse from the same location, including a dude that had previously left the posse.

#### **General Store**

As with all card effects that attach goods and spells, the goods can be attached to a booted dude, and to a dude in a location you don't control.

#### Gomorra Parish

➤ Cards aced are still in Boot Hill and count for uniqueness.

### Pearly's Palace

➤ Using this ability, you get to make a shootout play before the normal round of shootout plays begins. Once done, shootout plays are made as per the rulebook, starting with the Winner. If you are the Winner and control Pearly's Palace, this means you get to make two consecutive shootout plays if you wish.

### **Stagecoach Office**

➤ Can be used to redirect a dude coming into play via a card effect. Should such an effect move the dude away from the location of a shootout, then unless the effect itself specifies otherwise, the dude does not join a posse and is not part of the shootout.

#### Undertaker

- ➤ If a shootout takes place at the Undertaker, control is determined after each casualty arrives in Boot Hill, and so that casualty does not count their influence towards control of the deed.
- Casualties are chosen and resolved one at a time, so after each dude is aced in a shootout, control of the Undertaker is rechecked before paying out the ghost rock.

# **Actions**

#### Ambush

- ➤ Check the status of the mark each time a dude joins the leader's posse, and if the mark is not wanted at that point, raise the bounty on the joining dude by 1.
- ➤ If the mark has been aced or discarded (or otherwise left play) at the point a dude joins the leader's posse, the mark cannot be wanted and therefore the bounty on the dude is increased by 1.

### **Bad Company**

Responsibility is defined in the same way as bounty payments: it must be the direct result of a card ability or as a shootout casualty.

#### **Bottom Dealin'**

- After receiving your new hand from your opponent's deck, you can interact with that hand.
- The Ghostly Gun, Pair of Six Shooters, and Doyle's Hoyle can all be used to switch cards in your new hand.
- As per the errata regarding other players' cards, Fetch cannot be used to take your opponent's cards into your play hand.
- ➤ The player who plays Bottom Dealin' chooses the suit and value of any jokers that are revealed.

### **Bounty Hunter**

- ➤ The Gunslinger becomes wanted if at an opponent's Private location.
- The Gunslinger is under the control of the player that played the card.

### Cheatin' Varmint

- Any player with a draw hand may have their hand rank reduced. Even when used as a Cheatin' Resolution, this does not have to choose the Cheatin' hand.
- ➤ When you play the card, choose which ability to use if either is valid; you may not use both from one copy of the card in one play.

#### A Coach Comes to Town

➤ Players only get ghost rock from this job if they still have dudes in their posse at the end of the job.

### Comin' Up Roses

For the Cheatin' Resolution ability, a legal flush, legal straight, or a legal straight flush will earn the +2 hand rank effect.

#### **Concealed Weapons**

➤ Does not allow you to attach goods or spells to a booted dude.

### **Election Day Slaughter**

Players get to unboot an in-town dude before declaring whether they will oppose the job.

### A Fight They'll Never Forget

➤ If a shooter leaves the shootout during the Resolution step but remains in play, he will not receive the control points for any opposing dudes that are aced.

### Flight of the Lepus

- ➤ You can select one of your dudes and one of the dudes controlled by the player with the illegal draw hand.
- If the opposing posse includes Tyxarglenak and a Huckster, you can select Tyxarglenak, or you can select Tyxarglenak and the Huckster, but you cannot select the Huckster on its own.

#### Fresh Horses

➤ Horses affected may use printed abilities again this turn; they are not required to do so immediately.

#### **Good Stiff Drink**

Allows an ability to be reused later in the turn; does not require or allow immediate use.

### **Hot Lead Flying**

➤ "After you take casualties" is a timing window description, not a reference to a number of casualties, and losing the round is something that can happen even when taking zero casualties (e.g. if Sheriff Dave Montreal's trait has applied that round).

#### Incubation

> The ability to attach this to a booted dude at their home can only be used when the card is being played from your hand, not after it is attached to a dude.

#### It's Who You Know

> The dudes' influence is only used to determine the number of cards drawn when building your draw hand. Effects that play off bullets (e.g. Shotgun) still use the dude's bullet rating.

### Kidnappin'

Each time a dude joins the leader's posse, raise the bounty on the dude by 1 (in addition to any bounty received for joining at a Private location).

### **Magical Distraction**

- Does not replace your actual hand, nor does it prevent you being hit by a Cheatin' card.
- > Sets your base hand rank for the round; modifiers still apply, but changes to the content of your actual hand have no further effect (e.g. Ace in the Hole, Bottom Dealin').
- The dude that discards the spell is not making the pull, so cannot be combined with Doyle's Hoyle.
- You must have a dude with a spell attached in your posse in order to play this card.

#### **Make the Smart Choice**

- You may target your own dudes with this ability.
- The bullet penalty lasts until the end of the shootout, so if the dude is moved back into that shootout the penalty still applies; the next shootout, they're back to normal.

### **No Turning Back**

Token dudes you put into play are considered to be both owned and controlled by you.

#### Pinned Down

- ➤ By first casualty, this effect means the next casualty to be taken by the opposing player after this ability is played.
- ➤ If multiple effects have been played that claim the first casualty, the player selecting that casualty can select which applies. Once that first casualty has been chosen, any other effects currently in play that require a dude to be selected as the first casualty are ignored.
- The required number of casualties are chosen and then each is resolved, so a Sidekick attached to a Pinned Down dude may still be used. If the dude is the only casualty, the Sidekick goes when they go.
- ➤ If there are enough other dudes or Sidekicks to cover all casualties, the dude can be discarded.

### **Prayer**

> Can be used to attach the Miracle as a shootout action, and in an uncontrolled location as either a Noon or Shootout play.

### **Rabbit Takes Revenge**

➤ If the affected dudes are due to be aced or discarded, they could not be saved by a card effect if that effect would send them home booted, as that would result in them leaving the shootout.

#### Rope and Ride

Can be used even if your leader does not have a Horse attached.

#### Run 'Em Down

- > The opposing dude may already be booted.
- You must have at least one dude in play with a Horse in order to play this card.
- Any of your dudes at the opposing dude's location may call them out; it does not have to be someone that moved in.

#### **A Slight Modification**

- ➤ When used to prevent an ability on an action card, that action card is still discarded.
- Costs paid to use the prevented ability are negated. Therefore, any cards that were booted to use the ability are now unbooted, ghost rock is returned from the bank, and so forth.
- The prevented ability is still considered used for the turn.

### **Swinford Finds Trouble**

A dude in the opposing posse can be selected twice: the first time to boot him, and the second to send him home.

### The Stakes Just Rose

Can be played on a dude at the same location as the shootout but not currently in either posse, including a dude that has previously left a posse

### Takin' Ya With Me

- Take the value at the point this card is resolved (i.e. the dudes are in Boot Hill with no modifiers).
- If a casualty has not left play (e.g. thanks to Arnold McCadish) then their current bullet rating counts, including all modifiers (e.g. Weapons, Pistol Whip).
- Must be played after the loser of the round takes their casualties, but before the winner of the round does; cannot be played after the winner takes casualties.
- > Cards without a bullet rating (such as Sidekicks) count as having 0 bullets for this card.
- Token dudes that have been aced are out of play when this effect applies, and so are considered to have 0 bullets.
- ➤ Can be played even if the loser took no casualties (e.g. if Dave Montreal was present), the trigger is a timing step; no casualties counts as 0 bullets in this case

### This'll Hurt in the Morning

➤ With regards to the timing of the discards, your opponent must pay the ghost rock or ace the card as their cards are discarded. Then they redraw.

# Goods

#### **Auto-Revolver**

- Costs (including booting the Mad Scientist) must still be paid, so the Scientist must boot in a controlled location and pass a skill check.
- ➤ If you have multiple Auto-Revolvers in the shootout, each can be used to draw an additional card.

#### **Auto Cattle-Feeder**

- The Scientist does not have to be at the Ranch.
- More than one can be attached to the same deed.

#### **Bio-charged Neutralizer**

➤ Only the Bio-charged Neutralizer cannot be affected by other players' cards, so a Sun In Yer Eyes will still turn this dude into a draw. The Bio-charged Neutralizer is not affected by cards that affect attached goods, such as Faithful Hound or Unprepared (although the latter still affects the dude carrying the Bio-charged Neutralizer).

#### Diable en Boite

➤ Cannot be used if the dude in question is saved via Lay on Hands or a similar effect that prevents the dude from being aced or discarded.

➤ If a dude has been assigned to cover casualties, removing him from the posse with the Diable en Boite will not prevent those casualties being applied and the dude being aced or discarded.

### **Dog's Duster**

➤ The dude performing the callout does not have to be the dude wearing the Duster.

### Doyle's Hoyle

➤ If the Resolution ability is used to discard a 2 from your hand, but Doyle's Hoyle does not form part of your final draw hand, you still get the bonus to your hand rank.

### **Fancy New Hat**

- Any pre-existing influence reductions are ignored while a Fancy New Hat is attached.
- ➤ Once the Fancy New Hat is attached, any subsequent influence reductions are ignored.

#### Flame-Thrower

- ➤ If the ability has been used, the controller must take an extra casualty if they lose the round.
- ➤ In the event of tied hand ranks, the lowest poker hand still counts as the loser for this effect.
- In the event of an exact tie for hand value, there is no winner or loser (e.g. identical hands).

#### **Force Field**

- This can raise your hand rank to be equal to your opponent and force both players to take a casualty.
- ➤ It's a +X bonus set when the ability is used; the maximum +X takes into account other bonuses in effect at that time. Abilities played subsequently may further increase or decrease hand ranks.
- May be used multiple times in the same round whenever hand ranks are different.

### **Holy Wheel Gun**

- ➤ By first casualty, this effect means the next casualty to be taken by the opposing player after this ability is played.
- ➤ If multiple effects have been played that claim the first casualty, the player selecting that casualty can select which applies. Once that first casualty has been chosen, any other effects currently in play that require a dude to be selected as the first casualty are ignored.

#### **Idol of Tlazolteotl**

> To determine whether the new deed is legal, examine whether the card could attach to the deed when it first entered play. If it could, it is legal to move the attached card to that deed.

#### **Outlaw Mask**

A dude may equip more than one Outlaw Mask.

#### Pair of Six Shooters

- ➤ If this makes your hand illegal and you have not been hit by a Cheatin' card this draw hand, you may now be.
- > Can be used during lowball.
- ➤ If the modified card is discarded, it immediately reverts to its original value for the purposes of any effects that check the value of the discarded card.

### Plasma Drill

➤ If a player Plasma Drills a 0 production deed, the owner cannot refuse to pay zero ghost rock in order to discard the deed.

### **Quickdraw Handgun**

Any bonuses applied to your hand rank before this switches hands are applied to your new hand; they do not follow your draw hand to the other player.

### **Telepathy Helmet**

➤ If a dude wearing this is hit by Unprepared, the dude is not affected but the Helmet is now blanked. Subsequent shootout actions can therefore affect this dude, including a second Unprepared.

## **Spells**

#### Ace in the Hole

➤ Can be used as a React during a shootout by a Huckster not in the shootout; the rule of presence only applies to Resolution and Shootout actions.

#### Fetch

- Cannot be used to put another player's card into your play hand.
- Can be used to put Ghostly Gun, Doyle's Hoyle, and similar cards that have been added to your draw hand via Resolution plays back into your play hand.

## **Holy Roller**

- $\triangleright$  The +1 bullets applies for the duration of the shootout.
- Protection from being chosen as a casualty applies to the current round only.

#### Lav on Hands

➤ The dude must always be at or adjacent to the Blessed's location.

### **Mirror Mirror**

Can be cast on a dude with the same bullet type as the Huckster.

#### **Puppet**

- Example Can be used to take control of an opposing dude that you already have a copy of in play.
- If you have taken control of an opposing dude, you can still play your own copy of that dude, as you don't have a copy in play that you own.

➤ If you take control of an opposing dude, and then overlay it with an Experienced version, you retain control of that dude after Sundown because control reverts to the owner, which you now are.

### **Raising Hell**

- ➤ If your Boot Hill contains multiple copies of the same Unique Abomination (e.g. through Ace in the Hole), then that Abomination cannot enter play.
- The Abomination that enters play may be the card aced from your draw hand.
- ➤ The Abomination joins the Huckster's posse, and therefore enters play at the location of the shootout.

### **Shield of Faith**

Cannot prevent dude cards in a draw or play hand from being aced.

# Section 3. Errata

### 108 Worldly Desires

**Repeat React:** After you draw a draw hand, if you have less ghost rock than all other players, draw an additional card into your draw hand and then discard a card. You can only use this ability once per draw hand.

#### **Auto Revolver**

While this Auto-Revolver is in a shootout and you are forming a draw hand, when you redraw after discarding at least one card, you may draw one extra card.

### **Bad Company**

**Noon:** Choose a wanted dude. That dude gets +3 bullets and is a stud. If any player collects bounty on that dude this turn, they gain 4 extra ghost rock.

#### Bunkhouse

Dudes with 0 or 1 influence (excluding any modifiers from this deed) have +1 influence while at this deed.

#### Coachwhip

**Cheatin' Resolution:** The cheatin' player must boot one of their dudes. If in a shootout, that dude gets aced instead. If you have a legal hand, you choose the dude to boot or ace.

### **Concealed Weapons**

**Noon:** Your dudes may attach goods and spells (as Shoppin') at locations you do not control, and as Shootout plays.

### Dave "Slim" Gorman

Sloane Gang • Stud 1 • Influence 2 • Cost 5 • Upkeep 1

### Doyle's Hoyle

**React, Boot:** After this dude makes a pull, discard the pull to replace it with this card. **Resolution, Boot:** Discard a card from your draw hand to replace it with this card. If the discarded card was a 2, raise your hand rank by one.

### Hot Lead Flyin'

#### Headline

**React:** After you take casualties for losing a round of a shootout, pull. For each dude you discarded or aced as a casualty this round with a value higher than the pull, the winner takes 1 casualty.

### **Ivor Hawley (Exp 1)**

**React:** After Ivor enters play from your hand, play up to two Hexes or Abominations from your Boot Hill. Reduce those cards' cost by 3 each.

#### Mugging

**Noon Job:** Mark an opposing dude. Boot up to two cards attached to the mark. If the job succeeds, send the mark home booted, and you may ace up to two booted cards attached to the mark.

#### **Nathan Shane**

**Shootout, Boot:** Look at a number of random cards in an opponent's hand up to Nathan's bullet value. You may discard one action card you saw.

### Paralysis mark

**Noon Hex X, Boot:** X is the value of a dude at this location. Boot the dude.

#### Rico Rodegain

Drifter • Draw 0 • Influence 0 • Cost 3 • Upkeep 0

# Undertaker

This deed's controller gains 2 ghost rock each time an in-play dude is aced.

# **Unprepared**

**Shootout:** Choose a dude. Boot that dude and their attached cards. That dude gets –1 bullets and cannot use abilities. Their attached cards lose all traits, abilities, and bullet bonuses.