Expanded Rules for Net Intrusion

If you're coming into this game from an Android: Netrunner point of entry, you probably have a hankering to see your favorite cyber battles play out in a roleplaying game. If that's the case, these expanded rules for net intrusion are for you.

A note on timing: It can be a little difficult to manage a party that's split over two venues, for example, meatspace and cyberspace. Do your best to give each player equal spotlight and suggest ways for your Runner party members to contribute through their incursions. The interesting thing about an Android game is that a Runner can be extremely impactful without being present during an operation. That's a balancing act, but as long as everyone's having fun, then it's working as intended.

If you use these rules, remove the Runner Specialization from the Technician Career and add the following Runner Career along with its four Specializations.

Runner

The Runner's eight career skills are **Computers**, **Coordination**, **Deception**, **Mechanics**, **Perception**, **Streetwise**, **Knowledge (Education)**, and **Knowledge (Underworld)**. A Runner automatically gains one rank in four of these skills (of their choice) without spending experience, and he or she receives a discount when spending experience to purchase ranks in any of these skills.

Anarch

Anarchs gain Coercion, Computers, Deception, and Knowledge (Underworld) as bonus career skills. If this is the character's starting Specialization, he or she may choose two of these skills and gain one free rank in each, without spending starting experience.

Datasucker		Grit	Bypass Security		Black Market
Once per run may					Contacts
reduce the strength					
of a piece of Ice by 1					
before breaking					
subroutines.					
Imp	=	Stimhack	Improved Ice	=	Grit
When inside a server		When initiating a	Destruction		
(having passed all		run, may suffer one	Once per run, when		
ice), may use an		critical injury to gain	encountering a piece		
action to plant an		one Boost die on all	of ice, may spend 1		
Imp virus. An Imp		Computer checks for	Destiny Point to		
can be remotely		the remainder of this	destroy that piece of		
triggered with an		run.	ice without		
Average [DD]			encountering it.		
Computers check to					
disable its host					
server.					

Black Market		Fracter		DDoS		I've Had Worse
Contacts		Specialization		Once per session,		When damaged may
Contacts		Upgrade all		may spend 1 Destiny		suffer 3 strain to
		Computers checks		Point to trigger DDoS		reduce damage by 2
		when using a Fracter		on a sever cluster.		plus ranks in I've Had
		to break Barrier				Worse.
				The outermost layer		worse.
		subroutines by 1.		of Ice on any affected server		
				cluster cannot be		
				rezzed for 24 hours.		
11				rezzed for 24 flours.		11
None Agent	=	I Codebreaker	=	II Grit	=	Ice Destruction
Nerve Agent When inside a server	-	Codebreaker	=	GIIL	=	
						Once per run, after
(having passed all						breaking all
ice), may use an						subroutines on a
action to plant a						single piece of ice,
Nerve Agent virus.						may destroy that
While the Nerve						piece of ice.
Agent is active, the						
Runner may send						
commands to that						
server even when in						
different servers (but						
still within the same						
server cluster).						1.1
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Master of Viruses	=	Dedication	=	I've Had Worse	=	Frame Job
May plant viruses as				When damaged may		After ending a run
maneuvers instead				suffer 3 strain to		that was successful,
of actions.				reduce damage by 2		you may give that
				plus ranks in I've Had		server cluster one
				Worse.		Bad Publicity. When
						a server has a Bad
						Publicity, you gain
						one Boost die
						whenever you
						initiate a run on that
						server. This Boost die
						can be used on any
						Computers checks
						during a run on that
						server, and you lose
						that Boost die if it is
						not used before the
						run ends.

character's starting Specialization, he or she may choose two of these skills and gain one free rank in each, without spending starting experience.

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Bypass Security		Recon		Grit		Know Somebody
		May jack out when				
		encountering a				
		newly rezzed piece				
		of ice once per				
		session for each rank				
		in Recon.				
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Inside Job	=	Recon	=	Convincing	=	Account Siphon
When in the same	_	Recoil	-	Demeanor	_	•
				Demeanor		Whenever you end a
physical location as						successful run, you
the server cluster						may roll a Destiny
and hooked up to						die and gain 10
the same network,						credits for each
may make a Hard						white pip multiplied
[DDD] Computers						by your ranks in
check to bypass the						Account Siphon. If
first piece of Ice						you roll a black pip
encountered during						instead, you are
a run.						tagged.
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Bypass Security	=	Account Siphon		Sneakdoor Beta		Know Somebody
bypass security	_	Account Siphon		After passing all ice		Kilow Joinebody
				on a server, may		
				make a Hard [DDD]		
				Computers check to		
				enter a different		
				server in the server		
				cluster rather than		
				the server that was		
				initially run on.		
Improved Inside Job	=	Recon	=	Killer Specialization		Convincing
Inside Job rolls are				Upgrade all		Demeanor
now Average [DD]				Computers checks		,
difficulty instead of				when using a Killer to		
Hard [DDD].				break Sentry		
ן טטטן.				subroutines by 1.		
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Cupromo lacido lele		Account Circhen		Dodication	_	
Supreme Inside Job	=	Account Siphon	=	Dedication	=	Know Somebody
May upgrade the						
difficulty of Inside						
Job rolls by 2 to						
bypass the second					1	

piece of Ice			
encountered, if			
successful.			

Shaper

Shapers gain **Charm**, **Computers**, **Knowledge (Education)**, and **Negotiation** as bonus career skills. If this is the character's starting Specialization, he or she may choose two of these skills and gain one free rank in each, without spending starting experience.

Tinkerer		Grit		Kill with Kindness		Link	
						Increase your base	
						Link by the number	
						of ranks you have in	
						Link.	
Self-Modifying Code		Paintbrush		Grit	=	Link	
Once per run may		Once per run, when					
gain successes when		encountering a piece					
breaking a		of Ice, may make an					
subroutine equal to		Average [DD]					
ranks in Self-		Computers check as					
Modifying Code.		a maneuver to add a					
		subtype to the					
		encountered piece of					
		Ice.					
Second Chances		Tinkerer		Decoder		Kill with Kindness	
				Specialization			
				Upgrade all			
				Computers checks			
				when using a			
				Decoder to break			
				Code Gate			
				subroutines by 1.			
Self-Modifying Code	=	Second Chances	=	Grit	=	Link	
Self-Modifying Code	=	Mental Fortress	=	Natural Programmer	=	Dedication	

Sysop

Sysops gain **Computers**, **Knowledge (Corporations)**, **Knowledge (Education)**, and **Negotiation** as bonus career skills. If this is the character's starting Specialization, he or she may choose two of these skills and gain one free rank in each, without spending starting experience.

Countermeasure	Technical Aptitude	Improved Tracers	Grit
Mastery		Increase the trace	
Reduce the difficulty		strength of all of	

of receive includes				ioo b 1 for		
of rezzing ice by one				your ice by 1 for		
(to a minimum of				each rank in		
one) for each rank of				Improved Tracers.		
Countermeasure						
Mastery.						
Technical Aptitude		Disable Program		Encryption Protocol		Active
		During a run on one		Upgrade the		Countermeasures
		of your servers and		difficulty of checks to		Whenever a runner
		as an action, you can		use or disable your		passes one of your
		attempt to disable		servers by 1 for each		ice, they suffer 1
		one program in a		rank in Encryption		Strain for each rank
		runner's rig. The		Protocol.		of Active
		difficulty is equal to				Countermeasures
		the runner's Intellect				you have.
		(Computers).				·
Countermeasure		Encryption Protocol	=	Improved Tracers		Grit
Mastery						
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Grit	=	Improved Disable	=	Power Grid		Active
		Programs		Overload		Countermeasures
		You gain two boost		When a runner is		
		dice to disable		tagged, you may		
		programs when		take a Power Grid		
		using the Disable		Overload action to		
		Program action.		attempt a Hard		
				[DDD] Computers		
				check to disable		
				every program in		
				their rig. Gain a		
				bonus die for each		
				additional tag the		
				runner has.		
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Countermeasure	=	Whirlpool	=		=	Hostile
Mastery	1 -	•	-	Dedication	_	Infrastructure
		When a runner				ast. actai c
iviastery		When a runner initiates a run on				Every time the
Musicity		initiates a run on				Every time the runner ends his or
.mustery		initiates a run on your server, you may				runner ends his or
Musicity		initiates a run on your server, you may make an opposed				runner ends his or her turn in your
Musicity		initiates a run on your server, you may make an opposed Computers check. If				runner ends his or her turn in your server cluster, he or
industery.		initiates a run on your server, you may make an opposed Computers check. If you succeed, they				runner ends his or her turn in your
.muster y		initiates a run on your server, you may make an opposed Computers check. If				runner ends his or her turn in your server cluster, he or

Consoles

Every console comes with a base suite of icebreakers pre-loaded. These base icebreakers simply allow you to interact with the common subtypes of Ice that you'll find on the net. If you run without a console, you won't be able to make Computers checks to avoid subroutines on Ice.

Most neteriminals customize their rig with specialized programs or hardware, so each console comes with a number of hard points that can accommodate attachments.

Name	Examples	Price	Encum	HP	Rarity
Akamatsu Netrider	Astrolabe,	300	1	2	3
	Comet,				
	Reflection,				
	Turntable,				
	Vigil				
Cybsoft Mark V	Dinosaurus,	500	3	4	4
	Ekomind				
CyberSolutions Firebrand	Deep Red,	600	2	3	4
	Desperado,				
	Grimoire,				
	Maya				
Dyson v6.4a	Box-E, The	800	4	6	3
	Gauntlet,				
	Logos, Maw,				
	Şifr				
Lemuria Model G	Monolith,	1,000	5	5	4
	Toolbox				
LLDS Leaf	Forger	100	1	1	2
Ramujan Rocketeer	Blackguard,	1,500	3	4	6
	Doppleganger				
Spinal Modem	Spinal	1,000	1	3	8
	Modem				

Akamatsu Netrider

Netriders are sleek, affordable, and moderately customizable. They're a great option for a runner who needs to specialize on a budget. They're also portable and easily concealed or reconfigured into unobtrusive tech such as a glove, monocle, or set of headphones. All of that means Akamatsu Netriders are great for netcriminals who get in the thick of things—much better than a heavy, home-based rig like a Dyson.

Cybsoft Mark V

The fifth commercially available Cybsoft console packs a lot of raw power into a moderately sized package. Heavily customizable, the Cybsoft Mark Vs are a great compromise between cost, opportunity, and portability.

CyberSolutions Firebrand

One of the most popular chassis for netrunning, the base specs on Firebrands are remarkably resilient. Once per run, a runner using a CyberSolutions Firebrand can reroll a single boost, ability, or proficiency die, but they must take the second result even if it's worse.

Dyson v6.4a

Effectively an empty slate, the Dyson v6.4a is a massive block of computing power and empty sockets. Though difficult to transport, anyone looking to build a console from the ground up and operate it from a single location can't go wrong with a Dyson.

Lemuria Model G

What Model Gs lack in subtlety, they make up for in pure processing power. Legends of room-sized consoles built on the Model G chassis circulate on the net, but most people argue that you just don't need that much power behind a single run. When you initiate a run using a Lemuria Model G, you gain two Boost dice that you can add to any Computers check made during that run. You do not have to use both Boost dice on the same Computers check. If you do not use the Boost dice before the end of the run, those Boost dice are lost.

LLDS Leaf

Most netcriminals figure the low-powered LLDS Leaf has more in common with a PAD than a Runner's console, but sometimes you can't argue with the price point, and at least it has a little bit of space for modifications.

Ramujan Rocketeer

The sports hoppers of consoles, Rocketeers, as developed by Ramujan Reliant, use a newly developed proprietary processor that has such a fast refresh rate that some nervous netcriminals think the console is anticipating their thoughts. What this translates to is a smoother interface and faster response time that lets Runners using Rocketeers outmaneuver Ice with surprising ease. Ramujan Rocketeer consoles have the **Expose** and **Overclock** Item Qualities.

Expose (Active)

When activated during a run, the Runner may expose (look at) either any piece of unrezzed Ice or the root of the server they are currently running.

Overclock (Active)

When activated during a run, the Runner upgrades their next Computers check during this run by one.

Spinal Modem

Common among off-the-grid, hardcore netcriminals, Spinal Modems are fused directly to the user's nervous system. It's not pretty, but the direct connections reduce the time that instructions translate onto the net. When you initiate a run using a Spinal Modem, you gain two Boost dice that you can add to any Computers check made during that run. You do not have to use both Boost dice on the same Computers check. If you do not use the Boost dice before the end of the run, those Boost dice are lost.

However, if you are traced during your run, you suffer a **Head Ringer** critical injury.

Attachments

Name	Туре	Price	НР	Rarity	Special
Corroder	Fracter	100	1	4	Reduce the strength of encountered Barrier Ice by 1 to a minimum of 1.
Gordian Blade	Decoder	100	1	4	Reduce the strength of encountered Code Gate Ice by 1 to a minimum of 1.
Ninja	Killer	100	1	4	Reduce the strength of encountered Sentry Ice by 1 to a minimum of 1.
Crescentus		300	1	5	Once per run, after breaking all subroutines on a piece of Ice with one action, may spend a maneuver to derez that piece of Ice.
Net Shield		400	1	3	Prevent the first strain damage each turn.
Akamatsu Mem Chip		100	0	1	Gain 1 hard point. Increase Encumbrance by 1.
Clone Chip		300	1	3	Once per run, may spend a maneuver to enable a disabled program.
Cortez Chip		300	1	4	Once per run, may spend a maneuver to upgrade the rez difficulty of a piece of Ice by 1.
Cyberfeeder		400	1	5	Once per run, gain one [b] when using an Icebreaker.
CyberSolutions Mem Chip		400	0	1	Gain 2 hard points. Increase Encumbrance by 1.
Dyson Fractal Generator		500	1	4	Once per run, gain one [b] when using a Fracter.
Dyson Mem Chip		100	0	1	Increase Link by 1. Increase Encumbrance by 1.
Feedback Filter		300	1	3	Make a Hard [PPP] Computers check to prevent 1 strain damage during a run. Additional successes may prevent additional strain damage.
Lockpick		500	1	4	Once per run, gain one [b] when using a Decoder.
Omni-Drive		400	0	2	Gain 2 hard points. These hard points can only be used to host Icebreakers. Increase Encumbrance by 1.
Rabbit Hole		200	1	1	Increase Link by 1.
Silencer		500	1	4	Once per run, gain one [b] when using a Killer.

Ice

Any server that wants to restrict outside access is protected by Ice: Intrusion Countermeasure Electronics. There are three major subtypes of Ice: Barriers, Code Gates, and Sentries.

- **Barriers** protect data by walling off secure areas and forcing runs to end.
- Code Gates control access to areas by requiring a specific code or sequence to be inputted or solved.
- **Sentries** actively retaliate against intruders through various means.

Every piece of Ice has five elements: Name, Rez Cost, Subtypes, Strength, and Subroutines. Some ice also have static, on-encounter abilities that always trigger when the runner encounters them.

- **Rez Cost** is the difficulty of the roll for a player character to rez a piece of ice (activate it and turn it face up) if they are defending a system. NPC Sysops are supported by teams and super computers and rarely have to pay the rez cost of Ice.
- **Subtype** describes the type of Ice that it is. The most common subtypes are Barrier, Code Gate, and Sentry, but subtypes also include AP, Bioroid, Tracer, and more.
- **Strength** is the difficulty of the Computers check that a character must beat to avoid a subroutine. If the character fails this check, the subroutine will fire at the end of the player's action.
- **Subroutines** are consequences that trigger when a Runner fails their Computers check to avoid them. Each subroutine must be avoided with a Computers check with a difficulty equal to the Ice's strength.

Name	Manufacturer	Rez	Subtypes	Str	Subroutines
Archer	Weyland	4	Sentry, Destroyer	6	As an additional cost to rez Archer, the Sysop must disable a server. • The Sysop gains 1 Boost die to re-enable 1 server. • Disable 1 program. • Disable 1 program. • End the run.
Bastion	Open Source	4	Barrier	4	End the run.
Chum	Jinteki	1	Code Gate	4	The next piece of Ice the Runner encounters during this run has +2 strength. Deal 3 strain unless the Runner breaks all subroutines on that piece of Ice.
Cobra	Open source	4	Sentry, Destroyer, AP	1	Disable 1 program.Deal 2 strain.
Data Raven	NBN	4	Sentry, Tracer, Observer	4	When the Runner encounters Data Raven, he or she must either take 1 tag or end the run. • Trace3 – If successful, give the

					Runner 1 tag.
Enigma	Open source	3	Code Gate	2	The Runner forfeits their next maneuver.End the run.
Guard	Open source	4	Sentry	2	Guard cannot be bypassed. • End the run.
Hadrian's Wall	Weyland	10	Barrier	7	Hadrian's Wall can be advanced and has +1 strength for each advancement token on it. Remove all advancement tokens when the run ends. Sysops can perform an Advancement action with a Hard (PPP) Computers check. • End the run. • End the run.
Heimdall 1.0	Haas-Bioroid	8	Barrier, Bioroid, AP	6	The Runner can spend one maneuver to break any subroutine on Heimdall 1.0. Deal one critical injury. End the run. End the run.
Hunter	Open source	1	Sentry, Tracer, Observer	4	 Trace3 – If successful, give the runner 1 tag.
Ice Wall	Weyland	1	Barrier	1	Ice Wall can be advanced and has +1 strength for each advancement token on it. Remove all advancement tokens when the run ends. Sysops can perform an Advancement action with a Hard (PPP) Computers check. • End the run.
Ichi 1.0	Haas-Bioroid	5	Sentry, Bioroid, Tracer, Destroyer	4	The Runner can spend one maneuver to break any subroutine on Heimdall 1.0. Disable 1 program. Disable 1 program. Trace1 – If successful, give the Runner 1 tag and do 1 critical injury.
Neural Katana	Jinteki	4	Sentry, AP	3	Deal 3 strain.
Tollbooth	NBN	8	Code Gate	5	When the Runner encounters Tollbooth, he or she must pay 30 credits, if able. If the Runner cannot pay 30 credits, end the run. • End the run.

Viktor 1.0	Haas-Bioroid	3	Code Gate, Bioroid, AP	3	The Runner can spend one maneuver to break any subroutine on Viktor 1.0. • Deal 1 critical injury.
					● End the run.
Wall of Static	Open source	3	Barrier	3	End the run.
Wall of	Jinteki	8	Barrier, AP	5	Deal 2 strain.
Thorns					 End the run.
Wraparound	NBN	2	Barrier	7	If your console has a non-disabled fracter attachment, Wraparound has 0 strength. • End the run.

Traces

Traces happen when defensive measures attempt to find the location of an intruder. When a trace initiates, the Runner must make an **Average [PP] Computers** check to avoid it. However, the difficulty of the Computers check is increased a number of times equal to however much the trace strength exceeds the Runner's link.

For example, Kate has a link of 3, and she initiates a run on an NBN server. She is unable to break the tracer subroutine on a piece of ice, and a trace with a strength of 5 is initiated. Since the trace strength exceeds her link by 2, the check is increased by 2, turning an **Average [PP] Computers** check into a **Daunting [PPPP] Computers** check.

If the Runner fails to avoid a trace, the subsequent text fires. This often results in a tag.

Tags

Runners can remove tags by jacking out of their run and clearing their systems with a **Hard [PPP] Computers** check. If the runner has multiple tags, upgrade the difficulty of the Computers check by 1 for each tag after the first.

For example, Kate failed her Computers check and gained a tag. She decided to continue her run, and encountered another trace. After failing that second check, she decided to jack out with two tags. To clear her system, she has to succeed on a **Hard** [PPP] Computers check, upgraded once to a pool of [PPC].

When you're tagged, the sysops of the system you were intruding on know where your net presence is in their system, and they can backtrace your physical location. Backtracing is mostly a narrative tool for the Game Master to use to put pressure on runners.

Depending on the corp you were running on, you may expect your accounts to be closed or a Prisec team to burst in through your windows. Better hope you were packing your plascrete or that your sports hopper is idling nearby.

Servers

Servers are interconnected points of access and data that corporations and outfits protect with Ice. Each server controls a number of systems such as security, confidential files, utilities, transportation, and guidance systems.

Once a Runner has passed all pieces of Ice protecting a server, they gain access to whatever that server controls, and they can spend their actions making Computers checks to disrupt or refocus the processes of that server. Every server has a strength, and this is the difficulty of Computers checks to manipulate a server. If the runner wants to disable a server, the difficulty is upgraded by one.

For example, if a Runner gains access to a security hub server, they may be able to put security cameras on a loop or turn off infra-red alarms. If they gain access to the building's systems, they could turn off individual lights, unlock networked doors, or disable all of the elevators. All of those checks would have a difficulty equal to the server's strength.

If the Runner wanted to completely disable a system, they would make a Computers check, but the difficulty would be upgraded by one.

Once a runner has gained access to a server, it's usually a lot easier to move around within the server cluster as Ice protection between servers is normally not as robust as protections against intruders.

Example Server Cluster Always enter from the top			
Ice		Ice	
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Security (Strength 4)	Ice	Building Operations (Strength 3)	Personnel Files (Strength 2)
Ice			
Ice			
Research and Development (Strength 3)			

Anatomy of a Run

During a run, as with during a combat, player characters can take Maneuvers and Actions.

Maneuvers

- Move from a passed or bypassed piece of Ice to the next innermost Ice
- Move from a server to a piece of Ice protecting an adjacent server
- Move from a server to an adjacent server if there is no Ice separating the two servers
- Jack out, ending the run. You may only take this maneuver when in a server or after passing or bypassing a piece of Ice

Actions

- Encounter a piece of Ice, making a separate Computers check against all subroutines. Once all
 checks have been made, unbroken subroutines fire in order. If the run is not ended, the Ice is
 passed
- When in a server, make a Computers check (with a difficulty equal to the server's strength) to manipulate that server
- When in a server, make a Computers check (with a difficulty equal to the server's strength and upgraded by one) to disable that server