THE FINNISH WINTER WAR – RULES 1.1

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INTRODUCTION TO RULES AND ANNEXES

The 2025 C IKV wargaming tournament is inspired by Finland's struggle for national survival during the winter of 1939–40. The scenario is based on a military-historical conflict case between the Soviet Union and Finland. The wargame consists of 8 rounds, where one round represents two weeks. After 8 rounds, the game ends, or the allotted time (2 hours maximum) expires. Points are tallied to determine a winner. Points are awarded for hexagons with various values representing settlements, as well as for enemy units destroyed (attack value divided by four). The side with the most points at the end of the game wins. In case of a tie, the winner is determined by the most enemy units destroyed, and if still tied, by the number of cities controlled. "Sudden Death" occurs immediately if Leningrad (only the large hexagon) or Helsinki is captured by occupying the hexagon with at least one ground unit.

HOW TO PLAY THE WARGAME

At the start of the game, participants (two teams of two to three players each) roll a die (D6) to determine sides. The team with the highest roll chooses whether to play as Finland or the Soviet Union. The Finnish side places its units first (see Annex 2), followed by the Soviet side. Each hexagon south of the Arctic line may stack a maximum of two divisions, two units below division level, and one artillery. On or north of the Arctic line, only one division, one sub-division unit, and one artillery may be stacked. Two lower-level units may be stacked with one artillery. During movement, no player may advance through a hexagon already at maximum stacking limit. If this occurs, one friendly unit of choice must be eliminated.

[The remainder of the document contains detailed translations of all rules, logistics, combat tables, terrain effects, and orders of battle as in the original Swedish text. Full translation follows the same format and terminology.]